

A Glance Into the Past From the files of The Bayard News The Bagley Gazette (now The News Gazette)



70 Years Ago

November 1955

Last Saturday more than 100 Dowling High School boys from Des Moines came to Bayard where they picked 350 bushels of corn on the James H Murrane and Paul Murrane farms. They received 50 cents a bushel for the corn and all proceeds were donated to the “Harvest of Hope” campaign for the Crippled Children’s Society of Iowa.

Two Polk county deputy sheriffs escorted the boys to Bayard. They came in a school bus and a caravan of about 15 cars driven by members of the Dowling Dad’s club. They received instruction from James H Murrane before they went to the fields.

Voters in the Bagley Independent school district gave approval to bond the district in the amount of \$12,500 to rebuild and modernize the athletic field. Almost 70 percent of the votes cast were in favor of the proposal as 222 voted yes and only 100 opposed it. The election was last Thursday.

Land adjacent to the present athletic field will be bought and then the enlarged field will be leveled and seeded. Lights for football and baseball will be added.

Last Thursday evening 422 cash customers plus 37 cooks passed through the food line at the Smorgasbord at the Bagley Methodist church. And, if anyone failed to get his fill of good food it was his own fault because there appeared to be literally tons of delicious and tasty morsels.

The Woman’s Society of Christian Service sponsored the Smorgasbord with Mrs Emmett Cain and Mrs Verne Brobst acting as the committee in charge. Mrs George Windebank of Perry supervised the entire undertaking.

Gilliland Implement in Bagley has for sale a new automatic washer \$215.00, used 8 ½ ft I-H Refrigerator \$90.00, used 11 ft I-H freezer \$315.00, new 8 ½ ft I-H Refrigerator \$175.00, used I-H 3 S Cream Separator \$85.00 and permanent anti-freeze \$2.17 per gallon.

Iowa Electric Light and Power Company is selling for \$1.00 down a new Sunbeam controlled heat automatic fry pan for only \$19.95. After you pay the \$1.00 down then you will pay \$2.04 a month on your electric service bill.

Area movie theatres will show the following movies: “Shotgun” with Sterling Haden, Yvonne DeCarlo, and Zachery Scott, “Francis In The Navy” starring Donald O’Connor and Martha Hyer, “Captain Lightfoot” with Rock Hudson, Barbara Rush, Jeff Morrow, “Dawn At Socorro” with movie stars Rory Chandler and Dan Duryea.

The future of the continuing fight against polio will depend in large degree on the success of next January’s March of Dimes, Kenneth Robinson, Guthrie county chairman, declared today.

“The Salk polio vaccine marks a magnificent victory over the virus,” they said “but the disease caused by the virus is not licked yet. It won’t be until polio crippling can happen only when everybody who is susceptible has been given the protection vaccine affords, and when we have rebuilt the lives of tens of thousands for whom the vaccine has come too late.”

Salk vaccine in 1954 was proved 60 to 90 percent effective and since then it has been increased in potency. This means possibly an even higher percentage of protection was given those who received at least two shots before the 1955 polio season. Getting your shots is very important.

50 Years Ago

November 1975

Bagley’s new library board was announced and they are Peach Wilt, Lurene Irwin, Kathy McCartney, Julie Cornelius, Johnny Lee Davis, Darwin Grow and George Brooks. Mrs Irwin is president, Mrs McCartney is vice president and Davis is secretary.

Scott Rose is a senior at Bayard High. To know him better we have asked him some questions. He is involved in chemistry, government, English literature, career education and work-study which is stacking feed and seed corn at Garst and Thomas. Scott enjoys playing chess, hunting, fishing or snowmobiling. He is fond of being out in nature.

Scott has been the football manager his senior year for the varsity and has done a tremendous job. High praise is spoken by the players and coaches.

Scott enjoys pop rock, the movie “Starsky and Hutch,” and fried chicken and baked potatoes.

Scott wants to go on job train-

ing after high school with an independent telephone company.

Another senior that the Red Ember is interviewing is Debbie Sigler.

One of the most unforgettable experiences for Debbie since birth was her marriage September 29 to Gerald “Butch” Sigler. She moved here from Audubon.

After graduation she wants to find a job and commence working.

Perhaps her favorite pastime is horseback riding. Some of her favorites are ice cream, Loretta Lynn, the color yellow and her favorite movie “Winter Hawk.” She also likes watching television.

Debbie and Butch live above the bank in Bayard and belong to the Bayard Church of Christ.

Mr and Mrs Jim Redfern of Guthrie Center announce the engagement of their daughter, Valorie to David McCool of Bayard.

Valorie graduated from Guthrie Center schools and is employed in Des Moines. Mr McCool attended Iowa State University and is engaged in farming.

Three more Guthrie county farms have been added to the Century Farm designation sponsored for the bicentennial celebration next year.

To qualify for this distinction, a farm must have been owned by the same family for at least 100 years.

Harry Woodvine of Linden has a farm in Guthrie County that has been in the family since 1852. Bette H Jenkins owns a farm that has been in her family since 1856 and Guy Spitler of Adair has a farm that hasn’t changed hands since 1870.

A one-car accident Saturday about midnight two miles south of Guthrie Center is still under investigation by sheriff’s deputies. Driven by Michael Lynn Smith 16 of Panorama, the 1974 Mercury was considered a total loss.

Smith was taken to the Guthrie County hospital with a broken shoulder. A passenger, Sherle Underwood of Panorama, was admitted for treatment. Gary Grow of Guthrie Center and Brenda Adams of Panorama were checked at the hospital.

Yale Farmers Cooperative reports over \$65,000 in cash is to be paid to members this year, over \$500,000 in net savings since 1973. Your cooperative paid \$34,000 in taxes this year, plus being able to furnish all your fertilizer, chemical and petroleum needs. The facility is capable of handling 250,000 bushels of grain. Your cooperative provides employment for 12 full time persons and numerous part time employees for a total annual payroll of \$150,514 injected directly into our community’s economy.

Beulah Kopaska entertained nine members of the Birthday Club on Tuesday, November 11.

30 Years Ago

November 1995

Peoples Trust and Savings Bank of Grand Junction, Guthrie Center and Rippey and Security National Bank of Jefferson and Scranton have reached an agreement to combine the banks, subject to regulatory approval. The resulting bank, Peoples Trust and Savings Bank, will become the largest community bank in the Greene-Guthrie County area. It will have assets of \$78 million, with five offices across this region.

In discussing the reason for this combination, Douglas Van Dyke, President of Peoples Bank and Jerry Marso, President of Security National, stressed the fact that the banks serve very similar customers and have an obvious geographic fit with their location of offices. Both banks focus on local, community basked banking services in these counties, with their strong agricultural bases and diversified economies.

Bayard and Bagley Volunteer Firemen and friends spent several hours last Saturday and Sunday picking up corn on the 20 acres the Sheer Farms of Bayard lost to fire. They figure they are half done and they have piled up more than a thousand bushels. The Farmers Coop is paying them five cents below market price for the damage corn. The firemen hope to finish the job of salvaging the corn this weekend. Anyone interested in helping is requested to report at the Duffy farm three miles north and one east of Bayard at 9 am Saturday. The corn was picked up and then run through equipment furnished by Don Bielenberg and Duane Sheer. Some of the individuals helping are Bill Patrick, Darwin and Nick Halterman, Ron Nielson, Rick Barber and Joan Barber. The proceeds could amount to as much as \$6,000. The Sheers have donated the entire

crop so the firemen hope to get the corn picked up before it snows.

The first woman city official in Bayard history was sworn in last week by Bayard Mayor Morgan Monroe. Helen Ayers received the highest number of votes at the November 7 election. She attended her first meeting Monday night. She is filling out the unexpired term of Ron Gustoff who resigned from the Council when he moved out of town.

The Coon Rapids Head Start program is joining more then 740,500 children across the country in celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Head Start program. Head Start has been operating in Coon Rapids for five years. To observe the anniversary, the Coon Rapids Center parents made a large banner to hang outside the classroom. The theme on the banner reads “Hand in Hand for 30 years, Head Start makes a Difference.” The teachers and children also worked together to make the T-Shirts the students are wearing.

The Coon Rapids center is serving families from Bagley, Bayard, Coon Rapids, Glidden and Yale this year. Head Start accepts applications all year from children who are three years old by September 15.

Three Guthrie Center High School seniors earned \$250 scholarships in the Hawkeye Beef Extravaganza at Hawkeye Tech Community College in Waterloo on October 21. They placed fifth out of 14 teams. Team members are: Luke Wells, Tawnia Sheeder and Jason Carroll.

10 Years Ago

November 2015

Members of the Stitch-N-Chatter quilting group in Panorama recently donated 56 handmade quilts and 10 doll quilts to the Children’s Clothing Closet (3 C’s) in Panorama. The quilts will be given as Christmas gifts to 3C’s families. Some of the members are Helene Crowl, Cindy Shook, Pearl Yeager, Ada Miller, Mary Morgan, Ellen Campbell, Candy Thompson, Emmy Harriger, Bea Scott, Sherry Geopfert, Carol Lee Trent, Beulah Carlson, Margaret Hennen and Norma Ahlers.

Members of 2015 Panorama High School football team are: Jonas Roessner, Daniel Pavlistik, Reid Cobb, Gabe Richey, Coach Dan Breyfogle, Coach Andy Bruemmer, Coach Lyle Alumbaugh, Coach Scott Stanley, Max Monthei, Daniel Irving, Manager Mich Richey, Manager Preston Breyfogle, Manager Blaze Schroeder, Nic Parker, Garrett Simmons, Adam Hackfort, Trent Sloss, Trey Cobb, Ethan Hupp, Thomas Dugan, Koltin Sloss, Kalb Stogdill, Victor Barroso, Dylan Douglass, Curtis Burns, RJ Barroso. Justin Rolfes, Daniel Jensen, Blaine Barber, Tanner Godfrey, Matt Greenlee, Kolby Burns, Quinten Pote, Tate Willey, Jacob Holwenger, Logan Krueger, Milo Merical, Jonah Wright, Garrett Boatman, Levi Richey, Nick Thorn, Grant Zajicek, Allias Stahl, Conner Meinecke, Dalton Holmes, Tyler Van Houten, Aaron Klinge, Jack Fisher, Gunnar Grunsted, Jeremy Randol, Cameron Allen, Matt Weber, Tanner Wasson, Dalton Bennett, Noah Ramsey, Clint Summers, Brody Rickheim, Levi Leiferman, Cain Neuharth, Spencer Hunt, Gracen Welberg, Garrett Fox and Nick Clayborn.

Members of the 2015 Panorama High School cross country team are: Josie Arganbright (manager), Joselyn Carrillo, Brianna Hoffman, Maisie Knapp, Bryn Steffen, Mallorie Pittman, Emily Smith, Taylor Rishel, Mathison Twigg, Ada Schauer (manager), KC Galkjen (manager), Maggie Smith, Meredith Olson, Brooklyn Behrends, Hope Arganbright, Maddie Knapp, Lydia Knapp, Devyn Kemble, Mykenzie Olson, Ben Marwedelm, Mitchell Wagler, Drew Hafner, Chance Webster, Sam Webster, Josh Carstens, Danny Nordquist, Erik Olsen, Bryant Thompson, Austin Behrends, Kaleb Randel, Garrett Young and Katy Bassett (managr).

Members of the 2015 Panorama High School volleyball team are: Jade Harwell, Anna Duis, Shelby Welch, Emily Houston, Maddi McNeill, Baylee Gymer, Adrienne Powell, Jaelyn Waddle, Hannah Woodworth, Bailey Beckman, Erica Block, Madi Fear, Faith Powell, Nicole Rolfes, Carson Fisher, Olivia Richey, Vallerie Storesund, coach Renae Follmuth, Kennedy Kuta, Brooke Halterman, Tasha Kirk, Moran Johnk, Christin Koch, Dez Klinkeful, Hope Wilderman, Jensen Wilke and Coach Sheena Brewer.

Members of the 2015 Panorama High School cheerleading squad are Shelby Welch, Grace Arganbright, Michell Mleynek, Skye Demonbreun, Morgan Twigg, Kate Wingert, Morgan Johnk, Christin Koch and Makena Woodvine.

Coon Rapids- Bayard Crusader Cheerleader are Brianna Goebel, Brandi Rosonke, Brittany Wiskus, Megan Langel, Lillie Ceminisky and Yajaira Ramirez.

Members of the Coon Rapids-Bayard volleyball team are: Jada Thompson, Natalie Hart, Emily Baker, Annah Heck, Taylor Pevestorf, Jade Hays, Ashton Murh,

Brianna Davis, Kaity Esslinger, Tiara Janssen, Tianna Jansen, Marissa Oswald, Shayla Shirbroun, Katelynn Winnett, Jacey Hoffman, Hannah Baker, Kaitlyn Culbertson, Jorrie Esslinger, Julia Brooks, Sydney Honold and Megan Dentlinger.

Team football members of CR-B are Christian Cook, Nathan Derner, Brandon Riley, Brandon Evans, Juan Trevino, Zach Evans, Patrick McAlister, Sam Obert, Liam McAlister and Isaac McAlister, Tyson Byerly, Zach Lee, Carter Hilgenberg, Clayton Heck, Chase Heithoff, Keenan Olson, Brody Schlepp, Ian Hoffman, Colton Lenz and Trevor Lucht. Other members include Cain Chester, Trenton Golay, Dalton Arnold, Gabe Fell, Jacob Derner, Ben Obert, Mathew Langel, Lane Namanny, Jared Smouse and Chris Jackson.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Guthrie County Board of Supervisors, has received a construction permit application for a confinement feeding operation, more specifically described as follows:

Name of Applicant: Oakview Pork, LLC

Location of the proposed construction: Section 13 of Dodge Township.

Type of confinement feeding operation structure± proposed: Increasing animals only at an existing swine confinement facility.

Animal Unit Capacity Of The Confinement Operation after Construction: 2999.2 animal units (7498 head of swine finishers)

Examination: The application is on file at the County Auditor’s Office and is available for public inspection during the following days: Monday – Friday and hours: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Comments: Written comments may be filed at the County Auditor’s Office, until the following deadline: December 10, 2025.

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BAGLEY, IOWA, AND OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND ADOPT BUILDING AND LAND USE REGULATIONS

The City Council of the City of Bagley, Iowa, will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting at the Bagley City Hall at 207 Main Street in Bagley, Iowa, on December 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., on a proposal to establish a restricted residential district encompassing the entire city limits in accordance with the restricted residence district provisions of Iowa Code Section 414.24 and to adopt building and land use regulations.

All local residents who appear at said meeting shall be given an opportunity to express their views for or against the proposals. At the meeting, or any adjournment thereof, the City Council of Bagley will adopt ordinances and resolutions, as necessary, determining whether or not to proceed with the proposals.

This notice is given by order of the City Council on November 4, 2025.

/s/ MICHELLE HALBUR, City Clerk

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Need Help with Your Heating Bill?

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has been established to help qualifying low-income Iowa homeowners and renters to pay for a portion of their primary heating costs for the winter heating season. The assistance is based on household income, household size, type of fuel, and type of housing.

If you are not sure where to apply, Dial 2-1-1 or visit <https://humanrights.iowa.gov/dcaa/where-apply> to contact your local community action agency, or please write to:

LIHEAP

Iowa Department of Human Rights

Capital Complex

Des Moines, IA 50319

Or call your local community action agency, New Opportunities, 400 State Street, Guthrie Center, 641-747-3845.

IINCOME MAXIMUMS

Household Size

Annual Gross income

1.....	\$31,300
2.....	\$42,300
3.....	\$53,300
4.....	\$64,000
5.....	\$75,300
6.....	\$86,300
7.....	\$97,300
8.....	\$108,300

For households with more than eight members, add \$11,000 for each additional member

WHEN TO APPLY:

Elderly (60 and over) and/or disabled: October 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026

All other households: November 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026.

WHAT TO PROVIDE:

Proof of income (for all household members age 18 and over) Depending upon your household income type, income documentation from the past 30 days, the last 12 months, or last calendar year, whichever is easier or more beneficial for you.

Proof of Social Security numbers of ALL household members (documentation required).

Most recent heat bill

Most recent electric bill

WAGE EARNERS:

Take copies of your check stubs for the 30-day period preceding the date of application, or a copy of your federal income tax return.

FIXED INCOME:

This income may include Social Security Benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Veteran’s Assistance, Unemployment Insurance, and pensions. Please provide copies of your check stubs from the previous 30 days.

SELF-EMPLOYMENT/FARMERS:

Please provide a copy of your most recent federal income tax return.

Note:

Additional countable income and/or income verification not listed above may be required for eligibility determination

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