

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



80 Years Ago

April 1946

The first general examination for probational appointments in the Federal Civil Service since the return of regular civil service procedures was announced this week by Rena B. Smith, regional director, 8th region. This examination is for typists, CAF-1 at \$1506 a year, and stenographers, CAF-2 \$1704 a year, for positions in the eighth civil service region, which includes Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, North and South Dakota and for positions in Washington DC. Appointments to similar positions at higher salaries may also be made from this examination.

Applicants must be citizens or owe allegiance to the United States. The age limits are 18 to 62, except for veterans and persons in the federal service who are war service indefinite employees.

A new refrigerator to be used in connection with the hot lunch program in the Bayard schools will be paid for in part by proceeds from a carnival scheduled for Thursday night, March 28. The carnival is sponsored by the Bayard PTA and will start at 8 pm at the schoolhouse according to Mrs EA Battles, chairman.

If you are working on your Easter menu, you might be interested in the door prize—which will be a 17 pound ham. A beautiful occasional chair will be awarded to the holder of one of the tickets which have been sold. A pair of precious nylons will be featured in a raffle.

One of the big attractions will be a cake walk. Also there will be a bingo stand, all kinds of booths, a lunch stand and a novelty stand.

Three boxing matches will be held and movies will be shown. An evening of fine entertainment is promised by those in charge, and all of the proceeds will go toward the purchase of the refrigerator.

Guthrie Centers New Garden Theatre has "Comered" showing with Dick Powell. In the near future see "Confidential Agent" with Charles Boyer, Lauren Bacall. Another great show is "Breakfast in Hollywood" with Tom Breneman.

Scranton area resident be sure to take the family to see these movies being shown. First is "Chicago Kid" with Donald Barry in this action drama of wartime black markets. Another great show is "Nob Hill" with George Raft, Peggy Ann Garner and Joan Bennett. Wednesday only see "The Scarlet Claw" with Basil Rathbone as Sherlock Holmes in this mystery thriller.

Perry Theatre is showing Robert Walker, Jean Porter and Keenan Wynn in "What Next, Corporal Hargrove?". The star Edgar G Robinson can be seen in "The Woman In The Window."

Brideson Hatchery and Produce in Bayard reminds us with whole milk worth \$3.50 a hundred, it costs about \$49.00 to feed a calf on milk alone, during the first four months.

You can do it with only 200 pounds of whole milk when you add 100 pounds of Cargill Calf Meal and save about \$36.00

Results of the 1945 Christmas seal sale were announced this week by Mrs WL Hawn, county chairman. A total of \$2547.47 was reported, which shows a slight decrease from last year's sale. The state association had set a goal of five percent gain, but despite the fact that this goal was not attained; Mrs Hawn expressed the opinion that Guthrie County compared favorably with other reports.

The Highland Hawk-

eye 4-H members held their monthly meeting at the schoolhouse Wednesday evening, March 14.

This was family night and after the business meeting the boys entertained a group of 29 with games and contests. Refreshments were served by the boy's mothers.

60 Years Ago

April 1966

The Memorial Theatre in Glidden is showing the movie "Help" starring the Beatles. The movie which is in color is straight fiction and sheer fantasy, blending thrills, comedy and music into a wild story line. A movie for the younger set.

Friday and Saturday March 18 and 19- "The Truth About Spring," starring Hayley Mills, John Mills, and James Mac Arthur. This is the story of Spring (Hayley Mills) a beautiful girl who at 18 is lonely because she and her father have been living on a small dirty fishing boat for years by themselves. When her father discovers her loneliness, he encourages a young lawyer to romance her.

Another movie entitled "How To Murder Your Wife," starring Jack Lemmon and Vina Lisi. This is a crazy mixed up comedy about Stanley Ford (Jack Lemmon

) A comic strip creator who finds he is married to a stranded Italian beauty and then plots to get rid of her will be featured Saturday and Sunday.

On April 2 and 3 see "That Funny Feeling" starring Sandra Dee, Bobby Darin and Donald O'Connor. This is another of those masquerading comedies where two girls who make their living by working as cleaning maids move in the apartment of Dobby Darin (Tom Milford). Lots of comedy in this.

Mrs John W Crabb, Jamaica, president of the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs, was made an honorary member of the Harmony Hour club at the Guthrie county convention in Bagley Tuesday. Mrs Elmer Moreland (Ruby), Guthrie Center county chairman; Mrs Melvin Durst (Thelma) Harmony Hour president, who made the presentation and Mrs Jim Houghman, president of the hostess Herndon Community Club.

The Bayard Red's 1965-66 basketball season ended up with a 3-12 record. They beat Manning, Scranton and Manilla, and had a close one with Adair-Casey but lost it by one point. Bayard's high score of the year was 75 points against Scranton in a non conference game.

The first five all shared the honor of being high scorer throughout the season. The Reds ended up with three players in triple figures. Leading the scoring was Neil Lewis with 175 points, followed close by Jim Lyons with 168 points, and Dave Whitver, who pumped in 122 points. The Reds also ended up with three players in triple figures in the rebounding department. Leading the rebounds was Roger Hall with 142, followed by Monte McAlister with 115 and Don Huffaker with 100.

Players coming up are Dan Halterman, Tim Burns, Mark Lyons, Sid Franzen, Longley Parker, and Larry Hilgenberg, plus three of the starters from this year.

John Capel of Fayetteville, Ark, who has been in the Guthrie County jail since early in January has been sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary at For Madison. He appeared before Judge MC Herrick last Friday and pleaded guilty to a charge of false uttering of a check.

Another charge of forgery which had been placed against him was dropped. The charges were filed by William Keebler of Yale last fall after he had accepted two checks from Capel. Each was in the sum of \$20.

Capel had been spending some time in the Bayard area and was arrested in Bayard on warrants issued by Justice of the Peace Emory Robinson of Panora.

Music students composed a group who brought home Division I ratings from Small group Contest at Dallas Center. Individuals receiving this rating are Carol Mozena, Judy McClellan, Paulette Hay, Marcia Kinnick, Sid Franzen, Tom Pitzpatrick, Dave Burmeister, John Greenfield, and Bill Ault.

40 Years Ago

April 1986

Mary and Ray Johnston of the Bayard Care Center observed their seventy-second wedding anniversary on March 14. They were married in a small wedding on March 14, 1914 in Knoxville.

The couple has lived in this area their entire lives, moving only as far as Carroll. Many of their years were spent in the Scranton, Coon Rapids and Bayard areas.

Six of their eight children are living to help their parents celebrate their long married life. Mary and Ray say they can hardly believe its been 72 years, but as they are in fairly good health, they are enjoying life.

Mr and Mrs Howard Kenney of Bagley were honored at the Gateway Center Holiday Inn in Ames on March 8 for producing 168.74 bushels of DK 656 corn.

The issue of Church versus State leashed in a head-on meeting in the Guthrie County Courthouse last Thursday and the state won the first round.

Deborah and James Hall who live in the Dexfield School district in Southeast Guthrie County had been charged with failing to send their daughter, Jenny age 11 to school. They readily admitted this fact but stated that her mother was providing adequate instruction in the home.

After hearing about two hours of testimony in the Magistrate Court of Elaine Messinger, a jury of three men and three women found the Halls guilty.

Since the charge was a simple misdemeanor, the fines were very light. Each defendant was fined \$23 and each assessed costs amounting to \$20.

Guthrie County attorney Dwight Dinkla brought the charges against the Halls and he prosecuted the case.

The Guthrie County case takes on more significance now since the Iowa Senate voted Tuesday to revise the school attendance law and make it easier for parents to teach their children at home. However, the present law is specific and children between the ages of six and 16 must be taught by certified teachers.

On Palm Sunday Eve, Bishop Maurice J Dingman of the Des Moines Diocese presided at the Palm Sunday Mass at St Patrick's and confirmed the combined confirmation classes of St Patrick's in Bayard and St Joseph's in Jamaica. He was assisted by Father Richard Bergman, Pastor and five servers. Those posing for a picture were: Wilmer O'Tool, Shantel Songderoth, Melissa Chapman., Chris Smith, Shonda Smith, Brian McAlister, Travis Hilgenberg, Colleen Caraher, April O'Tool, Kevin Fister, Travis Eischeid, Chad Frantum, Brett McAlister, Jason Higgins, Brian Blair, Patrick O'Tool, Audrey Smith, David Smith, and Brent Betts.

The farm home of Mary Ann and Ron Patrick across the road from the Trinity Church in Willow Township was gutted by fire Monday afternoon. The Bayard Volunteer firemen answered the call and then requested help from

Coon Rapids. Most of the household goods of the Patrick family were saved. At the latest report, they plan to rebuild. Also, it was reported that they had no insurance.

Myrtle Gruber of Bagley was 80 years old Sunday, March 23. This event was celebrated at two events in her home. One was an open house and one was a supper.

Congratulations to Ginger Lloyd for being the March Employee of the month at the Bayard Care Center.

Take your choice either \$1.00 off film developing or double prints when you present the coupon that appears in the paper when you take your film for developing.----Bayard County Store.

Bayard Fire Department's annual dance will be on Saturday, April 5 from 9 pm to 1 am. At the Bayard Community Center. Music will be provided by John France.

20 Years Ago

April 2006

One of the newest ag businesses in this area is the Cloverleaf Dairy. Merici and Russell Sheeder of rural Guthrie Center began milking cows in 1997 and are now marketing four types of milk and cream in returneable glass bottles plus creamy butter. They replenish their herd with heifers born on the farm

The Sheeder children are an important part of Cloverleaf Dairy. Each has several jobs for which they are responsible. Emily, Becky and Grant Sheeder help out their parents operation in anyway they are capable.

Susan Kraft of rural Bagley was hired as the new Bagley City Clerk. Kraft was offered the position at the March 6 meeting of the Bagley City Council.

Six candidates were interviewed for the job. The Council was impressed with the number of quality applicants, selecting Kraft for the position. She will train with Kristi Irving who is serving as temporary city clerk and Council person Vicki Sellers.

Helen and Melvin Clark have been married 58 years on Tuesday March 21. They would enjoy receiving cards from friends and relatives. Mail your card to their Yale address.

A card shower is planned honoring Leroy Van Gundy for his 80th birthday. Mail your greeting to his Bagley address.

In Memoriam: Leonard Siedhoff born in 1924, Clair Latimer 92 of Yale, Fred Williams 73 of Panora, Dale Grow 88 of Perry and Donald Garloch 51 formerly of Guthrie

Center. Vera and Larry Kenyon of Guthrie Center enjoyed a trip to Alaska in June of 2005. The journey was a gift from their children in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. Vera was the guest speaker at the Harmony Hour Study Club guest night on March 15.

Guthrie County Hospital Foundation has received \$15,000 for naming rights on one of three new patients rooms.

Mark Oleson and DeeAnn Wedemeyer-Oleson of Guthrie Center have pledged funds for naming rights. Wedemeyer-Oleson is the Director of Pharmacy at Guthrie County Hospital and serves as secretary on the Guthrie County Hospital Foundation Board of Directors.

When Jeanine Whetton of Casey and Ernie Wedemeyer of Adair were married in 1958, they merged two large families from these communities. This union resulted in three children: Doug, David and DeeAnn.

"My brothers and I have a great interest in and appreciation for our extensive family trees," said Wedemeyer-Oleson. "This is wonderful opportunity to honor the generations of Wedemeyers and Whetstones who have come before us."

The former Physical therapy area is being transformed into three new patient rooms. Each room will have private bathing facilities as well as Internet access and DVD capability.

The Guthrie County Hospital Foundation Board of Directors decided to offer naming rights to a new room for a minimum of \$15,000. It is an ideal way to honor or memorialize families, individuals or businesses.

It is expected the new rooms will be available by late April 2006.

If you are interested in naming a room, please contact, Jodi Sutton, Director of Development.

Eleven year old Allison Bump of Ponora was the featured artist on the placemats at the Guthrie County Pheasants Forever annual banquet on March 11. She drew "wild-life scene advertising" for her father's business, Bump Law Firm. The daughter of Karen and Jeff Bemp will showcase her talents again next year as the firm purchased the placemat rights during the fundraising auction. Allison assisted with the drawing for prizes along with Darcy Robson, secretary/treasurer. The local PF chapter took in \$13,742 that evening but has some expenses to come out of the total.

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR GUTHRIE COUNTY

PEOPLES BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.
RYAN D. WEARMOUTH,
CHRISTI M. WEARMOUTH,
CAPITAL ONE, NA, PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC, CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES OF IA, INC., and PARTIES IN POSSESSION Defendants.

CASE NO. EQCV083801

ORIGINAL NOTICE

TO THE PARTIES IN POSSESSION:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Petition In Equity And Notice of Foreclosure Without Redemption, Notice of Lis Pendens (and any documents filed with it) (the "Petition"), has been filed in the office of the Clerk in this Court naming you as a defendant in this action, which petition prays for entry of judgment in rem against the following-described real estate:

Lots 7 and 8 of Terra Vista Estates, in the Town of Panora, Guthrie County, Iowa which is locally known as 513 West Land Court, Panora, Iowa 50216 (the "Property").

The attorney for the Plaintiff is **Brady R. Kruse of Dickinson, Bradshaw, Fowler, & Hagen P.C.**, whose address is **801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3700, Des Moines, IA 50309**. That attorney's telephone number is **(515) 243-4191; facsimile number (515) 246-5808; and email bkruse@dickinsonbradshaw.com**.

JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU unless you file an Appearance and Answer within **20 days** after the day of the last publication, April 22, 2026, and within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Guthrie County, Guthrie Center, Iowa. If you do not, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU for the relief demanded in the Petition.

YOU MUST ELECTRONICALLY FILE an Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the Court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** after the day of the last publication, and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the place and time of the hearing on this matter.

If you electronically file an Appearance and Answer, EDMS will serve a copy of the form on the Plaintiff, unless Plaintiff is exempt from electronic filing, or on the attorney for Plaintiff. The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff.

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR GUTHRIE COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DARRELL C. SHOOK, Deceased

PROBATE NO. ESPR ESPR014871

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO: All persons interested in the ESTATE OF DARRELL C. SHOOK, Deceased, who died on or about February 27, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on the 16th day of March, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of Darrell C. Shook, deceased, bearing the date of the December 14th, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Cynthia L. Shook was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and

The Plaintiff has elected foreclosure without redemption. This means that the sale of the mortgaged property will occur promptly after entry of judgment unless you file with the Court a written demand to delay the sale. If you file a written demand, the sale will be delayed until six (6) months (or three (3) months) if the Petition includes a waiver of deficiency judgment) from entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is your residence and is a one-family or two-family dwelling, or until two (2) months from entry of judgment if the mortgaged property is not your residence or is your residence but not a one-family or two-family dwelling. You will have no right of redemption after the sale. The purchaser at the sale will be entitled to immediate possession of the mortgaged property. You may purchase at the sale. Plaintiff seeks foreclosure of a Mortgage instrument recorded March 29, 2016, as Instrument No. 2016-0563, of the Guthrie County Recorder's Office (the "Mortgage"), on the following described real estate in Guthrie County, Iowa:

Lots 7 and 8 of Terra Vista Estates, in the Town of Panora, Guthrie County, Iowa which is locally known as 513 West Land Court, Panora, Iowa 50216 (the "Property").

Plaintiff seeks judgment in rem against the Property for one Promissory Note, dated March 28, 2016, described in the Petition as the, respectively Note, which Note was amended most recently by that certain Change in Terms Agreement dated May 9, 2025, (collectively the "Note") that are all secured by the Mortgage described above in the following amounts.

The total sum of \$207,864.58, representing principal of the Note in the amount of \$198,906.58, plus interest accrued on the Note amount of \$8,630.17, plus late charges in the amount of \$327.83, with additional per diem interest accruing from and after February 3, 2026 in the amount of \$45.78, of all as of February 35, 2025, plus future costs for obtaining a gap title report; plus any other amounts incurred as protective advances; plus statutory interest from the date of the filing of this petition; plus reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs.

You must also notify the Clerk's Office of any address change.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of a disability, immediately call your District ADA Coordinator at (515) 561-5818. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942).

CLERK OF COURT
Guthrie County Courthouse
Guthrie Center, Iowa 50115

IMPORTANT: YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS

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devises under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above-named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 18th day of March 2026

/s/ Cynthia L. Shook
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Notice of Public Hearing - Panorama School Budget

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Proposed PANORAMA School Budget Summary
Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027

Location of Public Hearing: District Board Room Panorama Secondary Building 701 W Main Panora, IA 50216	Date of Hearing: 04/15/2026	Time of Hearing: 05:30 PM		
The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 26/27 school budget at the above noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of the revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request.				
	Budget 2027	Re-est. 2026	Actual 2025	Avg % 25-27
Taxes Levied on Property	1	5,729,296	5,833,918	6,830,321 % -8.4
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	2	50,730	52,808	62,918 % -10.2
Income Surtaxes	3	233,931	279,705	239,902 % -1.3
Tuition/Transportation Received	4	723,084	709,845	693,700
Earnings on Investments	5	196,941	194,031	191,163
Nutrition Program Sales	6	233,832	230,472	227,163
Student Activities and Sales	7	278,998	278,377	277,766
Other Revenues from Local Sources	8	141,005	140,285	139,574
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	9	0	0	0
State Foundation Aid	10	3,904,876	3,845,285	3,744,048
Instructional Support State Aid	11	10,121	0	0
Other State Sources	12	1,092,274	1,075,100	1,057,197
Two Tier Assessment Limitation Replacement	13	69,751	69,751	79,288
Title I Grants	14	82,663	82,663	82,663
IDEA and Other Federal Sources	15	337,636	446,129	538,743
Total Revenues	16	13,085,138	13,238,369	14,164,446
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	17	0	0	0
Transfers In	18	384,962	379,272	373,667
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions	19	2,973	2,973	2,973
Special Items/Upward Adjustments	20	0	0	0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	21	13,473,073	13,620,614	14,541,086
Beginning Fund Balance	22	6,569,952	6,192,768	5,942,785
Total Resources	23	20,043,025	19,813,382	20,483,871
*Instruction	24	7,313,221	7,265,276	6,861,818 % 3.2
Student Support Services	25	352,532	347,162	328,746
Instructional Staff Support Services	26	535,782	526,896	557,048
General Administration	27	337,819	302,880	292,700
School Administration	28	584,625	532,271	511,246
Business & Central Administration	29	149,277	146,347	142,197
Plant Operation and Maintenance	30	1,374,425	1,348,940	1,025,266
Student Transportation	31	750,371	735,121	712,612
*Total Support Services (lines 25-31)	31A	4,084,831	3,939,617	3,569,815 % 7.0
*Noninstructional Programs	32	559,137	550,874	542,733 % 1.5
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	33	747,064	736,024	725,147
Debt Service (Principal, interest, fiscal charges)	34	164,621	162,188	1,958,842
AEA Support - Direct to AEA	35	241,061	210,179	259,081
*Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)	35A	1,152,746	1,108,391	2,943,070 % -37.4
Total Expenditures	36	13,109,935	12,864,158	13,917,436
Transfers Out	37	384,962	379,272	373,667
Other Uses	38	0	0	0
Total Expenditures, Transfers Out & Other Uses	39	13,494,897	13,243,430	14,291,103
Ending Fund Balance	40	6,548,128	6,569,952	6,192,768
Total Requirements	41	20,043,025	19,813,382	20,483,871
Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)		10.17935		