

Tarantula bites man's leg in market

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One Year Ago

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According to Diana Pankonin, who had served as the food pantry coordinator for over 15 years, the shelves at the Perkins County food pantry have never been as bare as they were at the time of this report. The season of charitable giving was approaching quickly, and there was no greater need than right here in Perkins County. Residents were being urged to donate if they could, especially any meat items to make meals with.

Ten Years Ago

November 21, 2002

A fire was reported to the Grant Fire Department in the early morning hours on this Saturday by two pheasant hunters. Ron and Gloria Patrick's quonset had been ablaze for several hours already and unfortunately they had lost several pieces of farm equipment including two tractors and a planter and also a classic Cadillac convertible car. There was no estimate as to total damage cost at the time of the report, and the Patrick's remained grateful for no loss of life and for the tremendous outpouring of support and offers from the community.

Twenty-five Years Ago

November 25, 1987

A two vehicle accident Friday morning near the entrance of the Fairview Cemetery injured three people. A westbound vehicle, driven by Loyal Thompson, turned into the path of an eastbound vehicle, that of Roger Triplette. The jaws of life were used for 20 minutes to retrieve Ina Thompson from the passenger side of the vehicle. She was taken to Perkins County Hospital with a broken clavicle and bruises and scratches. She was released Saturday. There were no other serious injuries reported.

Fifty Years Ago

November 22, 1962

The Chamber of Commerce was holding a competition for local businesses and also for residents of Grant. All were being encouraged to decorate their home and or business for the holiday season. "Let's make this a community project. Let's light every business and home in Grant to advertise to the world our belief in this joyful holiday and its deep spiritual significance. May our lighted windows and hearthsides glow with the warmth of brotherly love and reflect our thankfulness for our many blessings." Prizes were being awarded for first, second, and third place for both businesses and residences.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

November 25, 1937

"Edward Larson, clerk in the City Grocery and Market was a pretty scared boy Saturday night

when upon opening a case of bananas, he felt a sharp pain in his leg, and upon inspection found that a large tarantula had taken refuge in his pant leg and had taken a healthy bite into his leg. A doctor was summoned and he received first aid. Although suffering severe pain Eddie was able to work the remainder of the evening. Investigation later revealed that there were six more of the deadly spiders in the banana case, which were all killed.”