

**Turkey free for all to be held on main street**

**One Year Ago**

*December 8, 2011*

Perkins County Schools were upgrading and the K-2 classrooms were excited to be the recipients of 18 new iPads. The school improvement committee had decided that it would be more beneficial to teachers and students to purchase the iPads instead of anymore desktop machines. The iPads were purchased for just under \$600 apiece. At the time of this report, there were 245 total students using computers in Perkins County Elementary and Madrid Middle Schools.

**Ten Years Ago**

*December 12, 2002*

The trip of a lifetime was awaiting some Perkins County students as they were making preparations to go on a musical tour of Europe the following summer. Chosen for the trip were four Grant students, and one Elsie student. Also attending would be sponsor Susan Hanson and parent Dawnell Glunz. The Nebraska Ambassadors of Music was sponsoring the trip that would send the four students and the two chaperones through seven countries in 16 days in the summer of 2003.

**Twenty-five Years Ago**

*December 9, 1987*

Memories of the past were being rekindled as the Venango Post Office celebrated its 100th year of service. Approximately 140 people passed through the post office that day to say thanks and reminisce.

**Fifty Years Ago**

*November 8, 1962*

Ballentine Pharmacy Christmas Sales  
Giant Cleo Ribbon Roll..... .99¢  
Tree Ornaments..... .57¢  
Noma tree lights, set of 15..... \$2.69  
Sparkling Icicles, 1,000..... .69¢  
Cleo gift wrap, (12) 100 ft. rolls ..... \$1.99  
Cleo gift wrap bows ..... .99¢

**Seventy-Five Years Ago**

*November 11, 1937*

The coming Saturday in Grant was set to be "Turkey Day." and the event was expected to bring in one of the biggest crowds ever. At 3:30 in the afternoon, Dec. 11, several turkeys were going to be released from the back of a truck in downtown Grant. Those who caught the turkeys were to keep them as their prize. The opportunity to secure a free turkey was not the only event to

attract patrons in town that day, many merchants were to be offering great sales as well.