

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

EVENTS OF LOCAL INTEREST

These historical notes were taken from the Public Opinion newspaper archives.

1919: 100 years ago...

Mrs. **William Arnold** of Omaha Nebraska arrived in the city Tuesday evening and is visiting this week at the home of her cousin **C. R. Greenman**. The **Minister William M. Kennedy** who was killed in the auto accident at Gaza Iowa resulting in the deaths of five persons when an automobile was struck by a train recently was a policy holder with the Dakota Life Insurance Company of this city. Proof of his death reached the Watertown office this forenoon. **Marvin Bork** and **Louis Jensen** of Vienna we're out of town visitors Tuesday evening at the casino dance. Lost female Boston Bulldog. Reward if call 2638. Received another shipment of white Georgette and ribbon hats. Schaller's. **Leonard Knight** of Grover was in the city Tuesday.

1944: 75 years ago...

The apparent indifference of a majority of Watertown's residents threatens to endanger harvesting of grain in this territory, County Agent **John Noonan** said today, in announcing that there is an acute need for more men and cars in the city's harvesting campaign. More than a dozen orders received by the farm labor office on East Kemp Avenue are already unfilled, Mr. Noonan said, although the harvest is just beginning. Unless these early orders are filled as they come in, he pointed out, the county is apt to get hopelessly behind in its effort to harvest this year's crops. Additional gasoline is available for cars carrying workers to the fields, Mr. Noonan said, but the workers must be registered at the county labor office before additional rations can be released by the county rationing board. Mr. Noonan also asked all farmers who are planning to use out-of-state workers or Mexicans to place their orders immediately at the county farm office. Fifty Arkansas farm workers are expected to arrive here Friday.

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1979: 40 years ago...

A state workshop for the Women's Bowling Association will be held on Saturday July 28th at the Village Bowl in Mitchell, site of the 1980 State Bowling Tournament. Sessions will begin at 10 a.m. and continue to 12:00 noon. A salad and sandwich luncheon will be served at noon. Afternoon sessions will be from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or as long as there are questions to be answered. **Diane Nelson** WIBC representative will present the workshop. Anyone interested in going who needs a ride is asked to call **Margaret Michaels**.

2004: 15 years ago...

Agent **Bob VanSickle** of Watertown has been named in All American agent by American Family Insurance Group. He joins a select group of agents who have distinguished themselves through sales of American Family Insurance products. Bob has been an agent for American family since April 2003. His office is located at 211 South Highway 20 in Watertown. VFW Post 750 auxiliary met July 14th with seventeen members present. **Stella Schladt** president presided at the meeting. A state award and monetary check was presented to **Travis Nygaard** for his patriotic art poster. **Dick Seifel** gave a talk on the trip he and **Bob Ries** took to Washington D. C. For the World War II Memorial dedication. The charter was draped in memory of **Margaret Jellis**.

Did today's DIH spur a memory? Do you know where the people mentioned today are and what they are doing? If yes, please email our newsroom at news@thepublicopinion.com and let us know.

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