

## First “field of flowers”

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### One Year Ago

*Oct. 13, 2011*

The beginning of October brought three fires in two days to the Grant Volunteer Fire Department. They battled two blazes near Elsie on the 4th, and requested the aid of four other departments to battle a fire on the Chase/Perkins County line on the 6th. The battle on the county line was especially difficult for the crews as they were battling 60 mph wind gusts. Luckily all fires were extinguished with little damage and no injuries.

### Ten Years Ago

*Oct. 10, 2002*

Local banks were reflecting after the robbery and killing of four employees at the US Bank in Norfolk, Neb. Present security measures at Adams Bank in Grant were already reviewed on a monthly basis, but President John Woodmancy said most employees would probably be paying more attention this time around.

This week’s issue marked the 25 year anniversary since the first “field of flowers” was grown by Herman Regier. He was the first sunflower farmer in Perkins County back in 1977, when he made the front page of The Grant Tribune Sentinel.

### Twenty-five Years Ago

*Oct. 14, 1987*

Bean harvest was at about 90 percent complete according to Darrell Kreig of Jack’s Bean Co. Grant volunteer firefighters spent last week showing children how the fire department operates and teaching them fire techniques for fire prevention week.

### Fifty Years Ago

*Oct. 11, 1962*

Hatch’s Grocery List

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Shurfine Crackers, .....   | .29¢   |
| Hills Bros. Coffee, .....  | \$1.19 |
| Toilet Tissue, 4 pack..... | 33¢    |
| Kleenex Tissue.....        | .25¢   |

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

*Oct. 14, 1937*

“One hundred forty-five tons of sawdust and 30 tons of bran were used by farmers in their war on grasshoppers this year. One thousand six hundred and seventy-five gallons of sodium arsenite and 138 gallons of banana oil were used in mixing the bait. The sawdust, bran and sodium were furnished by the local government while local farmers paid for the banana oil and mixing.”

