

# Buffalo Tales

November/December 2014

## Forget-me-not: Selections from an Autograph Book of Mrs. Palmer, Teacher in Gibbon Transcribed By Ross Huxoll

Gibbon, Neb.  
Feb. 22, 1944

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
If you could see my  
wish for you, how tall  
it is — how wide, you'd  
look at me and wonder  
how, it ever got inside.  
From,  
Marilyn Wride



With love,  
Paul  
Reister

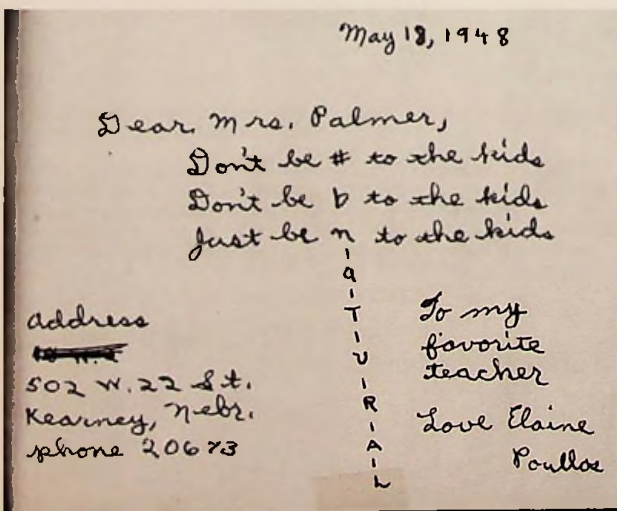
Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
When you get married and your  
[sic] man's cross,  
come over to my house and eat  
applesauce.  
From,  
Carol Murray

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
When the old man come home  
and he's awful cross,  
pick up the broomstick and say  
I'm boss.  
Charles

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
I love you little, I love you big, I  
love you like a little pig.  
Love,  
Rhita Knott

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
If I love you that's my business,  
If you love me that's your  
business,  
If we love each other that's our  
[business],

So let's be  
business-like,  
How about it?  
Love,  
Nola Banik



May 13, 1948

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
Don't be # to the kids  
Don't be b to the kids  
Just be n to the kids

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To my  
favorite  
teacher  
Love Elaine  
Poulloe

May 19, 1948

Mrs. Palmer,

Read	see	that	me
up	will	I	liked
and	you	liked	you
down	and	you	'cause

you're	2	good
	2	be
	4	gotton

Love  
Charlene  
Ferguson  
720 West 23<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Kearney  
Nebr.

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
Columbus discovered America  
in 1492,  
but much before that,  
I found that I was loving you.  
Karen Jill Keenkel

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
If I was a little bunny,  
I'd cut off my tail of fluff,  
And jump into your compact,  
And be your powder puff.  
Sincerely,  
Maren Hamilton

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
Some love ten,  
Some love twenty,  
I love one,  
And that's a plenty.  
With love,  
Mary Marting

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
May God be with you always.  
One of your students,  
Jody Babb

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
There is beauty all around,  
Overhead and on the ground,  
There are birds and flowers and  
trees,  
Butterflies and honey-bees,  
I love grass and skies of blue,  
Tell me,  
Do you love me to [sic]  
Wayne Jerome Cudaback

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
What shall I do,  
What shall it be,  
Just two little words,  
Remember me.  
Your classmate,  
Gary

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
Your face is sour,  
Your glasses thick,  
And all you know is,  
Arithmetic!  
But I love you just the same!  
Margaret

You make me slave over  
spelling and math,  
So now I'll write my  
autograph





Stephen Lowe

Dear Mrs. Palmer,  
Your [sic] as sour as you look,  
You keep our noses in a book,  
You make us work with all our  
might,  
Which is not right!  
Alan Morris

May 28, 1947  
Snowing

2YUB2YURICUR2Y4ME  
Love,  
Joyce Bishop

(For answer: two wise...you be  
two [sic] wise you are...I see you  
are [two] wise for me)

I		cry
I		laFF
I		nite
My		graff

Nancy Henry

### Explore the Holocaust



Explore the history of the Holocaust in an all-inclusive 11-day study abroad trip to Germany, Poland, and the Czech Republic departing in May 2016. Course credit and financial assistance available for students. All ages and the general public welcome as well.

For more information, contact Ross Huxoll, Dept. of History,  
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(Picture and ad submitted by the UNK History Department)

## 2014 Calendar of Events

**All of November:** Christmas Decorating (during regular business hours)  
**First two weekends in Dec. (Dec.6/7 and Dec. 13/14) from 1-5 pm:**  
 Open to the public: 27th Annual Christmas Tree Walk \*\*\* Saturday, December 6 from 12-1pm: Members Only Preview of the 27th Annual Christmas Tree Walk\*\*\*-check out dozens of trees decorated by area not-for-profits that tie their mission into this year's theme. Each theme is announced at the end of the current year's Tree Walk.

### Education notes:

**Listen to Mardi Anderson on KGFW 1340 AM** at 9 am on the last Friday of each month for a fabulous story about Buffalo County!

**Fabulous Fridays** are held on the 2nd Friday monthly at 2 pm. Locations vary, so check the web site.

**January:** Friendship Quilts

**February:** Dowsing

**March:** Jacob's Sheep and Spinning

**April:** Early Electricity in Buffalo County

**May:** Aprons - Now and Then

**June:** One Room Schools

**July:** Early Kitchen Utensils

**August:** Horse Shoeing

**September:** Apples

**October:** Old Time Musical Instruments

**November:** Hand Corn Husking

**December:** Christmas Traditions

Volunteers, chairpersons, and sponsors are still needed. Please contact the office for more information on supporting your Buffalo County Historical Society!

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**We appreciate your support!**

## Director's Report

-The Buffalo County Historical Society's 2015-2016 18 month calendar has arrived and would make the perfect gift for anyone on your list! The high-quality calendar features historic post cards by Solomon Butcher from the BCHS collection along with one from MONA. Reserve yours today by e-mailing bchs.us@hotmail.com, calling 308.234.3041, or visiting the gift shop at Trails & Rails Museum.

-BCHS has secured three interns for the Spring semester of 2015. Grace will be assisting with the Chautauqua planning; Cameron will be helping to identify and inventory items in the depot basement (some of which haven't been touched in over a decade); and Erika will be helping with the backlog of accessioning items accepted by the Collections Committee. All three will also be learning what it takes to be a Museum Director. They will attend meetings, learn how to do deposits, code bills, work with volunteers, plan and execute events, budgeting, etc. BCHS feels very, very blessed to have interns. The goal is to make their experience mutually beneficial!

-Thompson Scholars have been working hard on indexing numerous boxes in the depot basement and indexing files in the archives. Service Learning students from UNK have also been helping with the box indexing.

-Professor Wells' class has been working hard on digitizing Kearney Air Base records from the Buffalo County archive collection.

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