

**HISTORICAL MEMORIES**  
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June 1910 – C. F. Wiggins has plans drawn for an addition to the Houston Hotel. Work will begin at once. The addition will add thirteen rooms on the second floor. Several bath and toilet rooms will be added, and each room will be supplied with hot and cold water. This is a needed improvement and will increase business of this popular hotel.

June 1935 – The Nebraska Supreme Court ruled that the custom of drivers opening the left door of an automobile to indicate a left turn did not comply with the law which was to require the driver now to extend his left arm out of the vehicle for a left turn.

June 1950 – Gothenburg's official census of 2,957 folks brings a nice increase of the 2,300 who were here to be counted in 1940.

June 1950 – Gothenburg's new paving project, twelve blocks of concrete, is about to become a reality. Paving will include Avenue F from 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> and will go up the hill to 20<sup>th</sup>, across to Lake Avenue to join the present paving at 18<sup>th</sup> and Lake Avenue.

June 1960 – The Evangelical Free Church voted to build a new church on the recently purchased lots at the corner of 18<sup>th</sup> and Lake Avenue.

June 1975 – Bernard Norsworthy was named Gothenburg's Father of the Year. An active businessman in the community, Norsworthy has five children and eleven grandchildren.

June 1985 – BRAN 5 wheels its way through Gothenburg. The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Bike Ride Across Nebraska passed through on the third day of their seven day- 549-mile trek. BRAN organizers limit the number of riders to 500.

June 1985 – Six businesses closed this year: Vannier Ford, Farmland Coop Farm and Home Store, CK's Clothing, The Clothes Hanger, Dr. Thalken's Dental and The Shoe Tree.

June 2000 – Frito Lay earns coveted VPP Status. The Gothenburg plant received top honor from (OSHA) Occupational Safety & Health Administration. The Gothenburg site is the first grain facility in the nation to receive the "Star" status in the Volunteer Protection Program (VPP), a self-managed safety regulatory compliance program.

June 2000 – Husker Ag Sales of Gothenburg opened in the former Stebbins Implement Co. building. Husker Ag Sales moved its John Deere dealership from Willow Island.

June 2000 – Gothenburg City crews were taking down old light poles to be ready for the downtown renovation project in which new curbs, gutters, sidewalks, storm sewers and lights would be installed.

June 2010 – The National Pony Express Association commemorated the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ride from St. Joseph, MO to San Francisco, CA in April 1860 and lasted until November 1861. The re-ride is a 20-day national event.



June 1950 – The new Gothenburg Municipal Hospital, located at 20<sup>th</sup> and Avenue F was dedicated with an estimated 2,500 people attending the ceremony. The building site, which was an unkempt hilltop across from E.G. West Park, was purchased for \$3,348.10.

