

## Mrs. Carlson retires after 24 years

Mrs. Glenn (Evelyn) Carlson of Hordville has retired from 24 years of service to the Hordville Public School.

Mrs. Carlson served as the kindergarten bus driver for a year before joining the kitchen staff under Bertha Anderson, who she helped for ten years.

Mrs. Carlson has worked the balance of her service with Mrs. Esther Van Pelt. Doing all the necessary kitchen chores to feed the Hordville students and teaching and support staff.

Evelyn recalls that at one time she baked 18 loaves of bread in a batch and planned the menu for up to 150 plates.

Mrs. Carlson said she had to wash dozens of glasses when milk came in large cans before the packaging changed to individual containers.

She also enjoyed attending food service classes and meetings in Grand Island and other places over the years.

The quantity of food service has dropped since about 1978 but the quality has continued, according to Evelyn.

Groceries were purchased from Gil's Market and from wholesalers to put with the government provided commodity items.

Mrs. Carlson says "it has been a real learning experience and a real challenge." She says before working for the Hordville School she was "a domestic engineer on the farm" and later in town.

Mrs. Carlson is the former Evelyn Reed of the Aurora area. She says she has enjoyed her work and being with the little kids and students.

Some of the students in 1962, when she started, now have children in school. She said she never thought she would work 23 years or more.

The working stopped last year when she fell and broke her hip in July, 1984. She was hospitalized in Memorial Hospital in Aurora and later in Kearney where she had a hip socket replaced.

She said she "had to learn to stay home" and that she is getting along fine with the help of a cane and being very careful.

Mrs. Carlson was honored with a retirement and birthday party last week. Her birthday was April 5. The Hordville faculty and staff presented her with an Easter lily and Superintendent Don Ferguson and the Hordville Board of Education presented a floral basket bouquet.

Students in the elementary classes made home-made greeting cards and the Student Council and secondary classes gave her a photo albumscrapbook. She also received many personal cards of congratulations and good wishes.

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