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THE WEATHER IN HAWTHORNE

	DATE	HI	LOW	PRC	SNOW
Weather reports from	June 8	80	45		
	June 9	79	42		
Mineral County	June 10	86	46		
Nuclear Projects	June 11	82	47		
Office and	June 12	83	49		
National Weather	June 13	86	61		
Service	June 14	90	50		

Ownership History of

Ownership History of "The Heartbeat of America" Comes Back to Hawthorne

The newspaper is flooded with all types of questions but a month ago, Luke Stefanovsky of Ogemaw County, Michigan called regarding an old Chevy pickup.

He told a story about purchasing a 1948 Chevrolet pickup.

The history of this truck can be traced back to Mineral County. In the late 1940's a truck was purchased from Nevada Garage, owned by "Mac" McKinney & Frank Hofsteden by the Mineral County Roads Department.

The truck served in the fleet until sale to Charles Raymond in Lamoille, Nevada purchased the truck in the mid-1960's directly from the county.

Mr. Raymond would eventually give the truck to his son who then sold it to his aunt, Charlotte Willis in the mid-1980's.

The truck was hauled to Texas. Life changed for the couple and they ended up moving to Cadillac, Michigan.

After the death of her husband, Charlotte decided to sell the truck and through a prior sale, current owner Luke Stefanovsky purchased it in 2009 and has worked non-stop in the restoration process.

to Charlotte and she has sent him pictures of her sitting on the left rear fender as a young woman, but the truck's past still fascinated Luke, so he decided to contact Mineral County Road Department and was referred to Louie Combs. Louie helped Luke obtain some old Mineral County seals, which has been installed (back to their original spots) on the doors.

Mr. Raymond has decided to visit with his sister, Charlotte this summer and through the common bond of a 1948 Chevy truck, Mr. Raymond will drive the old truck, 'one more time'.

The truck has gotten a great deal of attention going down the open roads and to classic car shows.

It has appeared in two calendars and one magazine article. The "Heartbeat of America" or should we say "Hawthorne" lives on.

Who would have thought, that an old workhorse from Nevada, would some day become famous?

(Luke is still looking for information on the truck; such as: Nevada Garage logos or pictures of the old truck.

If you have any, please contact him at: Iste-



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