

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1939

“Townsend May Have a Rotarian Chapter”

Whether or not Townsend is to have a Rotary club will depend upon attendance and general interest shown in a meeting held tonight at the Commercial hotel. This meeting will be attended by associate Rotarians from Helena and White Sulphur Springs and S.H. Harrison, organizer from Helena, according to W.L. Emmert, who consented to assist with the organization here.

So far 16 men have signed up and given a check for the charter membership of \$10 and who will probably be on hand tonight. If the organization is perfected it will work in conjunction with the Broadwater Chamber of Commerce and in no ways be an opposing civic body and is a necessary factor in a community of this size, the organizers point out.

1950

“Townsend Briefs”

Earl Fryhling and daughters met Mrs. Fryhling in Missoula last Saturday evening for a continued trip to Ronan, Flathead Lake and other points for a few days vacation and outing. Mrs. Fryhling had been attending the Grand Chapter meeting OES in Missoula.

Chuck Holling is back from Alaska and is again working for A.V. Safley for the Montana Power Company.

Miss Trena Hollaway is spending the week in Helena, guest of Miss Enid Overturf.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Rains of Charleston, Ill., are here visiting their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. Garrison Rains and three little daughters, Sharon, Sue and Stephanie.

Mrs. Gail Davis came down from Bozeman for the weekend and on Saturday evening helped to prepare a birthday dinner to honor her daughter, Peggy, who was ending a week's camping trip that day at Rillway on Deep Creek. Those who participated in the picnic were Miss Peggy's grandmother, Mrs. Geo. Zimmerman, who presented the birthday cake, her aunt, Mrs. Gordon Graveley and daughter, Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ward and daughters, Roxy and Marjory, Mrs. William Kieckbusch and son, Tommy and daughters, Patsy and Mary, Miss Sheila McCarthy and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hollaway.

1961

“Winston News”

Recent callers at the home of Mrs. Annie Bisby included Mrs. Ray Reynolds. Mrs. Norene Trabach and three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davies, Mrs. Martha Masolo, Mrs. Minnie Riis and Mrs. Marie Fisk of Harlowton.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark and sons took a three day vacation, two of which they spent visiting Joe's brother in Kalispell, and one day at Sealy Lake. Mrs. Clark's father, Mr. V.W. Tooker, stayed on the ranch and was pleased by a visit from his son, Albert Clark and family from Anaconda.

Mrs. Lulu Hagbom is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. Chuck Stipe, in Moise.

Miss Helen Harrington has completed her studies at Montana State College in Bozeman. She will be home with her parents for a couple of weeks before beginning her nurses' training in a Billings hospital.

Some friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lokowich dropped in Saturday evening for a belated house warming. They presented Mr. and Mrs. Lokowich with a lovely floor lamp for their new house. After an evening of visiting, the group consumed sandwiches, cake and coffee which they had brought.

1967

"Jan Kirscher Wins Demonstration at State 4-H Congress"

Jan Kirscher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F.J. Kirscher, was named top dairy foods demonstrator at the 4-H Congress held recently at Montana State University at Bozeman. By winning this honor she was presented a wrist watch by the Carnation Company. She was a representative of Broadwater County at the 4-H Congress.

Miss Kirscher also baked an "Angel Supreme" to win the bread baking competition and a lemon meringue pie which put her in second place in the home economics competition.

She will be eligible to go to the Western Roundup 4-H completion in Denver in January.

1978

"Radersburg School Reunion Planned Sept. 3"

Persons who attended school in Radersburg will gather Sunday, September 3 in Radersburg at the Rebekah Hall for a get-together. The fun day begins at 10:00 a.m. and will last throughout the day. A potluck lunch will be served at noon.

As far as can be determined, this will be the first reunion ever held for Radersburg students. Several persons who attended school in Radersburg still reside in this area, including Royal Smith and Hazel Holling.

According to the history writing in "Broadwater Bygones", the first school record was in 1896 with Mary Gilman as teacher. The building was of logs with a dirt roof. Children from four years on were taken as pupils and if the little ones dozed, they were placed on coats in a corner to nap. The desks were raised tables and benches served as seats. By 1872 there were 62 children enrolled and by 1908 there were six grades and 36 students. Pictures in "Bygones" show the Radersburg new school in 1913.

"Today, consolidation has centralized the schools in Townsend with buses for transportation."

It is hoped that many persons attend this get-together, bringing with them their memories of school days gone by, pictures or whatever stories that they can share with other reunion goers, throughout the day.

More information on the reunion can be gained by calling Hazel Holling, 266-3888.