

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1902

“Local News”

New and well Millinery of all descriptions for Christmas at Mrs. McCuin's.

A.B. Tinsley and Wm. Neild were passengers to Helena Monday, returning Tuesday.

Our public schools close for the holidays on Dec. 24th and resume work again on Jan. 5, 1903.

Diphtheria is reported in Winston.

Tim McCarthy's family have removed back to their city residence for the winter.

Come to the Christmas ball and tell your friends all about your Christmas presents.

A portion of Deep creek is under quarantine, the families of W.S. Thompson and Thos. Thompson being afflicted with scarlet fever.

Dancing school will be tonight (Friday) at the Auditorium instead of Monday. The Broadwater Orchestra will render the music and a good time is anticipated. Everybody is invited.

Bish Williams and James Wilder of Radersburg spent Saturday in town shaking hands with old friends and transacting business.

1941

“Townsend Boys at Pearl Harbor All Reported Safe”

A letter that brought news of the safety of her son, James, was received by Mrs. Jennie Bonine Wednesday morning of this week. James is a Finder Operator on the U.S. Cruiser Minnesota. The letter was censored and while there was no information disclosed as to whereabouts, James reported that he was well and happy.

Mrs. Anna Moudree received a cable from her two sons, Herman and Bob, in Honolulu on Friday. The message also brought news of their safety. One son is a member of the navy stationed at Pearl Harbor and Herman is working for a construction company.

Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Sutherland, likewise had a cable gram from their two sons, Chester and Harold from Hawaii. Harold, who is in the army was on duty when the

surprise attack occurred and was uninjured although his barracks were demolished. His brother is in the civil service and was also safe when the message came through.

There are many anxious parents or relatives in the community who have sons or other relatives at Wake Island, but who do not expect personal news for weeks owing to the hostilities. Other relatives await news of sons in the navy and army who have been sent to foreign ports.

"A Scotswoman's Formula"

An aged Scotswoman writing her thanks for Bundles for Britian, gave this recipe for taking a bombing. When the air-raid warning sounds, I take the Bible from the shelf and read the Twenty-third Psalm. Then I put up a wee bit of prayer. Then I take a wee drap of whiskey to steady my nerves. Then I get in bed and pull up the covers and tell Hitler to go to h---.

"Canton Valley News"

A very large turkey et al, was served on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Nora Daniels and son, Wm. C., to the following guests Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wallace and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wallace and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson and Mrs. Daisy Brewer of Rainier, Ore., who is a house guest of Mrs. Daniels. During the afternoon Miss Hilda Lamb and Mrs. Henry Gosney of Helena valley visited at the Daniels home.

Eddie Daniels of Bozeman M.S.C. and Miss Lillian Daniels of Helena visited Saturday night and Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Daniels and Miss Irma Daniels on Cottonwood.

Mrs. La Villa Morris, teacher of the Canton school will hold a Christmas program and tree at the school house on Tuesday evening, December 23rd.

The Johnson school announces their program and tree will be on Friday evening, December 19.

County Commissioner and Mrs. Herb Gill entertained at dinner Friday night, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. O. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ragen, Mrs. Grace Myers and Wayne Waddell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark and the host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Herb Gill. The dinner honored Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark.

1958

"Local News"

Diana Lee Biggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Biggs, celebrated her birthday Monday, Dec. 8 with a belated party, her birthday being December 5. The guests enjoyed a luncheon from a table decorated in the Christmas tradition. Invited guests were Peggy Christie, Stephanie Rains, Laurel and Cheryl Lamier, Toni

Minemeyer, Susan Wallace, Nancy Fryhling, Pam Leanhart, Gerri Rosetta, Linda Schwisow, Sandra Ewing, Betty Ann Dufresne and Linda Noyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Plymale entertained at a Christmas dinner party on Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Plymale ranch home. Guests were Mr. Bert Plymale, Mrs. H.C. Plymale, Mr. and Mrs. Laird Plymale, Mr. and Mrs. Ubert Quist and sons of Helena, Mr. Wayne Plymale and Mr. Hubert Plymale.

Among those from Townsend who attended the basketball game between the MSC Bobcats and Washington State Cougars at Bozeman Monday night were Shirley Van Voast, C.R. Grady, Sam Rice, Howard Doggett, Dr. McKillican, Dr. Nash and Gene Connors.

1975

“Rick O’Shay Creation Wins Window Contest”

Christmas art is all over town thanks to the Broadwater County High School Art Class. This Christmas window project was under the direction of Chris Christensen, art instructor at the school, and Tony Francisco, interested businessman.

Judging of the colorful paintings took place last week and the following winners are: Robin Williams and Don Kotto first place (\$30.00) for their Rick O’Shay creation in the Foster building window.

Jackie Sautter and Shane Welch second place (\$15.00) for their Santa in the Grover Motor window.

Third place was a tie (\$10.00) between Vivianne Kirscher and Jackie Holland for their Raggedy Ann and Andy scene in the Lundy’s window and Nancy Hossfeld and Mary Graham with their Santa Clause in the Hunsaker Dry Goods window.

A special thanks go to the merchants for the use of their windows and donating prize money.

“Ray Doig Wins Shopping Spree”

Ray Doig of Townsend was the lucky winner in the First Annual Jaycee Shopping Spree which concluded on Saturday. Doig will be allowed three minutes of free shopping at Lundy’s Market this Saturday at 2 p.m., according to Mike Kiedkbusch, president of the local chapter.

Doig’s name was drawn from almost three hundred tickets last Saturday.