

“What Happened this Week in History”

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“New Cases Spotted Fever, Total 41”

The weekly report of communicable diseases compiled by the state health board for the last week disclosed two new cases of spotted fever, one in this county near York and the other at Billings. This brings the total cases for this season to 41.

The two diseases which have been almost epidemic in Montana for a considerable period smallpox and scarlet fever, were little abated, eight new cases of smallpox and 59 of the fever being reported.

Other communicable disease cases reported by the physicians of the state to Dr. B.K. Kilbourne, epidemiologist connected with the health board, were as follows; tuberculosis, 20; typhoid fever, 3; diphtheria, 1; septic sore throat, 3; measles, 2; whooping cough, 9; chicken pox, 55; mumps, 24; influenza, 2; meningitis, 1.

“Barn Dance to be Held at Ragen’s Saturday Night”

On Saturday night of this week, June 13th, the annual barn dance given by members of the Holy Cross Alter Society will be given. As has been the custom for several years, the dance will be given in the Ed Ragen barn, which is located about one mile north of town. The Jimmie Smith orchestra has been engaged to play for the occasion.

A feature that will not only assist in making the affair a financial success for the church organization, but will also be favorably accepted by the dancers, will be the midnight lunch served on the porch of the Ragen residence.

“Sky Line News – Top End of Grayson Creek”

The first thing that happened this past week of rather a comical nature was just the other night. Clarence “Toots” Campbell, while eating supper, fell off his stool. Clarence says he didn’t fall off, that the stool fell out from under him.

When we first came up here, there were a lot of magpies and crows here. Vern brought his guitar up with him and is trying to play and sing. No more crows or magpies to be seen.

My little dog has been barking every time he looks at me. I have been at a loss to find out the reason of this misbehavior. So I took a look at myself this a.m. and darned if I didn’t bark a couple of times myself. Now I am going to get my hair cut next time I go to town.

We held a spelling school the other evening and during the contest the word ham came up. Some spelled it hem, some hamm. Lige being at the head of the class when it comes to ham, spelled it this way “more ham”.

Rain and more rain and now none of the boys need to be annoyed with bathing.

Ray has all his socks hanging on the line to dry (one pair). So he washed his feet last evening.

“Deep Creek News”

Mr. and Mrs. James Tidyman and sons of Valier, visited Sunday at the home of Mrs. A.C. Carson and Paul.

The ranch of Mrs. W.K. Mayne is being improved by a coat of paint on the dwelling house.

Neighbors of Woodcraft decided to visit the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Thompson Thursday evening, June 18th, and enjoy a potluck supper at 7 p.m. All Neighbors with their families and friends are welcome. Coffee, cream and sugar will be furnished.

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“Thompsons Have 25th Anniversary”

Misses Kay and Beverly Thompson were hostesses at an open house held Monday, June 1, at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson in Townsend, honoring their parents on their 25th wedding anniversary. Over 50 people from Townsend, Toston, Radersburg and Helena attended.

The Thompsons were married in Townsend June 1, 1939 and have lived here all their married life. They have a fine family of eight children and one grandson, all of whom were here for the occasion. They are: Kay, Jim, Beverly, Bob, Gene, Irene, David, Ronnie and Vince, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson.

“I Am Old Glory”

For more than nine score years, I have been the banner of hope and freedom for generation after generation of Americans. Born amid the first flames of America's fight for freedom, I am the symbol of a country that has grown from a little group of thirteen colonies to a united nation of fifty sovereign states. Planted firmly on the high pinnacle of American Faith my gently fluttering folds have proved an inspiration to untold millions. Men have followed me into battle with unwavering courage. They have looked upon me as a symbol of national unity. They have prayed that they and their fellow citizens might continue to enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness for which I stand. So long as men love liberty more than life itself, so long as they treasure the priceless privileges bought with the blood of this Nation's forefathers; so long as the principles of truth, justice and charity for all remain deeply rooted in the human hearts, I shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America. I AM OLD GLORY. – The Legionnaire

“Five Get Degrees at Western”

Five local people received degrees at commencement exercises held at Western Montana College of Education in Dillon Monday. Pat Delger, Bill Lavinder, Dennis Miller and Gary Cruson received degrees in secondary education and Mrs. Rita Watkin got her B.S. in Elementary Education.

“Toston News”

Helena callers the past week were Mrs. Bill Flynn, accompanied by Mrs. Logan Davis; Mrs. Herman Moudree and Marcia; Bill Berberet and Jean; Mrs. Crockett Castleberry, David, Rita, Marcia and Mike; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Swartz; Mrs. Jim Plummer, Rhonda and Hal; Mrs. Louis Anzik; Mrs. Walter Rauser, Mrs. Kenneth Clark, Debbie, Pam Becky and Phil.

Mrs. Art Jersey made a business trip to Billings Tuesday.

“School News”

On the last day of school Toston held a track meet. There were six divisions: upper grade boys; upper grade girls; intermediate boys; intermediate girls; lower grade boys; lower grade girls. First prize winners in the competitive events were:

50-yard dash – Scott Miller, Sally Berry, Mike Castleberry, Daisy Berry, Victor Spatzierath and Becky Clark.

Mile run – Scott Miller, Lee Anne Jersey, Darrel Wagner and Daisy Berry.

Broad-jump – David Jersey, Lee Ann Jersey, Steve Berberet, Susie Jersey, Danny Moudree and Janelle Jersey.

Shot-put – Richard Wagner, Lee Ann Jersey, Steve Berberet and Susie Jersey.

High Jump – David Jersey, Lee Ann Jersey, Steve Johnson, Marcia Castleberry, Victor Spatzierath and Rosemary Spatzierath.

Ball kick – Richard Wagner, Lee Ann Jersey, Darrel Wagner, Daisy Berry, David Green and Janelle Jersey.

Baseball throw – Richard Wagner, Lee Anne Jersey, Darrel Wagner, Daisy Berry, David Green and Janelle Jersey.

Second prize winners in competitive events were:

50-yard dash – David Jersey, Judy Smith, Darrel Wagner, Marcia Castleberry, Danny Moudree and Janelle Jersey.

Mile run – Richard Wagner, Sally Berry, Steve Berberet and Cathy Miller.

Broad-jump – Scott Miller, Mike Castleberry, Sharon Kolberg, Marcia Castleberry, Victor Spatzierath and Denise Moudree.

Shot-put – Scott Miller, Judy Smith, Darrel Wagner and Marcia Castleberry.

High jump – Scott Miller, Sharon Kolberg, Mike Castleberry, Daisy Berry, Bert Berberet and Becky Clark.

Ball kick – David Jersey, Judy Smith, Steve Johnson, Marcia Castleberry, Danny Moudree and Rosemary Spatzierath.

Baseball throw – David Jersey, Judy Smith, Steve Berberet, Susie Jersey, Danny Moudree and Rosemary Spatzierath.

Mrs. Bill Flynn substituted for Mrs. Luke Dagnall Tuesday and Wednesday.