

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1903

“Local News”

Mark Timmons, of Winston, paid this section a pleasant call Monday.

John Galvau and wife of Hassel took the morning train Wednesday for Helena.

Bennie Thgompson spent a few days in the vicinity of Bozeman last week in quest of some fine stock cows.

Hugh Broderick, who has been located at Winston for a year, has returned to Confederate where he will hold forth during the summer at the old place.

Arthur McGugin has removed to Radersburg and commenced operations as tonsorial artist in that place. Arthur knows how to fix the boys up as to please their best girls.

1925

“Local News”

Leo Connors is confined to his home this week with a slight attack of measles.

Father Kelly of Mr. St. Charles College was in Townsend Sunday and preached the sermon in the morning at Holy Cross Church.

Henry Westergreen and J.R. Malicole of Winston were business callers in Townsend Thursday.

Adnah M. Kimpton of Radersburg spent Monday in Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. D.J. McCarthy of Helena were Townsend visitors on Tuesday of this week.

Don't overlook the bargains in all kinds of jewelry at Horner's Saturday.

Jim Perkins and Jim Marks of Helena are in Townsend today (Thursday) transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gabisch were capital city visitors on Monday driving home in the evening in a new Chevrolet car.

1953

“4-H Club Notes”

Canton Homemakers 4-H Club

The Canton Homemakers 4-H Club organized March 19 at the home of the leader Mrs. Sewell Marks. Mrs. John Plymale assistant leader.

The following officers were elected: president, Barbara Shuman; vice president, Elaine Bieber; secretary-treasurer Barbara Nield; report Marcia Nield; recreation leader, Irene Bieber. Our project is sewing. Other members present were Barbara Plymale, Julia Bieber, Janice Kieckbusch, Carol Miller, Kay Gilstrap, Judy Snell, Delores Merrit, Myrna Davison.

Record books were passed out and first, third and fifth pins were awarded. The next meeting will be April 2nd at the Nield home.----Marcia Nield Reporter.

Old Baldy 4-H Club

The Old Baldy 4-H club held a meeting at the home of Jim Van Meter on March 19, 1953.

We practiced judging and made plans to go to the Winter Fair in Bozeman with our leader, Sewell Marks. After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Van Meter.----Jim Van Meter, Club Reporter.

Stitch 'N Stir 4-H Club

The Stitch 'n Stir club met in the home of Diana Schiltz on Mar. 16, 1953. The members present were Adalee Olsen, Ann Etzwiler, Marie Shindoll, Karen Ann Olsen, Mardee McElwee, Judy Olsen, Carole Ann McElwee, Joyce Massey. Each member read poems they made up about themselves.

Diana Schiltz demonstrated how to make a tailor tack stitch.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Schiltz.----Joyce Massey, Reporter

1970

“Four Area Youths Place in Annual Electric Fair”

Vigilante Electric's annual Electric Fair, which this year drew a total of 72 entries, saw four area youths place in the various categories. They are as follows:

Electric Constructed – Steve Stanfill, Toston, first.

Electric Demonstration – Ray Webb, Toston, First; Steve Berberet, Toston, Second and Bill Kirley, Townsend, fourth.

“Has Respect for Local Hospital”

Roland Fisher of Helena, who was in Townsend Monday to present a certificate to Broadwater Hospital will be remembered by a number of local citizens as the victim of a serious gunshot wound, and a patient in the hospital back in 1942.

He and a companion were hunting down in Canton Valley when the companion stumbled and his shotgun went off accidentally and shot young Fisher. The wound was so large that the youth stuck a shirt in the hole to slow the bleeding until Fisher could be moved to the hospital. Norman Bruce, then sheriff, Dr. McKillican, Gene Connors, the late Dr. Nash, Howard Doggett and perhaps others, waded in real deep snow to bring the victim out on a stretcher.

Monday Fisher said “I have a great deal of respect for this hospital...I am alive today because of its efficiency and fine doctors”.

Back in those days blood banks were not immediately available and a number of local people gave blood to save the life of Fisher.