

## **“What Happened this Week in History”**

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**April 27**

**1939**

### **“Canton Valley News”**

Sunday morning found Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lewis and son, Mrs. Chas. Williams, May Ellen and two granddaughters, Irene and Charles Sullivan, on their way to Crow Creek to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Junior Lewis at their home on the Tom Miligan place.

C.R. Barker finished the spring branding of his herd of cattle the first part of this week.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Plymale is receiving a new dress of white paint this last week.

Mrs. Elmer Kenney, who has been living in Townsend this winter and keeping house for Frank and Robert, who are attending high school, moved back to the ranch last week. The boys will do light housekeeping until school closes.

**1950**

### **“Local Masons Visit Marysville”**

Several members of Valley Lodge attended the spring roundup of the Marysville Lodge last Friday evening. Going from here were Glen Perry and son, Glen Jr., Frank Holloway, Art Schwisow, Gray Keene, Ray Sears and Bill Huth.

### **“Crow Creek News”**

Guests at the W.K. Parker ranch Sunday were Mrs. Tom Moore, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Edith Moore, Mr. and Mrs. E.K. Cheadle of Helena.

Dinner guests at the Evan Kimpton home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Johnson of Toston, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Kimpton and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Scoffield.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webb and son, Jimmie, and Mrs Ben Webb and son, Bill, were recent Helena visitors.

**1961**

### **“First Issue of Townsend Star”**

Last Thursday, April 20, 1961 we started on the 64<sup>th</sup> year of the Star. First issue of the Star was published Saturday, April 24, 1897 with M.W. Hatch publisher. We quote a part of the editorial announcing the birth of the Star by Mr. Hatch:

“With this issue the Townsend Star is launched upon the uncertain – and sometimes troublesome – sea of Montana newspaperdom, and proposes to live and do business in Broadwater, the youngest county of this great state. This paper believes in the future of this county and if it can aid in the development of the magnificent resources and at the same time fairly represent the people, the star will feel that it has done its part.

“In politics the Star will be Democratic and will advocate the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver, at the ration of 16 to 1 to the utmost of its ability. Let there be no mistake on this point.

“The Star does not expect please everyone, nor does it intend to try that impossible feat, but will strive to conduct its business in a spirit of fairness and on business principles, and to

publish a clean country newspaper. If the foregoing platform suits, call and see us. If it don't call anyway"

**Note:** This article is fairly lengthy           bv so I have shared only a portion o fit.

## **1967**

### **"Townsend Wins First in Class B & C Speech Meet; 2<sup>nd</sup> Against All Classes"**

Larry Mullany and Charles Sullivan debated their way through nine debates April 21 and 22 at the State Speech meet in Billings to win second place in the state. Great Falls Central took first place and Anaconda Public was third.

Larry and Charles received medals and their speech coach, Mrs. Nickey, was presented with the Sweepstakes Trophy for Broadwater County High School for leading the field in combined B and C schools. This trophy is now in the office at the high school and will be placed in the trophy case.

Kathleen Mullany represented Broadwater County High School in oratorical declamation and Marcia Moudree was a contestant in original oratory. Both girls are freshmen and did well at the state meet, placing in their individual rounds. Each of these divisions had 30 contestants who were finalists from the district level.

An Awards Banquet was held Saturday evening in the Student Union Building at Eastern college.

Le Ann Jersey, Margaret Mullany and Virginia Fischer accompanied the group to Billings as observers. They had been previous winners in sweepstakes awards.

The group was chaperoned by Supt. L.J. Mullany and Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Nickey.

### **"Marsha Miller Crowned DeMolay Sweetheart"**

Miss Marsha Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller of Radersburg was crowned DeMolay Sweetheart at the annual DeMolay dance held last Friday evening in the Masonic Temple. Attendants were Miss Debbie Holland, Miss Sandi Ewing and Miss Marcia Thompson. Miss Miller will attend the DeMolay State Conclave next October in Lewistown as a candidate for State DeMolay Sweetheart from the Townsend Chapter.

Approximately 100 young people enjoyed dancing to the music of the Rich and Poor Boys from Bozeman. The dining room was attractively decorated for the occasion.

## **1978**

### **"Prom is Saturday"**

The Junior Prom will be held this Saturday night, April 29 at the old gym in Broadwater County High School. Sponsored by the Junior Class, the event is open to all high school students and adults. Music for the spring dance will be provided by "Tumbling Dice" from Missoula.

Senior King and Queen candidates include Linda Waterson, Penny Stanfill, JoAnne Slifka, Carmel Steffen, Mike Meyer, Mike Hooks, Don Walters and Doug Cook. Prince and Princess candidates, chosen from the Junior class are Krista Swenson, Kris Toombs, Jackie Holland, Diane Harris, Steve Watterson, Russ Cleveland, Barry Clark and Jim Brammer.

According to Junior Class President, Terry Holzwarth, the Grand March will begin at 10:30 p.m. and is open for public viewing. Class members are busy decorating the gym for the formal affair. They have picked "Jungle Love" as their theme.

Junior Class sponsors are Miss Mary McGonigal, Miss Teresa Trip, Mr. James Therriault and Mr. Robert Cremer.