

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1941

“Town Talk is 3 Years Old, Mr. & Mrs. Ness Say”

At exactly 5:00 o'clock June 25th three years ago the Town Talk, Townsend's popular café and confectionery, opened its doors for the first time. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Ness wish to show their appreciation of the fine patronage during the three years they have been in business and on Saturday of this week have souvenirs and treats to present the men, women and children of the community.

Mr. Ness said that he and his wife worked hard, yes, but had done well and that they have nothing but praise and appreciation to offer. They have eight people employed and have enjoyed a generous patronage.

Townsend can well be proud of the Town Talk and the service it gives tourists as well as home trade, and the local newspaper joins with others in the community in hearty congratulations.

“Local Baseball Teams Tangled Here Sunday to Entertain Home Fans”

Hot sun Sunday afternoon proved too much for a couple of the baseball players who suffered slight sun strokes as they were engaged in playing on the local diamond. Gene Sautter was taken quite ill, the physician claiming he had been effected by too intense a sun and Buzz Brisbin was unable to complete the game from the same effects.

Two local teams, the Legion nine and a team of local adults, crossed bats Sunday when it was learned the Bozeman team could not come, and cancelled their day here. They were to have met the Legion team. A town team was formed on the impulse of the moment and played the Legion team.

Line up for the Legion team was B. Ness, Brisbin, O'Hearn, Jeffy Williams, Bud Sautter, Ray Feldt and two outside sons of Legionnaires.

The town team was comprised of Paul Johnson, Ben Sautter, Jim Suter, Willis Smith, Jr., Gilman Domholt, Dewey Shields, Geo. Flynn, Gene Sautter, Earl Ridgeway and Dave Langevin.

The score was 5 to 2 for the town team.

1958

“To Attend DeMolay Conference in Kansas City”

R. E. Sears, Lanny White and Gary Cruson will represent the William W. Harvey Chapter of DeMolay from Townsend at the Third Founder's Conference in Kansas City, Mo. Next week. Mr. Sears will attend as Dad Advisor, Lanny White will be entered in the International Chorus and Gary Cruson as Master Counsellor. They will join 49 other delegates and advisors from Montana at Billings and will go from there by rail.

"Radersburg News"

Mrs. Leonard Cain and daughter, Olive, were Helena business visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Jack Ralls, Terri Ralls and Merilee Miller drove to Helena on business Friday. Mrs. L.N. Carpenter and baby granddaughter, Linda McCord, came back to Radersburg with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Doughty drove to Belgrade Sunday, attending the horse racing at Beaumont.

Larry Heberle and Ronnie Barraugh of Townsend were Sunday visitors of Steve Ralls.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris and family spent the week end with relatives in Butte, also attending Siebrand Bros. circus and carnival.

1975

"Townsend News"

Mrs. F.L. Olsen and grandchildren, Brenda and Scott, left for Spokane Saturday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Harrington and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schwisow visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Weare and two sons, and their son, Paul, and his wife, Patti, while in Missoula recently. Linda Schwisow, their daughter, visited her parents recently.

Four generations of the Anders family gathered recently at the home of great Grandmother Signa Anders. Present were son Harry and his wife, Kathryn, from San Jose, California, grandson, Albert Anders, his wife Janet and their daughter, and great granddaughter, Leslie, from Fort Campbell, Kentucky. A pleasant two weeks were enjoyed with family and friends, and all have now departed to their respective homes.

Mrs. Luke Dagnall and her daughter, Julie Dagnall, left Sunday for a three-week tour of Europe. They will visit in the British Isles and in The Netherlands.

1997

"Bronze Reflects Culture of County"

The Townsend Riders Horse Club last week donated "New Beginnings", a bronze sculpture by Townsend artist Dan Norvall, to the Broadwater School-Community Library.

Club President Elaine Mann said the decision to donate a sculpture to the library began about two years ago, during the drive to raise funds for the new building.

"About two years ago...we decided to help with the beautification of the library," Elaine Huckins said during the dedication ceremony for the sculpture, held June 19 at the library.

"We wanted something that would reflect the culture of Broadwater County," Mann said. "For us – our whole area revolves around horses."

Townsend Riders Horse Club, a non-profit organization founded in 1985, raised money for the sculpture through horse shows, clinics and donations.