

“What Happened this Week in History”

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“Local News”

Only \$1.50 secures the Star for a year. You cannot afford to be without.

Mrs. VanVoast announced that she is prepared to furnish campaign buttons to any and all who desire them. Leave your orders early.

Wm. Davis departed for Radersburg this (Friday) morning to take charge of and the embalm the body of John Richard, deceased.

A.M. D’Arcy & Co. are moving about five thousand dollars worth of all kinds of merchandise from their Hassel and Townsend stores to the Downey building, to be closed out in the next two months regardless of coast. Everything cash.

We were very much pained this (Friday) morning to learn of the sudden death of Mr. John Richart of Radersburg. Dr. Gilham who attended him informs us that death was caused by conditions incident to old age and that there was no immediate cause to charge his rather unexpected demise to other than that.

1941

“Crow Creek News”

Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell of Toston and Mrs. E.A. Kimpton spent Sunday afternoon visiting their old friends Mrs. George Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leary and Mr. Lee Jewell.

Mr. Torbet Hensley took Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Poe and Mr. Ivon Jenkins to Spokane on Friday. Ivan and Torbet took in the Pendleton roundup. Lawrence Poe and wife visited Spike Hensley at the Geiger air base in Spokane. The government offers a number of courses of study and Spike is taking several subjects and he likes his work fine. Lawrence and wife drove the new school bus back on Sunday.

“Toston News”

Dan Shull delivered his first load of wheat to the Townsend elevator. Hail did considerable damage to his crop, but Dan says it is better than he expected.

Jack Berberet left this week for Lincoln, Neb., to enter the U of Neb., where he has a fellowship won at Carroll College, Helena last year.

Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Brackett of Helena, Mrs. H.A. Fahlgren and brother, R.N. McDonald of Great Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kitto and daughter, Pearl, of Crow Creek Valley were callers at the James Greaves home on Sunday.

Arthur Greaves left this week for Butte to work at the mines.

Miss Jessie May Oyler returned to her home in Manhattan Sunday after a 10 day visit with her sister, Mrs. Jim Kitto.

1958

“Local News”

Bill Huth, proprietor of the Coffee Shop, had a very enjoyable visit with a customer last week. The was an Englishman, who had been over here only a short time, and was on tour of the country. He was from the same town where Bill was stationed during World War II.

The Star office was honored Saturday morning when Sen. Mike Mansfield dropped in for a short visit. It is always a pleasure to visit with the Senator.

Ronnie Barrough went to Spokane last Friday where he has enrolled in a barber college. His mother, Mrs. Harvey Barrough, accompanied him to Spokane, returning home Monday.

Winners in the Townsend Drug school supply drawing were Bob Moudree, Harrison, who won the Parker fountain pen; Chris Ragen, who won the camera, and Joan Degler, who won the \$5 worth of records.

1975

“School Bus Drivers”

Familiar faces to those many Broadwater County school bus riders are Merle and Noreen Sears who have faithfully headed out through every element to collect their “kids” and to return daily from the school. Between the Sears’ approximately 350 students ride to and from school each day, with the average miles per day being covered of 230. Approaching his 1 million mile mark, Merle has been driving school buses here in Broadwater County since 1949. His only interruption was military service. He has been at the wheel of the big yellow vehicles continuously since 1958. Merle bought his own buses in 1963 and is on contract to the local schools to get his kids back and forth each day. Noreen drives the Winston route, while Merle handles the Canton-Johnson route.

“East of Townsend” News

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lewis and family attended the Jackpot Rodeo Sunday at the Masolo Ranch at Winston.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bucy visited Sunday in East Helena with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mason and Mrs. Ida Bucy.

Frankie McArthur was an overnight guest Friday of John Kimpton of Crow Creek to help John celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Marks, Mr. and Mrs. John MacLeod and Mrs. Austin Hooper enjoyed dinner Wednesday evening at the Fireside to celebrate the MacLeod’s anniversary.

Jay Meyer of Columbus and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Massey of Laurel visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Bieber of Helena and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bieber of East Helena visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Bieber.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Diehl and Greg attended the Jackpot Rodeo at Masolo's in Winston Sunday.