

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1902

“Local News”

Call at Mrs. Mcuin’s millinery store and see the Ping Pong hats, the latest style.

Thomas Durnen met with a very painful accident and, one that will retard him from work for some time, on Thursday. He was walking over a separator down below Canton when his foot slipped and was thrust against one of the knives that cuts the bands and very badly lacerated. He was brought to Townsend and Dr. Belcher took six stitches in the wound.

The shortening of the days is evidence of the sure approach of winter.

W.C. Eversole and wife spent the day Sunday at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Doggett.

Chas. Smith departed for Cincinnati, Ohio on Wednesday evening and will again enter the medical institute from which he expects to graduate in due time.

1941

“Classes of High School Organize”

Each class in the Broadwater county high school held organization meetings during the week electing their officers and members of the students council as well as the whole school naming members at large.

Maurice Guffey was elected president of the senior class. Other officers are: Mildred Mongrain, vice-president; Virginia Ross, secretary; Dennis Grey, treasurer; student council representatives, Mitzie Booher, Phyllis Fox, Douglas Christie, Maurice Guffey.

Junior class officers are: Donald Shearer, president; Geo. Finnegan, vice-president; Gertrude Lavold, secretary; Edna Lavold, treasurer; student council members: Laurie McCarthy, Buzz Brisbin, Virginia Simons and Donald Shearer.

Sophomore officers are: Merle Emmert, president; Ray Felt, Vice-president; Geo. Nelson, secretary; Ralph Kelly, treasurer; student council members, Bob Graham, Florence Ferrat and Merle Emmert.

The Freshmen elected all girls to office: Dorothy Ballard, president; Jane Christie, Vice-president; Lois Huth, secretary and Betty Madge Schreiner, treasurer.

Members of the student council for the freshmen are Ruth Young, Coleen Guffey and Dorothy Ballard.

Students council members at large are for the sophomores, Pat Hooks; for the juniors, Dennis Grey and for the seniors, Jack Zibberman.

1958

“Legion Lanes Is Going Full Tilt”

Townsend’s new bowling alley, Legion Lanes, had a wonderful day Saturday at their open house, and bowlers have literally been standing in line to get their turn at the alleys.

The people of Townsend and Broadwater County are showing their appreciation of the American Legion’s efforts in bring this fine sport to town.

Frank Beyers, manager of the lanes, informs us they already have set up plans for league bowling, and have 18 women and 30 men’s teams, and now are organizing a mixed team league. He says there is room for 12 teams in this division, and when this is filled up they will have a maximum of 60 teams to bowl. This is all the six lanes will accommodate in one week.

When they get under way league bowling will take place every evening Monday through Friday, with Saturday and Sunday reserved for open bowling. Also, Mr. Meyers states, open bowling will be available during the week from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.

1975

“School Bus Drivers”

Ray and Betty Horne have 11 years between them driving the big yellow school buses south of Townsend. Each day, the couple covers better than 200 miles of driving mostly on dirt roads. Ray drives a 72-passenger bus on the Radersburg route, while his wife drives the 30-passenger bus on the Crow Creek route. Betty picks up the Junior High and High School kids first and delivers them to her husband’s bus, and then goes back over her route and delivers the smaller kids to the little Crow Creek School. She carries about 40 kids each day, while Ray has a full bus. Ray has been driving for 8 years while Betty has had the Crow Creek route for three years. Maintenance.... weekly maintenance... and the ability to get along with the youngsters are the ingredients for the Horne’s success at bus driving. Carefully watching the road and good equipment are attributed to the good safety record of the Hornes. How do you get along with the kids: “Great”, says the couple because we have the parents behind us too.

“East of Townsend” News

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Whaley spent ten days visiting relatives in Frazee, Minnesota. They also visited in Malta with Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Whaley.

Joe Plymale spent the week end with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams of rural Toston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Diehl and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Maoslo of Winston took some horses to the horse sale at Great Falls Friday and Saturday.

Eric Swenson, Blayne Welch and Martin Grover hiked into Lake Ennis over the week end. They were accompanied by Chris Christensen.