

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

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**October 9**

**1902**

### **“Out of Death’s Jaws”**

“When death seemed very near from a severe stomach and liver trouble that I had suffered with for years,” writes P. Muse, Durhan, N.C., “Dr. King’s New Life Pills saved my life and gave perfect health.” Best pills on earth and only 25cents at The Townsend Mercantile Co’s. store.

### **“Local News”**

Rubin Rader of Radersburg was in town the latter part of last week.

O.T.H. Allen and wife were in town a couple of days this week the guest off Mrs. Padden.

Dr. J. L. Belcher has been making improvements in his office, by cutting a large archway between the rooms, repapering and painting. The change has materially added to the appearance and convenience of the office.

On Tuesday morning early, hobos or miscreants of some order, battered out two lights in the front of the Berg Hardware Co’s store and removed from the show counter six fine revolvers. The theft was not discovered until in the morning when the help appeared for the day’s duties. The guns were worth about \$100.00.

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

Mrs. VanVoast spent a day or two at Hassel the fore part of the week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Merritt.

The town council is considering a proposition for all night lights in Townsend which, if they succeed in securing, will highly please most of our people.

**1941**

### **“Donkey Basketball for Entertainment Next Wednesday”**

Jack Bartlett’s world-famous group of trained donkeys that originated the donkey craze in 1932 which was featured in Chicago at the World’s Fair and that has played the principal cities from coast to coast, Canada, and New Mexico will be here at Townsend on Wednesday October 15 at 8:00 pm. To present a donkey basketball game and thrill circus under the auspices of the High school Athletic association according to Coach James Taylor.

The donkeys stand on their hind heels, hee-haw at the umpire, walk backwards, virtually turn handsprings and perform so that the spectators will laugh more than they have in many years.

The contest will be presented at the High School Gymnasium.

You will have a big laugh when you see such persons as Ronny Kelly, Harvey McCormick, Albert Olsen, Bill Kieckbusch, Harry Anders, Mike Huth, Jim Reynolds, Shorty Sautter, Dave Langevin, Tony Peterson, Ab Clare, Speed Simons, Skip Smith.

These prominent business and professional people will ride or attempt to ride these long-eared fun-provoking steeds while sinking the ball for baskets.

**1958**

### **“Local News”**

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Scoffield of Dillon spent the week end here. Ward is attending Western College and Mrs. Scoffield is employed by Mountain States Te. & Tel. Co.

J. Garrison Rains, potato inspector for the Federal Government, was in Missoula Thursday and Friday of last week to attend an annual meeting of inspectors in this area. Once a year they meet for instructions in grading and other changes in the inspection program that are inaugurated from time to time.

F.L. Olsen and son, Ronald, spent from Thursday to Monday in Spokane. They enjoyed the horse races while there.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Mary Cecille Zimmerman’s funeral last Friday were all grandsons of the deceased, Michael and Robert Zimmerman, Donald and Gary Graveley, Gordon Mahood and Evan Stiner. Alter boys were Dana Stiner, grandson, Jim and Michael Ragen, nephews.

Robert E. Davey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davey, is home on leave from the Navy after finishing his boot training in San Diego. After his leave he will join his ship, the U.S.S. Monticello, at Long Beach California.

Ronnie Barraugh was home from Spokane over the week end to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barraugh.

**1975**

### **“Cook Scholar Search to Begin in Montana”**

Four Montana students, named “Cook Scholars” at St. Paul’s School last spring, have joined 495 other boys and girls for the 120<sup>th</sup> Session at the New Hampshire Independent school.

The Cook Scholarship Program, established in 1970 by the will of the late Frank Hervey Cook, a long-time Townsend, Montana resident and St. Paul’s School graduate, provides scholarships covering tuition and boarding fees to worthy eighth, ninth and tenth grade Montana boys and girls at the New Hampshire boarding school, and in college after graduation. The trust fund is governed by a five-member Board of Trustees.

The 1976 competition for the awards will begin shortly. Cook Scholars are selected each year on the basis of academic accomplishment and character. Students seeking candidacy for Frank Hervey Cook Scholarships and for admission to St. Paul's school may write for further information.