

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

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**March 7**

**1912**

### **“Local Briefs”**

Mr. A.J. Rosman of Diamond spent Sunday with his family in town.

Mrs. A.J. Graveley of the lower valley paid Townsend a brief visit last week.

Mrs. and Mrs. A. Fuhs of the valley spent Tuesday in town.

Sheriff C.B. Doggett paid Sheridan Wyoming an official visit the fore part of the week.

Willis Smith of Crow Creek spent a few days in town this week.

R.H. Dean of Deep Creek spent Tuesday in town.

Miss Winifred Shindoll, who was to represent the Broadwater County High school in extemporaneous speaking at Bozeman this week at the B.B. tournament was unable to attend on account of having mumps.

**1940**

### **“Home Town Looks Familiar to Myrna”**

Radersburg rang with cheers and greetings of unusual merit Saturday evening when Miss Myrna Loy, famous movie actress, and her mother Mrs. Della Williams and party of three cars came to the Burg to renew childhood acquaintances and visit their old homes here.

Myrna, clad in blue slacks, jacket and hat, stood out as the center of attraction by admirers of those who knew her as a child, as well as those who know her in pictures.

Mrs. Della Williams and daughter, Myrna, are from Beverly Hills, Calif. A photographer and publicity man from Beverly Hills accompanied them here. They took many pictures on their trip.

### **“Crow Creek News”**

Mrs. Anna Moudree and Herman Moudree were Townsend business callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kitto were at Winston Monday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davies.

George Rauser and daughters, Katherine and Edna, were in Townsend Monday on a business errand and to consult the doctor as to Edna’s health. Edna has been ill for some time missing several weeks of school.

### **“Radersburg News”**

Wes Sitton motored to Sand Coulee Tuesday. Mrs. Arthur Korin and daughter, Karen, accompanied Mr. Sitton home for a few days to help care for her grandfather, W.J. Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Leach and daughters, Mary and Grace, were business visitors in Townsend Thursday.

Mrs. Jess Knight motored to Townsend Wednesday on business.’

### **“Canton Valley News”**

Miss Doris Whaley is spending a month’s vacation from duties in the beauty parlor in Helena at the ranch home of her mother, Mrs. John Whaley.

Mrs. Dan Sullivan received a letter from her brother, Henry Meyer, who has been in Billings for the past six weeks, stating that the doctors have removed the cast off his back and that other complications are clearing up nicely at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gill and mother, Mrs. James Gill, and sister, Edith Roope, were capital city visitors on Tuesday of this week.

## **1968**

### **“Local Boy Scouts Attend Jamboree”**

Boys from both of the local Boy Scout troops attended the District Winter Jamboree held at Moose Creek Boy Scout camp west of Helena on Saturday, March 1.

Local Scouts pitted their skills against Scouts of 15 other troops in the Helena area. Skills such as fire building, sled building and racing and plant identification were tested.

Scouts attending were David Brammer, Kerry Pottruff, David Thompson, Brent Helmick, James Armstrong and Mark Meyer from Troop 210 and Rob Dagnall, Don Cazier, Jr., Randy Hunsaker, Brad Dundas and Dennis Williams from Troop 98.

### **“Rotary to Re-Seed Football Field”**

The Rotary Club has taken on the project of reseeding the football field and the seeding of the lawn around the new high school addition. The project will be started immediately.

Work will be done by the Rotarians and other interested persons, who are willing to donate time or machinery, are asked to contact Don Walters at Strong and Bradley.

### **“Local News”**

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Townsley of Gallatin Gateway visited Sunday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holling and other relatives and friends in the community.

Mrs. Fern Kirley and sons were in Silver Star last week end visiting her brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller.

Mrs. Alex DuFresne and daughter, Betty Ann of Great Falls were week end visitors at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kelly.

Mrs. Carrie B. Hardgrove of Helena was in Townsend Friday visiting friends. She has been renovating her house in Winston where she plans to reside.

Harry Buckingham, student at WMC, Dillon was a week end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Buckingham.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Ragen were in Billings over the week end to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Schneider and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meyer spent a few days last week at the home of their son, Arnold Meyer and family, in Spokane. While there they toured the Kaiser Aluminum plant, on a 55-acre tract of land in the Trentwood area, where Arnold has been employed for the past 13 years.

Three local boys left Sunday from Helena for the U.S. Marines. They are Mike Broderick, Cliff O’Hern and Bruce Denton. They were to be in Butte Monday morning to take a plane to San Diego and then go to Camp Pendleton where they will take their basic training.

## **1996**

### **“Artist of the Month”**

The State Bank of Townsend’s Artist of the month for March – wood carver Ole Olsen – sees himself more as a craftsman than an artist. Ole began carving decoys in the 1940s for a

practical reason; duck hunting. Over the years, he has refined his skills, creating ever more realistic figures out of soft cedar and pine blocks, bringing color to them with spray paints.

Whether it's a canvasback or a mallard, each carving takes at least a full day of labor. Once completed, each field-ready piece gets Ole's signature and date of completion, before hitting the ponds.

Six of Old Olsen's hand-carved decoys will be on display at the State Bank of Townsend throughout the month.

### **"Around Town News"**

Vivian Bruins and Edith Alex enjoyed dinner together this week at Edith's home and at the Silos.

Ken and Nadine Biggs arrived home Tuesday from Sun Lakes, AZ. where they had visited her sister and brother-in-law, Kay and Leland Connors.

Eleanor and Chuck Holling and Myra Bridgewater were business callers in Helena twice last week.

Lillian Fisher, Florence Anderson and Alberta Nave were business callers in Helena.

On Valentine's Day Jean Johnson, Judy Slifka and Joyce Lane visited Gladys Johnson at the Broadwater Health Center. They enjoyed joining in the Valentine Box Social held at the center annually. Jean said entertainment for the event was provided by Zelda Diehl who accompanied Jack Sautter on the organ.