

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1903

“Local News”

J. L. Moore, who went back to his old home at Memphis, Missouri, with a carload of horses just after election, returned to his Townsend stomping ground the fore part of the week.

Don't fail to attend the masquerade Jan. 16th, to see Tom Dixon, Marks Sr. Wm. Wylander, Jake Schaaf, Judge Weston, Abbot Sr., L. Rotwitt and others make their “debut” as contestants for 1st prize. It will be worth your weight in gold.

W.T. Deadmond, who has been mining near Diamond, has been to town on business for several days during the week.

Fix your face up and get a suit for the time of your life at the masquerade Jan 16. Suits from \$1.00 to \$10.00. Single and double faces at all prices.

Grandpa Sullivan has gone to spend the winter with his son and other relatives at Shelby Junction.

Dr. Belcher as a health officer has been rather busy during the past few weeks quarantining and fumigating, having made several trips to Winston, which were occasioned by diphtheria, and as many to Deep Creek for scarlet fever.

1925

“Neighbors of Woodcraft Annual Ball”

As has been the custom for the past twenty years, the Sandlewood Circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft have given a ball on New Years eve or on the day of the New Year. For years their annual event was in the form of a masquerade, but later years the lodge have changed their program and many times give a Carnation ball. This year, however, the entertainment varied a little.

The ball was given on New Year's evening in the Townsend Auditorium and from the moment that the dancers started their terpsichorean movements until the strains of that old familiar strain that appeals to the home goers sounded, there wasn't a halt in the evening's program or an unpleasant hitch. The Townsend Crescent orchestra played the music for the main dance and as usual pleased the dancers with their classy orchestra composed of stringed instruments, Harry Sterrett on the violin, Roy Allen, banjo, R.L. Reynolds, drums and Clyde Troutman,

pianist. The newly organized orchestra, known as the Broadwater Syncopators made their initial appearance before a dance audience in Townsend when they took the orchestra place during the supper hour. The new orchestra is composed of two saxophones played by Ed and Will Daniels with Willis Seibold playing piano and R. L. Reynolds playing drums. Both orchestras made A-1 music and Townsend can well boast of its share of musicians.

The prizes awarded were as follows:

First prize for the most beautiful gown went to Miss Lucille Sullivan, who wore a red chenille brocaded georgette trimmed in narrow bands of fur, receiving a dish donated by Lasby drug Co. The second prize was awarded to Miss Gladys Lippert, who was gowned in a beige colored chenille brocaded georgette trimmed with gray ostrich and received a pair of silk hose donated by the Townsend Mercantile.

The prize for the best waltzers was given to Mrs. Warren K. Parker of Radersburg and Ralph Doggett of Townsend, receiving a china tea pot and a nut set donated by the Townsend Hdw. And Imp. Co. and R. R. Horner respectively.

The numbers 12 and 125 were drawn for the lucky numbers the spectators and who ever has such numbers, may obtain prizes by calling on Mrs. George Faltermeyer. The gallery prizes were a tie donated by the Toggery and Boudoir Cap donated by the Golden Rule.

1953

“Local News”

Miss Laurie McCarthy has returned to Berkley, Calif. After spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McCarthy and other relatives. Miss McCarthy is registrar at Berkley.

Among students returning to school after spending the holidays here were Miss Mary Kieckbusch to the College of Education in Great Falls; Miss Betty Sawyer and Jack Kimpton to Montana State College in Bozeman; Ted Burtch to the School of Mines in Butte; Don McCarthy to Carol college in Helena.

Students returning to Montana State University in Missoula after spending the holidays in Townsend were Miss Roxy Ward, Dick Doggett, Don Rees and Harry Fuhs.

Miss Sheila McCarthy left for Spokane Wednesday where she has a secretarial position. She finished her course at Kinman College just before Christmas.

Miss Mardella Bieber left for Dillon Saturday to resume her studies at the Western College of Education, after spending her vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bieber.

Miss Kay Gilstrap who has been at Shodair hospital for a couple of months being treated for after effects of polio is back in school. According to her mother, she is recovering satisfactorily. Miss Gilstrap is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilstrap of the valley.

Mrs. Charles West and children of Helena visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahony, overnight Friday. She was accompanied back to Helena by her sister, Charlene Mahony, who visited there for a few days.

Miss Patricia Perry returned to Portland Sunday after spending Christmas and the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Perry and family.

Mrs. John Sorenson entertained several of her friends at a social afternoon and tea during the holidays. Attractive holiday decorations were used and refreshments were served to Mrs. Edith Carpenter, Mrs. Frank Holloway, Mrs. Irene Sperling, Mrs. C. Hadcock, Mrs. Elmer Kenney, Mrs. J.N. Sterrett and Mrs. Hattie Joyhnson.

1970

“Charles Holling Selected As ‘Citizen of Year’”

Charles S. Holling, electric patrolman for the Montana Power Company in Townsend, has been selected as “Citizen of the Year” 1969 for the Helena division, according to Dix C. Shevalier, Helena division manager.

Holling was chosen because of his community betterment activities, devoting his own time to events designed to improve his area, Shevalier said. Fellow employees selected Holling.

He is a Cub Scout committee man, coached Little League and Pony League baseball teams, taught gun safety, participated in the Charity Ball to raise funds for parks and playgrounds, helped in the annual city cleanup drive, was a Rotary membership drive member, sold tickets for the Volunteer Fireman’s dance, was chairman of the drive for the Halloween party, raised funds for the Little League and Pony League, is a member of Rotary International, the Volunteer Fire department, the Broadwater Search and Rescue group, Civil Defense, Grass Mountain Ski Patrol and the American Legion. He is a volunteer ambulance driver and a Red Cross instructor.

Holling has been with Montana Power 19 years. He and other “Citizens” selected through the company’s service area will be honored soon at a luncheon in Butte.