

“What Happened Today in History”

January 4

1923

“Local News”

Clara Shaw and Mari Bliller returned to Helena after the holidays to continue their studies in the St. Vincent’s Academy.

Among the students who returned to the University at Missoula after a Christmas vacation at home in Townsend were: Misses Persis Matthews, Francis and Helen Carson and Messrs. Howard Doggett, Floyd Johnson, James Kearns and Bill Mitchell.

1934

“Radersburg People Want Creek Water Domestic Purposes”

Residents of the town of Radersburg having instituted a fight before the Public Service Commission of Montana to obtain water which they claim legally belongs to the town and which they allege certain holders of water rights on Crow Creek are attempting to deny them.

In a complaint filed with that body, the plaintiffs ask that the Public Service Commission assume jurisdiction over the case, that it declare the defendants to be a “public utility” in fact, that it order said defendants to deliver water to the town in accordance with a custom of 70 years standing. Plaintiffs demand 300 miners’ inches prior to any and all other rights on Crow Creek.

The action was filed by W.E. Greaves, Wesley Sitton, Ben Martin, William Paterson, George Pennell, Charles Horton and Thomas McMullen, all residents of Radersburg, in behalf of themselves and all other inhabitants of the community.

Those named defendants are W.A. Sherlock, W.A. Miller, Evan E Kimpton, George Webb, Olai Kallenvang, Thomas Williams, Ben Webb, Robert Dundas, Henry Mockel, William Hamper, Ed Spangler, Eli Toma, Will Kitto, J.W. Sherlock, Peter Williams, Mrs. Philip Mockel as executor of the last will of Philip Mockel, Willis Smith, Leslie Smith, Alberta Smith, M. C. Smetters, John L. Rogan, T.A. Gunby and Mrs. George Winslow, all holders of water rights on Crow Creek.

Plaintiffs assert they are acting as agents of the Radersburg Water User’s Protective Association, an organization embracing practically all the residents and owners of property in the town.

The complaint charges that during the last year defendants shut off all water to be used by the citizens of the village and refused to assure the residents of water in the future. They ask that 300 inches of water demanded in the complaint be declared a right first and prior to any other on Crow Creek, the only natural creek from which water could be supplied to the town.

1945

“Mayor Sautter First to Solo in Townsend’s New Flying Club”

Tuesday of this week Mayor Ben F. Sautter viewed his town from a different angle than he had ever seen it before. He saw it from a plane piloted by himself and he made his first solo flight over the housetops. He had seen it before during his eight hours of dual instruction, but yesterday he was master of all he surveyed.

He now holds the distinction of having been the first student to solo in the Townsend Flying Club of which T.E. Connors is instructor.

Grass Mountain Ski Club Will Meet January 4th

Members of the Grass Mountain Ski Club are called into a meeting to be held at the high school January 4th at 9:00 o'clock. Immediately after the business meeting, members will be shown a film on professional skiing.

Jim Clopton, Secretary

WWII Headlines on this day include the following: "Hope for Recovery of Lt. R.C. Pennington Lost in Bogs of North Carolina Is Abandoned"; "Cpl. C.A. Dallas Reported Missing Poland Mission"

1951

"Local News"

John Ragen leaves this week to enter the Merchant Marines. John Ragen was a Merchant Marine just prior to his army service in the last war.

Several young people from Townsend were guests at the Young People's dancing party at the Montana Club last Thursday night. Among them: Miss Trena Hollaway, Miss Roxy Ward, Tom and Mary Kieckbusch, and Delbert Morrison. Miss Hollaway was an overnight guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Gooding.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Whaley departed Tuesday morning by car for a month's vacation visiting friends and relatives in California and Arizona.

Arthur Schwisow, who is employed on construction work near Glacier, spent the week end and holiday here with his wife and family.

1962

"Winston News"

A large group from Winston greeted the New Year at the Elk's Club in Helena. Included in the group were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Diehl, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Diehl, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Moe, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Masolo, Mrs. Ethel Gutekunst, Andre Preval, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wambolt and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Moe

Mary and Larry Hagbom accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Stipes to Moise when they returned after Christmas. Saturday their mother, Mrs. Lulu Hagbom, went after them. They all returned home New Year's Day.

"Boy Scouts on Two Outings"

Boy Scout Troop 98 went on two outings during the holidays. Tuesday they went to Bozeman Hot Springs. Scott Grover, Jed Stanfill and Louie Day provided transportation and supervised the outing. Scouts on this trip were: Tony Kaul, Richard Thompson, Lenny Harris, Mark and Bruce Whitehead, Mike and Cleve Harrigfeld, Chris, Mick and Steve Grover, Danny and Pat Day.

Thursday members of Troop 98 went to the Chas. Watkins Cabin on Deep Creek where they spent the night and then went on a 6 of 7 mile hike. Louie Day and Scott Grover furnished transportation and Mr. Day supervised the outing. Scouts on this jaunt were: Nick O'Dell, Tony Kaul, Kenny Toney, Danny Day, Mark and Bruce Whitehead, Mick and Steve Grover.