

## **“What Happened Today in History”**

**March 8**

**1923**

### ***Take a Picture of the Kiddies and Win a Prize***

What kind of children does the Northwest produce?

Big potatoes, big apples, big trees and achievements of the northwestern states have been widely advertised.

Now there is to be a contest to show the world what fine healthy and happy children are growing up in the northwest.

One hundred dollars will be awarded for the single photograph, the best amateur picture of a child or children out of doors in the territory of the Northern Pacific Railway. Photographs are to be handed to the railroad agent or sent to headquarters in St. Paul. The contest will close July 1, 1923.

Kiddies of the Northwest playing outdoors, riding horseback, helping on the farm, climbing mountain trails, swimming, fishing - doing everything children enjoy doing out doors, are wanted by the Northern Pacific. The life of Northwestern children will be pictured in advertisements as a result of this contest.,

Conditions of the contest have been posted in the Northern Pacific stations, offices and other public places throughout the Northwest.

In addition to the prize winning photo, others which are accepted will be paid for at the rate of \$3 to \$5 per print.

**1934**

### ***Broadwater Creamery Takes Top Price in Products Show***

Announcement of the winners of the dairy products show held in Bozeman at the State College last Thursday featured the Broadwater County Creamery Company of Townsend as winner of the first prize on ice cream and third prize on butter made without culture. The show was a part of the dairy industry short course program.

Entries for the dairy products show held in connection with the short course came from four different states, one as far as 800 miles away. Two others were sent from points 700 miles away to compete in the Montana Show.

Broadwater Creamery's score on ice cream was 95. On butter, class A, the high score was 91  $\frac{3}{4}$ . On class B non-cultured butter the high score was 94  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; second , 94  $\frac{1}{4}$  and the Townsend butter scored 93  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

### ***Surprise Birthday Party***

Little Ann Gabisch, daughter of George Gabisch, was happily surprised on Wednesday evening of this week when a number of her school friends arrived after school hours to celebrate her 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. Grandmother Katherine Guthrie busied herself before the surprised little lady came in from school by making elaborate decorations for the occasion, of green and white, St. Patrick day colors, and when the guests arrived, two hours of gayety prevailed after which a very nice lunch was served. In the party were: Mary Ann Peterson, Pearl Olsen, Mary Ann Claire, Connie Joe Everett, Betty Doggett, Betty Mahony, Marie Sterrett,

Edna Wallace, Mildred Mongrain, Phyllis Fox, Grace Haggeman, Doris Plymale and Katherine Biggs.

**1945**

***WWII Headlines from this Date***

***A Letter from Alba Patterson from Oakland Hospital***

***Wally Schreiner Keeps us Informed of His Whereabouts***

***County Plans Improvements for Courthouse Lawn With Blacksmith Shop Purchase***

With the purchase yesterday of the building and lot known as the Shaw Blacksmith property on the corner of Main Street and Oak Street, the county now owns the entire frontage and when the lot is cleared and lawn made to the curbs, those in charge of county affairs will feel they have successfully carried out a plan hoped to accomplish several years ago when the new courthouse was constructed in the center of the block.

The deal was made this week when one-half interest in the property was purchased at sheriff's sale. Miss Margaret Gillogly, who owns the other half consented to sell to the county, according to Al Dance, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and as soon as papers can be drawn the deal will be completed. The financial involvement is approximately \$2,000, said Mr. Dance.

There is little of the newly purchased property that can be salvaged with the idea of clearing the lot, the commissioner stated. The building is of solid concrete without reinforcements under the floors. It will probably have to be razed by breaking up the heavy walls and floors and removing as waste.

The building was put up in about 1912 to be used for a blacksmith, repair shop and gas station. It has now been used as a business building for several years and for the past few months has been used as a store room.

Now that the city has cleared the block frontage opposite and will maintain a beautiful city park and the county has their frontage, the entire courthouse square has been greatly improved.

This progressive move on the part of the board of commissioners will meet with the hearty approval of the public who are in accord with public improvements.

***Social***

Mrs. James Smith was remembered last Friday by a number of her friends and neighbors on the occasion of her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday anniversary, when they dropped in for a surprise visit bearing gifts and refreshments. Among gifts was a lovely flowering plant remembrance of the Methodist ladies organization. Those taking part in the festivities were: Mrs. J. Herd, Mrs. Henry Huth, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. John Sitton, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Antonetti, Mrs. Ferrat, Mrs. Chas. Barker, Mrs. Averill, Mrs. W.G. Kirscher, Mrs. Ernest Grimm, Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Rollings, Mrs. Emily Tarrant, Mrs. J.G. Plymale, Mrs. Elmer Kenny and Mrs. Alex Doig.

**1951**

***Crow Creek News***

***Neighborhood Party***

Mrs. Albert Kimpton and Mrs. Ed Conrad were the instigators of a delightful evening party and shower for Mr. and Mrs. Billy Booher on Thursday evening of last week. The

Boohers were married a few weeks ago and are living at the former Ivor Jenkins Ranch, now owned by Tom Hensley. About thirty guests from Crow Creek and Townsend came with gifts of canned goods and other foods. The evening was spent playing various card games followed by refreshments. Mr. and Mrs. Booher are a very welcome addition to Crow Creek Valley.

### **Local News**

Tommy Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Perry, was host to 12 of his young friends at a dinner and theater Thursday, Feb. 22, in celebration of his 12<sup>th</sup> birthday. In keeping with Washington's Birthday, Tommy's birthday cake, which centered the dining table, was decorated with small flags and surrounded by favors and place cards of cherry trees and hatchets, marking places for Kenneth Schwisow, Bill Kearns, Bobby Bayles, Brian Swallow, Newell Frandsen, Donnie Wogoman, Barry White, Larry Heberle, Charles Gilmore, Jack Nash and Harry Hollings.

Representative and Mrs. L.J. Anders returned from Helena the first of the week following the closing session of the Legislature on Saturday. Broadwater's genial representative looks no worse for the wear and he says all in all it was a fairly busy session.

Senator and Mrs. W.F. Bristow are now back on the farm following the closing of the State Legislature last Saturday. Senator Bristow commuted from his farm about a mile north of Townsend to the capital city for the sessions and Mrs. Bristow visited the capitol and the capital city whenever the occasion demanded her presence.

Thomas C. Sweeney, 19, of Townsend has enlisted in the navy for four years and is stationed at the naval training center at San Diego, Calif., navy recruiters said. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Sweeney of Townsend.

Mrs. Lee Todd was hostess Wednesday entertaining the Neighborhood Pinochle Club and two guests at an evening party. Following the game, refreshments were served at midnight to Mrs. Kenneth Smith and Mrs. Leo Damuth, guests, and Mrs. Clarence Miller, Mrs. William Ulmer, Mrs. Ted Hunter, Mrs. Robert Bucy, Mrs. James Mitchell and Mrs. Sam Kirksey. Prizes for the evening were won by Mrs. Ulmer and Mrs. Miller.

### **1962**

#### ***City Dads to Ask for Higher Water Rates in Townsend***

Monday night at the regular town council meeting the council passed a resolution to petition the Railroad and Public Service Commission for higher water rates in Townsend. Attorney Larry Foss, town attorney, was instructed to file an application and ask for a hearing. Exact amount of the increase to be asked for is not available, but the figure will not be out of line with other towns of our class.

After the petition is submitted to the PSC, they will then order a hearing before taking action on the application for an increase.

#### ***Crow Creek News***

Mrs. Bill Williams honored her small daughter, Robin, on her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday with a party Thursday afternoon. Guests included: Mrs. John Williams of Radersburg, Roene Taylor, Velda Diann, Dee Ellen and Howard Hensley, Cathy, David, Dennis and Mickey Williams.

The intramural basketball teams of Broadwater County High School wound up their season's play with the final games of their tournament Tuesday night. Crow Creek boys on the

teams included Jim Webb and Merle Turman, who were members of the team which copped the championship in tournament play, and Charles Lavell and Cecil Hunsaker who played on the team which would up in third place. Congratulations.