

“What Happened Today in History”

May 17

1923

“Junior Promenade Enjoyable Dance”

The Junior Class of Broadwater County High School gave their Prom Friday evening at the local auditorium. The clever arrangement of their colors carried out in crepe paper together with the important feature of good music and comfortable hall made their dance one of the nicest, if not the best, Junior Class Ball that has ever been given in the high school here.

The long crepe streamers of gold and blue were festooned in groups from the center of the ceiling to various places where they were gathered together making chandeliers whose shades formed of the finely cut streamers made a pretty effect. The streamers were not so closely placed to obscure the view of gallery spectators. The windows were curtained with the same material as was also the scene on the stage. The large numerals, 24, made the center decoration for the stage curtain. The prettiest part of the decorations was the hut erected in the floor where the four piece orchestra held sway. The roof was thatched with pine bows and the corners and sides were interwoven with class colors. A large floor lamp with pretty shade of the same colors in crepe paper made a soft light for the orchestra and added a finishing touch to the very clever and pretty scheme.

Townpeople and many from the country enjoyed the occasion, and while the crowd was not large, everyone seemed to have a good time.

The Three Forks Metropolitan Orchestra was engaged for the occasion and as usual were greatly enjoyed.

The ladies of the Episcopal Church served a very delicious midnight lunch at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Dancing continued until 2:30.

Members of the Junior Class are: Georgia McCormick, Winona Thurston, Mildred Neild, Eba Fuhs, Fern Dove, Florence Reams, Ireta Croak, Dorothy Barber, Grace and Marie West, Lloyd Noble, Thomas Sitton, Ed Neild, John Beam, Benjamin Clopton, Paul Carson, Henry Wall and Lester Miller.

1934

“Toston Dam Will Be Built This Year, Say Authorities”

It begins to look as if the Toston Dam Project, a water conservation and irrigation project proposed to be erected in the Missouri River above Toston, would be one of the first projects accepted by the Montana State Water Conservation Board, said F.G. McCarthy, president of the Chamber of Commerce this morning, for only this week, said Mr. McCarthy, was he and his associates of the Townsend Club informed by a representative of the state board that they were highly in favor of the project and intended to make it one on which actual operations for erection would begin this fall, providing the plan goes through.

To obtain the necessary information for the board, it was necessary to interview all the land owners coming under the project and to procure facts concerning the amount of land to be irrigated, the consent of the land owners and other data. This has entailed an enormous amount of work and patience. In many cases replies to inquiries meant waiting several weeks

until some owner in other parts of the country could be heard from, getting state land signed and other details that has called for many weeks of diligent work which has been carried on by the Townsend Chamber of Commerce and the so-called Broadwater County Public Works Board.

Committees in charge are beginning to see the end of the preliminary work from which they will be able to make a formal application and intend to be able to interview the state Board next week.

There has been considerable expense in gathering this information and data which has been met, so far, by the Townsend Chamber of Commerce. Money made available for this use has been exhausted and it is the intention to put on a drive Friday to raise a few more dollars to complete the expense of the dam project. So be ready when a committee from the Townsend Chamber of Commerce calls on you for a membership or donation.

1945

WWII Headlines

“Story of Bud Sautter’s Ship and Philippine Invasion”

“Joe Quist Awarded Distinguished Flying Cross”

“Willis Smith, Jr. Gets Good Conduct Medal”

“Class of Twenty Will Get High School Diplomas”

A class of twenty, including six boys and fourteen girls, will be presented for graduation from Broadwater County High School at Commencement exercises on the evening of May 18th at 8:00 p.m.

Those who have successfully completed their four years high school courses are: Ruth Young, Jane Christie, Lois Huth, Charles Mitchell, Jean Hancock, Margaret Miller, Doris Ross, Ann Ragen, Betty Madge Schreiner, Joyce Craft, Shirley Sautter, Bill Kimpton, Dorothy Ballard, Hope Clare, James Hayfield, Willena Toney, Dick Ewing, Louis Kieckbusch, Ray Doig and Dick Doggett.

1951

“Open House and Program at New Grade School Building Friday May 18”

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District No. 7 it was decided not to hold a formal evening open house and dedication in the new building this spring. The reason for the decision was that the wiring and lighting in the building has not been completed, so that it is impossible to have all of the building lighted at one time. An open house will be held on Friday afternoon, May 18. Each room will present a fifteen minute program with each program as an outgrowth of some regular school activity.

The individual room programs will be followed at 3:00 by a Hall Sing in which all grades of the building will participate.

The students and teachers cordially invite all parents and friends to attend the room programs and the Hall Sing. An opportunity for a tour of the building will be provided with sixth grade students serving as ushers and conductors.

“Scout House to be Finished by Woman’s Club”

At a committee meeting held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. F.P. Nash on last Thursday evening it was decided to definitely go ahead with the scout house as the Woman’s Club had voted.

There will be two activities in June to start getting the finances so they can go ahead. It is felt by the members of the Woman’s Club that there is a great need for this project and they will take the lead in putting it over.

The club house was started several years ago and will serve as a youth center when finished. It is located in the city park on Pine Street.

1962

“Eight Graders to Graduate Wednesday”

Forty-five eighth grade students will receive their diplomas Wednesday afternoon at the multipurpose room when graduating exercises will be held. Atty. Larry O. Foss will deliver the address with Rev. Kushing giving the invocation and the benediction.

Those who will take the final step to high school entry are:

Mary Alley, Lois Campbell, Judy Crum, Donna Doig, Gail Haugland, Sheila Hohn, Marie Kirscher, Laurie Lanning, Betty Miller, Mary Ann Olsen, Linda Walker, Sandra Wisdon, Kathy Tidball, Sharon Adams, Trudi Bucy, Candy Davis, Barbara Gabisch, Cynda Holland, Connie Hysell, Vicky Klein, Mary Ouren, Susan Rains, Joan Thomas, Sally Young, Patricia Wambolt, Dan Day, Art Graham, Larry Lundborg, Wally McHenry, Jim Nave, Pat Ragen, Steve Valentine, Paul Schwisow, Bruce Whitehead, Billy Barraugh, Claude Colby, Harvey Delger, Joel Flynn, Jim Huntsberger, Corky Kincheloe, Skipper Sherwood, Gene Thompson, Jim Wooley, Michael Burtch, Terry Fisher.

1973

“Recital Features Local Piano, Organ Students”

Many area music students of Lorraine Kitto will perform at a piano and organ recital Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the new gym. Organ students are Meri Berberet, Phil Ryan and Wade and Teri rea.

Piano students are: Kari Walters, Theresa Clark, Beverly Gearheart, Kristin Hudson, Barb Kitto, Kathy Kimpton, Marian Hansen, Leanore Ball, Teresa Flynn, Susan Hooks, Terry Vesely, Marge Brooke, Cindy Kirksey, Susan Goodwin, Bill Kirley, Sally Christie Vallie Trarbach, Gayle Clark, Carla Fisher, Peggy Ryan, Debbie and Dawn Lyng, Susan and Krista Swenson, Ed and Beth Armstrong, Don and Brad Kitto, Debbie Robinson of Manhattan and Wade and Teri Rea of Three Forks.

Especially featured will be a trio by Buck, Teri and Wade Rea. Buck will sing solo, accompanied by Teri and Wade on the accordion and guitar.

The public is invited. No admission will be charged.