

“What Happened this Week in History”

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“Grill Café Goes Into Partnership”

George Wong, who has been employed in the Yat Son restaurant in Helena, for the past five years has purchased a half interest in the Grill Café, Townsend and will act in the capacity of chef. He will specialize in both Chinese and American dishes.

“Local Future Farmers to Broadcast”

On Saturday, November 21, the Broadwater chapter of F.F.A. will broadcast from Great Falls radio station KFBB at 7:45 p.m. The broadcast which will deal with project programs, will be put on by Bill Guffey, Earl Webb, Bill Kenney, Herman Moudree. Part of the program will be contributed by Kate Berberet, Loraine Hancock, who will represent the local Home Economics department. Music for the broadcast will be contributed by Mr. Harold Slater’s clarinet quartet members of which are Kenneth Biggs, Eddie Daniels, Catherine Dance and Bill Ridgeway.

“To Celebrate 50th Anniversary”

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ragen, who on Monday, November 23rd, will celebrate the 50th anniversary of their wedding, will be at home to their friends after 1:00 o’clock at their home near Townsend.

The plans for this eventful occasion are to be informal with a hope of greeting as many old and new friends on that day as possible. They will attend an early Mass at 9:15 at Holy Cross church with a family breakfast to follow and express their desires of meeting friends at their home in the afternoon and evening.

“Personal Happenings”

Pete Cartwright was among those who couldn’t keep their feet on the ground early Tuesday morning when the ground and walks were covered with a glare of ice and likewise was confined to his home in Townsend for a day or two suffering from results of a fall.

Harry Anders spent the weekend here from Missoula.

Mrs. Fred Callaway spent the weekend with her niece, Mrs. Bill Kieckbusch, on Deep Creek while Mr. Kieckbusch was away on a hunting trip.

“Beaver Creek News”

A skating party was greatly enjoyed when a group of young people gathered together last Sunday afternoon down at the Ostle ranch. The slough which has been flooded due to an ice gorge served as the skating rink and although there were a few cracks and rough spots, the skating was fine. Toward evening when the ankles were becoming tired and a few places feeling the effects of a fall or two, the party returned to the Ostle house where Mrs. Ostle served very tempting refreshments.

Mrs. Ina Wall was a weekend guest at the home of Mrs. C.P. Hadcock and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bruce attended the Masonic banquet and entertainment in Townsend Saturday night.

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“Gene Sautter is New Ford Dealer”

Gene Sautter, proprietor of Gene’s Auto Sales in Townsend was notified this morning that he has been appointed the franchise Ford dealer for this area, as of November 18. Mr. Sautter will operate under the name of Sautter Ford, and will be assisted in the business by his wife, Jeanie.

Mr. Sautter has been in the automobile business in various capacities the past 11 years. He was salesman for Capital Motors and Placer Motors at Helena several years. In 1960 he came to Townsend as salesman for Tomcheck Chevrolet, and following that, he was manager of Neifert-White Ford sales in 1961-1962 until they closed the agency.

In December 1962 Mr. Sautter opened his used car lot next door to the Post Office, known as Gene’s Auto sales.

Mr. Sautter was reared in Townsend and has spent the greater part of his life here, except the few years he lived in Helena.

“Bullpups Have Good Record”

The junior varsity football squad rolled up almost as good a record as the first team during the season, winning six out of seven games. Members of the team are: Dave Scott, Jerry Bucy, Jim Ragen, Kenny Baze, Mike Perry, Dale Sprout, Brad Tarrant, Bruce Whitehead, Lance Davis, Tim Bieber, Fred Moudree, Allen Lenhart, Marty Madill, Larry Mullany, Clyde Retterer, Mike McElravy, Nathan Bieber, Mike Harrigfeld, Tim Hysell, Dale Antonich, Dave Kimpton, John Poole. The team was coached by Robert Peters who was assisted by Richard Stedman.

“Townsend Rotary

Club Marks 25th Anniversary”

Townsend Rotary club will celebrate its 25th anniversary and annual Christmas party together later in the year, but the actual date of the anniversary was Saturday, November 14. It was November 14, 1939 when the local club was presented its charter, with a membership of 24 business and professional men.

James W. Kearns, president of the State Bank of Townsend and only charter member of the Rotary now active in the club, has prepared a history of the organization and from this history we take the following information. March 24, 1939 Mr. W.L. Emmert and Dr. Russell Scott of Helena interviewed and signed up 16 Townsend businessmen and collected \$10 each initiation fees for the proposed Townsend Club.

September 5, 1939 an organization meeting was held at noon at “Kap’s” café in Townsend and elected officers, namely Earl Brown, president; Douglas Hawn, vice president; W.L. Emmert, secretary; James W. Kearns, treasurer and J.E. Connors, sergeant at arms.

On Charter night 24 charter members and some 200 visiting Rotarians attended a dinner at the high school gymnasium. Included in the list of visitors was Mr. Payne Templeton, district governor and eight past district governors. The address of welcome was made by Frank T. Hooks. Alex Cunningham, president of the Helena Rotary Club and sponsoring club of the Townsend group, acted as toastmaster and presentation of the charter was made by Mr. Templeton.

Charter members of the organization were: L.J. Anders, H.J. Anderson, Dr. R.G. Bayles, Earl W. Brown, Ed O. Brown, John E. Connors, W.L. Emmert, G.L. Ewing, George Gabisch, R.G. Glatz, D.A. Hawn, Atty. Frank T. Hooks, August F. Kapinos, Fred Kapinos, James W. Kearns, Frank Murray, Dr. F.P. Nash, M.B. Ness, R.M. O’Hearn, A.V. Safley, B.F. Sautter, James E. Ward, F.N. Weed and Ervin O. White.

Meetings have been held each Tuesday – the first month or two at “Kap’s”, for a short time at IOOF Hall, then for about five years at the Commercial Hotel followed by about six months when Mr. Kearns says they “batched” – meals were served by members in the Methodist Church parlors.

Following that period, the Rotary Club met at the River inn and since then, they have met in the private dining room at the Mint.

“Radersburg News”

Miss Minnie Heisey and Mrs. Paul Parks of Helena were recent visitors of their brother, Bill Holdaway.

Mrs. Wayne Miller and son, Douglas, and Mrs. Dick Milke were in Helena on business Friday afternoon.

Mrs. John F. Williams left Helena by plane Saturday for Oakland, Calif., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Dove Greaves.

“Birthday Party”

Miss Cindy Roberts celebrated her 9th birthday on November 6 with a party at her home. Games were played and refreshments served to the following guests: Karen, Bobby and Brad Webb; Julia, Melva and Philip Pennington; Brad, Terri and Roger Dundas; Mike and Cathy Baze; Mike and Marcia Castleberry; Doug and Doyle Miller; Rita Harris; Barbara and Ronnie Harris and Connie and Doug Roberts.