

“What Happened this Week in History”

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“Doings of A Week”

Chas. Lippert started out Monday morning with his big plowing outfit to tear up a section of land about twelve miles east of town. Lippert has a Gar-Scott steam engine with a gang of six 14-inch plows and figures on turning over from fifteen to twenty acres a day.

Wm. Finch is sporting around in a brand new Overland automobile which he brought back with him from his eastern trip. Messrs. Finch and Harlan made the trip from the east to the Montana state line in the machine when bad roads made it necessary to take to the railroad.

“Good Race by Two Hose Teams”

A race against time was made Friday evening between a couple of picked hose teams from the fire department. The start was from the fire hall. The team in charge of Chief Jno. Schmidt made the run to the hydrant at the lumber yard, and the team in charge of H.E. Geehan, assistant Chief, made the run to the courthouse hydrant. Geehan put one across on the chief by making the time in 1:35. Chief Schmidt's team was behind about twenty-five seconds. Schmidt blames his loss of his race on McDonald, who fell down early in the race.

The winning team was composed of H.E. Geehan, Joe Schmidt, W.J. Hayes, Chas. Williams, M.E. Sheridan, Chas Shaw, Geo. Zimmerman, Wm, Schreiner and John McCormick, Jr.

The losers were Jno. Schmidt, Art Sholes, Fred Schreiner, Otha Allen, John McDonald, Fred Bubser, Alva McCormick, Art Finch and Grant Dean.

The losers were to supply the refreshments of the evening and they made good by coming through with a few kegs of the amber fluid and a box of cigars.

W.C.T.U. Doings (From Wikipedia – The **Woman's Christian Temperance Union** is an international temperance organization. It was among the first organizations of women devoted to social reform with a program that linked the religious and the secular through concerted and far-reaching reform strategies based on applied Christianity."

The Alice Barnes union met with Mrs. Eva Collier Wednesday, May 29 and made wreaths to decorate the soldiers' graves. On Thursday, May 30, the soldiers' graves were decorated with wreaths. The following graves were decorated:

Beaver Creek – A.B. Filson, Andrew Thompson and K. Thompson; Deep Creek – Mr. Thorpe, John Parker, Mr. Willett, Joseph Martin, Mr. Bethem and Thomas Breacher; Centerville – Mr. Van Voast, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Morgan, Mr. McDermit, Reuban Johnson, J.R. Marks, Robert Fields and R. Weeden.

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“Townsend-Toston Road Nearing Completion”

It is expected with the completion of the Toston-Townsend highway, now receiving its final surfacing of oil and gravel, that the speed limit of 35 miles per hour will be lifted some time next week, according to the state highway patrol. Such regulation, although unobserved by a few,

has done much to make for safety on the highway and since the order there have been no accidents either of major or minor proportions.

Two more received tickets in the area this week one answering to the name of Steel was stopped by a patrolman of the same name for disregarding the stop sign rules and another, a local John Doe, paid a \$5 fine for driving a little too fast, according to Judge Charley B. Ross.

“Two Local Men Called to Enter Air Service”

Dana Bradford, son of Mrs. Irene Ridgeway, received work recently that he is to report at Berkley, Calif. where he will begin aircraft instructions under the supervision of the U.S. Navy. Bradford is ready for his senior year at Montana State College. T.E. Connors, former Carrol College student, has been called for aircraft duty also and will go to Pensacola, Florida after he has taken some more preliminary work in Seattle. He expects to leave about the middle of the month.

“Personal News”

Those who are home for the summer from college life are Evelyn Koger from the U. of M. at Missoula, Dan McCarthy and Joe Gabisch from Carroll College in Helena; Joe Gaab, Audrey Plymale and Betty Kirscher from Bozeman.

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“Who is Where in the Armed Forces’

Seaman John Poole, who has been on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Poole, left Monday morning for California. He will be flown to join his ship, the UDD Princeton, on tour in Pacific waters.

Lt. j.g. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Somers of Seattle have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.S. Cartwright and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cartwright and family. They are moving to Monterey, Calif., where Lt. Somers will attend the Naval Post Graduate School there for two years. He will get his Master’ degree in Communications Engineering or Communications Management. He received his B.S. degree in Engineering at the Coast Guard Academy.

Pvt. Mike Broderick arrived home last week from Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he has completed boot and ITR training with the U.S. Marines. Upon completion of his leave he will report back to Camp Pendleton where he will attend a diesel mechanic school.

“Toston Briefs”

Mrs. Gladys Johnson and Mrs. Grace Sitton went to Salt Lake City to meet their sister, Mrs. Ruth Anderson. From there the ladies went to Durango, Colo. to visit their brother, Bob Connors and family.

Mrs. Elvira Quinn is visiting relatives and friends in Toston before going to Portland where she will make her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Quintero of Bozeman visited at the Walter Rauser home Sunday.

Visitors at the Gust Sanderson home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sanderson and Mrs. Alice Muir of Bozeman and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sanderson and family.

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“Around Town News”

Lillian Fisher and Bernice Cartwright spent Thursday through Monday in Stevensville at the home of her niece and nephew, Colleen and Jay Meyer. During their stay they helped Lillian's sister, Irma Meyer, celebrate her birthday. Helping with the celebration were Fred and Joy Meyer and Marvin and Mary Lou Meyer Townsend.

The United Methodist Women met Thursday at the church. Attending were Margaret Kenney, Peggy Kenney, Loilla Flynn, Ruth Zimmerman, Kathleen Jepson, Gladys Armstrong, Cheryl Russell, Martha Schmidt, Petty Huth and Rev. Joe Easton.