

EUREKA NEWS

W. C. T. U. Notes

(Carried Over from Last Week)
 Mrs. H. W. Woods, of Missoula, Treasurer of the W. C. T. U. Narcotics Education Commission Fund, was guest speaker at a meeting of the Eureka W. C. T. U. on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Flaggett. Mrs. Woods explained the program being carried on in the schools of the State under the direction of Miss Dora H. Young, Secretary of the State Narcotics Education Commission. Miss Young has prepared a bulletin to aid the teachers in giving this instruction. She has also prepared courses on Narcotics Instruction for use in the Teacher Training institutions of the State. Miss Young will eventually visit all the schools in the State, rendering aid to the Superintendents and the teachers on this subject. Due to the many demands made on the last session of the State Legislature for various appropriations, funds were not provided for the work of this commission.
 Due to the many problems arising from the consumption of alcoholic beverages the Montana W. C. T. U. took the responsibility of raising the funds to carry on this program. The budget for the year ending June 30th, is nearly completed and plans are being made to raise the \$5,000 budget for the coming fiscal year. The quota for the Northwest District is \$500 to be raised before January, 1949. Mrs. H. B. Hendrickson, President and Mrs. O. A. Shew, Secretary of District One, of Kalispell were also guests of the Eureka Union.
 It has been reported that 50 percent of high school students are drinking alcoholic beverages. Dr. Jellinek of the Yale School of Alcohol Studies reports that a survey of questionnaires from members of A. A. shows that 2/3 of the alcoholics started drinking alcoholic beverages during high school age and 1/3 of the alcoholics showed signs of alcoholism by the time they had reached college age. Dr. Roger Williams of Texas University says: "It is practically impossible to cure alcoholism in persons under twenty eight years of age. In view of these facts, our children and young people should be given the scientific facts regarding the Narcotics in order that they may be prepared to meet the problems of life more efficiently."

T.V.I.A.

The T.V.I.A., Tobacco Valley Improvement Association, is the Eureka area's Chamber of Commerce, its group that tries to plan for the community, the organization that tries to look to the future development and progress.
 It is open to all citizens of the area to join and its meetings are always open to the public. Its projects need community support and planning and the T.V.I.A. invites all who want to see a better Eureka to get their shoulder to the wheel and give some help.
 As a recapitulation of the group's activities and projects over the past two years here are a few of the things that it has put effort forth to accomplish.
 1. It has provided a citizens' meeting place where vital problems of all parts of this area can be presented and discussed.
 2. One of its committees promoted the oiling of the streets; perhaps not a perfect job, but \$1300 was spent on it.
 3. Its aviation committee has kept the local airport on the map.
 4. Good speakers have been invited to speak to the group and to plan for the future. These included men from the University, Kalispell, and the Forest Service.
 5. At least two Improvement Association banquets have been held.
 6. A banquet was given this spring for the Lincoln County high school basketball team, twice district champions, and awards, presented to the boys and a gift to the coach, by the Association.
 7. The Association is now promoting a hospital for Eureka, one for Libby, and medical center for Troy, to be built from a County bond issue. It has secured grants of land as a site for the building in Eureka. In promotion of this plan visits have been made to Libby, Whitefish and Ronan.
 8. The Association was represented at the State's Health Center Planning meeting at Kalispell last

winter.
 9. The TVIA is a member of the Western Montana Development Association and was represented at the State meeting in Missoula last week and at the meeting at Ronan last month.
 10. The Association was active in advertising for a doctor, when the area had none and gave a hand in helping Dr. Smith to meet people here and to get located.
 11. The T.V.I.A. has financed the purchase of a \$2,000 X-Ray machine which is now installed and operating in Dr. Smith's office.
 12. For two years the T. V. I. A. has advertised the Eureka area's possibilities in the Progress edition of the Spokesman-Review with a quarter page ad with pictures and text.
 13. News of the Association's activities has been regularly published in the Great Falls Tribune, with pictures from this area.
 14. The T.V.I.A. has acted as an information agency for those who have written, inquiring of the opportunities of the area.
 15. The group has worked with the Soil Conservation Technician and members have given the use of plots of their land, and carried on experiments, that best use of the soils in this area might be learned.
 16. The T.V.I.A. has supported the movement for the establishment of an Agricultural Experiment Station for Northwest Montana, and is promoting the idea that it be located in the Eureka area, and will take steps to assist in the procurement of the land, should that decision be made.
 17. The Improvement Association is supporting the idea that the State Fish and Game Department locate a State Fish Hatchery, about a \$100,000 establishment on Murray Creek.
 18. The meetings which have been held in this area for the presentation and discussion of the co-operative Agreement, between the Forest Service, and the J. Neils Lumber Company, have been arranged for by the TVIA.
 19. A swimming pool for Eureka is the latest project of the Tobacco

REXFORD

Mr. Bud Leighty and Mrs. Sam Leighty and Carol Irene were callers in Kalispell Wednesday and Thursday of last week.
 Mrs. Wm. Good was a caller in Whitefish and Kalispell the 17th & 18th.
 Bill Fewkes accompanied his mother to Rochester, Minn., where Mrs. Fewkes will consult specialists in regard to her health. The trip was made by plane.
 School has ended for this term. The Rexford grade school children went to Sophie Lake for a picnic.
 F. W. Bartlett, principal of the school here, returned to his home in Big Sandy.
 Mrs. Ed Arnold attended court in Libby, the fore part of last week.
 Mrs. Jack Arnold left for Wyoming Sunday, where she will visit a sister.
 Valley Improvement Association. A grant of land has been secured, near Roosevelt Grade School, where it can be built, and the Red Cross has been contacted, and approval given for a Life Guard to be stationed at the pool.
 The Association is quite well known about, outside of this area, and down at the State University and has the reputation of being a progressive group, and of getting things done. Outside speakers who have come before the group have been impressed by the scope and quality of its activities.
 If you, as an interested, active citizen of this community want to get on the band wagon, want to pitch in and help, want to see this area be a better place to live, give a hand.
 If you want to see for this community—A new, county built, hospital; A new swimming pool for the children; A fish hatchery established on Murray Creek; This area advertised for its recreational resources and opportunities for living; An Agricultural Experiment Station for Northwest Montana located in this area, get in and help the Tobacco Valley Improvement Association do something about it.
 Next meeting Thursday evening, 8:00 p. m., May 27, at the Lincoln County H. S. Annual dues \$2.00 per member.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edwards and son, Dwight from Kenneydale, Wash., spent the past week at Lloyd DePratu's home. Mrs. Edwards is Mrs. DePratu's sister.
 Miss Carolyn Payton, daughter of Mrs. George Rich has the distinction of having won first place in the State typing contest given at Missoula, recently. Miss Payton won a \$150 typewriter.
 Mrs. H. B. Hudson and Omer spent Thursday in Kalispell.
 The James Byers family and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ingram left their homes temporarily because of the high water surrounding their places.
 The Kootenai Valley 4-H Club met Friday night, May 21 at the Eddie Clark home. The girls decided to take cooking and sewing as their project this year. Seven girls are enrolled. Mrs. Hudson and Mrs. Clark are leaders. Meeting to be held each second and fourth Friday of each month.
 Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hurson entertained at a birthday dinner on Sunday honoring Omer Hudson and Harold Butts. Mrs. Bessie Butts and Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Butts and family, Rodney Butts and A. S. Erickson attended.
 A Basket Social was given at the community hall Saturday night. The proceeds went to the Rexford Baseball team for supplies, etc.
 Miss Joyce Saunders of Missoula spent a few days visiting at the Hudson home last week.

ABANDON SHELDON CANYON ROAD NEAR REXFORD
 County Surveyor Ira Miller in the near future will survey a by-pass road for the use of the Shaffer Ranch to the old Fernie Grade near Rexford. The Sheldon Canyon road is to be abandoned as soon as the access road is completed.
 The above action was taken by the Board of County Commissioners at its meeting last week.
 In 1947, 630 persons were killed and 21,000 injured on bicycles in the United States. On a bike, play it safe.

UNIVERSITY MAKES RECORD SPRING ENROLLMENT

Missoula—(U.P.)—Spring Quarter enrollment at Montana State University here totaled 2,989 at the end of the first week of the Spring quarter, according to Leo Smith, registrar. It was a new spring quarter record.

4,000 children under 15 years old were killed in automobile accidents in America in 1947. Innocence is fatal if you don't drive carefully. More than 80 per cent of 1947 automobile accidents in the U. S. occurred in clear weather. Drive carefully—always!

Rail Quiz

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