

Jan. 3, 1925.

The Occident Club met in regular session at the N. E. Church.

Roll call was answered by current events.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The President called for reports from standing committees.

The Library Committee reported two new cases of books from the traveling library now available at Sonner's Pharmacy.

The Program committee announced the programs for February and March.

The Treasurer being absent, no financial report was made.

Upon request of the Pres-

ident, the Secretary read the Article of our By-Laws, relating to membership, and after a few remarks, the roll of Charter members was declared closed. The meeting was then given over to the Program Com. In the absence of two members who were to have led the discussion, the President called for volunteer remarks, and several responded with short talks on Italian history and art.

Mrs. John Baird read an interesting paper on Italian music, and Miss Lucile Baird gave two piano solos, the Miserere and the Gipsy Chorus, from "Il Trovatore."

Appropriate refreshments  
were served by the hostesses,  
Mrs. Hardin and Mrs.  
Mooney.

On motion, the Club ad-  
journed.

Gertrude Stanton.  
Secretary

Feb. 7, 1925.

The Occident Club of Meridian met at the W.M. E. Church, and was called to order by the President. Roll call was answered by current events.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The President announced the following appointments: Village Improvement Committee,

Mrs. L. A. Sonner, Chrm.  
Mrs. Fay Tolles, Mrs. Colwell Miller.

The following program was presented on the subject "Egypt; a Land with a Glorious Past."

Mrs. Tolles discussed "Ancient Egypt." Religion, Art and Literature

"of Egypt" by Mrs. Fenton.  
Mrs. A. W. Garrett sent a  
paper on "Modern Egypt,"  
which was read by Mrs.  
Miller.

"The Music of Egypt" was  
discussed by Mrs. Nina Egbert.  
Refreshments were served  
by Mrs. Songer, Mrs.  
Mylie, and Mrs. Stanton.  
On motion, the club  
adjourned.

Elta Davidson  
Sec. Fem. Com.

March 7, 1925

The Occident Club met in regular session, and was called to order by the President. Roll call was answered by current events.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Library committee reported that room in the City Hall had been secured for the Traveling Library, and that it would be open two afternoons a week, in charge of Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Mateer.

A letter was read from the Dist. Federation, and after discussion, a motion, duly seconded, was made, that we affiliate with that organization. Motion carried.

The President announced that preliminaries of election would

be held next month, and urged a full attendance.

The subject for the day was "Ireland - Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

Interesting papers were read by Mrs. L. O. Johnson and Mrs. Rogers.

Mrs. Elta Davidson discussed Irish music and folk-lore, and sang three selections, "The Eyes that Come from Ireland", "Come back to Erin", and "The Low-backed Haunting Chair."

The following program committee was announced for April: Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Lockwood, Mrs. Cato, Mrs. Bell. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Grondahl, Mrs. Allen, and Mrs. Deal.

On motion, the club adjourned.

Gertrude Stanton Sean.

Apr. 4, 1925.

The April meeting of the Occident Club was held at the M. E. Church, and in the absence of the President, the Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. H. Curtis, occupied the chair.

Roll call was answered by current events.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read letters from the Dist. Federation officials announcing the acceptance of our application for membership in the Federation, and also a copy of the District By-laws.

Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Deal were elected as delegates to represent our club at the District meeting in Emmett on May 12, 13, and 14, and

Mrs. A. H. Garrett and Mrs. J. G. Garrett were elected as alternates.

To refresh our memories in regard to election rules and other matters, our By-laws were read before the meeting.

The chair appointed the following nominating committees; Mrs. Mooney, Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. Stanton. Nominating blanks were distributed to the members. The Program Committee reported their subject and plans for the May meeting.

The Directors reported that they had engaged the Manual Training Boys of the High School to make some book shelves for the City

Hall, materials to cost about \$7., and had also authorized the cleaning of said Hall. The charges on the cases of books secured from Boise was reported as 66\$. On motion, the above bills were ordered paid.

The following program was rendered;

Mrs. Lockwood read a paper on Australian History.

Mrs. Lloyd Bell sent a paper on "The Flora and Fauna of Australia", which was read by Mrs. Allen.

Mrs. Cato discussed "Modern Australia".

Mrs. J. H. Curtis gave a talk on Music.

Mrs. Flack played two violin selections, "Salut d'Amour", by Elgar, and "The Lost Chord", by Sullivan, accompanied

by Mrs. H. N. Yost at the piano.

Elizabeth Jackson sang "I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls" from the "Bohemian Girl" by Salfé, and also a short selection whose words were by the celebrated British poet, Robert Browning. She was accompanied by Mrs. Curtis.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Miller, Mrs. A. W. Garrett, and Mrs. Mathews. During the refreshment hour, Mrs. Lockwood spoke on the Village Improvement plan sponsored by the P. T. A.

Gertrude Stanton  
Secty.

May 2, 1925.

The President Club met in regular session at the M. E. Church, and was called to order by the President. Roll call was answered by current events, and the minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Curtis announced that she could not attend the District Federation meeting as a delegate, and Mrs. J. G. Garrett announced that she could not go as alternate. Mrs. Nina Oberst was appointed delegate to fill the vacancy thus created.

It was suggested that we have a club birthday party or picnic, on June 19, to hear reports of delegates. Moved and seconded that

the Library Committee hold  
a Silver Tea about the  
1st. of June at the City  
Hall, the meeting to be  
open to the public, and  
every one asked to donate  
books for the library.

Motion carried.

Committee appointed to  
arrange for the birthday  
party as follows:

Mrs. Beam

Mrs. J. G. Garrett

Mrs. Egbert.

The report of the election  
committee was made by  
Mrs. Lockwood, who also  
told of difficulties in  
our present form of nom-  
inating candidates.

It was moved and seconded,  
that in the vote for  
President, the one receiving

the highest number of votes  
should be President, the  
next highest, Vice-President,  
and the Secretary and Asst.  
Secy. be elected in the same  
way. Carried.

The Club then proceeded to  
ballot for officers for the  
ensuing year, which re-  
sulted as follows:

President, Mrs. Clelen.  
V. President, Mrs. Curtis.  
Secretary, Mrs. W. P. Baird  
Asst. Secy.- Mrs. Egbert,  
Treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Davidson  
Director, Mrs. Magner,  
Historian, Mrs. Stanton  
Critic, Mrs. Miller.

Motion was made and  
seconded that we pay \$5.00  
for the use of the church,  
if we have that much

remaining in the treasury after outstanding bills are paid; if not, that we give our balance to the church. Carried.

The Treasurer's yearly report was as follows;

Rec'd. from paid memberships \$ 34. 06

Paid checks

Sec. supplies \$ 2. 20

Y. W. C. A. 5. 00

Use of Church 5. 00

Dues to Dist. Fed. 3. 40

15. 60

Balance on hand \$ 18. 40.

One new membership was received at this meeting (1. 00) and the treasurer instructed to pay outstanding bills for book-case materials, cleaning Library room, and

charges on cases of books sent from Boise.

Mrs. Materer gave as a suggestion that more changes in the officers should be made at yearly elections. Mrs. Materer was chairman of the program committee for the day. The other members of the committee sent papers but did not attend.

A paper written by Mrs. Songer was read, describing surface features and products of Iceland.

Mrs. Chas. Cairns' paper told of Iceland's climate, history, religion, education and occupations.

Mrs. Materer gave an interesting talk telling of many unusual customs and conditions

of Iceland.

She then read a paper on Music, written by

Mrs. H. J. Davidson.

A piano solo "Anitra's Dance" by Grieg, was given by Dorothy Lockwood, and Mrs. Elta Davidson sang a Folk-song of Iceland.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Wagner, Mrs. Lockwood, and Mrs. Perry Lewis.

Elta Davidson

Sec. Pro tem.

On May 19, a called meeting was held in honor of the President of the District Federation, Mrs. J. B. Brush of Richfield, Idaho, who visited the club at that time.

Mrs. Brush gave a very helpful address on the different lines of club work, which was greatly appreciated by our members.

Mrs. Caroline Athey of Boise also addressed the meeting on the subject of the work of the Anti-Tuberculosis Assn., of which Society she is a State worker.

Two vocal solos were given by Miss Clara Carter, and a ladies'

tequarlet sans a selection.  
Delicious refreshments  
of ice cream, angel food  
cake, and coffee were  
served by the hostess and  
committee.

No business session was held.  
The meeting adjourned  
after some brief hobbies  
and news of business  
to meet again with  
all dessertables also in  
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much wonderful  
as the previous dinner  
before the  
even colors down our  
held with great  
interest a broad network

On June 19, 1925, occurred the first anniversary of the organization of the Occident Club, and the occasion was celebrated by a picnic on the beautiful lawn at the home of Mrs. Nina Egbert. A bountiful dinner was enjoyed by the members, and between courses, the following History of the first year of the Club was read by Mrs. J. G. Garrett, Historian. On motion, it was voted to make this history a matter of record in the minutes.

### Club History.

"At a luncheon on June 19, 1924; at the home of Mrs. Nina Egbert, plans were made for a Woman's Club of Meridian.

Mrs. Mateer acted as temporary chairman of the meeting, during which Mrs. Marion Gleben was selected for the first president, and Mrs. Stanton secretary. Other officers were elected - Mrs. Beam as treasurer, being the only one chosen unanimously.

Mrs. Margaret Egbert and Mrs. Duffee, members of the Century Club at Nampa, were present and gave helpful talks on club organization. Elta Davidson favored the group with two vocal solos. In July of the same year a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Mateer at which the club was christened the Occident Club. Committees were ap-

ointed for the year, and  
a Constitution adopted.

The Methodist church par-  
lores served as a meeting  
place for the winter meetings,  
every member taking some  
part in the interesting  
Travelogue of the year.

The club joined the District  
Federation of Women's Clubs,  
and sent Mrs. Marion Cle-  
mon, Mrs. Nina Egbert <sup>and</sup>  
Mrs. Ethel Lockwood to  
Emmett as delegates to the  
District Convention. Mrs.  
J. B. Brush, Dist. President,  
was later entertained by  
the club at a special meeting.

At this time, the first  
birthday anniversary, the  
club boasts of a library,  
small tho' it be, in the  
city hall. The book-cases were

"generously" made by the Manual Training Classes of the High School, and books donated by the people of the community. Three cases of books from the State Free Traveling library are kept on hand. Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Mateer act as librarians two afternoons a week.  
Here endeth the first year's record!"

Mertie Garrett  
Historian

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the library committee was received, and it was moved and

seconded that the remainder of funds in the treasury (\$1.54) be given to the Library committee to use in buying juvenile books. Carried.

On motion, Mrs. Castile was unanimously elected secretary for the ensuing year, in place of Mrs. H. R. Baird, who had informed the President by letter that she would be unable to fill that office. The President appointed standing committees as follows:

Program - Mrs. Curtis  
" J. Garrett  
" Deal  
Entertainment - Mrs. Egbert  
" Stalker  
" Flack

Library - Mrs. Barker

" Roger

" French

Village Improvement -

Mrs. Castile

" Beam

" C. Cairns

Publicity - Mrs. John Baird

Legislative - Mrs. Mateer

Club Bulletin - Mrs. J. A. Allen

Membership -

Mrs. W. R. Baird

" Songer

" Mooney

Financial -

Mrs. H. Davidson

" P. Mathews

" Kylie

Mrs. Lockwood, Mrs. Egbert  
and Mrs. Gleeson gave  
interesting and compre-  
hensive reports from the

Federation meeting at  
Emmett.

A vote of thanks was  
given to Mrs. Egbert for  
the birthday party.

On motion, the club ad-  
journed to meet the first  
Saturday in September.

Gertrude Stanton  
Soc'y.

## Library Tea.

On May 26, a book shower and silver tea for the benefit of the library was held on the lawn at the City Hall. Over fifty books had been donated previous to this date, and about a hundred books, as well as many magazines were given by club members and interested parties at this time, to form the nucleus of a public library in Meridian. The silver offering amounted to \$8.35. Iced tea, coffee and wafers were served by the Library Committee.

## Occident Club Membership

From Sept. 1925 until Sept. 1926.

1.	Mrs. Marion M. Clelen	" .25
2.	Alice B. Mateer	" .25
3.	J. C. Beam	" .25
4.	L. A. Songer	" .25
5.	Frances Mooney	" .25
6.	Fay G. Atwater	" .25
7.	Nina Egbert	" .25
8.	Susie Cairns	" .25
9.	Edna McCoy	" .04
10.	Myrtle Garrett	" .14
11.	Georgia Garrett	" .24
12.	Hessa Davidson	" .24
13.	Beth Stalker	" .24
14.	Anna Curtis	" .24
15.	Elta Davidson	" .24
16.	John Cato	" .24
17.	Mary French	" .24
18.	J. A. Allen	" .24
19.	Lucy M. Roger	" .24
20.	Mary E. Burns	" .24
21.	J. Milton Flack	" .24
22.	Dan Barker	" .24
23.	Colwell Miller	" .24
24.	J. F. Baird	" .24
25.	Zelma Mathews	" .24
26.	Dora M. Castile	" .24
27.	Myrtle Bell	" .24
28.	Orville Jackson	" .24

29. Mrs. Orfa Baldwin  
30. " H. Gable  
31. " Elmer Yates  
32. " Joseph. Grice  
33. " Emma E. Bell.  
34. " Andrew Youngquist  
35. " Dr Neal  
36. " S. E. Yaggy  
37. " Goldie Carter  
38. " H. Cobbs  
39. " Mooreland  
40. " Elmer Sims  
41. " Henry Taylor  
42. " Floyd Cairns  
43. " L. C. Wildman  
44. " Frank Johnson  
45. " J. H. Oakes  
46. " Ella M. Kennedy  
47. " Jessie Bell.  
48. " Emma Dearduff.

Wells, D. C. ....  
West, M. ....  
Well, J. ....  
West, M. ....  
West, M. ....  
West, F. ....  
West, M. ....

In September the Occident Club met in regular session after a few months recess, and was called to order by the President.

Roll call was answered by current events.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Reports of the committees were asked for.

The Treasury reported out of debt.

The Library Committee reported their success for the past three months. They received two more cases of books from the traveling library and 325 books donated by the public. They gave out 231 books in June.  
190 books in July  
246 books in August

Their great need is that they have more children's books.

The Village Improvement Committee brought their plans for

raising money to finance the putting in of a public drinking fountain, before the Club for discussion. As none followed the plans of the Committee stood approved.

Other committees said they would report later.

There being no old business and no new business it was moved that the business session adjourn & we give our attention to our most welcome speaker, Mrs Barton, past president of the Columbian Club at Boise. She gave us a broader insight into what Club work should mean to its members and community.

Mrs. Davidson favored us with a solo.

On motion the Club adjourned to be served with refreshments by ~~Mrs. Slack Mrs. Whylie & Mrs Allen~~ Mrs Allen, Mrs Atwater, Mrs Curtis & Mrs John Baird.

Mrs Dona M. Castile, Sec.

The Occident Club met Friday evening, Oct 2. The public was invited to enjoy our program.

A Violin solo was given by Miss Ruth Berry accompanied by Miss Nola Berry.

Mr Rowen of Boise gave us a talk on China using slides to illustrate. Mrs Rowen gave us a talk on Political Conditions in China and its relation to other nations.

Refreshments were served by Mrs Elta Davidson, Mrs Slack, Mrs Wyle & Mrs Arthur Garrett.

Mrs Dona M. Castile  
Sec.

The Occident Club met in regular session Nov. 7, and was called to order by the President.

Roll call was answered by the name of an Idaho grown or manufactured product.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Our speakers for the meeting were Mrs J. O. Smith, president & Mr Norman B. Adkinson, managing Secretary of the Idaho Home Industries Association.

They explained to us why we should "Try Idaho First, Buy Idaho First."

Each member brought a contribution of Idaho products which were placed with the manufactured products brought by our speakers.

Names were written on slips of paper & a drawing contest was held for the products. Every one being pleased with their draw. We also enjoyed the candy from the

Owyhee Candy Co.

After our speakers departed we continued our business meeting.

Mrs. Jessie Davidson reported on the Girl Reserve Work. They have raised \$80 of their \$100.

The bill for the use of the Church was presented. It was moved & seconded that the bill be paid.

Discussion about a new Meeting place followed.

Mrs. Roger made a motion that we accept the offer of the homes for the use of our meetings.

The motion was voted on & carried.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Jessie Davidson Mrs. Mondahl. & <sup>Mrs.</sup> Roger.

Mr. Dona M. Castle  
Sec.

The Occident Club met in regular session Dec. 5, and was called to order by the President.

Roll Call was answered by Christmas suggestions.

It was decided that each member bring a book as their Christmas contribution to the Library.

Minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The Library Committee made their report. At the close of Aug. the Library fund amounted to \$4. 00. Three book cases of books were sent out from the State Traveling Library and was paid for from this fund. 239 books were checked out in September. In Oct. & Nov. 80 books a week were read.

A lovely present was given the Library by Mrs & Dr. Neal consisting of a complete set of Louisa Alcott's books.

The Sec. was instructed to write a note of appreciation to Mrs & Dr. Neal which was done.

Mrs Davidson gave a report on The Girls Reserve Work.

The girls have completed their fund drive. The Girl Reserve have charge of the T.B. stamp sales.

The Club women were asked to help with these sales.

Part of the funds from these stamps go for a County Nurse.

The M.E. Church board refunded the Club the excess charge for the use of the church while we met there this Club year. This brings \$6 back to our treasury fund.

Our new members were given due initiation conducted by Mrs Mathews. The initiation was enjoyed by the Old Members especially.

We were pleasantly entertained by Miss Dorothy Nedd with a piano solo.

Our speaker of the day was Miss Culison, who told us about her trip around the world. We all enjoyed the insight she gave us of the countries she had traveled through.

The Jan. program was

announced by the Program Committee, consisted of  
Roll Call — New Years Resolutions  
"Defective Children" by Mrs Myrtle Bell  
"What Idaho does for her Defective  
Children" by Mrs Dona M. Castile

The Club met at home of Mrs Songer.  
Refreshments were served by the  
hostesses, Mrs Egbert, Mrs Hobbs & Mrs Castile.

Mrs Dona M. Castile  
Sec.