

Our members, crowded for time, find summer neither long nor dull. However, we welcome the annual Sourdough breakfast with which most members participate, with double pleasure; a get together and an assist to the Emergency Loan Closet.

Club year began in September with an increase in membership of eleven. The hospitality committee gave out year books which for the first time depicted the Club's two projects, Emergency Loan and Library.

New song books were purchased; one for each member and guest (this being important with eye glasses and bifocals prevalent). The song, Idaho, used frequently, with our closing song, "May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You." One music program was presented by two professors of music from the Northwest Nazarene College of Nampa. A syllabus and rendition of Stephen Foster songs.

Fine Arts was ably handled by Professor Feinkbeiner of Nampa. A treat to linger in memory was his drawing of the scene, April Showers, with Elma Fitch and Joy Flack singing that number, accompanied by Florence Robison.

Purchases were also made for our Little Room. New stool, lavatory and linoleum. With a curtained shelf we are proud to say, "our powder room."

Following a custom, representatives from Girls State inspired us with reports. On the same program came a breath from Hawaii, by Gladys Bales, state president of BFW. She brought points to ponder; and emphasized that the Hula dance is most sacred to natives, each movement significant with beautiful meaning. Life in Italy came to us through the talk by Mr. Patrick Rossi, an exchange student from his native Italy, attending NWNC.

Poetry was used often; original, revised, serious and or light. Schools in district were notified of state Poetry contest and eleven entered. The annual Art show was held at the club house, three hundred attending. How happy we were with the response. Dinner was served the judges, which gave more time and an opportunity to hear more of their opinions. These winners went to the Second District Convention: Venture Coy and Eleanor Smart from

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high and junior high; Gary Hart and ~~Zack~~ Sandra Haddock from the elementary. Red ribbons won by Mark Orton, Toni Dietkus, La Donna Upshaw, Vicki Knowlton; white won by Karen Wilson, Sharon Ossman, Connie Moser and Johnnie Powell. At second district Venture and Eleanor won firsts, Johnnie third, and Sandra honorable mention.

Pioneer members of the community and some of our own members came to meeting in October, dressed in early day attire. There were exhibitions of treasures and heirlooms; three horseless carriages from Boise; (inclement weather prevented "two-bit" rides around the block.) There were photographs of early residents, their homes and business places. Decorations and refreshments were most appropriate. Pictures were taken for the newspaper.

Observance of Thanksgiving was exemplified with a home setting. A table set formally for eight; with pianist and leader in place, eight members seated themselves, hands folded in traditional observance of blessing, for which the 100th Psalm was read with all heads bowed. At it's close all present sang in an attitude of prayer, the Doxology. *a Thanksgiving program followed.*

Following a covered dish luncheon our Christmas program consisted of verse and articles given by one of our new members, Mrs. A.M. Thomas. "The First Journey," a fantasy, was read by Mrs. Tessie Davidson. How glad we are now that she was so kind as to pinch hit for a very special number planned and not given because of illness.

Coming from the Boise Gem shop was Mrs. Cole, to tell us about her exhibit of native stones.

Fitting for February was the commemoration of the beautiful new ~~flag~~ flag given to the club. This gift from Mr. and Mrs. William Lycklama had covered the casket of their son <sup>Lester,</sup> who had been in service. Our club in turn gave our other flag and standard to the newly formed VVWI. A new standard was made for our new flag.

From necessity several programs were cancelled. Our June fun was

"Brides". Shown were weddin~~d~~ and other gowns from 1885 and a hundred years ago, down to the present time. Of special interest was the similarity of the dresses of today to the ones of the 20s. Chapters from a book of early day weddings and pretty modern reception were enjoyed.

This year we followed the custom of former years, renting our building at small fees to responsible groups and families. A few dinners and three annual breakfasts were served. Twice monthly the Lion's dinner, served family style. The annual Sourdough breakfast is served outside and looked forward to. At Christmas time we had a silver offering in lieu of gift exchange.

Having a janitor and a boy for the lawn work has been a great help. Honored at a Sunday tea and Open House were Mrs. V.A.Cox and Mrs. Claude Robbins. Mrs. Cox was founder of th Emergency Loan Closet and Mrs. Robbins for several years on the library board. Later a tea was given honoring especially the ladies from The Amity Neighboorhood Club.<sup>To re-  
place kitchen</sup> They had presented the library board with a check for \$787.59 and a check to the ELC for \$1000. <sup>and each given a carriage.</sup> Thanks to that club for thinking that our club rates high in community service. Our library continues to grow as does the list of users. Especially gratifying is the number of children. A large selection of Idaho books and books by Idaho writers will bear the permanent plate showing them a gift of the ANC; also any other books purchased with funds from them. Also bearing such plates are the three fine pieces purchased by the ELC. This committee has been on ~~exit~~ twenty four hours ~~a day~~ call. They have loaned more than 80 pieces this ~~ye~~ year. With more than one hundred articles of which the largest and perhaps most important are nine hospital beds and mattresses and four oxygen tanks.

Our card committee has been very busy. We regret the sickness and unfortunate happenings; most deeply do we feel the loss of two members: Clara Anderson and Tessie Davidson. Mrs. Davidson was a charter member, a past president and through the years a most active member. They were named in the memorial service at the state convention in Nampa and the convention of Second District at Weiser.

We had a good attendance at Weiser and at Nampa. At the latter place co-hostess club we had an active part.

All reports asked for have gone in to the proper chairman showing that we have done these things: Joined forces and on short notice held a meeting in the church dining room at which Rev. James R. Crowe talked and Harold Safety Davis showed film of the Idaho Youth Ranch; ninety six attended including the Ustick Apple Blossom Club with seventeen members. A desert lunch was served. As a result of this meeting our Club can be proud of the one hundred dollars contributed. We were influential in other amounts being given through our club

Contributions have gone also for Indian Scholarship fund, Penny Art, Pennies for Pines, Red Cross, Cancer, Children's Home Finding Society, Camp Alice Pittinger, Girls State, magazines and cards to the Nampa State School, new Santa Claus suit made for the CCs; this year we have a committee making a scene for the Dairy Show pageant. Have helped on worthy drives, X-ray and Bloodmobile and Civil Defense programs, dinners served bereaved families of members following funeral services. Chairs and card tables and other equipment have been loaned for justifiable cause. Building has been loaned Scouts, Explorers, Bloodmobile, Cancer and Safety First meetings; also for other good causes. We mailed objections to paid TV and for high telephone rates.

This year we received a citation for being second in paid membership received a prettily printed copy of the Collect for being one of the clubs using the proper wording. A citation too came from National headquarters for ranking high in community service. We have had no big financial drive this year but by following the policy set down many years ago in serving to do good we have kept up the prestige of our club; it ranks high in the state. Because of its fine reputation I consider it a privilege and honor to have been president. Thanks to you who have been most wonderful to me and to your respective duties.

Meredith Saikin  
President.

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A Collect for Club Women

Keep us, oh God, from pettiness;  
let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding  
And leave off self-seeking.

May we put away all pretense  
And meet each other face to face,  
Without self-pity and without prejudice

May we never be hasty in judgment  
and always generous.

Let us take time for all things;  
make us to grow calm, serene, gentle.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses,  
straightforward and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize it is  
The little things that create differences,  
That in the big things of life we are at one.

And may we strive to touch and to know  
The great, common human heart of us all.  
And, oh Lord God, let us forget not  
To be kind!

This was given to Mary Stewart  
for the Club of women  
on something  
somewhere  
brightly  
shown.

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## Sourdough for Dough

# Old-Fashioned Flapjack Breakfast Dated Friday by Meridian Women

MERIDIAN — Real western sourdough pancakes, made from Mrs. Edith Marsters' secret starter recipe and flipped over an outdoor fireplace, will be served to the public Friday morning from 6:30 a.m. to "noonish" at the fourth annual benefit breakfast put on by the women of Meridian's Occident club. Residents of Boise and Nampa are reminded that it's only a 10-mile drive to the "best western breakfast in Boise valley," said Mrs. Lois Frazier, publicity chairman.

The breakfast will be served at outdoor tables in the garden of the Occident club house which is on the corner of Meridian street and Idaho avenue, one block west of the highway, beyond the Meridian city hall. In previous years (this is the fourth annual breakfast) serving has been started at 7 a.m., but the customers are always lined up and waiting, so this



time the starting hour has been set for 6:30 o'clock. Mrs. Bert Rose is chairman assisted by Mrs. Susie Cairns and Mrs. Frazier.

In addition to the sourdoughs and home-made jellies and syrups donated by the committee, the menu will include cantaloupe, bacon and eggs and coffee.

Traditionally Mrs. Marsters

makes the flapjack batter from a recipe she developed during the years the Marsters family lived on a cattle ranch in High valley.

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The committee's big annual question: "How much dough to make?" This refers to the amount of batter needed to feed the customers, not the amount of money required to support the club's main project, the "Emergency Loan Closet."

There will be no specific charge for the breakfast, but contributions will be accepted as this is the only fund-raising affair the Occident club gives for their projects. In the past some breakfasters have donated amounts varying from 50 cents to \$5 ("and some have said they'll send a check and never do"), and usually the committee nets from \$50 to \$60.

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Even though this is harvest time and the busiest of the year for the average farm wife, a large group of the membership (total 75) pitches in to help, so expenses seldom run higher than \$10.

The club's loan closet includes a variety of sickroom equipment available free of charge to anyone in the area. Any of the items are available by contacting the three women on the committee.

*The breakfast  
was attended  
by more than 200  
people. Mrs. Marsters  
chairman assisted  
by Mrs. Edith  
Rose, Mrs. Susie  
Cairns, Mrs. Lois  
Frazier*

## Occident Club's Breakfast Event Set This Friday

Meridian's annual Sourdough-Pancake Breakfast will be held at the Occident Club this Friday morning, August 25.

Serving of the traditional breakfast at the clubroom—located at Meridian and Idaho streets, across from the city hall—will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will continue until all are served. The general public is cordially invited.

The menu will include pancakes, bacon and eggs, melon, and coffee. There will be no specific charge, but voluntary contributions will be accepted.

### Loan Closet Benefit

The event is the only fund-raising affair staged for the benefit of the club's Emergency Loan Closet. The Emergency Loan Closet provides a variety of sick-room equipment free of charge to anyone in the area.

Requests for loan of the equipment may be made by phoning any of the following women—Mrs. Bert Rose, 8-2820; Mrs. Susie Cairns, 8-8823; Mrs. Lois Frazier, 8-8882.

*Mrs. Frank Matchen,  
Carol Benjamin,  
Francis Veatch,  
Jess Hedges were  
helpers.*

## MERIDIAN 'SOURDOUGHS'

### Meridian Pancake Feed Nets \$175 for Emergency 'Closet'

MERIDIAN — Charity-minded residents of Meridian and surrounding communities gathered Friday to consume more than a thousand sourdough pancakes for the benefit of the Emergency Loan Closet.

Total contributions following the annual breakfast held on the shaded lawns of the Occident club amounted to \$175.

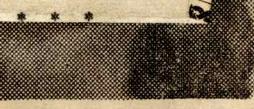
The Emergency Loan Closet, a major activity of the 75-member Occident club, was founded during World war II to provide medical equipment to any one in the area. Wheel chairs and hospital beds are among the many supplies which may be procured on a loan basis from the organization.

The fund raising project, attended by more than 200 people, was under the supervision of Mrs. Bert Rose, Mrs. Susie Cairns and Mrs. Lois Frazier.

The 10 gallons of pancake mix were prepared under the direction of Mrs. Edith Marsters who also did much of the cooking. Servers and other cooks included Mrs. Nina Egbert, Mrs. Frank Matcham, Mrs. Carol K. Benjamin, Mrs. Francis Veach and Mrs. Jess Hedges.

Among the many guests who attended were Meridian Mayor and Mrs. Don Storey, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Gilbert of Boise, who were celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wolff, the Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bell, all of Meridian; and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rice and Mr. and Mrs. Nat Marler all of Boise.

Other out of town guests included residents from Caldwell, Nampa, Middleton, Parma and Eagle.



SOURDOUGH FLAPJACKS highlighted the annual fund raising breakfast yesterday of the Emergency Loan Closet. Guests at the Meridian affair contributed \$175 to the organization which will be used for the maintenance of medical equipment loaned by the group to any one in the area. Shown here are a few of the more than 200 persons that attended the event.

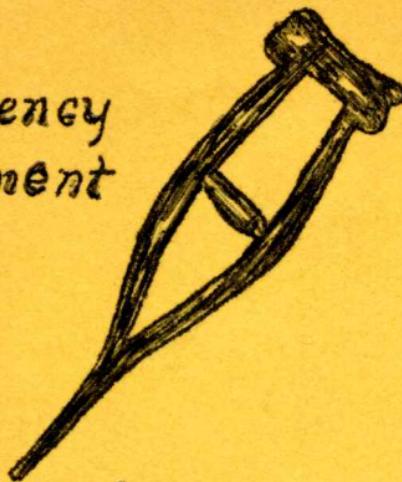


READY FOR THEIR CHORES at the annual Meridian Emergency Loan Closet breakfast Friday are 11 volunteer servers. Shown, left to right, are Mrs. Jess Hedges, Mrs. Edith Marsters, Mrs. Lois Frazier, Mrs. Bert Rose, Mrs.

Francis Veach, Mrs. Carol K. Benjamin, Mrs. Susie Bairns, Mrs. Archie Scrivners, Mrs. Frank Matcham, Mrs. Nina Egbert and Mrs. Roy Goodwin.

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Emergency  
Equipment



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Mrs. Helen Smith

Historian

Carol Bedard &  
Barbara Hill spoke  
as delegates from M.H.S.  
to Syringa Girls State

**Occident Club  
Issues Books**

The Occident Club met Monday afternoon at their club rooms in Meridian. The new year books were distributed to the members present.

The books were designed by Mrs. Marvin Goodwin, daughter-in-law of the club's president, Mrs. Roy Goodwin.

Serving refreshments for the meeting were the Mmes. Ted Howell, Roy Goodwin, Roy Stuart, and Mabel Cairns.

Cover designed by  
Mrs. Marvin Goodman  
daughter-in-law of the  
Club's president Mrs. Hazel  
Goodman.

Sept 1,  
Girls State - Carol Bedard  
Barbara Hill

Journalism - Dick Carr studied  
journalism at Moscow, Idaho  
work shop at Roswell Mexico  
Very interesting talks by all.

Oct. 6-1958

## Occident Club Hears Talk by Wm. Eberle

Meridian's Occident Club met Monday, October 6, in the club-rooms.

The program included a talk by Mr. William D. Eberle on the issues of the coming election.

Mrs. Roy Denton read an ode to Columbus; and Mrs. Mabel Birns read a poem in memory of the late Bert Rose, who had given much of his time in the interest of the club and the Emergency Loan Closet.

Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Gene Culbertson and Mrs. Will Carter. Mrs. Emily Pratt was received as a new member.



HELPING HERSELF to another portion of sourdough pancakes at the Meridian Emergency Loan Closet annual breakfast is Mrs. W. E. Curtis. Serving is Mrs. Bert Rose, one of the supervisors at the Occident club-sponsored project. Contributions following the event amounted to \$175.

## Library Reports Gifts of Books

The board of the Meridian public library this week expressed appreciation for gifts of books, and money for the purchase of books, received during the past few months.

The gifts included a memorial in memory of Mrs. Elinor Songer McGuire, sent by friends in Cleveland, Ohio.

A copy of "Motzie Stories," by Mabel Rosamond Brose, was presented in memory of Mrs. Tessie Davidson by members of the Zamzow family.

The Occident club honored the memory of Mr. Ben Robison with

a book gift; and a group of friends presented the book, "Hear Me, My Chief," in memory of Mr. Lee Mosman. The book, by L. V. McWhorter, is a legend and history of the Nez Perce Indians.

The board reported that number of books were given to the library by Mr. Grace Green and Mrs. Myrtle Songer.

### Children's Books

Money for the purchase of children's books has been received from Mrs. Marion Clelen and from the Meridian Jay-C-Ettes.

Mr. Jack Creason has given a year's subscription to the National Geographic Magazine.

"For all these memorials and donations," the members of the library board said, "we, on behalf of the readers and users of the library, express appreciation, and hope others will be prompted to give magazine subscriptions and memorials."

### Hours Listed

The city library hours are from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesdays, and from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. Fridays.

Memberships are fifty cents per year for adults, twenty-five cents per year for high school students, and ten cents per year for children under high school age.

## Club Schedules Talk By William Eberle

A special feature of the Occident Club's meeting Monday, October 6, will be a talk by guest speaker, Mr. William D. Eberle.

Non-members interested in hearing Mr. Eberle's talk are invited to be present at the clubrooms at 2:00 p.m. next Monday.

Mr. Eberle will give a non-political talk on state expenditures, how the tax money is divided and spent, and will also include topics current with the November election.

Mr. Wm. D Eberle gave talk on comming election. Guests were Mrs. Gene Culbertson & Mrs. Will Carter. Mrs. Emily was received as new member

November 3

## Occident Club Meet Features Speakers

Meridian's Occident Club members held a regular meeting Monday, November 3, in the clubrooms.

A featured speaker on the afternoon's program was the Reverend Eugene Culbertson, who spoke on the United Nations. Mrs. Amy Ambrose addressed the group on library work, in line with the group's observance of National Library Week.

During the meeting, members were asked to vote on the entries in the contest sponsored by the library board. Winning entries, based on the theme, "Exploring with Books", were the work of Linda Kay Stewart and Miss Arlene Christiansen.

Hostesses for Monday's meeting were Mrs. Nina Egbert, Mrs. Lillian Stocking, Mrs. Francis Kuchenbecker, Mrs. Minnie Anderson, and Mrs. eLah Lane.

## Meridian Library Names New Slate

New members and officers of Meridian's library have been announced.

Mrs. Francis Veach has been named chairman of the board. Other officers include Mrs. B. L. McNeff, secretary, and Mrs. D. T. Howell, treasurer. Mrs. Lee Mosman has been named a board member.

The board has expressed their thanks to those who have donated good, modern books in recent weeks.

## Occident Club Observes Trio Of Occasions

MERIDIAN — The program for the Occident club meeting Monday celebrated three special occasions: United Nations day, national book week and Thanksgiving.

The Rev. Eugene Culbertson, pastor of the Nazarene church in Meridian, gave an address on the ideals on which the United Nations organization was based and how to incorporate them in personal living.

The library board, under chairman Betty Eager, decorated the clubhouse and worked at a table displaying several types of services offered by their group to the library. Acting librarian, Mrs. Amy Ambrose, gave an explanation of their display. The winners of a poster contest in the local high school were given their prizes. They were Linda Kay Stewart, first, and Arlene Christensen, second.

A Thanksgiving skit was read recalling the little things that fill each year with pleasure.

At the next meeting, members have been asked to recall childhood Christmas programs in which they appeared and present the same thing alone or in groups as part of the Christmas program for the club meeting.

The November hostesses were the Mmes. Lillian Stocking, Nina Egbert, O. E. Kuchenbecker, Ray Anderson and Leah Lane.

Reverend Eugene Culbertson spoke on the United Nations. Mrs. Ambrose addressed the group on library work. Winners of a poster contest in the local high school were given prizes. Linda Kay Stewart 1st and Arlene Christenson second.

December 1

# Occident Club Relives Early School Programs

MERIDIAN—Meridian Occident club members met Monday for a Christmas program. They came dressed in their best bib and tucker of grade school days — from prefabricated pig-tails and giant hair bows to simulated missing teeth and long black stockings. Members enacted their first public recitations or songs that they had laboriously learned. Mrs. Effiebelle Denton reached back to age seven for her brief rhyme that was titled "My Specialty" and was presented to introduce a school program.

Mrs. Gladys Stuart recited the melodramatic "The Shepherd Left Behind"—just as she had done in an early grade in Sunnyside school in Weiser. Mrs. Hazel Goodwin gave a humorous reading titled, "Entertaining My Sister's Beau." And Mrs. Lois Frazer sang "This Letter Is for Papa."

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Two members who could recall earlier years related their most memorable Christmas experiences. Mrs. O. M. Raines presented her story of what happened on Christmas when she was five years old. "We lived in Chanute, Kan., she began, "and I had never had a big, beautiful doll with real hair and sleeping eyes. That year I got one. My uncle put it on the Christmas tree, and later my mother suggested that we put dolly behind the stove where she would be safe overnight.

"Next morning when I went to get the doll, her wax face near the hot stove had melted and her eyes were rolled down on her streaked face."

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Mrs. Ida Bowen related also an unfortunate experience with a doll and at the same time pointed up a lesson in unselfishness. "We lived in a Nevada mining town," she said, "and along a window ledge we had a rock collection. I had received a new doll for Christmas and was reluctant to let my younger sister play with it. I laid the doll aside and went to do a chore. My sister got the doll and as she stood near the rock collection, a big one fell on dolly's face and smashed her."

Vocal selections were by the Mmes. Viola Moore, Nina Egbert, Susie Cairns, Ethel Thorne, Zelma Rose, Minnie Anderson, Lulu Eastman, Kathryn Smith, May Howell, Myrtle Songer, Deane Ulmer, Gertrude Rosti, Helen Smith and Nida Scrivner.

## Occident Club Holds Covered Dish Dinner

Thirty two Occident club members met Monday afternoon, December 1, for a covered dish dinner in the clubrooms. Seven guests also enjoyed the occasion.

Hostesses for the affair were Mrs. Frank Hudson, Mrs. Ray Ulmer, Mrs. Lois Frazier, Mrs. B. L. McNeff, and Mrs. Voris Botkin.

The program for the afternoon's entertainment included a vocal duet by Meridian High School students, Sybil Daniel and Janet Rambo, accompanied by Miss Linda Hudson. The remainder of the program was performed by the members themselves, to the obvious enjoyment of all. Included were vocal numbers, recitations, and readings, all of which served to conclude the afternoon on a general note of hilarity.

### Occident Club Plans Luncheon Meeting Next Monday Noon

Meridian's Occident Club will meet Monday, December 1, in the Occident clubrooms. The meeting will begin at twelve noon with a covered dish luncheon.

Each member is asked to bring Christmas cards, used magazines in good condition, or other suitable used items, to be given Nampa's State School as part of the club's Christmas projects.

An "old fashioned" program will be presented with each member participating and presenting some number remembered from their childhood.

The program included a duet sang by Meridian H.S. students Janet Rambo & Sybil Daniel accompanied by Lind Hudson. The remainder of the program was given by the members relating songs and recitations of their childhood days. Very amusing.

January 5

## Occident Club Hears Hunt Give Review

The Occident Club held a regular meeting in the clubrooms Monday afternoon, January 5.

A feature of the afternoon's program was a book review by Clare Hunt. Mr. Hunt discussed J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit".

Members and visitors of 70 years of age and over were especially honored by the club.

During the business meeting, the resignation of Mrs. L. W. Lounsbury as secretary was accepted. Mrs. Archie Scrivner was elected to replace Mrs. Lounsbury.

A letter was received and read, coming from the Nampa State School in thanks for clothing and other articles donated recently.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. B. Rose, Mrs. Clara Maw, Mrs. Virgil Smith, and Mrs. Chet Chapman, chairman.

## Writer of Idaho Song Discovered

Editor, The Statesman:

In reply to a Letter to the Editor, Feb. 2, asking who was the author of the song, "Idaho, O Idaho," I can give that information.

It was my brother, E. O. Mills, who wrote the song in 1901, after coming to Idaho from Wisconsin where he was born in 1873. He is a great lover of nature and spent all the time he could in the mountains of our beautiful state. He taught school for several years and in 1909 sailed for Japan where he served almost 32 years as a Baptist missionary. He crossed the Pacific, scaled the 12,600 Fjiyama, worked in parts of China and retired in 1942.

He has many friends in and around Boise. Never robust, but kindly and soft spoken, he enjoys life, and now, at 85, he lives at 4505 McCart, Fort Worth 15, Texas, near the Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary where he has taught the Japanese language for many years, and the students share his home at times.

He wrote many other poems and articles and I have a book of some of them. This song was the official song of the Idaho State Educational society.

## Volunteers Do Work Of Repairing Books

Several members of the Occident Club met Monday, January 11, and spent the day doing mending and repairing of library books from the public library. Plans were made to have another "work day" next month.

At noon the ladies enjoyed a "sack lunch" and coffee in the club-rooms.

The volunteers included Mrs. Amy Ambrose, Mrs. Nancy Sage, Mrs. Francis Veach, Mrs. Marguerite Patch, Mrs. Bernard McNeff, Mrs. D. T. Howell, Mrs. Edith Masters, Mrs. Frank Matcham, Mrs. Susie Cairns, Mrs. Roy Goodwin, Mrs. Bert Rose, Mrs. V. R. Botkin, and Mrs. Oral Coleman.

### IDAHO O IDAHO

A lovely mountain home is ours,  
Idaho O Idaho  
Of winters mild and springtime  
showers,  
Idaho O Idaho  
Her breezes blow from western  
shore  
Where broad Pacific billows  
roar;  
Each year we love her more and  
more,  
Idaho O Idaho.

Her mountains grand are  
crowned with snow,  
Idaho O Idaho,  
And valleys fertile spread below,  
Idaho O Idaho  
The towering pines on cliffs so  
steep  
O'er cataracts their vigils keep,  
Or in the lakes are mirrored  
deep,  
Idaho O Idaho.

A thousand hills where herds  
may range,  
Idaho O Idaho,  
And lava beds so weird and  
strange,  
Idaho O Idaho  
Above our heads are cloudless  
skies,  
In gorgeous hues the sunset  
dies,  
Then starry diamonds greet our  
eyes,  
Idaho O Idaho.

Such is our wondrous mountain  
home,  
Idaho O Idaho  
And far away we ne'er would  
roam,  
Idaho O Idaho  
Oh "Land of Liberty" we tell,  
Beneath a starry flag we dwell,  
One star is ours, we love it well,  
Idaho O Idaho.  
—Mrs. John W. Bell, box 65,  
Meridian, Idaho.

February. 1.

## Occident Club members hear program presented by elementary students

Members of Meridian's Occident Club met Monday afternoon in the clubrooms for a particularly interesting program featuring representatives from each of the classes in the elementary grades.

The program was opened with the pledge of allegiance, conducted by members of the first grade class, whose instructors are Mrs. Blanche Chipman and Mrs. Oma Jenkins. The six pupils also gave a song, "The Little Teapot."

### Dramatizations heard

Second grade pupils followed with a dramatization of stories from their reading books given by six students and a group of three students gave a choral reading on Lincoln. Their instructors are Mrs. Betty Kusler and Mrs. Doris Scott.

Three students from the third grade presented a song of Lincoln, followed by six pupils with a Valentine song and a lullaby. Their instructors are Mrs. Elizabeth Coryell and Mrs. Frances Ellis.

Six members of the fourth grade classes presented "facts about Idaho" and two pupils spoke on the Idaho Capital and grounds. Their classes are taught by Mrs. Hazel Dudgeon and Miss Frieda Mayer.

### Fifth graders speak

Five students of fifth grade classes, taught by Mrs. Edith Crockett and Mrs. Ruby Trautman, presented a discussion of "social studies". Another fifth grade student presented a travelogue.

Sixth grade students of Mrs. Gladys Kelly and Mr. Claude Saxon concluded the program with songs presented by 12 pupils who have been instructed by Phillip Peterson, district music instructor. These numbers were followed by a students explanation of projects of the fifth and sixth grades.

The younger students were accompanied by Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Scott. Refreshments were served to the students and later to the club members by the hostesses, Mrs. Kate Dierickson, Mrs. Mabel Cairns, Mrs. A. K. Smith, Mrs. Oral Coleman, and Mrs. Ella Pitkin.

The club announced that the annual exhibit of student art, conducted by the Occident Club, will be held this year. Date for the exhibit and other details will be announced in the near future.

The pledge of allegiance was given by members of the 1st grade - Mrs Blanche Chipman & Mrs Oma Jenkins instructors. They also sang "The Little Teapot". The 2nd grade dramatized stories from the readers & choral reading on Lincoln. Instructors Mrs. Betty Kusler & Mrs. Doris Scott. The 4th grade "facts about Idaho". The 5th grade, Mrs. Edith Crochet & Ruby Trautman discussion of "social studies". The 6th grade presented a musical

March 2

### Meridian clubs slate meetings

The Occident Club will meet at their Meridian club room Monday after two o'clock. Music will be presented by a trio of high school students.

The program will feature a current article in a Readers Digest.

### Occident Club Hears Report On Vice Wave

MERIDIAN — The Occident club heard a report on the continuance of vice-inducing pornography distribution at their meeting Monday. Mrs. Marguerite Patch reviewed an article on the subject from the current Reader's Digest.

The program for the day included a girls' vocal trio—Jan Rambo, Carolyn Tanner and Sybil Daniels—accompanied by Linda Hudson; and a skit by Mrs. Carol Benjamin on spring hats.

The Mmes. Frank Matcham, Fred Rosti, Patch, Ida Bowen and Lee Mossman were the hostesses.

A collection of "pennies for pines" was taken to advance the reforestation program of the State Federation of clubs.

Mrs. Minnie Anderson and Mrs. Francis Veach are chairmen of the art exhibit to be presented April 1 in the club house.

Help Stamp Out  
This Vile Traffic.  
Obscene photographs & lewd  
movies "for private showing"  
aimed at school children,  
circulate by the millions  
and constitute a dangerous  
threat to the morals of our youth.  
The U. S. Post Office estimates that last  
year's organized traffic in pornography  
reached a peak value of half a million dollars.  
Mrs. Patch gave an talk a very interesting talk  
on the subject. Last yr. 50,000 parents wrote  
to the P. O. Dept. or ~~some~~ senators & congress-  
men from Kansas, Georgia, Pennsylvania  
Mass., Colorado, New York, Mississippi, Wash-  
ington D. C. California & many more.

April 6

## Club program features French lesson

Members of the Occident Club had a French lesson Monday afternoon for their program. Mrs. Roy Denton was the teacher. The lesson included the spelling and pronunciation of the most used French words in news stories, books and on menus.

Music on the program included a piano solo by Alice Fulcher, and vocal numbers by Linda Hudson, Annette Walker and Lesa Higginson.

The French theme was carried out in the tea tables and decorations. Mrs. Hazel Hedges and Mrs. Zelma Rose, poured.

Hostesses were Mrs. Francis Veach, Mrs. Ralph Soucie, Mrs. Aubrey Smith and Mrs. Myrtle Neibaur.

### Winners present

The winners of the art exhibit were present to receive their prizes and five of their mothers were special guests.

The club members purchased

200 litter-bags to use in cars to help keep our streets and roadways clean.

The Occident Club is co-hostess for the convention of second district of Federated Women's Clubs in Idaho, which is being held in Boise this Thursday and Friday. Other hostess clubs are the Apple Blossom, of Ustick; and the Golden Rod, Alexis, South Side Improvement, Women's Civic, and Whitney Progress, all of Boise.

## William Denton receives award

William Denton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy G. Denton, was recently awarded a National Science Foundation stipend to attend Washington State College for the 1959 summer session. Bill is a 1954 graduate of Meridian High, '56 graduate of BJC and '58 graduate of Eastern Washington College. He presently teaches high school science and math and coaches Washtucna, Washington. He also was recently elected secretary-treasurer for the Washington Education Association for Adams County for the 1959-1960 school year.

## Occident Club Gives Awards To Young Art Exhibitors

MERIDIAN—The prize winners in the recent Occident club art exhibit were presented their ribbons and cash awards at the regular meeting of the club. The mothers of the art winners were invited. The program for the day included a lesson in French given by Mrs. Roy Denton, who has had seven years of

French. The members had fun with the spelling and pronunciation of the most commonly used French words in literature and in restaurants.

Alice Fulcher, Linda Hudson, Annette Walker and Lesa Higginson played and sang several numbers.

Hazel Hedges and Zelma Rose poured at the tea table and the hostesses were the Mmes. Francis Veach, Aubrey Smith and Myrtle Neibaur.

The first place art winners were Jill McGoldrick, Carolyn Lenton, Deanne Green and Victor Coy. Second place winners, Tony Jones, Anita Brumble, Margo Brattin and Venture Coy. Third places were given to Vicki Johnson, Nancy Lovan, Dorothy Slaughter and Norma Reaman. Sketch books for honorable mention were given to Johnny Powell, Suzanne Stover, Joyce Miller and Sharon Rich.

### Heads 4-H Club



ROENE ATWOOD of Glens



DIVISION II — Carolyn Lenton, Anita Brumble, Nancy Lovan, Suzanne Stover.

MERIDIAN—The art classes of all schools in Ada County District 2 will be represented in the art exhibit sponsored by the Occident club in Meridian. The art exhibit is an annual project of the Federated Women's clubs in Idaho.

The exhibit will be Wednesday in the club house, and everyone is invited from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ribbons will be awarded to first, second, third and honorable mention winners in four divisions. The winners will be exhibited at the convention of Idaho Federation of Women's clubs in Boise on April 9, where they will be judged again and the winners will be given ribbons and cash awards. Best in the competition will be exhibited in the Boise Art Gallery for further consideration.

Art Exhibit April 1 - 1959



Division I

Jill Mc Goldrick 1st

Tony Jones 2nd

Vicki Johnson 3rd

Johnny Powell

Honorable Mention

Tony Jones won honorable mention at the Dist. meeting in Boise Aug 9



Division II

Carolyn Lenton 1st

Anita Brumble 2nd

Nancy Lavor 3rd

Suzanne Stove

Honorable Mention



Division III

Dearne Green 1st  
Margo Brattin 2nd  
Dorthy Slaughter 3rd  
Joyce Miller Honorable  
Mention



Division IV

Victor Coy 1st  
Venture Coy 2nd.  
Norma Reaman 3rd  
Sharon Rick  
Honorable Mention  
Venture  
Victor & Coy got  
3rd prize in  
Dist. meeting in  
Boise April 9

## Youth, talent

# Local art winners listed

Colorful originality was the keynote of art work exhibited by students of Meridian district schools, in the annual competition sponsored by the Occident Club.

Respective winners in the four divisions were Jill McGoldrick, Carolyn Lenton, Dianne Green, and Victor Coy. A complete list of winners for all divisions is as follows.

## City announces alert signals

Signals to be used in case of emergency have been announced by civil defense officials of Meridian.

The "alert" signal will be a three-minute steady blast of the steam whistle at the Meridian creamery of the Ada County Dairymen's Association.

The "impending attack" signal, a warning to take immediate cover, will be a series of short blasts on the creamery whistle, lasting for a period of from three to five minutes.

Residents were reminded that the creamery whistle now blows four times each day—at 7:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon; 1:00 p.m.; and 5:00 p.m. At these regular times, the whistle is blown only briefly, so there will be no confusion with alert signals.

Dean Mayes, a state director of communications for Idaho's civil defense organization, expressed appreciation to the dairymen's association and its manager, S. C. Perry, for their cooperation with the civil defense group.

For Meridian residents, the "all clear" signal will be a long and short blast of the creamery whistle, repeated twice — a long and a short, a long and a short.

Francis Frost, local civil defense director, said that use of the creamery whistle was decided upon to avoid confusion that might arise from use of the regular fire siren.

**Division One** (first, second, and third grades) —First: Jill McGoldrick, first grade, Meridian. Second: Tony Jones, third grade, Meridian. Third: Vicki Johnson, second grade, Meridian. Honorable mention: Johnny Powell, second grade, Cloverdale.

**Division Two** (fourth grade) —First: Dianne Green, Meridian. Second: Anita Brumble, Meridian. Third: Nancy Lovan, Meridian. Honorable mention: Suzanne Stover, Cloverdale.

**Division Three** (eighth grade) —First: Dianne Green, Meridian. Second: Margo Brattin, Meridian. Third: Dorothy Slaughter, Meridian. Honorable mention: Joyce Miller, Meridian.

**Division Four** (high school) —First: Victor Coy, sophomore. Second: Venture Coy, senior. Third: Norma Reaman, junior. Honorable mention: Sharon Rich, sophomore.

### Ribbons and cash

Winners received ribbons and cash awards for each division. Mrs. Minnie Anderson, local chairman for the exhibit, said that judging emphasized originality in choice of subject, background, setting, and combination of colors, rather than professional technique. "Several of the young artists show pronounced ability," the chairman commented "and may develop their talent into a future career."

The winning entries are on display this Thursday and Friday in Boise, at the second district convention of Federated Women's Clubs.

A total of 60 adults and 43 students attended the Meridian exhibit last Wednesday, with members of the Occident Club acting as hostesses.



DIVISION I — Jill McGoldrick, Tony Jones, Vicki Johnson, Johnny Powell.



DIVISION III — Dianne Green, Margo Brattin Dorothy Slaughter, Joyce Miller.



DIVISION IV — Victor Coy, Venture Coy, Norma Reaman, Sharon Rich.

April 6

## Federated Clubs To Hold Meeting



Mrs. DEXTER ARNOLD of  
Concord N. H.  
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Members of the second district Federated clubs in this area will hold a special meeting this morning at 10:30 o'clock to meet Mrs. Dexter O. Arnold of Concord N. H., third vice president of the General Federation of Women's clubs.

Mrs. Arnold has traveled throughout Europe and is a former national officer of Delta Gamma sorority. She has worked extensively with women's clubs and in 1952 was named "New Hampshire's most distinguished citizen" by the University of New Hampshire.

## Local artists place in event

Two students of Meridian schools received recognition in the art competition at the district convention of Federated Women's Clubs of Idaho, held at Boise.

Venture Coy, MHS senior, was third place in his division; and Tony Jones, third grade student at Meridian elementary, received honorable mention.

The entries will now be exhibited at the Boise art gallery, for state judging.

The two student artists were also winners in the art display held in Meridian at the Occident Club, which drew an attendance of 413 students and 60 adults.

## Contest Winners Announced By Federated Clubwomen

AWARDS TO WINNERS of the second district art contest for school students were presented Thursday evening at the second district Idaho Federation of Women's clubs banquet in the First Christian church. Judges were Mrs. James Byers, Jack Tate and Robert Wand. Carl Smith of Boise High school was winner of the Hallmark award. Mrs. William F. DeMont, art chairman, presented the awards.

Division I winners were Terry Dotson, Boise, grade 2, first; Alene Copple, Boise, grade 3, second; Susan Hagbom, Nampa, grade 1, third; and Tony Jones, Meridian, grade 3, honorable mention. Division II winners were Jim Grist, Boise, grade 6; Donald Ballard, Weiser, grade 6; Kathleen Eason, Weiser, grade 6; Carol Brubaker, Payette, grade 8, honorable mention.

Division III winners were Elaine Pintz, Payette, grade 8; Ann Taylor, Boise, grade 9; Mike Wager, Nampa, grade 9; Vickie Sigman, Boise, grade 5, honorable mention.

Division IV winners were Howard Huff, Borah high school, grade 12; Don Jackson, Nampa high, grade 12; Venture Gay, Nampa, grade 12 and Howard Huff, Borah high, grade 12, honorable mention.

Mrs. Marjorie Vogel, second district president, gave awards for the best scrapbooks. The Portia club of Payette, first, Mrs. Edna Stephenson, president; Century club of Nampa, second, Mrs. John Brandt, president; and Columbian club of Boise, third, Mrs. O. P. Newman, president.

Poetry awards in the adult division were won by Annie Lau-

## Occident club among host at convention

Occident Club, Meridian, is one of the hostess groups for the 59th annual convention of the second district, Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs.

The convention is being held this Thursday and Friday, April 9 and 10, at Boise. Daytime meetings are at the Columbian club, with a banquet this Thursday night at the First Christian church.

The more than 12,000 members of the district are invited to the convention. One highlight will be a tour through the new Ann Morrison memorial park in Boise.

rie Bird for two selections and Mrs. J. E. Barr, for two selections. Both are from the Century club in Nampa. Other winners were Mrs. Don Rowe, Woman's club, New Meadows, and Mrs. Clarence Blumer of the Midvale Civic club.



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## Occident Club plans spring benefit

The annual Spring benefit of the Occident Club will be May 4 in the clubhouse. It will begin at 1:30 with a dessert luncheon. There will be a variety of card games and bingo.

The members will gather at 11 a.m. for their business meeting. They will have a covered dish lunch. Each member is take a wrapped gift for the bingo games.

The proceeds from the benefit party will go into the general treasury for use with civic projects of the club.

In Meridian

## Occident Club Selects Officers at Luncheon

MERIDIAN—The Meridian Occident club has elected officers. The club met for a morning session before a potluck lunch at noon. The new officers are: president, Mrs. J. Roy Stuart; vice president, Mrs. Carol Benjamin; secretary and assistant, Mrs. Archie D. Scrivner and Mrs. Marguerite Patch; treasurer, Mrs. Viola Moore; historian, Mrs. Ray S. Anderson.

Hostesses for the luncheon were the Mmes. Fred Rostl, A. D. Scrivner, John Magnuson and Guy S. Eastman.

In the afternoon a benefit card party started with a dessert luncheon and offered a variety of games.

Club election

## Mrs. Stuart new

Heading the new slate of officers for the Occident Club, Meridian, is Mrs. Roy J. Stuart as president.

Also elected at the club's meeting Monday were Mrs. Carol Benjamin, vice president; Mrs. Archie D. Scrivner, secretary, and Mrs. Viola Moore, treasurer.

Mrs. Marguerite Patch was named assistant secretary, and Mrs. Ray S. Anderson was elected historian.

Hostess for the covered dish luncheon were Mrs. Scrivner, Mrs. Fred Rostl, Mrs. John Magnuson, and Mrs. Guy Eastman.

The afternoon program included a benefit card party and dessert lunch.

June 1

Bits of Memory Date From 1792

## Occidentalists Show Antiques in Meridian

By CATHERINE FRANKLIN

MERIDIAN—Treasured keepsakes and stories about their value to various members of the Occident club were the inspiration for the closing program of the current season Monday. Some of the keepsakes were fairly new, but many were very old. One dated back to 1792. It is a hardwood spinning wheel brought from Holland in that year. Mrs. Elmer Ross is the present owner. It was crafted of oak, walnut and maple.

Another ancient item was a pint-size jug, handmade of clay. A grandfather of Mrs. Carol Benjamin had carried it tied to his saddle with milk for his lunch when he went to school in 1831.

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Mrs. Nina Egbert and her sister, Mrs. Warren Moore, have among their treasures doilies made from linen for which their great-grandmother grew the flax, spun the thread and wove the cloth. It was first made into a bed tick. When it began to wear thin, the best parts were made into hand towels. Mrs. Egbert said her mother used her towel for a bread cloth for many years. The cloth was made before 1870.

The old family album came into the stories, too. Mrs. Susie Cairns displayed her album with pictures dating back to 1832.

Other keepsakes included a pair of silver from a mine at Delamar, dolls in their original dresses as much as 50 years old and a Bible belonging to Mrs. Francis Veach, which had been handed down to the daughters in the family for several generations.

The keepsakes were displayed on a table and, before the stories were told, Mrs. Earl Marks and Mrs. Homer Smith sang "Among My Souvenirs," accompanied by Linda Hudson.

The members and their guests had a covered dish luncheon and finished the program with the installation of officers.

Officially their duties will begin at the first meeting in September. The officers installed by Mrs. Veach were Mrs. Roy Stuart, president; Mrs. Carol Benjamin, first vice president; Mrs. A. D. Scrivner, recording secretary; Mrs. Marguerite Patch, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Warren Moore, treasurer, and Mrs. May S. Anderson, librarian.

### Occident members on television

Three members of the Meridian Occident Club appeared on TV Monday, June 15. They were guests of Bonnie Wallis on KBOI.

Mrs. Elmer Ross, Mrs. Ray S. Anderson and Mrs. Susie Cairns showed several old and precious keepsakes of members of the Occident Club.

June again

## Occident Club entertains at luncheon

The annual June covered dish luncheon of the Occident Club was held Monday in the club house.

It was the final meeting before the summer recess. Hostesses for the luncheon were the Mmes. Roy Denton, Robert Thorne, V. A. Cox and Carol Benjamin.

The program was titled "Keepsakes." Teri Smith sang a song and danced two tap numbers. Mrs. Homer Smith and Mrs. Earl Marks sang "Among My Souvenirs" and several members displayed treasured keepsakes and told their stories.

Keepsakes included a small hand-crafted jug which had been carried in 1831 by Mrs. Carol Benjamin's grandfather. He tied it to his saddle and it held his milk for school lunch.

Mrs. Elma Veach had a Bible which had been handed down to the daughters in her family for several generations.

### Spinning Wheel

Mrs. Elmer Ross had a spinning wheel which came from Holland and has been in the family since 1792. It is made of oak, walnut and maple and the parts are fitted together by screwing into each other. They can be easily dismantled for storage.

Mrs. Nina Egbert and Mrs. Warren Moore had linen doilies made from very old material. Their great grandmother grew the flax, spun the thread and

wove the cloth.

Mrs. Susie Cairns showed a family album which came from the East coast and has pictures dating back to 1832.

Edith Robbins' treasure was a piece of silver in a bar five inches long. It was from a mine at Delamar in Owyhee County and has the name of her mother engraved in it.

Several women showed dolls in their original dresses. One of these was given to Mrs. Veach 50 years ago.

### New slate

The new officers were installed by Mrs. Veach. They were Mrs. Roy Stuart, president; Mrs. Carol Benjamin, vice president; Mrs. A. D. Scrivner, recording secretary; Mrs. Marguerite Patch, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Warren Moore, treasurer; and Mrs. Ray S. Anderson, historian.

Helen Smith

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# Meridian Accident Club

(Mrs Ray Goodevin pres)

The Meridian Accident Club has 51 members, our main projects are the Emergency Loan Closet and the Library.

The emergency loan has had 95 calls for equipment, bought 1 new fracture chair 2 new side rail and pair of crutches, we have in our loan closet 10 hospital beds & mattress, small bed, 15 pairs of crutches, 2 fracture bars for bed 2 large wheel chairs, 4 folding chairs 5 oxygen regulators, 4 oxygen tanks, 2 commodes, 1 walker numerous small sick room articles.

For our library the town gives us one mill levy, thereby providing us with a librarian two times a week, the remaining fund we use for new book and supplies on the average we have about 800 borrowers a month the larger number being children, we have given discarded or duplicate to other libraries, also to the State Library our members had charge of the information booth at the Dairy Show and took part in the Community reedle pageant, The Birth of Meridian

Page 2. Meridian Occident Club, (Mrs Roy Goodwin pres.) we helped with sale of Candy for the blind Barbara Hill and Carol Badard gave us a report their attendance at girls State, Dick Car told of his attending a journalist convention in Roswell New Mexico and a work shop in Eugene Ore.

Ree Cebertson gave a talk on United Nations applied to our selves and our Community.

Our Christmas party was given where each member took part, In telling the Christmas story, songs readings, and memories of other Christmases.

A book review The Masters of Wealth was given by Mr Clair Hunt, Mrs Patch gave a report

Open from the Current Readers Digest, Help Stamp Out This Well Traffic, Pornographic material,

Forty five elementary grade children visited

our Club, The First grade gave the Flag allegiance,

The other Classes gave a program of their daily class work, which was in keeping with

Know Idaho better.

Our music, we had community singing the High School was very cooperative in furnishing special songs and music.

Page 3. Meridian Accident Club. (Mrs Ray Goodwin Pres.)  
An Interesting French Lesson was given by Mrs Ray Denton.  
We had a very interesting lesson on keep sakes  
the members were later asked to show them on  
T.V. Our money making projects are.

Serving Lions business twice a month, other  
dinners and Banquets, The annual sour dough  
breakfast, and the Spring Benefit which was  
held in May. Our house and grounds Committee  
had a new gas furnace installed last fall.

Our donations have been to the  
Girls State, pennies for pi's, pennies for  
Art, Girls Scouts, Red Cross, Blues and support  
of the bloodmobile contributed eye glasses  
visited Nampa State school taking  
magazines, cards and used clothing.

We endorsed a woman for the year.

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## Pancake breakfast

# Occident club starts events

Fall activity starts next Monday, September 7, for Meridian's Occident Club.

The meeting will be held at the clubhouse, and the program will feature Nena Blake and Virginia Cope, representatives to Syringa Girl's State last June.

Conducting the session will be the club president, Mrs. Roy Stuart.

As noted on page one of this issue, the club will hold its fifth annual pancake breakfast next Wednesday, September 9. Serving will be from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m., with tables on the lawn of the club house if weather permits.

The menu will include sourdough and plain pancakes with home-made jellies and syrup, cantaloupe, bacon, eggs, and coffee.

Committee members in charge of the event are the Mmes. Zelma Rose, Jess Hedges, Bernard McNeff, L. Frazier, and Leo Masters.

## Occident Plans Monday Meeting

MERIDIAN — The Occident club, a member of the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs, will begin its fall season with a meeting Monday in the club house. The program will include talks by the Meridian representatives at Syringa Girls State in Caldwell last June. They were Nena Flake and Virginia Cope, who are seniors in Meridian High school this year.

Plans have been completed for

the annual pancake breakfast served by the Occident club members. It will be Wednesday morning from 7 to 11 on outdoor tables, weather permitting.

## You're invited next Wednesday

Do you like delicious pancakes — sourdough or plain — served with home-made jellies and syrup, plus cantaloupe, bacon, eggs, and coffee?

The answer, of course, is yes — so you have a date at the Occident Club in Meridian next Wednesday, September 9. The club will serve its annual public breakfast that morning, from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

If weather permits, the serving will be at outdoor tables on the clubhouse lawn. The club is located at Idaho and Meridian streets, across the street from the city hall.

There will be no fixed charge for breakfast, but donations will be accepted to be used for the club's service projects, including the Emergency Loan Closet and the public library.

## Meridian Club Plans Annual Hotcake Feed

MERIDIAN — The Meridian Occident club's fifth annual sourdough breakfast will be Wednesday in the gardens of the clubhouse, located on the corner of Meridian street and Idaho avenue. The club will begin serving at 7 a.m. and will continue until 11 a.m.

The committee in charge is headed by Mrs. Elmer Rose. Assisting her are the Mmes. Jess Hedges, Bernard McNeff and Lois Frazier. Mrs. Edith Masters again will make the hotcakes from her "secret" starter for sourdough, which she has used the last four years.

The breakfast is the club's annual fund-raising project. Proceeds will be applied toward purchase of books for the Meridian public library and to further equip the club's emergency loan closet. No set fee is charged, but a freewill offering is taken.

The emergency loan closet contains supplies such as wheelchairs, beds and the like that may be loaned free to convalescents in the Meridian area.

### First meeting

## New officers preside at Occident

At the first meeting of the Occident Club for the new season, Virginia Cope and Nena Flake presented a program reviewing their experiences as Meridian representatives at Girl's State.

Virginia was the personal page for Governor Smylie the two days he attended and Nena was named mayor of a city. The two girls made interesting talks and showed their scrapbooks.

The new officers, who were officiating for the first time, were the hostesses for the day. They included Mrs. Gladys Stuart, Mrs. Viola Moore, Mrs. Nita Scrivner and Mrs. Hazel Goodwin.

The club accepted a punch bowl

from Mr. V. R. Botkin. The gift was made for the use of the club for their meetings and social events.

Visitors at Monday's meeting came from Boise. They were Mrs. Addie Manchester, Mrs. Oma Jenkins, Mrs. W. Stacy and Mrs. G. O. Wright.

## Occident Club Receives Bowl, Hears Talks

MERIDIAN—When the Meridian Occident club had its first meeting of the new club year, it received a new punch bowl designed for the exclusive use of the club. V. R. Botkin, whose wife is an active member of the Occident club, was donor.

Miss Virginia Cope, Girls State representative, told of her experiences as the personal page for Gov. Robert Smylie during the two days he spent with the group. Miss Nena Flake, the other Meridian representative, described her activities as the mayor of a city. Both girls showed the scrapbooks they made.

Other gifts were made to the Occident club for their sourdough breakfast last Thursday. They included a case of eggs from Robert L. Beckley and the use of an electric grill by the Idaho Power company. The breakfast netted \$128 to be applied to the emergency loan fund.



AVOIDING the chilly morning temperature Wednesday, this trio preferred indoors dining at the Occident club-sponsored breakfast of sourdough hotcakes served in Meridian. They are from left, Mrs. Lena Sweet and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Iverson, all of Meridian.



SOURDOUGH HOTCAKES were baked on a big, outdoor griddle Wednesday for the breakfast that Occident club members served in Meridian. Mrs. Frank Matcham flips 'em while Mrs. Jess Hedges holds plates.

# Hungry Patrons Queue For Meridian's Breakfast

MERIDIAN — Sourdough connoisseurs as well as the uninitiated queued up Wednesday morning at the Occident club's fifth annual benefit breakfast that featured sourdough hotcakes. The line that formed on the lawn of the Meridian library was representative of most of the towns in Boise valley. And there were guests who had traveled far to sample the western delicacy that has been the subject of lore and poetry.

The 50 clubwomen who served the breakfast were prepared for the chill of the early morning. Tables were laid on the lawn for those who preferred to brave the 7 a.m. breeze, while inside the clubrooms adjoining the library was service for indoors dining.

Hotcakes were baked by the women in turns on a four-foot

griddle outdoors. Sourdough was ladled into smaller pans from big, five-gallon containers in which Mrs. Edith Marsters had mixed the 20 gallons of dough that had its start three days ago and was the required estimate to serve about 300 persons.

## Procedure Told

"I began," Mrs. Marsters said, "with a small amount of the starter I've had for many years. I built it up to a gallon at first, then five gallons of starter — the amount I usually need for enough sourdough to serve this breakfast."

No charge is made for the breakfast. Persons served, however, each make a freewill contribution of a dollar or more. The proceeds go into the club's emergency loan fund that provides equipment for use among convalescents in homes in the Meridian area. Mrs. Zelma Rose is chairman of the emergency loans.

Mrs. Marsters has mixed sourdough from her secret recipe for each of the annual breakfasts.

Along with the hotcakes — most of the customers got two as a first helping and then came back for more — the club provided for the breakfast over 20 pounds of pork piggies, a bushel of cantaloupes, a donated case of eggs, nine large size cans of tomato juice and more gallons of coffee than they could accurately estimate. Mrs. Bernard McNeill was dining room chairman.

## Harry Yost on Hand

Among the club's longtime breakfast patrons is Harry Yost, former Boise postmaster. "I like to think of sourdough in a little bucket attached to a saddle on a horse," Yost commented at yesterday's breakfast. "That's where one usually saw it in the earlier days. And it was from an oldtimer who carried it into the hills in that manner that I got my own starter many years ago."

Yost said he is a member of the Poachers club, a group of 120 Boise men who meet about once a month to celebrate their own birthdays with a sourdough supper.

Others who sampled the Marsters recipe and compared it with their own were Mrs. Raymond Bienapfl and Mrs. E. C. Biesecker of Boise. Both said they would like a copy of Mrs. Marsters' recipe.

"Many who come to the breakfasts request the recipe," Mrs. Marsters said, "but it still remains my secret."

Among first-timers were Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Peters of Idaho Falls, who were in Meridian to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Boice.

And from Chula Vista, Calif., came the C. Dell Huntleys, who declared, "We came a long way for this breakfast; but it is worth it." The Huntleys are visiting relatives in Boise and Meridian.