

Prosecutor speaks

Sept 24 '59

## Occident group attends Boise meeting

Members of Meridian's Occident Club were among guests at they Columbian Club in Boise Monday, to hear William Roden, prosecuting attorney, tell of the present campaign against obscene material.

Attending from Meridian were the Mmes. A. D. Scrivner, Chester Chapman, Ernest Voryell, Marguerite Patch, Roy Stewart, and V. A. Cox.

October 5-1959

## Occident club meets Monday

The program for the Occident Club meeting next Monday, October 5, will be on Idaho.

Mrs. Minnie Anderson, chairman, has invited Dr. Merle W. Wells, historical archivist of the Idaho Historical Society, to be the guest speaker.

The Occident club meeting in Meridian Monday afternoon will include a program on Idaho. Dr. M. W. Wells, historical archivist of the Idaho Historical Society, will be the guest speaker. Mrs. Minnie Anderson is program chairman.

## Occident Club hears speaker

The mystery shrouding the naming of Idaho was the subject of a talk by Dr. Merle Wells, archivist of the Idaho Historical Society, when he was guest speaker for the Occident Club October 5. The program included Idaho songs, one written by a brother of Mrs. Will Carter, a club member.

The library board reported several new books are available for patrons. The club voted to supply several needed articles for the First Aid room in the new elementary school.

Mrs. Vida Scrivner, Long Beach, California, was a guest.

Hostesses for the afternoon were the Mmes. Lois Frazier, Susie Cairns, Zelma Rose, Mabel Cairns and Myrtle Neibaur.

November 2 - '59

Angus McDonald

## Occident Club hears counselor speak

The increasing need for awareness of community juvenile problems was stressed in a speech to Occident Club members and guests Monday afternoon.

Angus McDonald, Jr., a counselor in the Boise schools, was the speaker for the club event. Special guests included the speaker's mother, Mrs. Angus McDonald, Sr.; and the Mmes. R. H. Bell, J. W. Doss, Esther Hardin, Dan Barker, Joe Iverson; and Mr. Bell.

A message from Don Critchlow, elementary school principal, was read thanking the Occident Club for supplying a number of small items for the first aid room in the new school. He also thanked the Emergency Loan committee for the use of a cot for the room until one ordered by the PTA arrives.

The library board reported 65 new books have been purchased in the past month. Magazines available for research in the library are the National Geographic, donated by Jack Creason; Together Magazine, from the Methodist church; and The Herald of Holiness from the Nazarene church.

A community precaution announced was for all post offices to have cards to be signed by visitors who plan to stay in a community several days or weeks. In case of any disaster, such as the earthquake in Yellowstone, relatives can check the post offices for the registration.

Hostesses for the afternoon were the members of the library board, the Mmes. Elma Veach, Bessie McNeff, May Howell and Lee Mosman, and Mrs. Bell and Mrs. A. K. Smith. The Thanksgiving theme was carried out in the table decorations.

## Occident club slates speaker

Community men and women interested in the juvenile question are invited to hear a talk on the subject at the Occident Club next Monday afternoon, November 2.

The speaker will be Angus McDonald, Jr., of Boise, a Boise school counsellor. His half-hour talk will begin at 2:00 p.m.; and those not wishing to stay for the regular club meeting may leave after the speech.

## Occident Club Learns Of Defense Measure

MERIDIAN — When the Meridian Occident club had its November meeting in the clubhouse, the library board announced the addition of 65 new books in the past month, and that several magazines are made available to patrons.

An emergency precaution announced to the members provides that visitors in any community can go to the Post Office and sign a card of registration for use in case of disaster.

Frank Jolly, Meridian postmaster, said the registration cards contain blanks in which to write the name of the registrant, his home address, his address while traveling or visit-

ing, and the name of an authorized agent to be notified in case of emergency.

"The arrangement was made possible through the U. S. Government and was designed primarily as a civil defense measure," he said. "However, the post office regards it a good plan for other possible emergencies, too."

Angus McDonald of Boise was guest speaker.

Annual event

### Lions and their ladies gather at party

Meridian Lions entertained their ladies with dinner and a program in the Occident Club Monday night, November 23.

The group included 34 Lions and ladies and five guests. The Rev. A. M. Thomas was toastmaster for a program arranged by Glen Green.

Mrs. Clara Hamming gave a humorous description of traveling with her husband through France, Switzerland, Germany, Holland and Italy in 1958. Others on the program were a girl's quartet from the high school, directed by Phil Cherry; flute solos by Joann Sundell, accompanied by Sharon Ossmen; vocal solos by Denise Jensen, accompanied by Alice Fulcher.

Lions activities chairman, Jesse Patch, arranged the banquet. It was served by the Occident Club members.

## Occident Club To Hear Talk By Minister

MERIDIAN — The Rev. A. M. Thomas, pastor of the Methodist church in Meridian, will speak to the members of the Occident club and their guests on Monday afternoon. His topic will be "Christmas Art" and anyone interested in the subject is invited to the clubhouse at 2 p.m.

The program will be preceded by a covered dish luncheon at 12:30. Each one will take her own table service for herself and guests.

The Occident club members are joining in a drive to collect used items, scraps and remnants for handicraft in the State School and Colony in Nampa. The school directors say they can use almost any handicraft materials.

## Occident Club Provides Aid For Needy

MERIDIAN — The Meridian Occident club members made a special effort to help two handicapped groups when they had their annual Christmas luncheon and program Monday afternoon. They collected a carload of materials for the State School and Colony in Nampa and sold to their members a block of tickets to help the blind of Idaho with their new building project.

The program included carol singing, Bible reading and a talk on "Christ in Art" by the Rev. A. M. Thomas. There were 17 guests present.

Hostesses were the Mmes. John Magnuson, Frank Matcham, Ida Bowen, Edith Marsters and Fred Rost.

December 7 - 1959

## Public invited Occident club schedules program

The Occident club will have a guest day next Monday, December 7, with a covered dish luncheon at 12:30, preceding their regular meeting. The members and their guests are asked to furnish their own table service.

Items are being collected to help supply the needs in the State School and Colony in Nampa. Old magazines, especially Readers Digest, picture cards, remnants of material, thread and any scrap that can be used in handicraft are urgently needed. The plea from the school is, "Don't make trash out of anything we can use. Send it to us."

An invitation is extended to

anyone who would like to hear and see the Monday program beginning at 2 p.m. The Rev. A. M. Thomas will present a message on Christmas Art. This unusual message will be of interest to all ages.

Anyone may contribute to the State School by taking items to the Occident club house Monday.

**Guest day**

## Occident Club's program is success

The Occident Club's guest day and Christmas party was held Monday, beginning with a luncheon. Hostesses were the Mmes Frank Matcham, Fred Rosti, John Magnuson and Ida Bowen.

The program included the singing of Christmas songs; a reading by Mrs. Francis Veach; the Christmas story read from the Bible; and the stories of "Christ in Art" by the Rev. A. M. Thomas.

There was a good response to the appeal for items to be taken to the Nampa State School and Colony. They were delivered Tuesday.

**Officer resigns**

Mrs. Carol Benjamin resigned as vice president, because of a health problem. Two blocks of tickets to aid the Blind of Idaho building fund have been sold in Meridian. One block was sold to the women of the Occident club.

## Occident Club Elects Veep, Okeh Project

MERIDIAN — Mrs. Ralph Soucie was elected to fill the vice president's office for the Occident club Monday afternoon. The office became vacant when Mrs. Carol Benjamin resigned recently.

Guest speakers were Mrs. Lena Sweet, local civil defense chairman, and Mrs. Hilbert Rice, Ada county chairman.

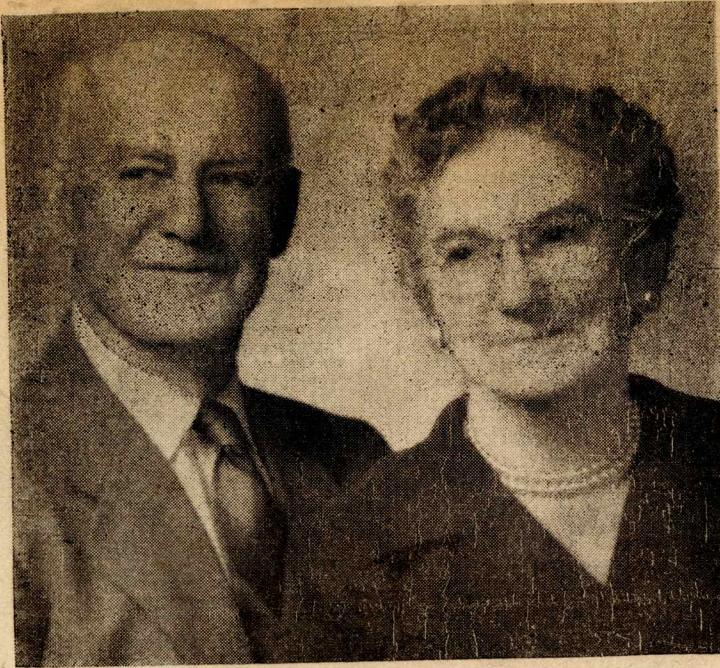
The club has recently had installed a new set of book shelves for the Meridian library, a club project. Plans have been approved to build new cabinets in the library to hold supplies.



AN INVITATION TO attend a tea on December 15 for residents of local nursing homes is extended to Mrs. Margaret Bennett at the Nepper Nursing home by her niece, Mrs. Kenneth Egbert, president of the Woman's Century Club. Mrs. Bennett is one of two living charter members of the Century Club. Mrs. J. E. Barr, left, is chairman of the club's project for giving happiness to elder citizens. Mrs. Nepper, director of the nursing home is at right.

(FREE PRESS PHOTO)

Mrs. Bennett was a member of the Occident Club for years before going to the nursing home in Nampa. Mrs. Kenneth Egbert is a daughter-in-law of our own charter member, Mrs. Nina Egbert.



Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lant

December 27 - '59

## Local couple awaits Golden Wedding

This holiday season will mark a very special event in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lant of 821 West Second Street, Meridian.

The couple will observe their Golden Wedding anniversary Sunday, December 27, with an open house reception at the Occident clubroom — from 2:20 until 5:30 p.m.

The Lants were married December 25, 1909, at Boise, by the Rev. Charles G. Chalfant of the First Presbyterian church. Seven years later, 1916, they moved to Meridian, where they have since resided.

### Building contractor

Mr. Lant is a retired building contractor. He built the first structure used here by the Ada County Dairymen's Association. Long-time residents will recall that the building was destroyed by fire, when it was nearly completed, caused by the explosion of tar that was being used to install cork insulation. Mr. Lant rebuilt the building, and later had contracts for two other units and the boiler room.

Mrs. Lant is a past president of the Occident club. She has always been active in work with young people, principally with church groups and the Girl Reserves.

The couple have four children — Mrs. (Alice) Don Cole of Parma; Wayne Lant of Meridian; Mrs. (Lorraine) Fred Roberts and Mrs. (Thelma) Rolland Anderton, both of Boise. The Lants also have four grandchildren.

LANDMARKS - INVENTORY

Zelma Rose - Chairman of Emergency  
Dec 31, 1959

## Birthday party for Mrs. Rose

A birthday party luncheon for Zelma Rose, several days before her birthday anniversary, was served in the Boise home of Mrs. C. R. Wallace.

Mrs. Jessie Matcham, mother of Mrs. Wallace, was the hostess. Guests were the Mmes. Nat Marler, W. L. Hendrix and Lee Headrick, all of Boise; Fred Sullivan, Mamie LeMond and Susie Dunbar, all of Ustick; and Ed Baldwin, Roy Fisher and Anna Champlin, all of Meridian.

Dec 31, 1959.

January 4, 1960.

## Occident Club meets Monday

Mrs. Hilbert Rice, Ada County civil defense chairman, will be guest speaker when the Occident Club has its meeting next Monday afternoon January 4. Mrs. Rice will speak at 2 o'clock on civil defense preparations in the home.

During the business meeting to follow, a new vice president will be elected to replace Mrs. Carol Benjamin, who has resigned.

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## Occident Club To Hear Talk By Boisean

MERIDIAN — Mrs. Hilbert Rice, chairman of Ada county Civil Defense, will be a special speaker when the Occident club meets Monday afternoon. Her topic will be "Civil Defense Preparations in the Home." Any interested person is invited to hear her at 2 p.m.

A new vice president for the Occident club will be elected to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Carol Benjamin, who resigned at the last meeting.

## Occident club hears speakers

Mrs. Lena Sweet, local Civil Defense chairman, and Mrs. Hilbert Rice, Ada County chairman, were guest speakers for members of the Occident Club Monday afternoon. They outlined an award program for club and community participation in the Civil Defense program.

Mrs. Ethel Soucie was elected vice-president, to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Carol Benjamin, who was forced to resign in deference to her health.

A new set of book shelves has been installed in the library and plans are made to build a new cabinet for supplies in the library.

Mrs. Edith Robbins, who fell on the ice near her home and suffered a broken hip, is home from the hospital and able to get around in a wheel chair.

February 1 - 1960

## Occident Club plans program

When the Occident Club starts February with a meeting next Monday afternoon, Mrs. Emily Pratt will present a musical program.

She will give a resume of the Gershwin Story and local boys and girls will sing in groups and solo. The program is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m.

## Two donations

## Occident club hears Gershwin salute

The life and music of the late George Gershwin were reviewed for members of the Occident Club Monday afternoon. Mrs. Emily Pratt read a brief biography of the great composer and local students sang some of his songs.

A trio, Annette Walker, Linda and Lisa Higginson, sang Swanee and The Man I Love. Hazel Schutte, soloist, sang Summertime. And a boy's quartet, Brent Alger, Ron Young, Don Tolsma and Jim Farnham, sang I Got Plenty o' Nuttin'.

Hostesses for the meeting were the Mmes. Roy Goodwin, Guy Eastman, Nina Egbert and Bertram Lisenby. Special guests included Mrs. Ray Pitman and daughter, Mrs. Ernest Gratiat, Mrs. George Gravens and Mrs. William Opland.

Mrs. Pitman presented a check for \$126.60 from the Meridian VFW Auxiliary. Mrs. Zelma Rose, chairman of the Emergency Loan, also announced the receipt of a gift of \$50 from Mrs. John P. Bell, Kuna.

The Occident Club members are selling candy to assist the blind of Idaho. As another service project, the club will accept used articles to contribute to the Nampa State School and Colony.

## Occident Club Hears Tribute To Gershwin

MERIDIAN — A tribute was paid to the life and music of George Gershwin in the program of the Occident club in Meridian at its February meeting. Mrs. Emily Pratt, program chairman, presented a biographical sketch of his life. Music from his great compositions was sung by Meridian high school students. A trio, Annette Walker, Linda and Lisa Higginson, sang "Swanee" and "The Man I Love." Miss Hazel Schutte sang "Summertime," and a boy's quartet sang "I Got Plenty o' Nuttin'." They were Brenton Alger, Ron Young, Don Tolsma and James Farnham.

Gifts for the Emergency Loan facilities of the club were received from Mrs. John P. Bell, Kuna, and from the VFW auxiliary. Mrs. Ray Pitman and Mrs. Ernest Gratiat made the presentation.

Service projects being carried on by club members include selling candy for the blind of Idaho and gathering used items for the State School and Colony in Nampa.

## Occident members attend Nampa tea

Women of Meridian's Occident club were invited to Nampa Monday afternoon to tea in the Century Club, where a patriotic program celebrated Washington's birthday. The program included the reading of the Declaration of Independence and music by Fern Nolte Davidson.

Meridian women attending were the Mmes. Roy Stuart, Nina Egbert, Susie Cairns, Kathryn Westbrook, W. E. Lant, Zelma Rose, Ida Bowen, Anna Lisenby, Lulu Eastman, Jessie Matcham, Ray Ulmer, Archie Scrivner, and Bessie Matcham.

March 7, 1960

## Occident club slates speaker

Mrs. M. J. Martz, secretary of a marriage counseling service, will speak to members of the Occident Club when they have their March meeting next Monday afternoon. Mrs. Clysta Mayes Gray is program chairman and the topic will be mental health.

The Occident Club rooms were redecorated last week.

## County Aid Programs Told At Meridian

MERIDIAN — Mrs. Clysta Gray, program chairman for the Occident club meeting presented Mrs. M. J. Martz of the Ada county mental health board, and Allen Shephard, Boise attorney, who works with the marriage counselling service, in an informal discussion. Members asked questions of the speakers.

During the business meeting two wheel chairs donated to the club's emergency loan closet by Hoy Yates, Nampa, and the Meridian VFW and auxiliary, were on display.

Mrs. Will Shipman, Sr., Mrs. Cora Frymyer and Mrs. Josephine Peters were guests. Hostesses were the Mmes. Roy Denton, Kate Diercksen, Frances Kuchenbecker and Voris Botkin. Mrs. Frymyer assisted the hostesses in the place of Mrs. Myrtle Songer, who is out of town.

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### Counselor here

## Occident club hears marriage talk

The Occident Club members heard an informal discussion of marriage counselling by Mrs. M. J. Martz of the Ada County Mental Health Board, and Mr. Allan Shephard, Boise, who has been a member of several counselling panels.

The meeting was held in the newly decorated club rooms Monday afternoon. A lively question and answer period followed the discussion. Mrs. Clysta Gray was program chairman.

Mrs. William Chipman, Sr., and Mrs. Josephine Peters were guests. Mrs. Cora Frymyer took the place of Mrs. Myrtle Songer on the hostess committee. The other hostesses were Mrs. Kate Diercksen, Mrs. Roy Denton, Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker, and Mrs. Mildred Botkin.

### Wheelchairs added

The emergency loan chairman, Mrs. Zelma Rose, displayed two wheelchairs that have been added to the loan closet. One is a new chair with brakes and full adjustments. The other is a slightly

used chair donated by Roy Yates of Nampa.

While the clubhouse was being redecorated, the library received new shelves and a large supply cupboard. They were varnished and painted. Mrs. Nancy Sage has been acting librarian during the absence of Mrs. Amy Ambrose.

### Royal Neighbors meet

The Royal Neighbors club was entertained Tuesday, with Mrs. Virgil Smith as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Lillian Stocking and Mrs. Ethel Thorne. Mrs. Ira Voorhees presented the program.

## **Carol Benjamin dies in Oregon**

Mrs. Carol K. Benjamin, 68, formerly of Meridian, died Monday at Eugene, Oregon. Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. this Friday at the Beatty Chapel in Emmett, with the Rev. A. M. Thomas of Meridian officiating.

Mrs. Benjamin was born Aug. 17, 1891 in Sherman county, Kan., and moved when small to Cripple Creek, Colorado. The family later moved to Greeley, where she completed her education.

The family moved in 1912 to Emmett, Idaho. She married Roy Keithly in 1915. The couple had two children, Dean Elwin and Lois Maxine. Lois preceded her mother in death in 1945.

In 1932, she married Dr. Floyd Benjamin at Emmett, and they made their home in Richland, Washington; later retiring to Kennewick, Washington.

Mrs. Benjamin moved to Meridian in 1951, living here until her death, except for visits to Eugene.

Active in civic events, Mrs. Benjamin belonged to the Grange, the Methodist church, Methodist choir, was past president of the American Legion Auxiliary, vice president of the Occident Club, district president of World War I Veterans Auxiliary, department flag-bearer for the WWI Auxiliary, and held various offices in the church.

Survivors include her son, Dean Keithly of Eugene, one sister, Mrs. Pearl Shane of Bremerton, Washington; two grandchildren, three nieces, and a nephew.

MARCH 1960

#### ART EXHIBIT TO OPEN

MERIDIAN — The annual student art exhibit, sponsored by Federated Clubs in Idaho and locally by the Occident club, will be open for public view March 31 in the clubhouse from 1 to 5 p.m. in the afternoon and from 7 to 9 p.m. in the evening. Club members will be hostesses and school students will exhibit.

MARCH 31 - 1960

#### Judges report

## Student artists win honors at exhibit

Winners have been announced for the annual students' art exhibit sponsored by the Occident club of Meridian. The art entries were on display at the club this Thursday afternoon and evening.

The following students won first prize in their respective divisions. Grades 10 to 12—Elena Bodily, MHS senior. Grades 7th to 9th—Barbara Frank, MHS freshman. Grades 4th to 6th—Carol Wolfkiel, Star sixth-grader. Grades 1st to 3rd—Sandra Murphy, Meridian third-grader.

Other division winners were as follows. Grades 10 to 12—Victor Coy, MHS junior, second; Sue Givart, MHS senior, third; Arlene Christensen, MHS junior, honorable mention.

Grades 7 to 9—Judy Coffin,

MHS freshman, second; Chuck Lemon, Locust Grove seventh-grader, third; Grove A. Koger, Ustick-Cloverdale fifth-grader, honorable mention.

Grades 4 to 6—Barbara Biggers, Ustick-Cloverdale fifth-grader, second; Linda Chastain, Meridian sixth-grader, third; Suzanne Stover, Ustick-Cloverdale fifth-grader, honorable mention.

Grades 1st to 3rd—Patsy Marlene Wood, Meridian first-grader, second; Steven Link, Meridian second-grader, third; Janice Christensen, Meridian third-grader, honorable mention.

Judges for the event were Mrs. Betty Knowles and Mrs. Frances Good of Boise, and Mrs. Bernice Brown of Emmett. They reported that the exhibit indicated an exceptional amount of talent for the district students.

In charge of this year's exhibit were Mrs. Ray Anderson, Mrs. Roy Denton, and Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker. Pictures of winners and some of the art entries will be published next week.

#### MARCH 3 - '60 Women's clubs name winners

Winners of the local poetry contest sponsored by the Federated Women's Clubs have been announced.

First place in the event was won by Judy McKinney, fifth grade student at the Eastside school. Sue Stover, sixth grader at Star, won second place. Honorable mention was won by Margaret Ann Transtru, fifth grade student at the Eastside school.

Mrs. Ray Anderson was chairman of the contest.

March 10, 1960

Meridian,

#### Prize winner's name omitted

Omitted from last week's report of prize winners in the poetry contest sponsored by the Occident club was the name of Marilyn Moyle. Marilyn, a sixth grade student at Star, won third place in the contest.

Winner of honorable mention in the contest was Margaret Ann Transtrum.

#### Students slate art exhibit

Next Thursday, March 31, will bring the annual display of students' art at the Occident club in Meridian.

This year's exhibit will be open to the public from 1:00 until 5:00 next Thursday afternoon; and from 7:00 until 9:00 that night. Occident club members will be hostesses for the exhibit, and the public is invited.

The display will include work from students in all district grade schools, junior high schools, and high schools. Winners will be eligible for district competition, with winners there going to a state exhibit.

MARCH 31 - 1960



## Community student-artists

**YOUNGEST GROUP HONORS** at annual art exhibit for district students, sponsored by Occident Club of Meridian, went to first, second, and third graders. From left—Steven Link, third prize; Sandra Murphy, first prize; Janice Christensen, honorable mention; and Patsy Wood, second prize.

**TOTAL OF 210 PICTURES** entered in this year's competition included above winners by students of fourth, fifth, and sixth grades. From left—Suzanne Stover, honorable mention; Carol Wolfkiel, first prize; Barbara Biggers, second prize. Not present for picture was Linda Chastain, third prize winner.



Horton Studio

## win honors at 1960 exhibit

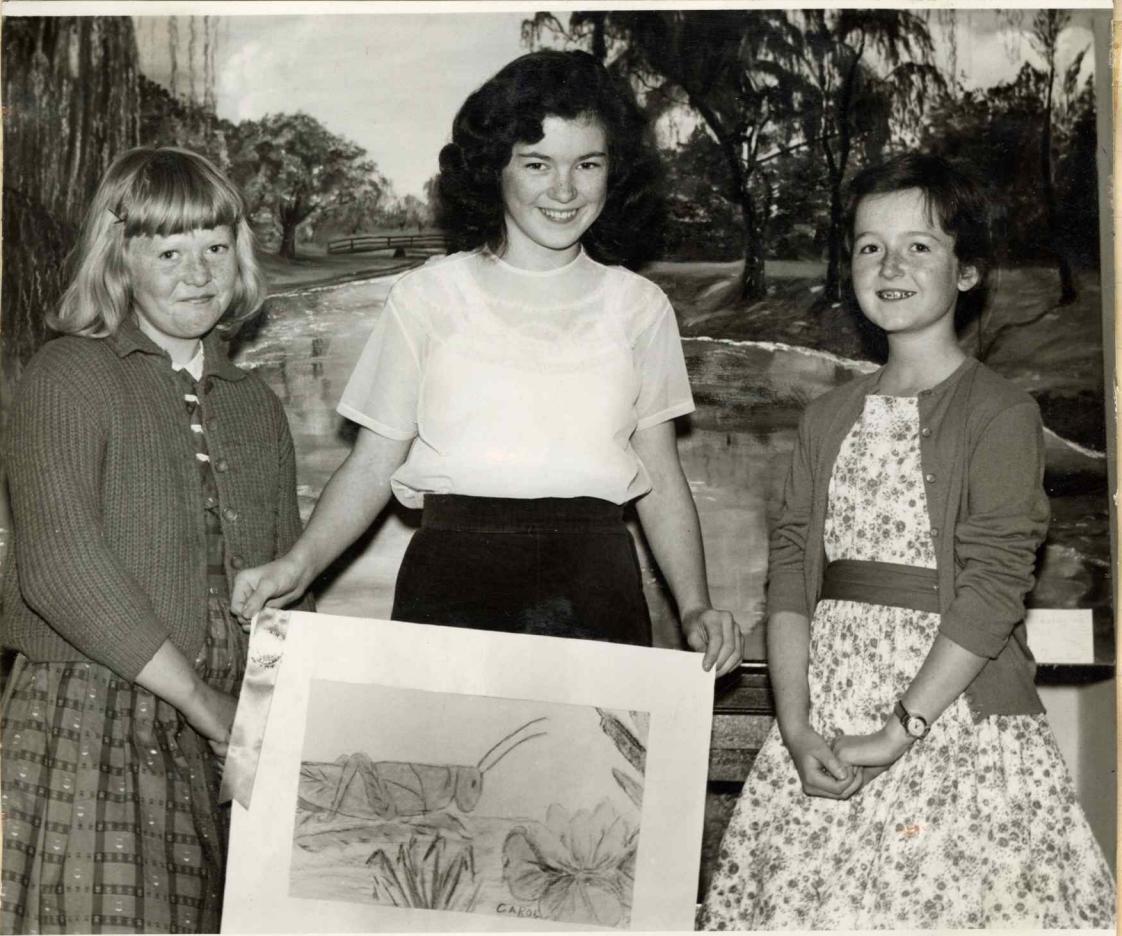
**ALL DAY EXHIBIT** held at Meridian club last Thursday drew attendance of 244, including 180 students, with Occident club members as hostesses. Winners for seventh, eighth, and ninth grades were, from left—Judy Coffin, second prize; Barbara Frank, first prize; Chuck Lemon, third prize; Grove A. Koger, honorable mention.

**TOP PRIZE WINNERS** for upper three grades of high school were, from left—Sue Givart, third prize; Elena Bodily, first prize; Arlene Christensen, honorable mention; Victor Coy, second prize. Mural in background is oil painting by Elaine Smart. Students are members of art class taught at MHS by Mrs. Vi Curtis.



DIVISION I

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DIVISION II

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April 4 - 1960.

## Occident club to meet Monday

The program for the Occident club meeting next Monday will be "Talents." Each member is to make a contribution, sing or recite, display or demonstrate a hobby or craft, or report her "specialty."

The specialties may include cooking or other home making talents, community service projects, or devotional thoughts that have been an inspiration.

An invitation has been extended members of the Century club of Nampa.

### CLUB SETS PROGRAM

MERIDIAN — Talents, tricks and trades will make up the program for members of Meridian Occident club when they meet Monday afternoon in their clubhouse. Each member will participate with a bit of entertainment or with the sharing of something connected with her particular talent. The Occident club is a member of the Federated Clubs of Idaho.

## Occident club

## Program reveals talents

A variety of talents were revealed in the program for the Occident Club meeting Monday afternoon. An outstanding display of handcrafts and hobbies included beautiful cards and pictures made with seeds of berries and fruits by Mrs. Nina Egbert.

Mrs. Francis Veach showed a group of realistic looking Indian chieftains, whose heads were withered avocado seeds, shellacked and decorated with feathers and beads.

Mrs. Roy Denton had arranged a centerpiece plate of "flowers" all made from vegetables and greenery. The central flower was a huge yellow "mum" made from an Idaho onion. It was circled by "roses" created from turnips, tomatoes and lemons. The finishing touch was the outside rim of "calla lillies" so realistic it was hard to believe they were made from slices of turnip. Mrs. Denton demonstrated the making of her "bouquet" to prove it was entirely edible.

Other talents included the making of ceramics and copper tooling, dressmaking, crocheting, humorous readings, raising flowers, helpful hints, original writings and singing.

### Eighty guests

About 80 people were present. They included the winners of the art competition and their mothers, and more than 20 members of the Century Club in Nampa. The art winners received their ribbons and awards.

Hostesses were the Mmes. Jesse Hedges, Eldon Gray, Leota Gregory, Roy Denton, Marguerite Patch and A. D. Scrivner. Pouring during the tea hour were Mrs. G. M. Brown and Mrs. H. W. Dawson of Nampa.

In the business session, the

group voted to keep the Meridian library under the sponsorship of the Occident Club instead of combining it with the state traveling library. A donation was voted for Camp Alice Pittenger for Girl Scouts.

**60th Annual Convention**  
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**Second District**  
**Federation**  
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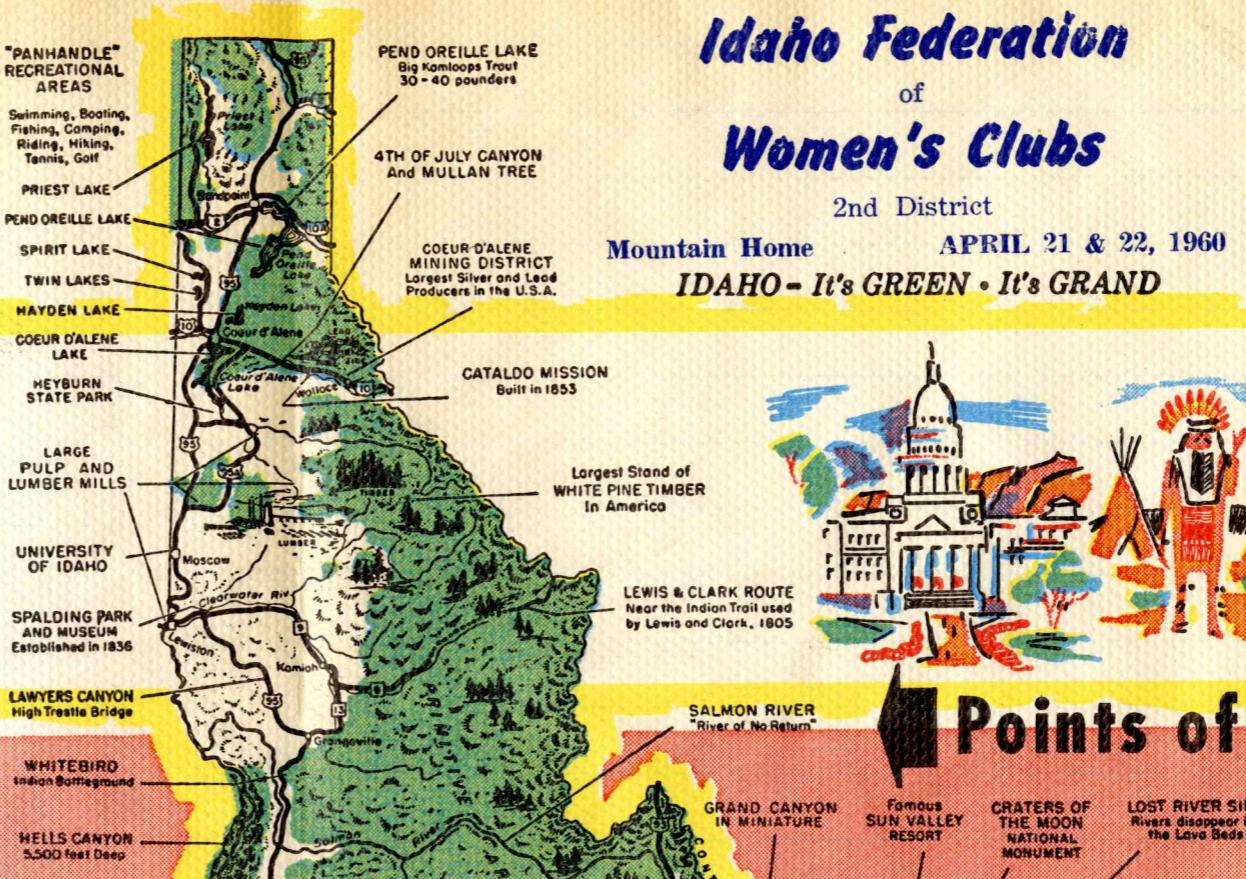


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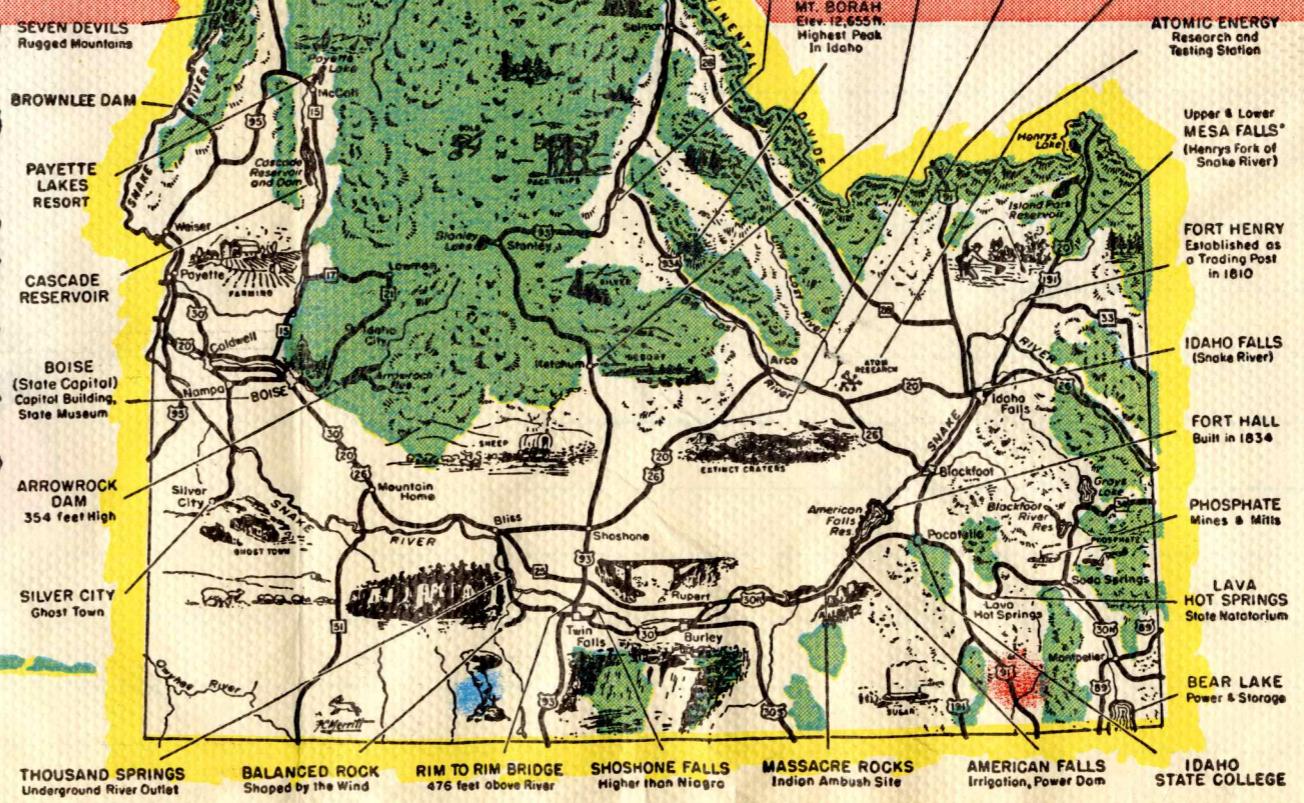
## Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs

2nd District

Mountain Home APRIL 21 & 22, 1960  
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## Points of Interest





NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs, second district, selected last week at the convention of the group in Mountain Home. Front row, from left, are Mrs. Dewey Davisson, president, from Weis-

er, and Mrs. Homer Hatch, first vice president, Mountain Home. Back row, Mrs. Roy Stewart, treasurer, Meridian; Mrs. Frank Pearce, auditor, Mountain Home, and Mrs. Guy Blazer, second vice president. (McNeil Photo)



THESE LADIES WENT ALL-OUT to carry the theme, "Centennial Preview," at last Friday's chuckwagon luncheon which was a part of the convention of the Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs. In the front row, left to right, Mrs. Olive Groefsema, Mrs.

Ben Crabb, Mrs. Foley Abbott and Mrs. Guy Whitney. Back row, Mrs. Homer Hatch, Mrs. Mary Bailey, Mrs. Gladys Brown, Mrs. Ralph Gowen and Mrs. Rex Knapton from New Meadows. (Lorimer Photo)

*District Meeting at Mountain Home.*  
*April 21 and 22, 1960.*

## Federated Clubs' Delegates Hear Air Base History

By MAURINE BALFOUR

MOUNTAIN HOME—Lt. Col. A. J. Brown, deputy commander for services at Mountain Home Air Force Base, gave a history of the air base since its beginning in 1943 and when the Strategic Air Command took over in 1953 for delegates to the second district meeting of the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs which opened Thursday at the IOOF hall.

The 50 early delegates, attending from Weiser, New Meadows, Cambridge, Nampa, Caldwell, Boise and New Plymouth, toured the air base in the afternoon. In the evening they attended a banquet sponsored by the Mountain Home Civic club at which Col. Brown was guest speaker.

Col. Brown said there are 325 civilian workers plus 3800 Air Force personnel at the base. The civilian payroll amounts to \$16,000 and the military to \$7,247,084 annually. The base has an estimated value of \$56,000,000 with an additional 50 million dollars under contract at present. This includes the Titan missile, Nike and the housing. There are 813 families living on the base. An additional 824 will come when the Capehart housing is completed in 1961, he said.

Col. Brown explained the location of the three Titan sites, how the missile is fired, its general description, the distance it will travel and how it is launched from an underground base.

This morning the federation delegates will have a "stand-up" coffee and registration in the American Legion hall from 8 until 10 o'clock. A chuckwagon luncheon is scheduled at 12:30. The women who will serve will be dressed in pioneer costumes to carry out the convention theme, "Centennial Preview." Various Mountain Home merchants have arranged window displays in keeping with this theme.

The business program will begin after the luncheon. Mrs. Marjorie Vogel of Boise, president, will conduct.

## Federated Clubs Elect Officers

By MAURINE BALFOUR

MOUNTAIN HOME—The 60th annual convention of the second district Federation of Women's clubs of Idaho meeting in the American Legion hall opened Friday with a welcoming address by Senator Robert Wetherell of Elmore county.

Elected to office were Mrs. Dewey Davison of Weiser, president; Mrs. Homer Hatch of Mountain Home, first vice president; Mrs. Guy Blazer of Cambridge, second vice president; Mrs. William E. Taylor of Boise, recording secretary; Mrs. Roy Stewart of Meridian, treasurer, and Mrs. Frank Pearce of Mountain Home, auditor.

A grade school art contest was held and graded. Mrs. Mae Fodrea of Boise noted that interests should not be limited, but that older persons should include a variety of pastimes in their hobbies on a panel discussion about senior citizens.

A resolution to hold all state conventions in Boise was unanimously voted down. The group also voted down a resolution to keep school art contests on the local level.

Seventy-five delegates attended the chuckwagon luncheon in the Legion hall.

## Student artists win at district

Five students of Meridian district schools—winners at the art exhibit of the Occident Club—were also named winners in district competition.

At the district event, held at Mountain Home, Victor Coy won first; Elena Bodily, second; Patsy Wood, second; Sandra Murphy, third; and Barbara Franks, honorable mention—in their respective groups. They will now compete in the state contest at Twin Falls during May.

Meridian women attending the district meeting of the Federated Women's Clubs included Mrs. Roy Stuart, who was elected district treasurer; and the Mmes. Zelma Rose, Nina Egbert, Frances Kuchenbecker, Susie Cairns, Elden Gray, and Francis Veach.



### Library receives gift

AVAILABLE NOW for Meridian library patrons is book, "The Truth about Cancer," presented to local library by American Cancer Association—in connection with its 1960 drive now in progress.

Displaying gift book are library board members, from left—Elma Veach, board president; May Howell, treasurer; Bessie McNeff, secretary, and Elsie Mosman, director.

5 years ago (1955)

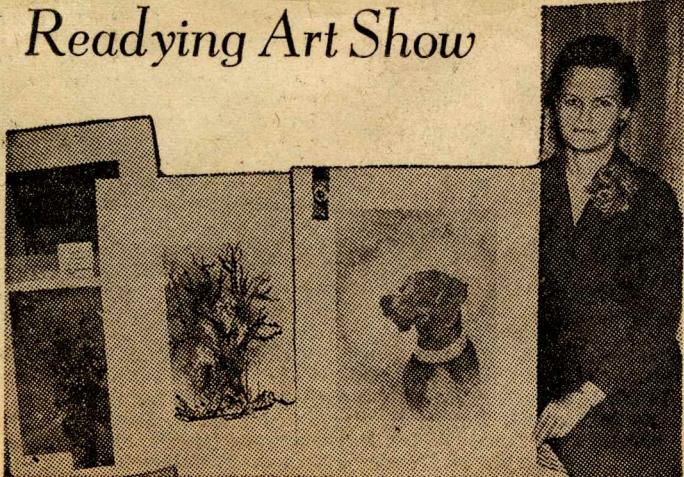
Occident Club elected Mrs. Francis Veach as its new president.

*Winners at District Meeting Mountain Home*



AMONG second division winners in the student art competition, class A district No. 2 Ada county, were (from left) Suzanne Stover, Eastside, honorable mention; Carol Wolfkiel, Star, first and Barbara Biggers, Eastside, second. The mural in the background is a pastoral oil by Eleanor Smart of Meridian high school. Her teacher is Mrs. Vi Curtis. Two hundred and twenty-four visitors saw the 210 pictures in the exhibit on the opening day in the Occident clubhouse. (Horton photo, Meridian.)

### Readyng Art Show



MRS. REX DAY, Mountain Home, state art chairman for the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs is shown with a collection which will be set up in C. C. Anderson's Boise store, next week. These pictures are gathered from the different district conventions and prizes are awarded. Those children who will have their work displayed are as follows: grades 1 through 3, Nicky Barnard, Blackfoot; Brooke Ann Haney, Twin Falls; Jimmy Clark, Albion and Ronnie Itami, Nampa; grades 4 through 6, Christine Anderson, Blackfoot; Ernest Anderson, Mountain Home; Marthine Malder, Rupert and Sandra Emert, Weiser; division III, Angela Schaefer and Dick Jeppson, Pocatello; Marcy Bishop and Verla Francis, Nampa; division IV, James Christensen, Idaho Falls; Anne Hamilton, Blackfoot; Victor Coy, Meridian and Gloria Magers, Plummer.



### You are invited

COMMUNITY INTEREST in schools is invited by sign at Meridian high school, erected as project of Meridian District Teachers Association. Standing beneath sign, from left—Bill Berg, junior high school coach and co-chairman of project; Doran Peterson, association president last year when project was started; Victor Coy, MHS student who did art work; Mrs. Vi Curtis, MHS art instructor, who designed sign; Ed Johnson, science teacher and co-chairman of project; and L. E. Wesche, principal of Meridian junior high school and president of teachers' association. (News-Times photo)

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### Anniversary couples saluted at Meridian church

SPECIAL SERVICES at First Methodist Church in Meridian last Sunday honored members who have been married 50 or more years. The Rev. A. M. Thomas (standing at center rear of picture) introduced the anniversary couples and paid tribute to each. The honored guests pictured above are, from left: the Messrs. and Mmes. Ed

Baldwin, John Magnuson, Chris Hansen, S. E. Leininger, Elmer Ross (62 years), J. A. Wagoner (61 years), C. K. Wylie, F. I. Bates (63 years); and Mrs. Perry Lewis, whose husband was unable to attend. Also unable to be present for ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bales, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. John Erickson.

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LUCKY GRANDPARENTS (left), Mr. and Mrs. James Rice live close enough to their families to enjoy visits with their granddaughters (from left), Dawnie, Susan and Barbara Ann, daughters of the Donald Christwissers of Meridian. Not shown is another grandchild, Judy, daughter of the Charles Winters of Boise. Rice was a pharmacist for 50 years before retiring.

Mrs. Rice former  
Occident Club Member

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## Federation Plans Meeting In Twin Falls

The Idaho State Federation of Women's clubs will hold its annual convention Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the Rogerson hotel in Twin Falls with the Twentieth Century club as hostess group.

Special speakers will be Temple Wanamaker, director of the office of the department of state public services in Washington, D. C., who will speak to the group Tuesday at 10:30 a. m. on "You and Foreign Affairs." Mrs. Cecil M. Harden, special assistant to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield, Washington, D. C., will talk on "Obscenity in the United States Mails" at the Wednesday luncheon and E. R. Cameron of Seattle will represent the Sears Roebuck foundation.

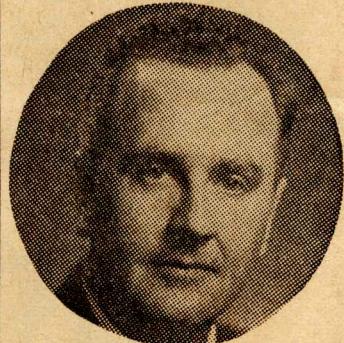
Convention chairmen, the Mmes. P. B. Wilson and Marjorie Haws of Twin Falls, announced that Dr. George W. DeHoff, president of the Magic Valley Christian college in Albion, will be banquet speaker. His topic will be "What Made America Great?" Mrs. C. W. Hettinger of Boise will conduct a class on parliamentary procedure.

Planned for Monday evening is a fiesta with a buffet supper and program of songs and dancing from Mexico. The major project of the federation for the past two years has been self help for Mexico, the chairmen said.

# Women's Federation To Meet

Delegates to the state convention of the Federation of Women's clubs in Twin Falls Monday through Wednesday will come from 72 clubs in four districts throughout Idaho. District 2 comprises southwest Idaho and includes 20 clubs.

Delegates from the Columbian club in Boise are the Mmes. W. L. Andre, J. W. Hutchinson,



**TEMPLE WANAMAKER**  
of the state department.

Helen Beck, Lewis Tate, Gilbert Talley, O. F. Schmidt and Earl Harmon. Also attending will be Mrs. Marjorie Vogel, immediate past district president; Mrs. F. M. Snyder, state chairman for the U. S. Savings Bonds, both members of the state board, and Mrs. Earl Turner, Columbian club president.

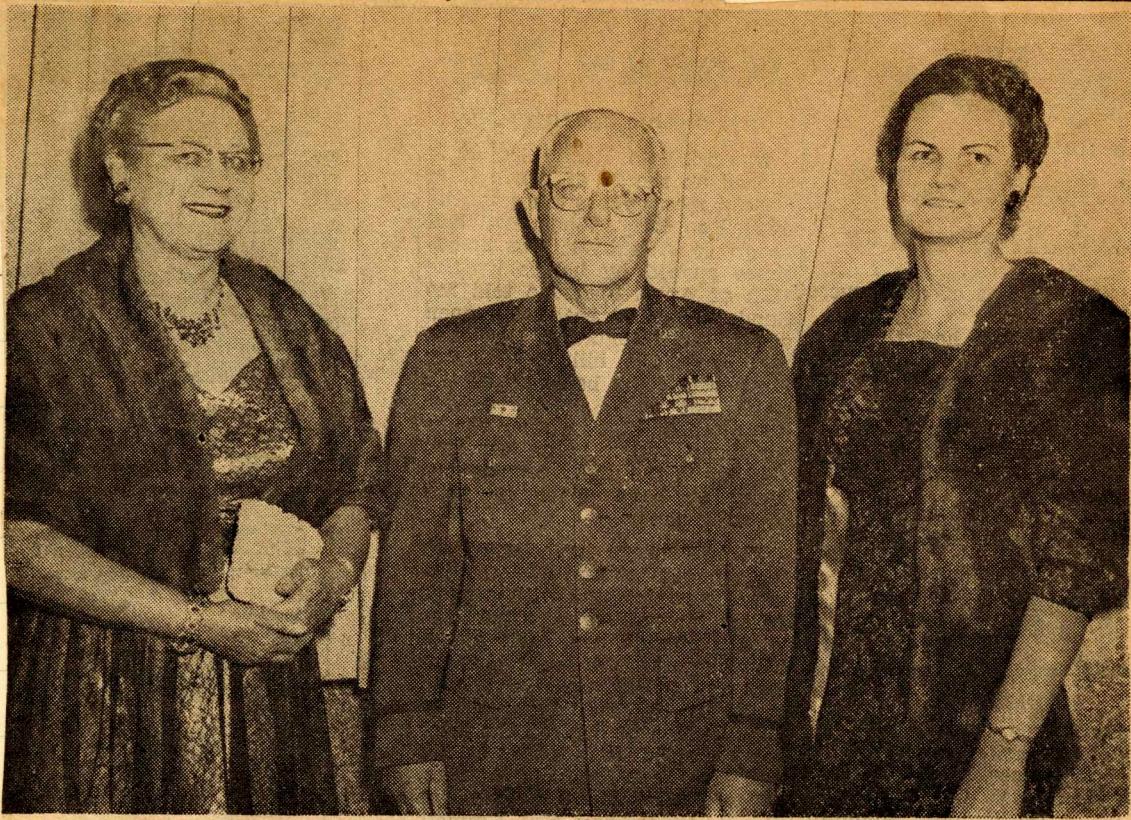
A special event on Monday will be the fiesta buffet supper with awards presented for "Idaho Care, Self Help" project for Mexico.

Speakers will be Temple Wanamaker, director of the office of public services for the De-



**MRS. FROST R. HARDEN**  
of the post office department.

partment of State, who will talk on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. on "You and Foreign Affairs"; Mrs. Frost R. Harden, special assistant to the postmaster general, who will speak on "Obscenity in the United States Mails" at the Wednesday luncheon and Mrs. P. W. Wilson of Twin Falls, Indian affairs chairman.



PRINCIPALS at the Thursday evening banquet of the convention of the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs held last week in Mountain Home. From the left are Mrs. Marjorie Vogel, retiring president from Boise; Lt. Col. A. J.

Brown, speaker, from MHAFB, and Mrs. Rex Day, mistress of ceremonies and chairman of the convention from Mountain Home. (McNeil Photo)



EXCHANGING GREETINGS at last week's meeting of the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs held in Mountain Home are Mrs. Jerry McCatton, recording secretary, New Meadows (left), and Mrs. Marjorie Vogel, second district president of the group, Boise. (Lorimer Photo)

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## Merry Tillers

### Occident Club has garden program

Beautiful flowers and women gardeners drew a large crowd for the May meeting of the Occident Club Monday afternoon. The Merry Tillers Garden Club, Boise, and Meridian Garden Club both had about 15 members present and the Mmes. Fred Bower, Stephen Perry and Edna Phillips were guests.

Mrs. Ray Ulmer, program chairman, presented Mrs. E. R. Rutledge, of the Merry Tillers, who demonstrated the points for perfect flower arrangements. Other members of the Garden Clubs displayed 12 gorgeous arrangements which were judged by the assembled group.

Mrs. Francis Veach was tea chairman. Mrs. Leo Heikes, president of the Merry Tillers, and Mrs. Elmer Yates, president of Meridian Garden Club, poured. Hostesses were the Mmes. Jess Hedges, Ralph Soucie, Virgil Smith, John Pratt, Ray Ulmer, Ed Baldwin and Oral Coleman.

#### Convention report

In the business session brief reports were made of the recent district convention, the library reported more than 1000 books were loaned last month.

The group was surprised to learn that a local business man was not aware of the Emergency Loan equipment of the Occident Club. During all the years since the beginning of World War II, hospital and sick room equipment has been acquired and made available to local people who need it for days, weeks and even months in some cases. This is a service project of the Occident Club women.

## Occident Club plans program

The Occident Club will have a special program for its meeting next Monday afternoon. The Merry Tillers Garden Club, Boise, will present a program on flower arrangements. They will make arrangements and judge them and give tips on judging.

Mrs. Ethel Heikes, former Meridianite, is president of the garden club. Members of Meridian Garden Club have been invited to attend.

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## Occident Club Completes Year With Installation

MERIDIAN — The Meridian Occident club finished another year of work with its June meeting and covered dish luncheon Monday afternoon in the club house. Hostesses were the Mmes. Ray Ulmer, Ray Anderson, Chester Chapman and Lillian Stocking.

The program included a book review by Mrs. Clare Hunt and a presentation of the Business and Professional Women's safety project, by Mrs. Lena Sweet. The project includes the selling of bumper strips bearing the words, "Buy Protection With Courtesy." The money will be used for a teenage safety education project.

Officers were installed by Mrs. V. R. Botkin. Mrs. Roy Stuart, out-going president, received tributes during the ceremony. The new leaders are the Mmes. Ralph Soucie, president; Fred Rosti, vice president; A. D. Scrivner, recording secretary; Frank Matcham, assistant secretary; Warren Moore, treasurer; and Ray S. Anderson, historian.

The summer activities of the club will be the operation of the public library, the emergency loan closet and the annual pancake breakfast.

## Occident club installs slate

The Meridian Occident Club will have installation of officers when it meets next Monday, June 6. There will be a covered dish luncheon at 12:30 to begin the session.

Each member is urged to supply her own table service and service for her guest. The hostess committee will be the Mmes. Ray Ulmer, Ray S. Anderson, Kathryn Westbrook and Frank Hudson.

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### New officers for Meridian's Occident Club

MRS. ETHEL SOUCIE, left, was installed Monday as new president of Occident Club at Meridian. Other officers seated at installation ceremonies were, left from Mrs. Soucie—Mrs. Nita

Rosti, vice president; Mrs. Gertrude Scrivner, secretary; Mrs. Viola Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Bessie Matcham, assistant secretary; Mrs. Minnie Anderson, historian; and Mrs. Gladys Stuart, immediate past president.

### Occident Club installs

New Occident Club officers were installed Monday afternoon, with Mrs. V. R. Botkin as installing officer. Seated as the new president was Mrs. Ralph Soucie of Amity.

Mrs. Fred Rosti is the new vice president; Mrs. A. D. Scrivner, recording secretary; Mrs. Frank Matcham, assistant secretary; Mrs. Warren Moore, treasurer; and Mrs. Ray S. Anderson, historian. Special tribute was paid Mrs. Roy Stuart, outgoing president.

Chester Chapman and Mrs. Lillian Stocking greeted the members and guests as they arrived. The

Mrs. Ray Ulmer and Mrs. Ray Anderson were hostesses for a covered dish luncheon. Mrs. guests included the Mmes. J. W. Doss, John McNeff, Lena Sweet, V. Baker and Clare Hunt.

Mrs. Sweet presented a resume of the B.P.W. Club safety program and asked the cooperation of all women in Meridian to work toward traffic safety. The program will include the selling of fluorescent bumper-strips with the words "Buy Protection with Courtesy." The proceeds will be used in teenage traffic education for safety.

The program included a book review by Mrs. Clare Hunt of "Preposterous Papa" by Louis Meyer.