

Jan. 2 - 1967

MINUTES  
MERIDIAN OCCIDENT CLUB Jan. 2, 1967

The meeting of the Occident Club was called to order at 2 p.m. in the Club room by President Bessie Matcham who welcomed the 23 members and 7 guests present.

The Collect was repeated by members and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The President asked Hazel Goodwin, program chairman to take charge. She presented Margaret Smith who favored us with three selections on the accordian. With Minnie Anderson leading in group singing and Mrs. Richards at the piano several Christmas carols were sung.

Then Mrs. Goodwin introduced Rev. Stacey Richards from the Wright Community Church, Boise who showed colored slides of Rhodesia, Africa with Mrs. Richards narrating. She first gave a synopsis of the location, physical features and people of Rhodesia. The pictures were very interesting and several were shown of the Epworth College and students, the Church and members as well as their agricultural fields and other interesting scenes. Also shown were pictures taken at Durbin, So. Africa.

Minutes of the December 5th meeting were read and approved as read.

Treasurer's report was read by Deane Ulmer acting treasurer in the absence of Viola Moore.

Nov. Balance	\$2,143.07	Library Fund	\$ 1,251.31
Took in	171.00	Emergency Loan	342.75
	2,314.07	General Fund	486.59
Paid Out	233.42	Bal.	2,181.65
Dec. Bal.	\$ 2,080.65		

Correspondence read consisted of a thank you note from Vena Volle and Christmas greeting from Helen Dickinson, State President of Idaho Federated Womens Clubs. Also a card was read which our club had sent to President Bessie when she became a new great grandmother recently.

The bill presented for janitor of \$9.00 was moved to be allowed by Zelma Rose. Motion was seconded and carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ways and Means; Clysta Gray reported they were given \$35 for the rehearsal supper they served.

Hospitality, no report.

Legislative, Susie Cairns read an item from the paper of a survey of the occupations of the 105 legislators of the 39th legislature. It showed occupations from various walks of life, but the most were farmers, which is 38; others are, 15 attorneys; 5 retired persons; 4 teachers; 3 railroad men; 2 contractors; 2 newspapermen and one each of the following: mortician, Indian Affairs Official; Union official; accountant; nurse; salesman, school superintendant, business representative and probate judge.

House and Grounds: Susie Cairns reported a window blind had been fixed and the club house had been rented 7 times in December and January 1st. To the Farm Bureau 4th; Riding Club 10th; Church Group 18th; the Paul family 25th; Madden family 26th; wedding rehearsal supper 27th; a family party 31st and Chipman family January 1st.

Publicity: Deane Ulmer said she has been putting reports in the paper after the meetings and notices before the meeting and hereafter would include the names of the hostesses in the item before meetings, to remind them they are on the serving committee.

Emergency Loan: Zelma Rose chairman gave her report. Five dollars was given by John Lankford for the use of a wheel chair and Mrs. Crew fifty cents for use of crutches.

Volunteer Service; Minnie Anderson said while at the State school, Nampa she was told the folks there are in need of wash dresses. They would be cut out but needed sewing up. Minnie said she would get the material and Bessie offered to help sew.

Library report for December from librarian "ancy Sage was read by the Secretary. Books checked out during the month for twelve library days was 1,983; 52 were special orders from the State library for students and other researchers. New cards: was issued to twelve which included nine from the city and three from the country. Three new books were purchased and ten were donated and added to the shelves. Petty cash turned in to the treasurer \$36.00. Ten Girl Scouts served a total of 29 hours working during the month.

There was no new business.

President Pessie Matchan asked for introduction of guests. Molly Raines introduced her daughter Ferba Good. Mrs. Neal Scrivner introduced her son, Brian and Susie Cairnes introduced Mrs. Wagoner and her daughter, Mrs. Peterson was introduced as a new member.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. Hostesses for the refreshments to follow the meeting were: Nettie Hudson, Clysta Gray, Amy Huntley, Alice Iverson and Mildred Langley.

*Marie Sandy  
Secretary.*

*Approved as read  
Feb. 5, 1967*

## OCCIDENT CLUB MINUTES

Feb. 6, 1967

The Meridian Occident Club was called to order by Bessie Matcham, president, at 2 P.M. o'clock February 5, 1967 in the Club Room. Thirty one members and four guests were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag was given and the collect repeated by members. Bessie welcomed members and guests. Mrs. Eggers introduced her sister-in-law Mrs. Martha Wildman; Mrs. Maw introduced Mrs. Lucille Marshall and Mrs. Wm. Jorges by Deane Ulmer. Mrs. Margaret Niebrand, home service advisor from Idaho Power was introduced and will show us how to cook.

The minutes of the January 2nd meeting were read and approved as read. Treasurer, Viola Moore gave the following report:

Dec. Balance, \$2,080.65	Library Fund Bal. \$1,281.92
Took in , 130.50	Emergency Loan 348.25
Paid out , 118.64	General Fund 462.34
Jan. Bal., \$2,092.51	January Balance \$2,092.51

Correspondence read was a thank you card from Katharena Fuhrman; a thank you note from Zelma Rose for her card and to the women who took charge of the candy sale while she was ill. An invitation from the Meridian Business and Professional Women Club for members and their families to attend the lecture and showing of pictures of the Holy Land by Mr. Abner Hanig, February 14th at 8P.M. here at the Club Rooms. A letter of thanks from Larry Laughridge, Director of Idaho Veterans Home for the paper back books delivered by Minnie Anderson. A letter from ~~xxx~~ Mrs. Earl Harmon, Second District President of I.F.W.C. announcing the work shop to be held February 8th at Brookover's dress shop on 1000 Vista at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Bring sack lunch, coffee and cookies to be served. Mrs. Deane Ulmer has been appointed Magazine chairman for the District.

An invitation from the Caldwell Forward Club for members to attend their out of town guest day meeting, March 14th at 2p.m. in the Mabelon Club Room, 518 So. 14th Ave.

Also a letter from the Nampa Womens Century Club inviting our members to their Out of Town Guest day meeting, Feb. 27, 1:30p.m.

President Bessie explained the bulletin from the Community Ambulance <sup>fund</sup> Committee. Unless the committee raises the amount to buy the ambulance and money for its upkeep the community will be without the service.

Mollie Raines moved the Club donate \$25 to this fund. Seconded by Susie Cairnes and motion carried.

The Club's Sweetheart Party was decided to be held Feb. 15 7p.m. because <sup>room</sup> was rented Feb. 14th. It will be a potluck supper bring own table service. President asked for volunteers who didn't have husbands. Rillous Yates offered to help Bessie.

Deane Ulmer moved we subscribe for the National Magazine, The Club Woman for the club president. Seconded by Hazel Goodwin. Carried.

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Deane Ulmer moved we ask Mrs. Earl Harmon, 2nd District President to our next club meeting. Seconded by Leota Gregory. Motion Carried.

Iva Bowers thanked the club for the card sent her husband. He was real pleased.

Reports:

Library report from Dec. 28 to Jan. 28th was read by the Secretary; circulation 2470 books loaned for 13 days makes an average of 190 per library day.

New cards 13. New books 19 and donated books 10, 15 books obtained from State Library.

Emergency Loan report read by Hazel Goodwin. Katharena Fuhrman donated one dollar for use of commode; Emily Pratt, a gift of one dollar; Mrs. W.F. Vickery \$5.00 for use of chair;

-- Johnson \$10.00 for use of bed. A gift of a wheel chair not too good but usable from Mrs. William Ryals.

Legislative, Susie Cairns read a good article which viewed the Federal Education Act. Her report on rentals said the room would be rented Feb. 14th.

Flowers and cards; Clara Maw said she had sent 4 cards, and one plant.

Ways and Means; Clysta Gray said Mr. Botkin called her to ask if the club would cook a dinner for the Lions Club and their wives, March 23rd. Would be 40-60 and would make a guarantee later. Charge \$2.00 per plate. Clysta asked for volunteers to help.

President Bessie said Mrs. Soucie asked her to thank the club for her plant.

The president said if anyone could solicit for the Red Cross to call Mr. Ted Heppner. Also there were pamphlets on the table for members to do calling for the ambulance service. The December ~~xxm~~ issue of the State Federated Magazine was on the desk for each member.

The program followed with Viola Moore chairman introducing Margaret Niebrand who prepared a meal of Japanese food while we watched. It was interesting and instructive. Later members had a chance to taste the food and make comments. Drawings were held for the food, with Mrs. Chester Chapman, Mrs. Lena Bodine, Mrs. Lucille Marshall and Mrs. Esther Homan winners.

Meeting was adjourned and refreshments served by hostesses Madames Ethel Heikes, Nellie McFarland, ~~and~~ Clara and Minnie Maw,

*Marie Sandy  
Secretary.*

*Ask if Mrs. Eggers  
of M. Cairns  
helped*

*approved  
March 8th*

March 6-1967

Minutes  
Meridian Occident Club

The regular meeting of the Occident Club was held March 6, 1967 in the Club Room with 32 members and two guests present. President Bessie Matcham presided and called the meeting to order at 2 P.M.. The Collect was repeated and Pledge to the Flag was given by members.

President Bessie welcomed the guests who were District President, Mrs. Earl Harmon of Boise and Mrs. Raymond Wolf.

The program followed with Bessie Matcham introducing the triple trio and pianist from the Junior High School. Each girl giving her name. They gave beautifully, renditions of two songs, "Down By The River-side" and "Long Ago and Far Away".

Mrs. Harmon spoke to us on the topic of, "Bishop Rae Center for Senior Citizens." She told of the first beginning plans in January 1959 when the Counsel for Greater Boise decided to have something done for their older citizens. From funds allotted the state by the Government, eleven members went to Washington D.C. to learn what other states and towns were doing for oldsters. In October 1964 they were offered the Bishop Rae House which was later accepted and many improvements have been made from contributions from many organizations and personal gifts.

On different days there are different activities as social ~~Ray~~ with card games with punch served, dancing another time, many problem questions solved, pot luck, many other things planned for the future. Dues are one dollar. There are 63,000 citizens in Idaho over 65 years of age. She extended an invitation to members of our club to be a member or participate with the needed help.

Members now joined in group singing of several old time songs with Emily Pratt at the piano.

The minutes of February meeting were read and approved. Treasurer, Viola Moore gave her report as follows:

Jan.Bal.	#2,092.51	Library Feb.Fund	\$2,134.50
Took in	1,056.20	Emergency	" 365.25
Paid out	251.29	General	" 397.67
Feb.Bal.	<u>2,897.42</u>	Feb. Bal.	<u>\$2,897.42</u>

Thank you notes were read from Ethel Soucie and the family of Alva E. Gilbert, Margaret Gilbert, Frank and Nettie Hudson. Attention was called to the earlier letter for members to attend Caldwell Forward Club's Guest Day at 1:30P.M. March 14th.

Bills presented were moved to be allowed by Ethel Soucie and also allow the treasurer \$5 for stamps. Motion was seconded and carried.

Reports: Emergency Loan chairman Zelma Rose reported gifts of \$5.00 from Paul Hardin and \$5.00 from Jessie Bell. Zelma thanked the Club for her card in her recent illness. House & Grounds chairman Susie Cairns reported on rentals and also had a buyer for a picture belonging to the club. Susie moved we do NOT sell the picture. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Cards and flowers chairman Mrs. Maw said she had sent one card and asked members to notify her of anyone ill. Lena Bodine thanked the Club for their card.

Art chairman Ethel Soucie said the art picture exhibit will be held at the Club Room March 31st from noon to 8 P.M. She asked for hostesses. Mes. Ulmer, Matcham, Goodwin, Botkin, Anderson, Bower, Moore, & Scrivner offered to help her.

Library Board chairman Minnie Anderson gave the report, as of Jan. 28th to Feb. 27. A total of 1916 books let out in 11 library days, averaging 174 books per library day. There were 128 7-day books, 605 fiction, 275 non-fiction, 306 youth and 602 juvenile <sup>books</sup> let out. Cards issued 13. Books purchased 14, and donated 27.

Volunteer Service. Minnie Anderson had on display some dresses which members had made for the State School girls at Nampa. She thanked the women who made them.

Legislative chairman Susie Cairns read an article about the GOP bringing a new look to Washington, D.C.

Deane Ulmer gave an interesting report on her visit to the Century Club at Nampa on Guest Day. Mildred Langley attended with her. Deane told about the fine program presented by Mrs. Addams who had pictures and told of the early history of Silver City. Mrs. Addams wore her riding habit as she was a great horsewoman and rode side saddle.

A dish was passed for "Pennies for Art" collection.

Announcements: The District meeting will be held April 18th in Mountain Home.

Blood Drawing to be March 16th. Members were asked to take some names to call.

Bessie Matcham reported the Sweetheart party was a success. Many called her to tell how much it was enjoyed. Four girls from the school sang. Group singing enjoyed and cards played.

Mrs. Harmon was asked if she would like to talk about the Federation, she preferred to come another time. She spoke of the great work of our club in the Library and Emergency Loan Closet.

Meeting adjourned. Hostesses were; Mes. Fay Peter, chm., M. Patch, F. Robinson, E. Pratt, Ila Pitkin and M. Songer.

Approved as read  
April 3, 1967

Marie Sandy  
Secretary.

April 3, 1967

Twenty-seven members of the Occident Club, Meridian and ten guests met 2 p.m. May 3rd, 1967 in the Club House. President Bessie Matcham called the meeting to order and welcomed those present. The Collect was repeated and Pledge of Allegiance given by all.

The guests were introduced. Iva Bower had as her guest Mrs. Jonas Lee of ~~Boise~~. Dean Ulmer presented her sister Veda Mc Fadden and Mary Boice.

Program chairman Dean Ulmer introduced a singing group the Four of Today which included Sheri and Vicki Smith, Nancy Ambrose and Pam Hill all of Meridian. Vicki accompanied them on the guitar. The songs they sang were: Today, Kisses Sweeter Than Wine, Until the Twelfth of Never and Green Field They were very much enjoyed.

Dean introduced her guest speaker, Mrs. Floyd Pinney, safety chairman of the Ada County Extension homemakers Council. Her subject was Safety in the Home about accidents caused by fires falls and medicines. She said accidents don't just happen, they are caused by human negligence. She described many ways to prevent such accidents. Her talk was instructive and showed ~~many~~ us several instances in which everyone could be more careful.

Lena Bodine won the prize for bringing the prescription bottle having the oldest date. Group singing concluded the program.

Minutes of the March meeting were read and approved as read. Treasurer Viola Moore gave her report.

Feb. Bal.	\$2,897.42	Library Fund	\$2,105.39
Taken in	153.28	Emergency "	375.25
Paid out	140.31	General "	429.75
March Bal.	<u>2910.39</u>		

#### Correspondence.

The Call for the District meeting to be held in Mountain Home, April 18th was read. Also the Call of the I.F.C.W. at ~~Twin Falls~~ Wallace May 2, 3, & 4th was announced.

A thank you card from Mrs. Harmon was read, for her visit with us last month, and being on the program.

Bills were presented and Mildred Botkin moved they be allowed. Motion was seconded and carried,

#### Committee Reports.

Library report for March was read by Ethel Soucie.

2138 books were let out in 12 library days, averaging 178 books per day. Non-fiction 321, 7-day 127, Fiction 601, youth 364 & Juvenile 725. Cards issued 23, New Books 58, donated books 10, Memorials 1. Books borrowed from State Library 19 and books mended 19.

ART. Ethel Soucie chairman said there were 118 entries in the four divisions. Only one person entered

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from the high school.

Emergency. Zelma Rose reported donations from Florence Robison \$10.00; Myrtle Langford \$5.00 and George Augustus \$1.00

Legislative. Susie Cairns read a round-up article pertaining to the 39th Legislative 89-day session and some of its accomplishments.

House and Grounds. Susie Cairns reported the club had three pay rentals for the month. The club used it some other times.

Cards. Clara Maw sent four cards and one gift.

President Bessie appointed a nominating committee for election of officers of Iva Bower, Susie Cairns and Oral Coleman.

Nominated and elected as delegates to attend the District meeting at Mountain Home April 18th were Deane Ulmer, Esther Homan and Mildred Langley. Alternates elected were Marie Sandy Gertrude Rosti and Hazel Goodwin. Bessie Matcham, president goes as a representative of the club.

Mildred Botkin moved the bills for the three delegates be allowed. Seconded by Gertrude Rosti. Motion carried.

The Lee Mitchel family asked the club to put on a wedding rehearsal dinner. Zelma Rose moved we give the dinner. Motion was seconded and carried.

Iva Bower moved we give \$10.00 to the Girls State. Motion was seconded and carried.

Minnie Anderson took the dresses made by club members to the State school, Nampa and brot back 3 dozen diapers and restraining strings. Members took them home to sew.

President Bessie said \$66.87 was cleared from the Lions dinner before the state tax is taken out.

Mildred Botkin was asked to explain about the Cross Nor School. She said the school was started by a couple for underprivileged children of the poorest class who would not otherwise have the education. The DAR's have taken this on as a project. Mildred explained the sending of coupons from magazines, newspapers and thru the mail to this school and they receive the value marked on the coupon to purchase many needed articles as stainless steel and other things. She cautioned to watch the date in fine print on the coupon to be sure it is not outdated. Anyone wishing the address of the school contact Mildred. Mildred also announced that the Senior citizens were discussed in their Sunday school and might start something. Perhaps other churches and others would help to get something done.

Mildred also stated there was a need for men's used clothing for the Idaho Veterans Home, Boise. Anyone may contact herself, Mrs. Iverson or Jaye Peter.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned for refreshments served by Gertrude Rostic, Mollie Raines, Myrtle Songer, Nita Scrivner and Lois Frazier.

Marie Sandy  
Secretary

Approved  
5/1/67

May 1, 1967

The Occident Club met May 1st 1967 with thirty four members and three guests present. President Bessie Matcham opened the meeting at 2p.m. o'clock and welcomed all. Bessie McNeff introduced her guest Marguerite Potts of Azusa, California. Marguerite is a past president of our club.

Emily Pratt program chairman introduced Mrs. Harry Young vocal soloist who sang, "I Have Plenty of Nothing" and "June is Bustin' Out All Over". Mrs. Kent Kehler was her accompanist. Mrs. Kehler was introduced and played a piano solo of "E Flat Major Etude". Both artists were well received.

Mr. Peterson music instructor brot 20 young folks of the eighth and ninth grades to sing. They presented a Holiday Monti which was a Fred Waring production. It started out with birthdays of Lincoln and Washington, Drink to me Only with Thine Eyes and concluded with American the Beautiful. John Johnson was accompanist. Martha Smith played two accordian solos.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and corrected to read the State Idaho Federation will be held in Wallace.

Treasurer reported;

March balance	\$2 910.59	Library Fund	--	\$1,969.34
Tookuin	85.50	Emergency	"	391.25
Pd out	257.18	General	"	378.12
April Bal.	<u>2 738.71</u>	Total Bal.	<u>2,738.71</u>	

#### Correspondence;

A "thank you" note from Bertha Downer was read. One from the American Legion Auxiliary for the \$10 contribution to Girls State.

Bills presented were Elite cleaners \$2.24; Mrs. Soucie for Art expense \$2.19; Janitor \$2.50; Delegates expense to District meeting in Mountain Home, Deane Ulmer \$5.13; Mildred Langley \$5.13 and Bessie Matcham \$24.46.

Minnie Anderson moved the bills be allowed. Motion seconded and carried.

#### Report of committees:

Legislative, Susie Cairns read an article commending Stahlin's daughter, Suzanna Alliley for denouncing communism after being brot up as communist. She is in the U.S. and has ~~xxxxxx~~ written a book condemning communism.

Rentals, there were three this month.

Cards, Clara Maw sent get well cards to Nettie Hudson and Florence Robison. Sympathy card to Bertha Downer.

Art, Ethel Soucie said Meridian won five awards at the District meeting. Firsts to Marcia Stewart and David Martin; second places to Charlene Tucker and Kelly Knight and Jeff Lane third place.

Library; Ethel Soucie reported in twelve library days 1,983 books were let out. Cards issued adult 2, youth 1 juvenile 11; 8 were in the city, 6 out of city.

Emergency Loan, Zelma Rose said fifteen dollars was do-nated to the club. Mrs. Harley Smith, \$5.00 and Mrs. John Scholten \$10.00.

Volunteer Sewing; The sewing was ready to be taken back to the State School, it was completed by Mmes. Susie Cairns, Bessie Matcham, Minnie Anderson, Mildred Botkin and Ella Stroebel. Mrs. Zena Cobleigh, 80 yrs. old donated a child's quilt she had pieced and made for the school. Lois Frazier offered to return the articles to the school.

Very good detailed reports of the District meeting held in Mountain Home was given by the delegates who attended namely: Mmes. Gertrude Rosti, Deane Ulmer, Mildred Langley and Bessie Matcham. Deane was elected as chairman of the ~~District~~ nominating committee. It was pointed out all clubs in the state must enter the Shell competition for the state to receive the \$500. District workshop will be held in Caldwell and the next District meeting will be in Nampa.

Nominating committee reported by Iva Bower chairman named the following nominees for the offices: Historian, Clysta Gray; Treasurer, Viola Moore, Assistant Secretary, Lois Frazier; Secretary, Marie Sandy Vice president, Mildred Langley. No nominee was found to run for president and no one offered so Susie Cairns was named. As there was only one nominee for each office they were voted on by acclamation. Installation will be next month.

Rentals reported for the past three years were \$286 in 1964-65; \$328.00 in 1965-66 and \$228 from Sept. 1966 to the present.

President announced it is dues time and would like to have them pay by next meeting so names can be in the year books. Viola Moore read a part of a letter from the Idaho Youth Ranch saying they were in need of financial help for building to house thirty youths waiting to come to the ranch.

Hostesses for today's refreshments are: Mmes Ethel Thorne Ethel Soucie, Katherine Smith, Ann Scrivner, Jessie Doss and Laura Wilson.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

*Marie Sandy  
Secretary.*

*Approved as read  
June 5, 1967*

June 5, 1967

G. Ulmer &  
C. Maw assisted  
by  
Hostesses.

Members of the Occident Club met for a covered dish luncheon at 12:30 p.m. June 5, 1967. Hostesses were Mrs. Zelma Rose, Vena Vollg and Ruth Armstrong. Flowers decorated the tables and room. Mrs. Juanita Davis shared a beautiful red and white arrangement with us from their 40th wedding anniversary celebration held here Saturday.

The business meeting was called to order at 2 p.m. by Esther Homan, vice-president in the absence of president Bessie Matcham. Thirty members and three guests were present.

The Collect was repeated and Flag Pledge given by all. Esther welcomed the members and guests. Minnie Anderson introduced her guests, Misses. Juanita Davis and Lucile Wood. Bessie McNeff introduced Rosalie Max McNeff.

Group singing was enjoyed by members singing patriotic and old time songs. Emily Pratt was accompanist.

Minutes of the May meeting were read and approved as read. Treasurer reported,

April Bal.	\$2738.71	Library Fund	- \$1844.50
Took in	140.00	Emergency "	- 406.25
Paid out	206.48	General "	- 421.48
"ay Bal.	2672.23	May Bal.	- 2672.23

Correspondence read was a thank you note from Florence Robison.

Bills were read. Moved by Zelma Rose they be paid. Motion seconded and carried.

Reports: Emergency Loan chairman Zelma Rose read her report of donation of \$5.00 from Mr. Roush; Darlene Atkinson \$3; Mrs. Tankford \$5, Jessie Bell \$5 making a total of \$18.

Volunteer sewing given by Lois Frazier said she had returned to the State School 7 dozen diapers, 6 Indian-head aprons and yards and yards of straps and ties. Workers were Bessie Matcham, Susie Cairns, Leota Gregory, Gertrude Rosti, Lois Frazier and Julia Marks (nonmember). Others sewing previously were Minnie Anderson, Hazel Goodwin, Ann Scrivner and Mrs. Stroebel.

The monthly library report max read by Ethel Soucie showed 2605 books in circulation; 25 cards issued to adults and juveniles and 46 books placed on the shelves.

Minnie Anderson read the yearly library report;

circulation,	7-day Books	-- 1776
Fiction	-	7280
non-fiction	-	5572
youth	-	4872
juveniles	-	9540

Books averaged 186 plus per library day. There were 568 books added with 341 new ones; 30 were memorials at a cost of \$110. Four stacks of shelves were added with money donated by the Pantherettes. Art Johnson did the carpenter work donating his time. Minnie

Anderson stained and varnished the shelves.  
Cards let out were 55 adults, 32 youths and 139 juveniles.

Ethel Soucie read her report on ART. The local exhibit was held at our Club House March 31st with 118 entries. Seventy-eight visitors called to see the exhibit. Five entries won awards at the District meeting in April and none at the State Federation in May. The reception for winning students and mothers was omitted this year. Ethel read a card from Marcia Stewart thanking the Club for having an art contest and exhibit and for the awards.

Legislative chairman Susie Cairns called our attention to the shooting conflict of the Near East, Israel and Arab countries.

The President's yearly report was read by vice-president, Esther Homan.

Minnie Anderson had charge of the nice installation for newly elected officers. She read the duties of their offices and presented each with a lovely corsage from Bessie Matcham, pres. Installed were : Susie Cairns - president;  
Mildred Langley - Vice president;  
Marie Sandy - Secretary;  
Viola Moore - Treasurer  
Lois Frazier - Assistant Secretary;  
~~Minnie~~ -  
Clysta Gray - Historian

President Susie Cairns assumed the chair and spoke briefly of her intentions and wished the help of members in carrying out her duties. She asked members to call her and let her know what committee they would prefer to be on. Our next meeting will be in September, after two months recess.

Zelma Rose moved we adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

*Marie Sandy*  
Secretary.

*Approved*  
*Sept. 4-1967*

Sept. 4, 1967

Twenty-five members and two guests attended the first Fall meeting of the Occident Club September 4, 1967. President Susie Cairns opened the meeting and welcomed the guests. Members repeated in unison the Pledge of Allegiance and the Collect.

A Scriptural message from Romans 12,6-8 was read by Mrs. Bertha Downer. She also read an unusual inscription inscribed on the Lubes Cathedral in Chicago which was sent to her by her granddaughter. The verse was titled "Thus Christ Speaketh to Us".

Laura Wilson program chairman read the purposes and qualifications for a girl to be a delegate to Girls State. She then introduced two of the girls who attended the sessions in Nampa in June, Phyllis Stanger and Ilene Austin who gave very good detailed reports. There were 170 girls in attendance and were well disciplined with everything going smoothly and satisfactorily. The girls mentioned in particular the evening inspirational hour; the Flag raising and retreat; citizenship learned; the patriotic part of their program and the inaugural ceremony on Thursday evening. Anyone is invited to see this beautiful ceremony. The girls spoke of the fine messages from high ranking officials of the state as Governor Samuelson and others. Mr. Cy Radcliff, Boise who has been to Russia gave them comparisons of the different forms of government of the two countries. An escapee from Cuba also spoke.

The girls gave their party yell and sang their Girls State song. They thanked the American Legion Auxiliary for sponsoring Girls State and the Occident Club for contributing so they might attend. One of the delegates from Meridian, Melanie York was chosen as first alternate to Girls Nation. The program concluded with group singing by members with Emily Pratt at the piano.

The business meeting was resumed. President Susie Cairns said as no auditor had been appointed she with the Secretary had looked over the Treasurer's books and found them in good order and in balance. Laura Wilson moved the officers report be accepted. Motion was seconded and carried.

Viola Moore, treasurer was absent and reported to have entered the hospital for surgery. She asked the club be thanked for cards which were sent to her husband when he was ill.

Minutes of the June meeting were read and approved. The names of Deane Ulmer and Clara Maw to be added to the list who helped with the potluck dinner in June. Esther Homan was one of the hostesses today whose name was left from the list in the year book.

Anna Scrivner moved we send for more of the Idaho scenic notes thru the state Federation as before. Motion seconded by Gertrude Rosti and carried.

Correspondence; A thank-you note from Doris Barker was read. A letter of thanks for the paperback books which Minnie took to the Veterans Home from the library. A notice of the Fall Board meeting Sept. 6, 9 a.m.- 3 P.M. at Owyhee Hotel, Boise. Excerpts from the IFWC minutes of May at Wallace were read by the Secretary. A notice of the 2nd District meeting to be in Nampa, . The 1968 State Federation meeting to be in Rupert.

Bills were read; janitor \$3.00 and printing of year books \$29.45. Motion by Zelma Rose they be allowed. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurer's report read by Secretary.

July Balance	\$2,651.56
Taken in	262.56
Paid out	<u>172.98</u>

August Balance \$2,741.08

Reports: Amy Wheeler reported on the pancake breakfast, \$107.50 cleared. She thanked all who helped and the men Herley Wilson Fred Bower and Eldon Gray. She asked a letter of thanks be sent to Vilbert Sundell for the case of eggs donated.

Zelma Rose reported on Emergency Loan saying donations for June were \$61. and for July \$65. A total of \$126.

Iva Bower read an article on the serious fires in northern Idaho  
Community Service chairman Lois Frazier reported diapers, yards of straps and two quilts had been taken to the Nampa State school. She asked if anyone is willing to sew call anyone on the committee. They will see you get material.

The Secretary reported she had written a letter of thanks to Mr. Van de Car of Boise for replacing the broken window next to the door without charge. Also the officers had straightened up the files in June.

There being no further business, Lois Frazier moved the adjournment. Seconded and carried.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Susie Cairns, Esther Homan, Nina Egbert, Oral Coleman and Marie Sandy. Clara Maw helped with the dishes.

*Marie Sandy*  
Secretary.

*Approved  
as read  
Oct. 2 - 1967.*

Oct. 2, 1967

*for Bertha Soucie*  
The Occident Club met October 2, 1967 in the Club room with thirty-eight members and two guests present. Susie Cairns, president called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. The regular opening was held and Clara Maw read the inspiration piece.

Marguerite Patch was in charge of the program which was arranged by Emily Pratt on poetry and music and who could not attend. Miss Kathryn Morgan, Boise read selections written by the late Robert Frost and Carl Sandberg. Mr. Peterson school music instructor sang some poetic selections accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Lila Kehler who also played a piano solo.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved as read. Treasurer's report was read by the Secretary in the absence of the treasurer.

August Balance -----	\$2741.08
Took in -----	124.10
Paid out -----	345.28
Leaving Balance Of ---	\$2519.90
Library Fund Balance -----	\$1,441.45
Emergency Loan Fund -----	460.21
General Fund -----	618.24
Bal.	<u>\$2,519.90</u>

Bills presented: Janitor \$1.75 and yard care \$10.00. Gertrude Rosti moved bills be allowed. Motion was seconded and carried.

Correspondence was read; a thank you note from Viola Moore; a letter from General Federation President, Mrs. E.D. Pearce; excerpts from the Board of Directors meeting held in Boise September 6th and an announcement of the workshop to be held in Caldwell October 5th.

It was announced the library Board did not finish their business at the pre-club meeting so would continue following the club meeting today.

Amy Wheeler asked members to save syrup bottles for use at the pancake breakfast next summer. She turned in \$1.60 more to that fund and said this made \$109.10 cleared. She said two ~~xx~~ electric outlets were needed so not to have the trouble with blown fuses that was had this summer.

Legislative chairman, Iva Bower in her report said that more women are taking part in politics than before.

Nina Egbert reported sending cards to Viola Moore and the John Pratts.

Art chairman, Ethel Soucie asked if it would be advisable to have the art program this year as such little interest was shown by the schools. Ideas were expressed but no decision made.

Zelma Rose handed in <sup>a</sup> donation of \$12.00 for the Emergency fund. Community Service chairman had sewing for those who wanted to help with the State school sewing.

Mildred Langley was asked to read part of the Bylaws pertaining to the Library Fund. The President said there would be some sections read at each meeting until the whole Constitution and Bylaws were read and changes made to bring them up to date.

The Library report was read by Ethel Soucie their Secretary.

Lois Frazier moved we ~~need~~ subscribe for the Clubwoman for the President. Motion was seconded and carried.

President Susie announced she would be going to the workshop in Caldwell Thursday and she could take others if any wished to go.

There being no further business, Marguerite Patch moved we adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

Refreshments were served by hostesses; Faye Peter, Bertha Downer, Minnie Anderson, Irma Ayres and Clysta Gray.

*Marie Sandy  
Secretary.*

Nov. 6, 1967

The Occident Club met November 6th, 1967, in the Club room, with twenty-five members and 6 visitors present. Susie Cairns, President, called the meeting to order, with Assistant Secretary, Lois Frazier, acting in the absence of Marie Sandy. The Collect and pledge of allegiance were given.

Theme for the program was 'Thanks for Freedom' and was planned by Minnie Anderson. Emily Pratt introduced a High School musical group, "The Four of Us", Including Pam Hill, Connie Law, Vicki Smith and Diane Rambo. Three of the girls played guitars and the numbers they sang were "This Land is Your Land" and an impressive rendition of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee". Marguerite Patch introduced Mrs. Gorton Beers, who holds the official title of National Alternate Committee-woman of the American Legion Auxiliary. She gave a very informative and interesting talk, her subject being 'Ring the Bell for Freedom'. Mrs. Beers thanked the Club for the assistance given to the 'Girls State' project. She emphasized the thought that the first step in battling the Communist is to know who he is. Group singing of patriotic songs with Emily Pratt at the piano, concluded the program.

The minutes of the October meeting were read, corrected, and approved.

The treasurer, Viola Moore, gave the following report:

October balance--	\$2519.90
Receipts-----	167.19
Disbursements-	96.75
Balance to date--	\$2590.34

Funds break-down to date

Library Fund-----	\$1491.57
Emergency Loan---	472.21
General Fund-----	626.56

Communications: Thank you notes from the office of Dr. Nesmith for the loan of a chair, and from Ray and Minnie Anderson.; a letter from the State President, Mrs. Dickinson, urging sale of the note cards; Excerpts from a very complete report, by Marie Sandy, on the District Workshop, held at Caldwell, October 5, 1967; Resignation of Marie Sandy as secretary, because of her appointment as Assistant Librarian.

Bills: City, \$4.50, Zelma Rose for keys, 83 cents, Nancy Sage \$2.25. Motion made and carried that the se bills be paid.

Committee reports; Program-Marguerite Patch, chairman, reported that the December meeting will be a covered dish luncheon, and urged every member to bring a guest.

Ways and Means-Amy Wheeler, chairman, reported income from P.E.O. luncheon, \$32.65. She asked for the Club members' opinion on serving a meal for 250 persons, which would tax all the facilities of the Club. The discussion indicated that it would be too much of an undertaking.

Hospitality-Ethel Thorne chairman, reported that 28 members had signed the register, and 6 visitors.

Corrected to read  
50 persons

(Committee reports continued).

Legislative-Iva Bower, chairman absent, Mabel Cairns urged everyone to vote in the City election, November 7th.

Flowers and cards- Nina Egbert, chairman, reported sending cards to Orpha Baldwin, Nita Scrivner, Ray and Minnie Anderson, and Edith Masters.

Emergency Loan- Zelma Rose, chairman, turned in \$12.00 as donations and reported a gift of a walker from Mrs. Edna Mack. She made a motion, which was seconded and carried, that the secretary write a note of thanks to Mrs. Mack.

Community Service- Bessie Matcham, chairman, reported sewing completed by club members, six dozen diapers hemmed, and two quilts made by Mrs. Cobleigh.

No further business appearing, the chair entertained a motion for adjournment, made, seconded and carried.

Hostesses for the social hour were, Ethel Heikes chairman, Alice Iverson, Mabel Cairns, Bessie McNeff and Bertha Downer.

*Lais Frazier*  
Assistant Secretary.

Approved as corrected  
Dec. 4-1967 m.s.

December 4, 1967

The Occident Club met at the Club room with 32 members and 11 visitors present a covered dish luncheon preceded the meeting. Hostesses were Mmes. Mildred Botkin, Florence Eggers, Hazel Goodwin, Anna Lisenby, Ann Scrivner and Gertrude Rosti. The table decorations were beautiful as were the many other decor on window sills, walls and the piano. all pertaining to the Christmas season.

President Susie Cairns called the meeting to order at 2:00 o'clock and introduced program chairman Marguerite Patch who in turn introduced the ladies on the program. The theme of the program was 'Christmans! Mrs. Elsie Riddlemoser read an explanation of many of the Symbols of Christmas while Mrs. Jackie Riddlemoser hung the symbols on a tiny green tree as they were explained. She had made all the beautiful symbols out of beads. Mrs. Florence Robison played the piano for the group to sing a couple of Christmas carols. This concluded the program.

The Collect and Pledge of Allegiance were given by all. The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The president said the Secretary's resignation had not been accepted. Marguerite Patch has offered to help out where needed either as secretary or in the library.

The treasurer, Viola Moore read her report which was accepted.  
October Balance \$2,590.34  
Receipts 199.64  
Disbursements 169.99  
Balance to date \$2619.99

Broken down into Funds:	Library	\$1,476.05
	Emergency Loan	499.21
	General	644.73

Bertha Downer  
Inspiration chairman A read a thought for the day.

Communications read consisted of thank you notes from Neal Scrivner, Leo Heikes and Doris Barker.

Bills presented were for the city, \$5.50; Cleaners, \$2.22; Nancy Sage, \$5.00; Insurance tax \$4.03  
Minnie Anderson moved the bills be allowed. Motion was seconded and carried.

Reports of committees; Hospitality chairman Ethel Thorne reported 32 members and 11 guests signed the guest book.

Legislative chairman Iva Bower mentioned our postage would be raised the first of the year and also it wouldn't be long before the legislature will ~~maximizing~~ convene.

Flowers and Cards, Nina Egbert reported having sent cards to Leo Heikes, Ethel Soucie, Wm. Licklama and a plant to Ethel Heikes who has a broken hip.

Art, Minnie Anderson said she didn't know just what to do about the Art contests this year as not much interest was shown last year.

Library, As chairman of the Board, Minnie gave the report. 3552 books were let out in November or 148 per library day; 51 books were donated. Thank you notes had been sent to the donors as well as those who donated the 64 used books. Memorials amounted to \$115. 50. Several paper back books were taken to the Veterans Home in Boise. A gift was presented Mae Howell for her nine years as treasurer and taking care of the Memorials which she still takes care of.

Emergency Loan chairman Zelma Rose turned in \$40 as donations and she asked the club's permission to let the man using the bed and who gave \$30 for its use to continue to do so. Permission granted.

Community Service chairman, Bessie Matcham reported the sewing had been completed and returned to the State school and she had brot back six dozen diapers and had let out four dozen so had two more to be let out.

Ethel Soucie was reported to be very ill following surgery in a Boise Hospital.

The question was brot up about the four large boxes of picture notes which were sent to the club. Two boxes had been ordered early in the fall. They do not have to be paid for until sold. Marguerite Patch moved the Club keep the boxes as they can be sold any time during the year. Motion was seconded and carried.

A dish was placed on the table for a contribution to be given to the Christian Children's Home. Donated was \$12.

President Susie announced the next meeting would be New Years Day and urged all who could possibly attend to do so as our District President, Mrs. Harmon will be our guest. She always has a fine message to give.

There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn.

*Approved  
Jan. 1-1968*

Marie Sandy  
Secretary.

P.S. Special Guests invited were the wives of the Ministers of Meridian. Those attending were Mrs. James Bassett, of 2nd Ward L.W.S., Mrs. Alfred Jones Nazarene Church, Mrs. Steve Mortenson, 1st Ward L.W.S., Mrs. Stan Parish Friends Church and Mrs. Mabel Ratan, wife of Retired Free Methodist. Other guests were: Mrs. Kelley,