

Meridian News Times. August 11-1960



For better library service

STATE LIBRARY CHECK for \$700.00 is presented to Mrs. Alma Veach, president of the Meridian library board, by Idaho State Librarian Henry Drennan. Check represents half of the \$1400.00 to be given the local library during year-long demonstration of county wide bookmobile service. The total amount equals that received by the library from city tax funds, and makes possible more library hours and other benefits. In addition, state library has made a loan of 1,000 books to the Meridian library for an indefinite term. Bookmobile, offering free service to all county residents, visits Meridian each alternate Monday (including next Monday, August 15.) It is parked in front of the library from 3:45 to 4:30 for free withdrawal of books. (Meridian News-Times photo)

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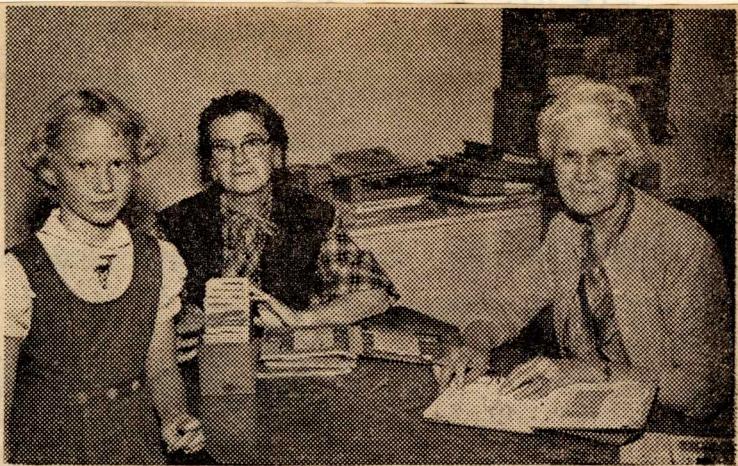
Library official from Africa

VISITING MERIDIAN LIBRARY with state library officials, Miss Grace Ofori-Atta of Ghana, Africa, was guest at coffee hour at home of Dr. and Mrs. John T. Brunn. She is shown above with local library officials and her hostess. From left, Mrs. Amy Ambrose, Miss Ofori-Atta, Mrs. D. T. Howell, Mrs. Nancy Sage, and Mrs. Brunn.

The visitor, in America under a foreign specialists program of the U. S. State Department, is in charge of children's library work in Ghana. Other guests at coffee hour were state librarian Henry T. Drennan, Miss Bernhardine Hoseley, and the Mmes. Grant Ambrose, Nanette Brunn, Ralph Hunter.
(Creason photo)

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Library plan is great success

MAJOR INCREASE of library patronage at Meridian has resulted from county-wide plan that brought large gift and loan of books from state library, and that more than doubled hours at local library. Librarian Mrs. Amy Ambrose, above right—shown with assistant librarian Mrs. Nancy Sage, and Kathy Cox—reported that 1287 books were loaned from Meridian library last month, compared to 834 during November of 1959. In addition, hundreds of books are loaned during biweekly visits of bookmobile. Mrs. Ambrose also reported increased use of local library for research by high school students. Meridian library is open Mondays and Fridays from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Wednesdays from 1:30 to 9:00 p.m. (Creason photo)

For children

Bookmobile brings reading increase

The bookmobile service in Ada County has brought a major increase in reading by children, Henry Drennan, Idaho State librarian, has reported to school officials.

Mr. Drennan said that during 1959, children in all of Idaho read a total of 25,000 books from the state library. This year, in just the first two months of bookmobile operation, children of Ada County alone have borrowed a total of 25,067 books.

The state library official emphasizes that the bookmobile provides free library service for adults as well as children.

The bookmobile service is part of the Ada County library demonstration to be carried out for one year. At the end of the time, residents of the county living out-

side of Boise and Meridian will vote on whether to establish a county library district.

One major reason for the bookmobile's success is that the plan permits any adult or child living anywhere in Ada County to use the bookmobile and the Boise public library without payment of any fee.



THOUSANDS OF BOOKS are available to Meridian area residents through local visits of Ada County bookmobile at two week intervals. Shown above in traveling unit are bookmobile staff members Martha Wilcox, Ed Nelson, and Andrietta Garbecht. Bookmobile service and free use of Boise city library by all Ada County residents are part of year-long demonstration of county-wide library program. (Creason photo)

Sept. 5-1960

Occident club meets Monday

Members of the Occident club will meet next Monday, September 5, for the regular meeting at the clubroom in Meridian.

Special guests will include delegates to the 1960 Girls State, who will report on their attendance at the annual event.

Girls State Delegates Told To Study Public Affairs

CALDWELL — An active interest in county, state, and national politics was urged on Syringa Girls State delegates Sunday night by Congresswoman Gracie Pfost. Mrs. Pfost addressed an evening assembly of Girls State delegates at the College of Idaho.

"Your lives now and your future as women, wives, and mothers are affected by events in the political arena and for that reason it is important to you and to our country that the women of America familiarize themselves with the issues and personalities of public life," Mrs. Pfost said.

Classes in government, from the city to the national level, will begin for the 225 Girls State delegates Monday on the C of I campus.

The delegates were selected from their districts for leadership, character, scholarship and physical fitness. The week-long conference is sponsored by the American Legion auxiliaries and is being directed by Mrs. Ruth Hall of Boise.

Carey Girl Governor

Leta Parke of Carey, elected a year ago, is the 1960 student governor.

"Study the programs of our two parties and become an active participant in the party of your choice," Mrs. Pfost said.

"It is essential that you arrive at your political faith through your own independent decision rather than by accepting affiliation by hearsay."

The Idaho congresswoman explained to her listeners the work of Congress, the role of congressional committees, and the process of writing the nation's laws. **Suggest Better Writing**

"Familiarize yourself with existing laws and pending legislation and write to your congressmen so that your legislators may learn your views. The laws written today will affect your lives to a greater degree than they will affect today's legislators. Just as in the field of science we read from time to time of inventions made by boys and girls of high school age, so can proposals by young people suggest solutions to problems in the world of politics," Mrs. Pfost suggested.

"A younger generation aware of its civic responsibilities and equipped with the knowledge of politics is the surest guarantee that our free institutions, the heritage of our Founding Fathers and our western pioneers, will win final victory over our nation's totalitarian foes, foreign and domestic," Mrs. Pfost concluded.

Pancake Breakfast Set Thursday For Meridianites

MERIDIAN — Meridian will have its pancake breakfast again this year. The American Legion auxiliary will serve pancakes, sausage and eggs in the Legion hall Thursday morning, with serving to start at 6 a. m. to accommodate milk haulers and other early risers. Serving will continue to 1 p. m.

In recent years the Occident club has served a pancake breakfast, but they have relinquished the project to the Legion auxiliary.

The public is invited. The funds raised will be used for community service projects.

August 21-60

October 3, 1960

Occident club hears speaker

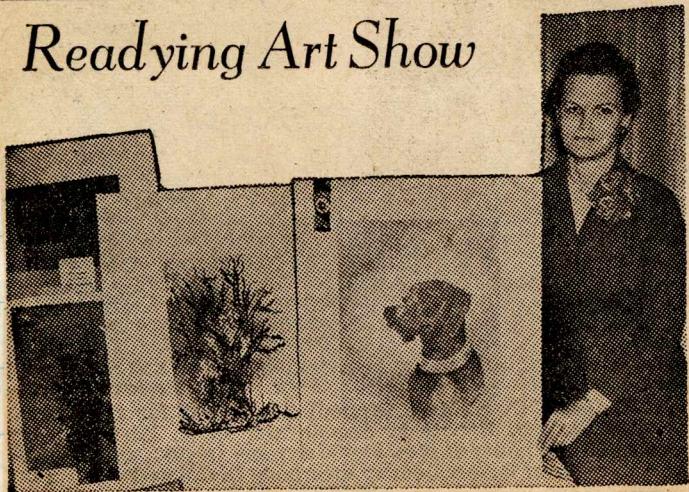
Roy Denton, district school superintendent, was guest speaker at last Monday's meeting of the Occident club. Mr. Denton spoke on "What to teach, and how to teach it."

"The student should be taught how to think," said the superintendent. "He should also be taught how to gather information and then evaluate it, and how to draw conclusions.

"Also important," he added, "is the teaching of loyalty and respect—in addition to the three R's, which are now taught somewhat differently from 30 years ago."

Hostesses for the meeting were the Mmes. Zelma Rose, Susie Cairns, Jessie Doss, and Lois Frazier.

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.

From Oct. 7-

Sunday Statesman-

Victor Coy, won at local Art

Contest - goes on to State

November 7-1960

Occident club hears speaker

The Occident club of Meridian met Monday night. Principal speaker was Mrs. Dewey Davison, who spoke on the importance of voting and the good things of the community.

Mrs. Damon Flack sang a solo, with Mrs. Elsie Riddlemoser accompanying. The hostesses were the Mmes. Francis Veach, Lee Mosman, T. D. Howell and V. R. Botkin. The library women had the refreshments and the charter members poured.

DECEMBER 5- 1960

Occident club meets Monday

Occident club members will meet at 12:30 next Monday, December 5, for a potluck luncheon. Those attending are to bring a covered dish and their own silverware.

Mrs. Effie Belle Denton will be in charge of a program on fine arts, and everyone attending is asked to bring a handmade article.

Members are invited to bring guests, and any prospective member is cordially invited to attend.

Occident club enjoys program

Occident Club members enjoyed a luncheon and Christmas party Monday. The hostesses were the Mmes. Ray Ulmer, Chester Chapman, Roy Stuart, Ethel Thorne.

The program included numbers by the Meridian high school sextet led by Phil Peterson of the high school faculty. Mrs. Francis Veach read the Christmas Story from St. Luke and the group sang hymns and carols.

Mrs. Roy Denton, fine arts chairman, asked each member to display hand-made Christmas articles, which included gifts and decorations.

Occident Club Hears Yule Music, Stories

MERIDIAN — The Christmas program for Occident Club members in Meridian Monday afternoon included the high school sextette, directed by Phil Peterson, the Christmas story read by Mrs. Francis Veach and interspersed with hymns and carols. Fine Arts chairman, Mrs. Roy Denton, had each member discuss and display "something made from nothing" as a gift or yule decoration.

Hostesses were the Mmes. Chester Chapman, Roy Stuart, Elden Gray and Ethel Thorne.

January 2- 1961

Occident club hears speaker

When the Occident Club met Monday afternoon, Mrs. Ethel Soucie, president, presented a lesson on the proper ways to display and use the American flag. Mrs. Elma Veach led the group in the singing of old favorite songs.

Hostesses for the day were the Mmes. Anna Lisenby, Minnie Anderson, Nina Egbert and Cornelia Baker.

Occident Club Sees Flag Display

MERIDIAN—Because Idaho's state legislators were busy Monday organizing for the new session, Meridian Occident club members were unable to get the speaker they had planned for their program. Instead, Mrs. Ralph Soucie led a discussion of the proper ways to display and use the American flag.

Hostesses were the Mmes. Nina Egbert, Anna Lisenby, Minnie Anderson and Cornelia Baker.

February 6-1961.

Occident club meets Monday

The Occident Club will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, February 6. Mrs. Fred Bower will present a program on mental health. Fred E. Letz, chief psychiatrist of the health department, will be guest speaker.



11 years ago (1949)

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McCoy
were honored on their Golden
Wedding anniversary with an
open house at the home of Mrs.
O. E. Douglas.

Mrs. McCoy - Charter Member

MARCH - 6- 1961

Conservationist addresses group at Occident club

Jack Fry, of the Soil Conservation Service, spoke to the Occident Club members when they met Monday afternoon. He outlined some conservation practices, and talked on the cultivation of roses, and on spring wild flowers in Idaho.

A generous contribution was made to the Idaho Youth ranch and to the Pennies for Pines. Hostesses were the Mmes. Ella Pitkin, Kate Diercksen, John Magnuson and Kathryn Westbrook.

Occident club meets Monday

Occident club members will meet next Monday, March 6, at 2:00 p.m.

Special speaker for the afternoon will be Mr. Fry of the conservation office at Boise.



Meridian "rock-hounds" display finds

MR. AND MRS V. A. COX are shown with some of the unusual and beautiful rocks collected during the 19 years they have been interested in the hobby. They recently displayed rocks and talked on the subject at Mrs. Dudgeon's class on Idaho history, at the Meridian grade school. Collection includes specimens from parts of Idaho, and from Brazil, area near Death Valley. Among interesting items are "Apache tears," petrified pine cone, "thunder eggs," and rocks with natural pictures polished into clarity by desert winds. (News-Times photo)

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Mrs Cox is a former Past Pres.
of the Occident Club

Meridian party fetes couple on 46th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rosti entertained at dinner Tuesday, March 7, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Kinzer of Boise, for their 46th wedding anniversary. Co-hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudson.

Other guests were the Messrs. and Mmes. Frank Matcham, Raymond Wolfe, Glen Doan, Jess Hedges, and Miss Ethel Lower.

Mac Rosti is Vice Pres
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Occident group at Nampa meet

The Meridian Occident club was represented by 16 members Monday afternoon when they were guests of the Century Club in Nampa.

Attending from here were the Mmes. Ralph Soucie, Fred Rosti, Susie Cairns, Bertram Lisenby, Zelma Rose, Kathryn Westbrook, Myrtle Neibaur, Roy Goodwin, Lillian Stocking, Roderick Maw, Clara Maw, Nina Egbert, Ethel Thorne, Ella Pitkin, Guy Eastman and Ed Baldwin.

The Occident Club will meet next Monday afternoon, April 3, for a program of gerontology. Mrs. Francis Veach is program chairman and the hostesses will be Mrs. Edith Marsters, Mrs. Ida Bowen, Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker and Mrs. Myrtle Neibaur.

Guests of Century Club

Occident Club Sponsors Exhibit

MERIDIAN—The annual art exhibit sponsored by the Meridian Occident club, will be presented to the public next Friday, in the club rooms. Mrs. Roy Denton and Mrs. John Pratt are co-chairmen arranging the exhibit and the judging to precede the exhibit. School children in all grades in Ada county district 2 will participate. Winners in local competition will be shown in the district exhibit. The Federated clubs have this as an annual project.

ART EXHIBIT!

Meridian Travelers Back in Idaho After Vacationing in East and West

By CATHERINE FRANKLIN

MERIDIAN—From Ohio to Hawaii spring travelers have been returning home. Mrs. Myrtle Songer flew in from Westlake, Ohio, Monday evening after spending several months with her son-in-law, Jack McGuire, and her granddaughter, Marcie.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray S. Anderson have returned from Hawaii which they describe as "all the publicity promised." Mrs. Anderson called it an ideal place for a vacation, but she doesn't think she'd like to live there permanently.

Mrs. Jesse Hedges is home after several weeks in Oberlin, Kan., with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pratt and Mrs. Carl Trautman were in Kennewick and Pasco, Wash., for a long week end with their daughters and families. The Pratts were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Delyea and children. They saw their newest grandchild for the first time. Mrs. Trautman's hosts were the Richard Patrick family.

Occident Club Members
Vacation!

MARCH - 1961.



(Meridian News-Times Photo)



Winning snapshot brings Aloha-land vacation

LEAVING BY JET-PLANE Saturday for a week's vacation in Hawaii will be Mr. and Mrs. Ray Anderson of the Meridian Rice Pharmacy. Andersons won free trip in contest sponsored by Snappy Photo Service of Boise for area firms using their services.

WINNING SNAPSHOT, entitled "My pal, till he gets mushy," was taken by Mrs. Alice Harris of Eagle. Girl shown with snowman is her granddaughter, Eileen Harris, daughter of Mrs. Caryl Harris. Mrs. Harris received electric-eye camera as her winner's award.

April 3 - 1961.

Occident club hears speaker

Mrs. Helen Thomson of Boise was guest speaker when the Occident Club met Monday afternoon. Mrs. Thomson, who was a delegate to the conference on aging in Washington, D. C., spoke on gerontology. She said there was nothing political about the conference, but that both Democrats and Republicans are interested, because "they will all be old some day."

Mrs. Edith Marsters was unable to help serve and Mrs. Susie Cairns substituted for her. The other hostesses were Mrs. Myrtle Neibaur, Mrs. Iva Bower and Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker.

Resident's mother passes in Kansas

Mrs. Jesse Hedges arrived home last Saturday from Oberlin, Kansas, where she was called by the serious illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Allie Tally.

Mrs. Tally had visited in Meridian several times. She passed away March 14 at the age of 84 years.

Student artists slate exhibition

Student artists will be featured in the annual art exhibit at the Occident club next Friday, April 14.

Members of the sponsoring club invited all area residents to view the exhibit, which will include pictures from every school in the district.

Public invited to art exhibit

All community residents are invited to view the students' art exhibit at the Occident clubroom this Friday, April 14, from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Included in the exhibit will be pictures and poetry produced by students of Meridian district schools. The entries will be judged, and winners selected, before the exhibit.

The annual students' art exhibit is a project of the Occident Club. Committee members in charge this year are the Mmes. Roy Denton, John Pratt, Ella Pitkin, L. A. Songer.

Mrs. Songer back

Mrs. Myrtle Songer arrived home from Westlake, Ohio, Monday evening. She came by plane.

Mrs. Songer has been in Ohio with her son-in-law, Jack McGuire, and his daughter Marcie, while Mrs. Cora Frymyer has been in Meridian for several months.



Aloha ceremony on island vacation

"JUST A FRIENDLY GREETING," Ray Anderson hastily assured the photographer, during a welcoming ceremony accorded the Meridian man and

his wife during tour of island on recent vacation in Hawaii. Trip was prize won by Meridian Rice Pharmacy in photography contest.

Aloha land

Andersons back from Hawaiian trip

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Anderson returned recently from a 10-day visit in Hawaii, and reported a wonderful vacation on the islands.

Leaving Boise March 18 by jet-prop plane, they transferred to a Pan American Clipper at Portland, and arrived in Honolulu after a 5½ hours flight.

A welcoming group met them at the island airport, presenting them with the traditional leis, before taking them to the Edgewater hotel on Waikiki beach, where they stayed during their vacation.

Meridian friends

A surprise shortly after their arrival was a telephone call from Jim Petty, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Petty of Meridian. Jim is serving with the U. S. Navy, and is stationed at Pearl Harbor. He and a Navy buddy visited the Andersons that night, and Jim was able to accompany them to some of the events they attended during their stay.

The Andersons also visited with the Paul Pack family of Meridian. The Packs are serving a three year mission on the islands for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—with Mr. Pack doing the landscaping at the new Church College of Hawaii, which has 800 students.

Highlights of the Andersons' vacation included a Polynesian dinner and water show at the Reef Hotel; and a circle tour of the island, including a view of the famous Pali.

They also attended a luau, or Hawaiian feast, at the Queen's Surf. During the party, people were introduced from various states—and, when the Andersons identified themselves as being from Idaho, they were called upon to perform a hula for the group.

Guests at hukilau

They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pack at a hukilau at Laie, near the L.D.S. temple in the area where the Packs live. Jim Petty accompanied them to the event, which included the traditional gathering of fish by a net taken out by boat then pulled in by the people on the beach.

They also took plane trips to Kauai, the "garden island," and to the island of Hawaii, largest of the island group. They saw the island volcano, lunched at the Volcano House, and saw the wild-growing Hawaiian orchids.

Renting a jeep, the Andersons drove to various points of interest on the island with a couple from New York, whom they met on the trip.

They also enjoyed a Japanese tea party, being gowned in kimonos and being served while seated on the floor at a foot-high table. The evening included a floor show by Japanese and isl-

ander performers.

At the island marine-land, they cruised in a glass-bottom boat, and saw a leather-clad daredevil ride one of the 13 man-eating sharks that were in the pool.

Visit ship

They also cruised to Pearl Harbor by boat; attended the arrival of the S.S. Matsonia, with all the welcoming ceremonies and later visited aboard the ship.

They returned by clipper plane and, being unable to land at Portland, went to Seattle, then back to Portland and on to Boise by jet-prop.

"The weather was ideal every minute," Mrs. Anderson said, "adding to all the things that made it such a memorable vacation."

The trip had been awarded to Meridian Rice Pharmacy in a recent photography contest, and the Andersons expressed their appreciation to the contest sponsors, the Snappy Photo Service of Boise, for having made the trip possible.

For convention

Occident club chooses delegates

The Occident Club has named its delegates for the second district convention of Federated Clubs in Idaho. They are Mrs. Fred Rosti and Mrs. Roy Goodwin. Alternates are Mrs. Ray Ulmer and Mrs. Frank Matcham.

The convention will be held next Wednesday and Thursday, April 19 and 20, at Caldwell in the Booth Memorial Church.

Mrs. G. M. Brown will speak on the Idaho Youth Ranch at the Wednesday luncheon. Mr. Trevelon White will be the banquet speaker for Wednesday evening. There will be a fashion show Thursday morning, and Gov. Rob-

ert E. Smiley, luncheon speaker, will have as his topic, "The South America Challenge."

Mrs. Dewey Davisson of Weiser is district president. Caldwell Forward Club and Women's Study Club of Wilder are the host clubs. Several other Meridian members plan to attend the district convention, and may go to the state convention at Pocatello May 1-2-3.

From MERIDIAN News Times

April 13, 1961

Federated Woman's Clubs Plan District Convention

Gov. Robert E. Smylie will be among the guest speakers at the second district convention of the Idaho Federation of Woman's clubs, scheduled April 19 and 20 at the Boone Memorial Presbyterian church in Caldwell. Others appearing will be Mayor Ed Simmernan of Caldwell, Trevelyn White of Boise, Mrs. G. M. Brown of Nampa and Mrs. J. E. Graham, federation state president from Rexburg.

The convention theme is "A Responsive, Responsible Citizenship."

Boiseans attending will be members of the Alexis, Southside Improvement, Columbian, Women's Civic, Golden Rod and Ustick Apple Blossom clubs.

Mrs. Dewey Davisson of Weiser, district president, reported that the session will be held in the Boone Memorial Presbyterian church, with the Forward club of Caldwell and the Woman's Study club of Wilder as host organizations.

Business sessions, luncheons and the banquet will be held in the Presbyterian church. The latter event on April 19 will begin at 7 p.m., with husbands and guests invited.

Mrs. Clarence W. Hettinger of Boise, state and district parliamentarian, will conduct a class in parliamentary law April 20 at 8:15 a.m.

Mrs. A. J. Denney, president of the Caldwell Forward club; Mrs. Bernard Obendorf, president of the Wilder Woman's study club and Mrs. Lee Reynolds, general chairman, are in charge of convention plans.

Kennedy Names Federation Head To Corps Council

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Mrs. E. Lee Ozbirn, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Washington, D. C., international president of the General Federation of Women's clubs, has been appointed by President Kennedy as a member of the national advisory council for the Peace Corps.

The General Federation, with a membership of 11,000,000 women around the world, is in a position to help formulate public opinion for the Peace Corps as well as to help carry out its purpose said Mrs. Ozbirn. Members of clubs in 50 countries around the world can also be of valuable assistance in the program.

April 17, 1961

From Idaho Daily Statesman

April 10, 1961

Speakers heard**Local delegate reports activities at district women's clubs meeting**

by Mrs. Ethel Soucie

Local students win in contest

Meridian students won about half the awards given in Second District General Federation of Women's Clubs art and poetry contests in Caldwell April 19 and 20. They included in art Ted Boice and Victor Coy, first and second in division 4; Wanda Bolen, second in division 2; Mary Davis and Donnie Wood, second and third in division 1. In poetry, Lou Ann Bodily and Sandra Lee Welch won first and second in division 1; Sheri Hollabaugh, second in division 2. These winners will be entered in the State contests in Pocatello next week.

April 27-1961

From Meridian News Times

THE IDAHO DAILY STATESMAN**At Convention****Club Women Denounce 'Risque' Entertainment**

By ELAINE MILLINER

CALDWELL — Delegates to the second district convention of the Idaho Federation of Women's clubs went on record here Thursday at their closing session, expressing condemnation of inferior and low quality magazines, television shows and movies, and asked producers to provide better all-family type entertainment.

In discussion on the resolution, the club women noted the "risque" quality of the 1960 Academy Award winners which were announced Monday night.

In another resolution, the delegates pledged themselves to better study in order to combat Communism, after hearing a warning from their Wednesday night banquet speaker, the Rev. Trevelyn White of Boise, that "by 1973, Russia will have ac-

complished the task of bringing Communism to America."

"Infiltration is everywhere," the Rev. White told the 100 banquet guests, who gathered in the Boone Memorial Presbyterian church. "Literature, much of which is unmitigated lies, attractively presented and illustrated, is reaching America every week and is being circulated among the youth of our country."

"Because we like the conveniences America enjoys, Russia says we are socially diseased," he continued.

To combat this infiltration, the Rev. White warned his listeners that they need a drastic return to early American patriotism, they must become more interested in their country's affairs, and make it their business to become more intelligently informed.

Mrs. G. M. Brown, past state and district president, was toastmistress for the banquet and others on the program were Gary Walker, who gave a humorous reading, and Mrs. Seth Redford, soloist.

Among Thursday's speakers were Gov. Robert E. Smylie and Mrs. F. M. Snyder of Boise. Mrs. Snyder gave a history of the federated clubs' bond-buying program. She said that 16 out of 20 clubs in the organization are participants in the program.

the development of Idaho library laws.

Minister speaks

The convention of the Second District of the Idaho Federated Women's Clubs of Idaho was held at the Boone Memorial Presbyterian church at Caldwell April 19th and 20th. It was attended by a number of members of the Occident Club. Mrs. Dewey Davisson, president of the second district, was the presiding officer. Dr. Robert C. Shupe gave the invocation and Mayor Ed Zimmerman welcomed the delegates. The Forward Club of Caldwell and the Women's Study Club of Wilder, were the hostess clubs.

Reports heard

After the opening exercises the morning was devoted to reports. Mrs. G. M. Brown of the Nampa Country Club spoke on the Rupert Youth Ranch at the luncheon which was served by the ladies of the church. In the afternoon Mrs. Nancy Jarvis, librarian at the College of Idaho, spoke on libraries. She said that a majority of libraries were started by women and nursed along until they were finally taken over and supported by taxes. She outlined

Banquet speaker in the evening was Rev. Trevelyn White of Boise. His topic was "The Communist Conspiracy." He warned that by 1973 "Russia will have completed the task of bringing communism to America," also that large quantities of communistic literature is steadily coming into this country. "It is illustrated in an attractive way and is being circulated among the younger people of our country. We, here in America, have wonderful conveniences and we enjoy them, therefore Russia says we are 'socially diseased'." He further stated that to fight this infiltration a quick and drastic return to the deep-seated, old fashioned patriotism of our forefathers is necessary, and that our citizens must become intelligently and vitally interested in our country's affairs and make the business of the nation their sincere business.

Study program

The convention members pledged themselves to a program of study, so as to have a better understanding of the Communist laws of thought and their blueprint of world conquest.

Governor Smylie was the luncheon speaker Thursday noon and his subject was "South America — A Challenge."

The Second District of the Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs went on record expressing condemnation of the inferior and low moral quality of entertainment featured in many magazines, movies, TV films and on radio, which involve rascality, perversion and over-emphasis on sex, and urging promotion of cleaner family-type entertainment. All interested groups and individuals were urged to take immediate and positive steps; by contacting local distributors, writing producers, and urging parents to study reviews, and by all means to patronize the better type productions.

The convention went on record to continue the work against illicit literature.

The quality of the 1960 motion picture Academy Awards came in for censor during the discussions.

April 21-1961

From Idaho Daily Statesman



Good Citizenship Award

Presented to

Oriental Club
Meridian, Idaho.

April 19 1961

Second District

Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs

Mrs. Ralph B. Soucie - Pres.

May 1, 1961

Occident club meets Monday

Mrs. Pauline Hunt will give a book review for the Occident club program next Monday, May 1. The recent poetry and art winners will be guests and will be presented their awards by the Occident Club, sponsors of the contest and exhibit.

Monday meeting

Occident club elects new officers

Mrs. Ralph Soucie was re-elected president of the Occident Club Monday afternoon.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Elden Gray, vice president; Mrs. Voris Botkin, recording secretary; Mrs. Bertram Lisenby, assistant secretary; Mrs. Warren Moore, treasurer; and Mrs. Ray Anderson, re-elected historian.

The recent art and poetry winners and their mothers were special guests. Mrs. Roy Denton presented the awards and congratulated the winners on the quality of their entries. The mothers remained for the tea hour following the meeting. Hostesses were the Mmes. Lillian Stocking, Roy Goodwin and Susie Cairns.

The Occident Club was represented at the state convention of Federated clubs at Pocatello this week by the Mmes. Zelma Rose and Kathryn Westbrook, delegates, and Minnie Maw and Deane Ulmer, visitors. They drove to Pocatello Monday morning and returned Wednesday evening.



POETRY WINNERS in the Occident club's contest are (from left) Lou Ann Bodily, Eagle, first in division one; Lea Giat, Meridian junior high, first in division two; Tannya Austin, honorable mention in division two; Sheri Hollabaugh, second in division two and Sandra Welch, Ustick, second in division one. (Creason photo)

Occident Club Gives Recognition to Students

Good attendance at art exhibit

A total of 358 visitors viewed art and poetry exhibits at the annual display sponsored by the Occident club last Friday.

As noted on Page 1, lack of space made it impossible to carry pictures of the winners in this week's paper. The pictures will appear next week, with announcement of the various awards.

Mrs. Roy Denton reported there were 224 art entries and 48 entries of poetry—representing all schools in the Meridian district.

MERIDIAN—Student winners of the annual art and poetry exhibit and contest, sponsored by the Meridian Occident club, will be guests of club members Monday afternoon and will receive their awards from Mrs. Roy Denton, chairman of the art committee.

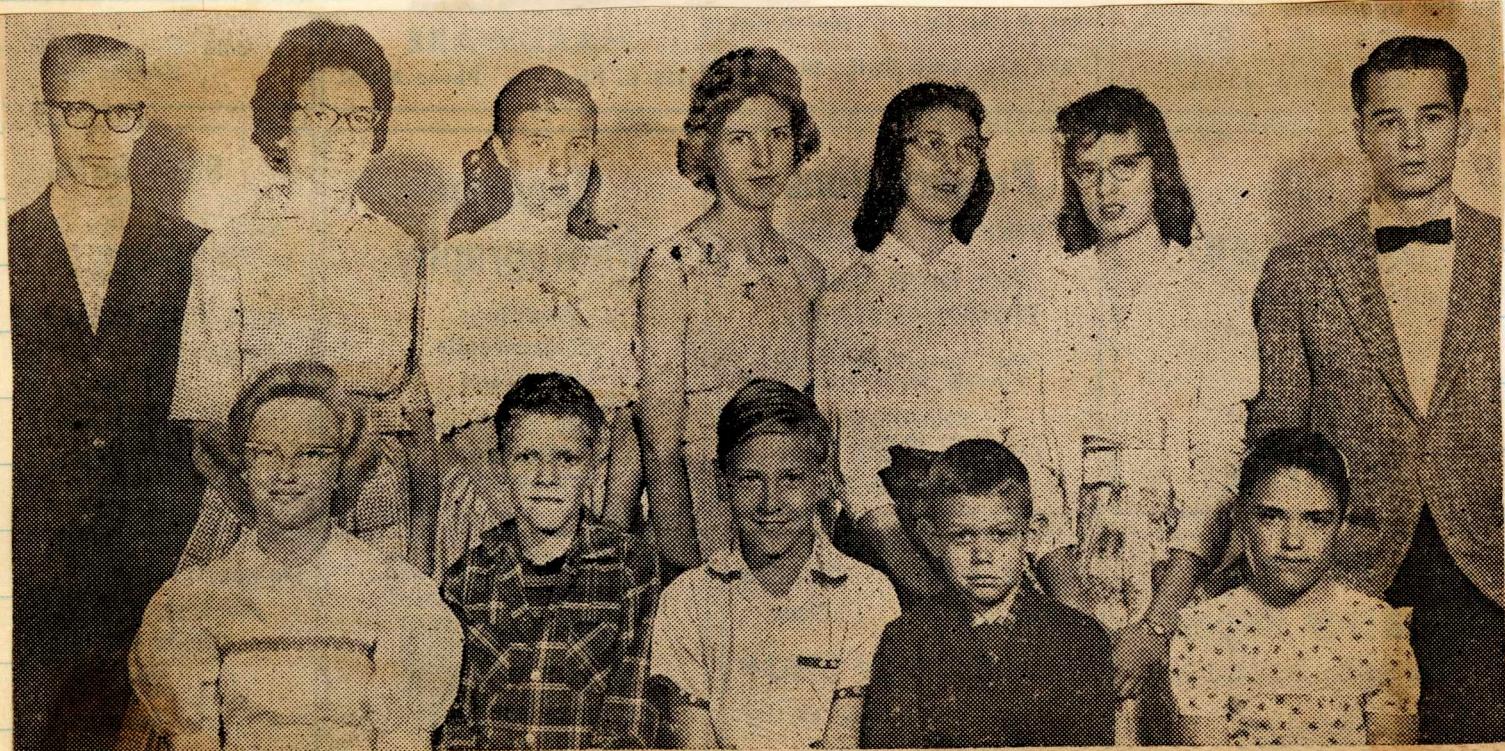
More than 250 art entries were received in the contest an event which draws interest in all communities in the Ada county class A school district No. 2. Judges for the art work were Bernice Brown, Emmett; Helen Walther and Betty Knowles, Boise. The poetry entries were judged by Mrs. Mary Alice White, Miss Guliet Larson and Miss Janet Fisk.

The art winners are:

Division one: Donnie Wood, first; Mary Davis, second; Donnie Wood, third; Mary Link, honorable mention, all from Meridian grade school. Division two: Willie Strong, first, Ustick; Mary Davis, second; Andy Dopieralski, third; Rodney Gentry,

honorable mention, Meridian. Division three: Nancy Sizemore, first; Wanda Bolen, second; Nancy Sizemore, third; Melodie Hoffbauer, honorable mention, all Meridian junior high. Division 4: All from Meridian High school, Eleanor Smart, first; Ted Boice, second; Victor Coy, third; Carla Martin, honorable mention.

From this group five winners were named for the second district contest in Caldwell. They are Ted Boice, first, and Victor Coy second, in division four; Wanda Bolen, second, division three; Mary Davis, second, Donnie Wood, third, division one.



PRIZE WINNERS in annual art contest for Meridian district students, sponsored by Occident club of Meridian, are shown above. From left, front row—Mary Davis, second prize Division II; Rodney Gentry, honorable mention Div. II; Andy Dopieralski, third,

Div. 11; Donnie Wood, third, Div. I; Mary Davis, second, Div. I. Back row—Ted Boice, second, Div. IV; Melody Hoffbauer, honorable mention; Eleanor Smith, first, Div. IV; Carla Martin, honorable mention Div. IV; Nancy Sizemore, first, Div. III; Wanda Bolen, second, Div. III; Victor Coy, third, Div. IV. (Creason photo)

June 5, 1961



Occident Club Installs Leaders

MERIDIAN — Meridian Occident Club closed its year with a potluck dinner in the club house. They heard reports and reviews of the year and installed new officers. They were Mrs. Ralph Soucie, president; Mrs. Clysta Gray, vice president; Mrs. Voris Botkin, and Mrs. Bertram Lisenby, secretaries; Mrs. Warren Moore, treasurer; and Mrs. Ray Anderson, historian.

Special guests for the meeting were Mrs. Harry Radloff, Mrs. T. J. Peterson, Mrs. M. V. Howell, Mrs. Bertha Downer and Mrs. Thelma Ewing. The hostesses were Mrs. Myrtle Songer, Mrs. Nina Egbert and Mrs. Roy Denton.

August 1961

Occident club plans breakfast

The Occident club has completed plans for a pancake breakfast to be served in their clubhouse from 6 a.m. until noon Wednesday, August 9. The early hour to begin serving is to accomodate working men in the community.

As in years past, there will be no set charge for the breakfast, which will include pancakes, sausage and eggs. Each diner will pay whatever he wishes. The proceeds will be used for club projects, including support of the library, the emergency loan closet, and making repairs on the building.

The committee in charge is Nina Egbert, Myrtle Neibaur, Zelma Rose, Susie Cairns, Clysta Gray and Effie Belle Denton. They invite everyone to eat breakfast with the Occident Club August 9.

Occident Club Sets Breakfast

MERIDIAN — Meridian Occident Club members are making preparations to serve their annual pancake breakfast on Aug. 9 in their club house. They will begin serving at 6 a.m. Sauages and eggs also will be on the menu.

There will be no charge for the breakfast, but each one attending is asked to contribute whatever he wishes. The proceeds will be used for club projects, including the Meridian library, the emergency loan closet, and possible repairs on the building.

The committee in charge of the breakfast includes the Mmes. Nina Egbert, Myrtle Neibaur, Zelma Rose, Susie Cairns, Myrtle Cook and Clysta Gray.

Club at Boise invites public to hear talk

Club women of Meridian and nearby communities will attend a special event at the Columbian club house, Ninth and Washington, Boise, next Tuesday, September 19.

The event will feature a talk on communism by the Rev. Trevelyn White, a lecturer and resident of Boise who has traveled with Dr. Frank Schwartz.

The program will begin at 8 p.m. and the public is invited. There will be no admission fee.

American Legion members will participate in the preliminary part of the program. The event is sponsored by the Boise council of Federated Women's Clubs.

September 4, 1961.

Meridian Clubs Start Meetings This Month

By CATHERINE FRANKLIN
MERIDIAN — Several organizations here will begin fall activities after a summer recess.

The Occident Club, Meridian's Federated Club, will begin a new season with a meeting Monday in a renovated club house. Any interested persons are invited to the program which will begin at 2 p. m. Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker, program chairman, will present the 1961 Girls' Staters from Meridian.

Style event at Meridian this Monday

Monday night at 8 p.m. at the Meridian high school, the Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will present a benefit style show—with all community residents invited.

Fashions will be from Margaret Annon sports shop at Nampa, Reichert's Dept. Store at Meridian, and Nafziger-Banks men's store at Nampa. Hair styling will be by the Beauty Center, and Calnon's will provide flowers for the show.

Women models will include Norma Reaman, Marilyn Marks, Beverly Fricks, Elva Coleman, Marilyn Records, Maxine Hill, Leona Meyers, Emily Pratt.

Modelling teen-age fashions will be Teresa Mitchell, Pam Mesecher, Joy Lynn Ewing, Carla Martin. Sub-teen models will be Jill McGoldrick, Jeannie Gardner.

Children models will be Ricky Kern, Jan Hammond, and Kim Records. Modeling for men will be Don Storey, Oren Pritchard, and Dave Pavleck.

Admission at the door will be \$1.25 for adults and 75c for children. Refreshments will be served.

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Proceeds to Buy Books
for the Library

New chairman

Occident club opens 1961-62 season, names community project committee

At the first fall meeting of the Occident club Monday, Mrs. Ray Ulmer was named chairman of a newly-formed community-achievement committee.

The group will promote major projects of the club, including the library, emergency loan closet, students' art and poetry contests, and other events.

During the past 10 years, the Meridian club has twice won first place in the state for club projects; but this is the first year a special committee has been named to promote the projects.

Girls entertain

Special guests at Monday's meeting included Meridian's two delegates to the 1961 Syringa Girls' State, Sharon Ossmen and Judy Ambrose.

Miss Ossmen entertained with two piano selections, Romberg's "Serenade" from the "Student Prince," and "White Peacock."

Miss Ambrose was the only Idaho girl attending the wilderness encampment of the International Girl Scouts, held in Oregon during August. She showed colored slides and related highlights of her unusual experience. Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker was in charge of the program.

Fund-raising efforts

To raise money for their projects, club members have served lunch at the Lions Club meetings twice a month for the past 13 years. The group is also available to serve luncheons or dinners for other groups.

One special event was the pancake breakfast served in August, and which netted the club \$100.90. Donation of supplies by local merchants helped swell the profits.

Library sets record

The city library, operated under the club's management, had its busiest month on record this June — when 1,429 books were

checked out. The greatest increase was among the youth and children groups.

Another major project, the emergency loan closet, has been enlarged, with the addition of a hospital-type bed. The committee reported that a total of 39 articles were loaned during the summer, which is usually the slackest time of the year for sick-room needs. The items are loaned to community residents free of charge.

The club house has a new appearance for the start of the new season—with new vinyl covering on the floors, a new roof, plus a general cleaning and minor repairs in the kitchen.

The club's next meeting will be Monday, October 2.

Occident Club Hears Talk On Idaho Indians

MERIDIAN—Meridian Occident Club members and their guests heard Harold Farley of the Indian Affairs Agency, speak on education, social and economic problems. He exploded several misconceptions and explained some of the misunderstandings about Indian behavior.

The Community Improvement Committee reported plans for increasing use of the Meridian library.

Hostesses for the meeting which was held in the club house, were the Mmes. Susie Cairns, Mabel Cairns and Chester Chapman. Guests who presided at the tea table were Mrs. Lee Headrick and Mrs. Dan Barker.

October 2, 1961

Occident club slates speaker

All interested persons are invited to hear a special speaker at the Occident Club next Monday afternoon at 2 p.m.

The speaker will be Harold Farley, superintendent of Indian education at the Indian Affairs Commission.

His talk will be part of the regular meeting of the club.

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OCCIDENT PROGRAM SET

MERIDIAN — Meridian Occident Club has invited the public to hear their guest speaker Monday afternoon. He is Harold Farley, superintendent of Indian Education, who is connected with the Indian Affairs Commission. He will speak at 2 p.m. in the club house.

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Many problems

Occident club speaker tells status of Indians in Idaho at present time

Several guests attended the Monday afternoon meeting of Meridian Occident Club to hear Mr. Harold Farley of the United States Indian Agency.

The speaker told of the education, social, and economic problems of Indians in Idaho. Guests included the Mmes. Dan Barker, Harry Radloff, E. L. Bennett, Elmer Yates, Lee Headrick, George Hardin and Bertha Downer.

Mr. Farley said many people have misconceptions of the Indian's status and abilities. Included was the belief that Indians get regular checks from the government treasury. "This is not true," he said. "The only checks they receive are for groups of money that is theirs, held in trust for them. Indians are the minority group in Idaho."

Quoting statistics, Mr. Farley noted that 67% of Indian students drop out of school after the sixth grade. He said that 20% of the boys and girls in St. Anthony Industrial School come from the reservation—not because they are less law-abiding, but because they get a better home and care in the institution than in their own homes.

"But, tragically," he commented, "they have to be housed with those who are delinquent, and thus pick up criminal thoughts and ways from the environment." Home conditions on the reservations are very poor, he said, mostly due to drinking. Few of the Indians seem concerned for their future or for the value of time or money. Part of this, said the speaker, is due to the Indian tradition of the man being a hunter and the woman doing the work.

Indians have been citizens since 1950, but do not have all the protection enjoyed by other citizens.

Mr. Farley says there are two distinct classes on the reservations. The smaller group are the ones who have taken advantage of education and are now taking advantage of their fellow Indians by making money off of them. The others are the very poor, who have nothing.

up the library to its present adequacy.

The tea will be Tuesday, October 31, from 2 to 4 in the afternoon and from 7 to 9 in the evening. The public is invited.

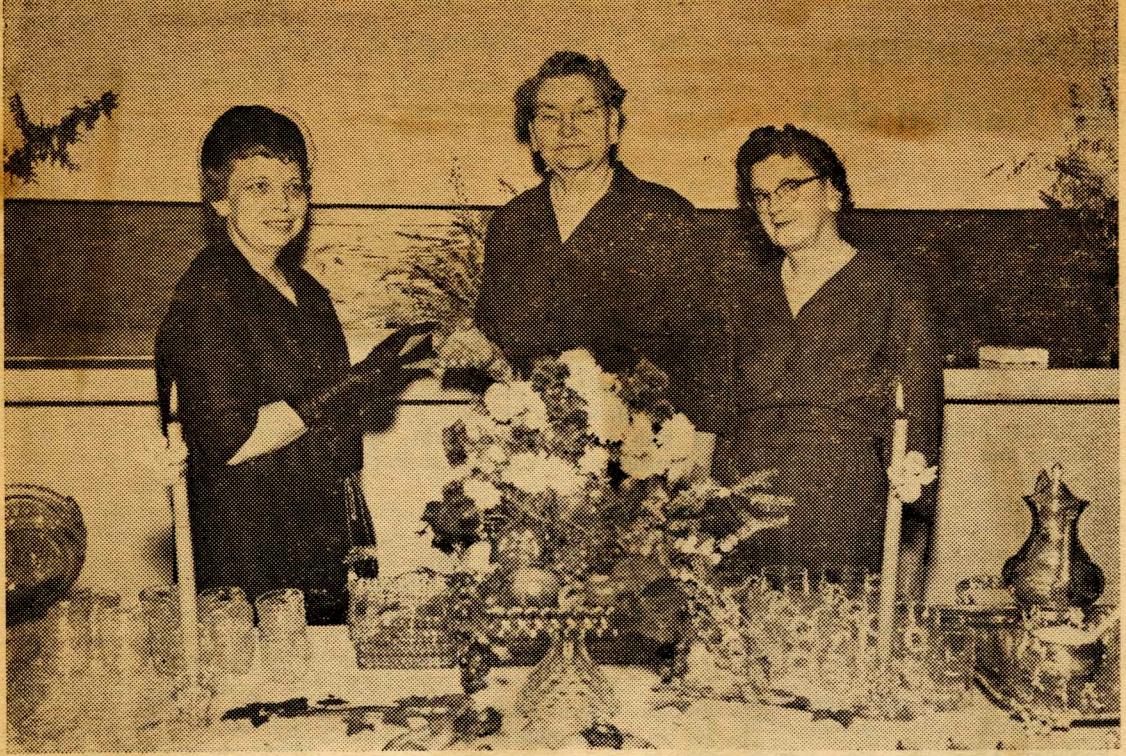
Another state and national project of Federated Women's Clubs is the women's crusade for safety belts. Mrs. Francis Veach made a report on the reasons for using safety belts.

Mrs. Susie Cairns, Mrs. Mabel Cairns and Mrs. Chester Chapman were the hostesses for Monday's meeting and Mrs. Lee Headrick and Mrs. Dan Barker presided at the tea table.

In the business meeting Community Improvement Committee announced three goals for the immediate future. They are—
1) for each member of the club to purchase a library card; 2) encourage elementary teachers to take their classes to the library for a get-acquainted visit; 3) an appreciation tea and open house in the library to show the group's appreciation for all the assistance given during the years to build

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MERIDIAN SORORITY, Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, is represented by Miss Bernhardine Hoseley, left, shown presenting check for

almost \$250 for purchase of books at Meridian library. Accepting gift is Mrs. Elsie Mosman, center, library board member, and Mrs. Nancy Sage, librarian. (Creason photo)

Since 1924

Occident club fêtes 37th anniversary of starting community library here

Marking its 37th anniversary, the Occident Club of Meridian held an "appreciation tea" for the club-sponsored public library last Wednesday.

Miss Bernhardine Hoseley, representing the Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, presented the group with a check for almost \$250, to be used for the purchase of children's books.

Mrs. Elsie Mosman of the library board accepted the gift, in the absence of the library board chairman, Mrs. Francis Veach.

Displays at the Wednesday tea included new books for children, books by Idaho writers, and other new books. It was announced that the library now had more than 6,000 books on the shelves, with about 500 more awaiting repairs.

Donations acknowledged

Many of the books were donated by clubs, families, and as memorials. In 1958, the Amity Neighborhood Club made a substantial gift of money to buy books and materials, and to assist the club's emergency-loan closet.

Private donors have included Mr. and Mrs. Clare Hunt. Library and club officials also expressed thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stansbury of Boise, who last week donated 97 books, all of which are now available to library patrons.

The library is now operating on the following schedule: Monday afternoon, 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday evening, 7 to 9 p.m. Friday afternoon, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Library officials emphasized that students of outlying schools of the Meridian district are urged to use the library for reference material or for just plain reading-for-pleasure. Even kindergarten teachers have been welcome visitors, along with their small students. A nominal charge of 10c, 15c, and 25c is made for library cards.

Club is formed

The history of the library dates back to the formation of the Occident Club back in 1924. A group of women gathered at the home of Mrs. Lee Egbert, to form a club whose primary function was to be the sponsorship of a community library. There were 25 charter members, of whom five are still on the roll and who have been active workers on the club's community projects through the years. They are the Mmes. Susie Cairns, Nina Egbert, Zelma Rose, Ed Baldwin, and Myrtle Songer. Prior to the formation of the li-

brary, Mrs. Songer's husband had maintained a shelf of books for loan at his drug store.

When the interurban railroad from Boise suspended operations, the club bought the depot and remodeled it into the club house —located at Meridian and Idaho Streets, across from the city building.

In 1945, the club became affiliated with the Federated Women's Clubs, and joined in projects with other women's clubs of Idaho.

Now tax-supported

The library was standardized in 1950, to make it eligible for tax support, and Miss Ruth Cline was appointed librarian, assisted by Mrs. Nancy Sage. Both women gave hours of individual attention to patrons, particularly the community's children, and use of the library showed a rapid growth despite the coming of television to the area.

Residents of surrounding communities were invited to use the library, and many requests for books and reference material were filled by the local librarians' obtaining the books from the Boise and state libraries. Teachers became aware of the library's full facilities, and brought classes to visit and to become acquainted with the library's services.

Miss Cline was forced by illness to resign in September of 1958, and Mrs. Amy Ambrose was named librarian. She brought with her valuable training and experience as a teacher and librarian. Under her direction, the books were classified and rearranged.

Steady growth

As the town grew, the library expanded to meet the needs. Starting more than a year ago, the library joined in a county-wide demonstration of a proposed county library district, receiving additional operating funds and the loan of hundreds of books. When the proposed library-district formation was defeated in an election, the Meridian library returned to its current status—as a club-sponsored unit, supported by city tax funds on a one-mill levy basis.

Last May, Mrs. Ambrose resigned because of a health problem, and Mrs. Sage was appointed temporary librarian, assisted by Mrs. T. D. Howell. They are still working as a team, spending many extra hours caring for the library and the hundreds of newly-donated and purchased books.

Use of the library has been on a steadily-increasing basis, with a record total of 1,644 books being withdrawn during the month of June, this year.

Club gift

Books by Idahoans or about Idaho lore featured on special shelves at library

Books by Idaho authors or about some phase of life in Idaho are featured on special "Idaho shelves" at the Meridian public library.

Mrs. Nancy Sage, librarian, said the books were purchased with funds donated by the Amity Neighborhood Club, with each book designated as a gift from the club.

Books by Idaho authors include the adult book, "Gods of Soldier Mountain" by Katherine B. Hanford; and a book suitable for adults and youths, "Where the Red Fern Grows," by Wilson Rawls.

Also written by Idaho writers are the following books for youths, including junior high school students. "Indian Fur" and "Spotted Horse," by Glenn Balch; "Benjamin Bonneville, Soldier and Explorer," "Ski Fast, Ski Long," and "Thunder Rolling, Story of Chief Joseph," all by Helen M. Miller.

Books written about some phase of Idaho life or history include the following. For adults and youth—"Red Eagle and the Absaroka" (Nez Perce Indians), by

Francis Haines; "Owyhee," a study of the Owyhee Desert, by Earle J. Larrison; "Tall Timber Pilots," about Bob Johnson and the crews of the Floating Feather airport, by Dale White and Larry Florek.

For youths and children, "Firm Hand on the Rein," by Jack Stefan; "Eliza and the Indian War Pony," about Eliza Spaulding, by Paul and Beryl Scott; and a book for five-to-eight year olds, "Hog Wild!" by Julia B. Riddle.

The Meridian library is sponsored by the Occident club. It is open Monday afternoon from 1:30 to 5:30, Monday evening from 7 to 9; and Friday afternoon 1:30 to 5.

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Library reports growth for year

Meridian's library board met Monday and reviewed recent work done in and for the library.

During the last seven months, nearly 450 books have been added to the shelves of Meridian library, 120 new ones are being processed to put on the shelves, and nearly 100 are on order.

The library is constantly expanding to meet the needs and desires of the readers in this vicinity.

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Valley Clubs To Be Guests At Alexis Tea

Members of the Alexis Club will entertain other Federated Clubs of Boise Valley at a tea today at 2 o'clock in the Wright Community Church at 4821 Franklin Road. Guest clubs will be the Columbian Club of Boise, Occident Club of Meridian, Century Club of Nampa, Forward Club of Caldwell and Study Club of Wilder.

Mrs. Betty Penson, woman's editor of The Statesman News-papers, will speak on her trip to the Scandinavian countries. Special guest will be Mrs. Dewey Davisson of Weiser, second district president of the Idaho Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Mrs. Evans Merrill will play a violin solo, accompanied by Mrs. William K. Dunkley. Mrs. Scott Schlofman will sing, accompanied by Mrs. Karma Ricks Echols. Beccy Sollender, a student at Borah High, will play a cello solo, accompanied by Mrs. Ruby Ames Leggat.

Pouring at the tea table will be the Mmes. Davisson, Ruth Moulds of Alexis, Earl Harmon of Columbian, Roy Eddleman of Nampa, Ralph Soncic of Meridian; Leon Rosa of Caldwell, and Lyle Sabin of Wilder.

Mrs. Harold Schnell is general chairman of tea arrangements. Assisting her are the Mmes. R. G. Call, program; S. L. Hibbard, tea table; Russell Baer, refreshments, and C. O. Miller, decorations.

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It's Party Time in Meridian

Occident Club Entertains At Library

MERIDIAN—Meridian Occident Club members entertained with an appreciation tea Wednesday afternoon and evening for one of their favorite community projects, the public library. Mrs. Nancy Sage, librarian, and Mrs. T. D. Howell, her assistant, were present to show visitors through the library, which is located in the Occident clubhouse.

Among special gifts to the library was a check for almost \$250, given by Alpha Alpha chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, Meridian sorority. The presentation was made by Miss Bernardine Hoseley, sorority sponsor, to Mrs. Elsie Mosman, library board member, who acted in the absence of board chairman, Mrs. Francis Veach.

The tea was given in appreciation for the work done in the library and to give the community a look at the more than 6000 books classified for its use.

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The Occident Club was organized in Meridian in 1924 for the express purpose of sponsoring a library. A group of women met in the home of Mrs. Lee Egbert and formed the club with 25 charter members, five of whom are still on the list. They are Mrs. Egbert, Mrs. Susie Cairns, Mrs. Zelma Rose, Mrs. L. A. Songer and Mrs. Ed Baldwin. The only library in Meridian before this date was a lending shelf in the drug store operated by Songer.

From a small beginning the library grew with all the work being done by volunteers. In 1950 the library was standardized to conform to law for tax support. Miss Ruth Cline was the first official librarian and Mrs. Sage was her assistant. They did special work with children and seldom failed to obtain a book on request, often from Boise libraries. The library is being used by all schools in the Meridian district from kindergarten through school.

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Other gifts to the library have been made by the Amity Neighborhood Club, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Hunt of Meridian, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stansbury of Boise, and many individual books from publishers and as memorial gifts.

When the interurban street car line ceased to function, the Occident Club purchased the interurban depot in Meridian and made it into their clubhouse. It now has the club room and kitchen, the library and the emergency loan closet, a supply of sick room necessities for home care.



MISS BERNARDINE HOSELEY (left) presented a check from the Beta Sigma Phi's Alpha Alpha Chapter to Mrs. Elsie Mosman (center) of the Meridian Library Board and Mrs. Nancy Sage, librarian. (Creason photo)

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'Thank You' Tea Scheduled For Meridian Library Aides

MERIDIAN—The community improvement committee of the Occident Club has changed the date of its Appreciation tea from Tuesday to Wednesday. Hours are from 2 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. Purpose of the tea is to acquaint the community with the Meridian Library facilities and to thank the patrons who have helped it grow to its present adequacy to meet

the community needs, according to committee members Mrs. Ray Ulmer, Mrs. Ray Anderson and Mrs. Voris Botkin.

The Women's Society for Christian Service of the Meridian Methodist Church has set the date for its annual bazaar and luncheon for Nov. 8 in the church parlors and dining room. There will be four booths for the bazaar, mart, bakery, fancy work and aprons. They will be headed by the Mmes. V. R. Botkin, S. C. Perry, Earl Hill and Phil Woods. Mrs. Henry Esrick will be the dining room chairman and Mrs. Joe Iverson and Mrs. Bernard McNeill, kitchen committee.

Mrs. Kuchenbecker entertains guests

Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker had Mr. and Mrs. Don Sanders of Olympia, Washington, as her luncheon guests Thursday. Sunday her dinner guests were Mrs. May Ary of Walla Walla, and Dr. and Mrs. Carl F. Brandt of Boise.

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Occident club hears speaker on Civil Defense

When the Occident Club met Monday afternoon they gave Civil Defense chairman, Vern Schoen, a promise to assist with the CD program in Meridian.

Mrs. Grant Ambrose discussed the possibility of having the club sponsor a junior high school Girl Scout troop.

Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker, Mrs. A. D. Scrivner and Mrs. Susie Cairns told of their visit to Live, Incorporated, and how service groups assist them.

Occident club members are participating in the Vogue sewing contest and hope to interest students in Meridian home economics classes in taking part.

Mrs. Bertha Downer and Mrs. Dan Barker, Sr., were received as new members. Hostesses for Monday's meeting were the Mmes. Edith Marsters, L. R. Blair, Fred Bower and Francis Veach.

Occident club invites public to hear program

Mrs. Ralph Soucie, president of the Occident Club, issues an invitation to everyone interested in three major community projects, to attend the club meeting next Monday afternoon, November 6. Mrs. Frances Kuchenbecker, Mrs. A. D. Scrivner and Mrs. Susie Cairns will report on their recent visit to Live, Inc. and how service clubs can help them. Mrs. Grant Ambrose will present the Girl Scout program and how it is set up for Meridian area girls. Vernon Schoen, Civil Defense chairman, will discuss new plans for Civil Defense and will be available to answer questions.

Surprise event marks birthday

With the aid of a stolen key, a group of women arranged a birthday surprise for Mrs. Kate Diercksen Monday evening. After having dinner at Boise with Mrs. Myrtle Songer and Mrs. Ella Pitkin, the honoree entered her home to be greeted with "Happy Birthday" from the self invited guests.

They were the Mmes. Myrtle Neibaur, Zelma Rose, Elmer Yates, Virgil Smith, Roy Fisher, Nina Egbert, Lillian Stocking, Mary Tyler, Ethel Thorne, John Prescott and Oral Coleman.

November 9, 1961

Meridian, Idaho, News-Times

Banana peel fall no joke to woman

"I thought they only did this in comic strips," was the reaction of Mrs. Roy Goodwin after she slipped on a banana peel. "But there isn't anything funny about it," she added.

After two weeks, Mrs. Goodwin is still wearing heavy padding around her neck as a result of her fall.

Terry Crisp hurt

Terry Crisp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Crisp, had the last of the stitches removed Tuesday from a cut on his chin.

He received the cut when he fell on a gallon tin can he was carrying.

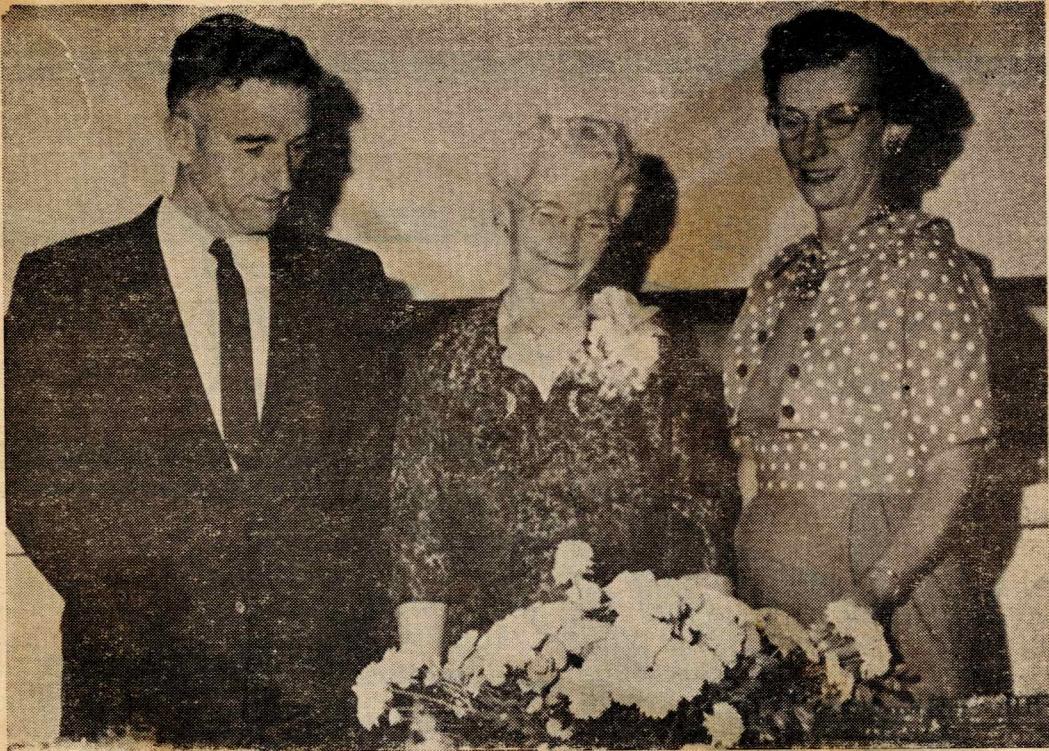
Occident group guests at Boise

Several members of the Occident club of Meridian were guests of the Alexis Club at Boise, when the club entertained women from other Treasure Valley groups at the Wright Community Church.

Mrs. Ralph Soucie, Occident president, assisted with the pouring.

Others from Meridian were the Mmes. Fred Rosti, Ed Baldwin, C. R. Maw, Guy Eastman, Roy Denton, Nina Egbert, Myrtle Songer, Zelma Rose, Kate Diercksen, Susie Cairns.

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Open house marks 80th birthday

80TH BIRTHDAY of Mrs. Mabel Cairns was celebrated by open house held at Occident clubroom at Meridian. Mrs. Cairns is shown above with her daughter, Mrs. Annabeth Er-

nest of Pasco, Washington, and her son, Vernon Cairns of Meridian. The daughter and son arranged the party and were assisted by members of the Meridian Garden Club. (Engraving courtesy of Idaho Free Press, Nampa.)

Family gathers at Ulmer home

Mr. and Mrs. Tom C. Bell, Mrs. Rebecca Fowler and granddaughter, Kathy, of Eugene Oregon, and Mrs. Blanche Millis of Veronia, Oregon, are visiting their sisters, Mrs. Ray Ulmer and Mrs. Lon McFadden, and other relatives.

Coming from Oregon will be a brother, Oliver Bell of Portland, and his son, the Rev. Warren Bell of Gresham.

Mrs. Scrivner back from Moscow visit

Mrs. W. D. Scrivner has returned from a two week visit in Moscow with a daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haynes and son.

The Haynes brought Mrs. Scrivner to Riggins Sunday, and they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reed, who brought Mrs. Scrivner to her home in Meridian.

Garden club honors member's birthday

Meridian Garden Club honored one of its members last Thursday with a special birthday tea. Mrs. Mabel Cairns, who was celebrating her eightieth anniversary, was the honored guest.

Mrs. Nina Egbert, Mrs. Zelma Rose and Mrs. Myrtle Songer were the table committee and Mrs. Oscar Raines, Garden Club president, arranged the flowers.

Special guests were Mrs. Cairns' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Ernest of Pasco, Washington. About 75 friends called during the afternoon.

November 2, 1961

December 4, 1961

Occident club plans meeting

Meridian Occident Club will have its annual Christmas covered dish luncheon next Monday beginning at 12:30.

The program will include a dissertation on "Women in the Bible," by Mrs. Marguerite Patch.

Occident Club At Meridian Hears Juniors

MERIDIAN—Meridian Occident Club's Christmas program Monday was preceded by a covered dish luncheon in the club house. The Mmes. Kate Deirecksen, Kathryn Westbrook, Jessie Doss and Myrtle Songer were hostesses.

The program included music by the Junior High Girls' sextet, directed by Phil Peterson. The singers were Caroline Brooks, Ruth Bastian, Sandra Crossman, Linda Jensen, Betty Rowley, and Bonnie Frost. Teresa Mitchell and Peggy Ossman were accompanists. Other Christmas music and reminiscences of old time Christmas programs were followed by Nancy Sage.

serious account of women of the Bible, compiled by and read by Mrs. Marguerite Patch.

Visitors included the Mmes. Roy Reichert, Ralph Hoseley, B. E. Roush, Beryl Post and Nancy Sage.

December 7, 1961

Meridian, Idaho

Yuletide event

Occident club holds Christmas party, with special music by school singers

After a covered dish luncheon Monday noon, Occident Club members were treated to a Christmas program which began with singing the Doxology.

Mr. Phil Peterson presented the junior high school girls' sextet in several numbers. Singers were Bonnie Frost, Linda Jensen, Betty Rowley, Sandra Crossman, Caroline Brooks, Ruth Bastian, and accompanists were Teresa Mitchell and Peggy Ossman.

After carol singing by the group, Mrs. Francis Veach read "A Christmas Prayer," and a selection on Christmas programs in the olden days. She led a responsive reading of "The Night before Christmas," with the group responding with the alternate lines from memory.

Mrs. Marguerite Patch read a paper on "Women of the Bible."

Hostesses for the day were the Mmes. Kate Dierecksen, Kathryn Westbrook, Jessie Doss and Myrtle Songer. Visitors included the Mmes. B. E. Roush, Beryl Post, Roy Reichert, Ralph Hoseley and Nancy Sage.

December birthdays were celebrated by six Meridian matrons Wednesday when they had a no-host luncheon in the Owyhee. The same group has celebrated together for a number of years. They include the Mmes. A. D. Scrivner, Edith Marsters, Harry Bryce, Leo Heikes, Frank Jolley and George Hardin. They exchanged presents.

Mrs. J. W. Bales celebrated her 83rd birthday recently by cooking and serving a turkey dinner for her family, including five grandchildren. Her guests were Mr. Bales and the Harold Bales and Glen Green families, Mrs. Kathryn Ogilvie and son and Miss Gladys Bales.

The entertainment committee sponsored a party for the husbands of the club members and it was decided by the club to invite the teachers of the Grade and High Schools to attend this affair was a success.

It was voted at the first meeting in June that the Village Improvement and Building Committees be combined.

The August meeting showed the Building Committee had \$13,50 in the treasury. Various social functions have been given to raise money so that now at the close of the year \$118.49 is at the credit of the Building committee.

At the October meeting Mrs. T.A. Allen of the Town Beautiful committee gave a detailed account of the flower and vegetable exhibit at the Grade School. This work with the prizes given is an inspiration to the young people to plant and grow. It is to be hoped that this will be an annual affair and no doubt it will be as the club has already formed some plans for this years work along the same line as last year.

The Girl Reserve Club was also sponsored by the club and the money allotted to be raised by the Meridian unit \$100 was raised thru the effort of a committee of this club. The Girl Reserves put on a fine program at the November meeting.

The membership committee was ever alert and secured many new members.

In addition the work spoken of the club has accomplished much in the last year and is in a good prosperous condition.

The field is large for the Occident Club, but the workers are willing and faithful so the future looks bright and may the good workers at the end of the new year be able to say as the workers of the past year, and many of them will be the same members, Veni, Vidi,
Vici.

