

## New purchases Librarian lists cash, book memorials received for months of July, August

Nancy S. Sage, librarian at the Meridian public library, has reported that cash memorials amounting to \$400 have been deposited to the library building fund during July and August.

The donations include 35 separate memorials to Merl Meyer totalling more than \$100, and a \$100 anonymous gift in memory of Mrs. Helen F. Farley.

Individual memorials were made to: the Adams family, Banks, Mrs. Naomi F. Johnson, Mrs. Fay Wells, Nampa, Mrs. Esther Homan, Margaret Ann Jensen, Robert Cato, Merl Meyer, Mrs. Helen Farley, Mrs. Marion Clelen, Adolph Janaushick, Samuel Wingate, Mrs. Leona Scrivner, Ralph Diamond, Boise, and Ray White.

Included in the book memorials were volumes donated by Ron Lynskey. They include:

"Captain and Kings," Taylor Caldwell; "To Serve Them All My Days", R. E. Delderfield; "As I Lay Dying", "Light in August" and "Sanctuary", William Faulkner; "The Lunatic Express", Charles Miller; "Report to the Commissioner", J. Mills, and "Super Money", Adam Smith.

Forty other books, donated by Mrs. Mary Ball of Troy, were given as memorials to Clyde and Bonnie Ball, Dr. J. T. Brunn, Earl Everist, Merl Meyer, Miss Merilyn Raynor and Mrs. Marion Clelen.

Miss Sage also announced the purchase of a number of new books. They include

### Adult books

"No Bed of Roses", F. Baldwin; "Rangeland Marshall", F. Bowne; "Seven Years in Hanoi", Capt. Larry Chesley; "The Clearwater of Idaho", C. Dryden; "Curse of the Kings", V. Holt; "A Walk Through Britain", John Hillaby; "Miss Seton Sings", H. Jarvic.

"Softball: with Official Rules" A. T. Noren; "Hadley, the first Mrs. Hemingway", A. H. Sokoloff; "The Hollow Hills", Mary Stewart; "Foxfire No. 2", E. Wiggington; "Fascinating Womanhood", H. Andelin.

### Books for youth

"The Cuban Missile Crisis", F. J. Cooke; "Jet Rockets and Engines", I. J. Edmunds; "Julie of the Wolves", J. George; "Dangerous Summer", C. Hart; "Flight to the Lonesome Place", Alexander Key; "Rockne of Notre Dame", D. W. Loveless; "The Moccasin Trail", E. McGraw; "Saddle Patrol", Carl Rathjen; "Team: A High School Odyssey", R. Woodley.

### Juvenile books

"Krish's Colt", N. Agle; "Let's Ride in the Caboose", P. Erickson; "Horse in Harry's Room", S. Hoff; "One Fine Day", N. Hogrogian;

"The Tooth Fairy", A. Feagle; "Ventriloquism", D. Holden; "Come and Have Fun", E. Hurd; "My Own Little House", M. B. Kaune; "Indian Summer", F. N. Marjo; "Ride, Willie, Ride!", C. Memling; "The Real Mother Goose" compiled; "An Animal for Alan", E. R. Riccuit; "Blueberry Pie Elf", J. Thayer; "Danny Dunn, Time-traveller", Williams & Abraskin; "Professor Egghead's Best Riddles", R. Wyler.

## Occident club helps on fund for library

At a special meeting Monday morning, members of the Occident Club voted to help with the library building fund.

Money was allocated for purchase of specific items, including doors, lighting fixtures, and carpeting. Additional items will be added as funds become available.

Club officials said they were hopeful that the library addition would be completed enough to permit its use as of September 1.

The club members also voted to donate to the library fund all proceeds from the annual Occident Club pancake breakfast. The breakfast will be held from 6:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday, August 9.

Donations by all area groups and interested individuals are invited. Such donations should be sent to the Library Fund, Occident Club, Meridian, Idaho 83642.

The Meridian Jaycees had originally undertaken the library building, but it proved to be too large a project for the Jaycees' small membership.

"Certainly there is no community project more important to our families and children than the public library," said Mrs. Pilkington, Occident Club president. "We earnestly urge the help of all area residents."

*The Occident Club  
"own Nancy Sage"  
is interesting in her deep  
love for the library and  
those who patronize the  
opportunity and  
Place to find  
good reading*

## Letters to editor . .

Editor  
Valley News-Times

Dear Mr. Hunter

Occident Club wishes to thank you for the article concerning the club's renewing of activity toward completing the Meridian library building and for the editorial explaining our position in relation to the library, and underlining our need for community assistance.

In these articles you have done both the Occident Club and the entire community a real service.

Sincerely,  
Mary Alice White  
Secretary





*all work  
and no play  
makes a dull  
club woman.  
Being  
and  
good,  
they work over eleven*

**Luncheon guests**

Luncheon guests Monday of Mrs. Mary Alice White were Mrs. Shirley Hamrin of Evanston, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Vilbert Sundell. Mrs. Hamrin is visiting the Sundells.



**Valley trio back from Alaska trip**

The Ray Ulmers, Mrs. Lois Frazier, and Mrs. Bertha Mabey are home after a 6,000 mile bus tour to Anchorage, Alaska. The Ulmers visited a niece and her family in Missoula and cousins at Fairbanks. They also called on former Meridianites, the Clark Nobles in Anchorage. The travelers were gone 24 days, and particularly enjoyed the Calgary stampede.

*good,  
they work over eleven*

**Class of 1933 holds reunion**

From Washington, Oregon, California and Idaho, 19 members of the graduating class of 1933 of Meridian high school gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Hill, South Eagle road, July 29, for their 40-year class reunion.

Two of their teachers, Mrs. Vina (Jasper) Bushby of Meridian, and Mrs. Hazel (Sundell) Hamrin of Evanston Ill. joined with them.

Other special guests were Mrs. Vera Miller of Boise, whose husband, Colwell Miller, had been principal of Meridian high in 1933; and Mrs. Marguerite Patch, whose husband, Carl Patch, had been one of the teachers.

Families and friends joined with them for a picnic and social time. There were 50 present.

*months of each year, then play a bit*

**Pinochle club meets**

Mrs. Hudson and Mrs. Edith Huntley hosted a pinochle evening at the Hudson home last week.

Guests were Mrs. Arlie Buholtz of Lewiston, and the Mmes. Bessie Matcham, Gertrude Rosti, Cora Gilbert, Ruby Wolfe, Fannie Pinkston; and Mrs. Bertha Marsters, who was honored on the occasion of her birthday.



**MERIDIAN, IDAHO, THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 1973**

**Occident offers public breakfast next Thursday**

The annual Occident Club pancake breakfast will be next Thursday, August 9 from 6:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. It will be served at the Occident clubhouse, West Idaho and Meridian Sts. Serving hours will accommodate early risers and working people as well as those who like a late breakfast.

The breakfast bill is, as in the past, a voluntary offering. All proceeds will go into the library addition, with carpeting, lights, and doors to be purchased by the Occident Club as the immediate priority. It is hoped the building addition will be ready by the opening of school or shortly thereafter.

**Mrs. Hudson enjoys guests**

Recent visitors at the Meridian home of Mrs. Nettie Hudson included Mrs. Martha Knight of Seattle, and her daughter, Mrs. Jeanette MacDonald of Alaska.

Monday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martinsen and their daughters Carin and Lisa, and son Mike, from Honolulu; and an aunt, Mrs. Rosalie Wells of Boise.



Happiness  
is  
working  
together  
for a good  
Cause!



and happiness is  
eating a good  
pan-cake  
breakfast!

**Occident club  
terms breakfast  
"huge success"**

Members of Meridian Occident club served a special pancake breakfast last Thursday from 6:30 until 11 a.m. and reported a steady stream of "hungry and generous" guests whose donations nearly doubled the total of last year's receipts.

The club wishes to thank the members who helped with all of the details of the breakfast, both in planning and serving, and to thank the Valley News-Times and radio and TV stations, who aided in publicizing the event.

The club also reported that, through the aid of volunteer labor by the Meridian Jaycees, more than half of the sheet rock has been installed in the new library addition.

She  
said it's  
fun!



PROGRAMS

Theme: "State of the Family"

Sept. 3: Youth

"Report from Grills' State"

M. Botkin, Chm.

Hostesses: L. Egbert, M. Patch,

D. Ulmer, I. Ayres

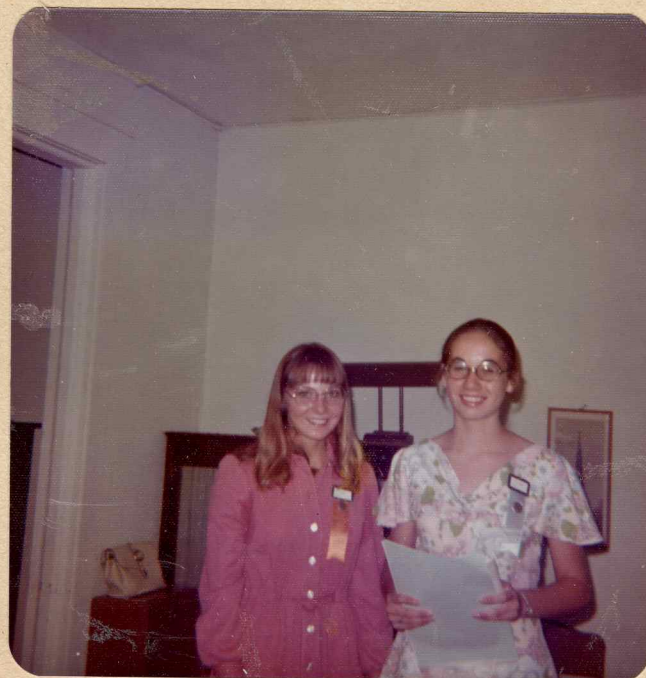
### Occident club opens new year at Monday meet

The first meeting of the new season for the Meridian Occident club will be held Monday, Sept. 3 at 2 p.m. at the club building, Meridian and Idaho streets.

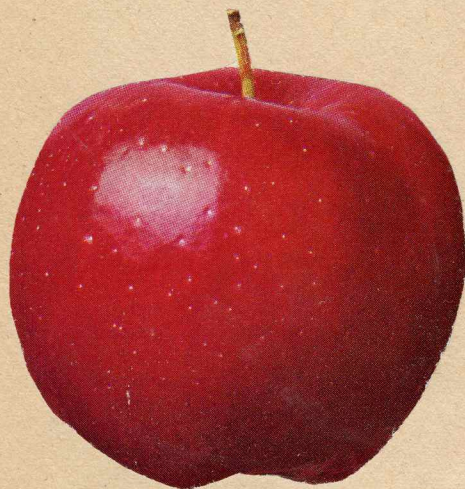
The club did not meet during the summer months and the meeting next Monday will launch the program for the new year.

Mrs. Mildred Botkins is program chairman for the meeting and the Meridian delegates who attended Girls' State this year will give reports on the sessions.

A special invitation has been extended to women who have recently moved into the Meridian area to attend this meeting as well as all other women who are interested in civic programs in the area.



Bebbie Riser - left  
Jerri Jordan



### Oregon visitors return home

Returning to their Oregon homes last week after a week's visit in Meridian were Mrs. Blanche Millis of Bernonia and Mrs. Rebecca Fowler of Elmira. The ladies were guests of their sisters, Mrs. Lon McFadden and Mrs. Ray Ulmer, and were entertained by the Frank Smiths and the Bob McFaddens.

### September

Meridian schools led the entire state in increased enrollment. Total enrollment to date, with more expected, was 5,614 -- a jump of more than 13 per cent over the 1972 total.

Eagle firemen donated six basketball standards and baskets to the new junior high school.

The Occident Club donated \$4,000 to the library building fund -- the largest of all donations received since the building was started four and a half years ago.

Jim Borchers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Con Gorchers of Meridian, received Scouting's highest award -- the rank of Eagle Scout.

Meridian city council set the 1973 tax levy at 35 mills -- the same as for 1972. Assessed valuation was \$3,868,327, a jump of more than

### Good Sam chapter holds meeting; eyes state rally

About 40 members of the Boise Valley chapter of the Good Sam Trailer club attended a potluck supper and business meeting Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William DeMond, of North Locust Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Goodwin were welcomed as new members.





## Occident club plans programs

The first meeting of the fall season for the Meridian Occident club was held last Monday afternoon at the club rooms with 22 members and four guests present.

Mrs. Mildred Botkin, program chairman, introduced Jerri Jordan and Debbie Riser, Meridian delegates to Girls' State, last summer, and the two girls gave interesting reports on the activities of the session.

The club's year books were distributed and a discussion was held on the programs for the coming year, using the suggestions of the Federated Women's clubs as guidelines.

Hostesses at the meeting were Mrs. Mary Alice White, Mrs. Mildred DeReuss, Mrs. Edith Crockett and Mrs. Marguerite Patch.



**Visit from Alaskan**  
Visiting at the home of Mrs. Nettie Hudson over the week end was Mrs. Jan MacDonald of Petersburg, Alaska.

**Arizona woman visits**  
Mrs. Clarence Starkel of Apache Junction, Arizona, has been a house-guest of Mrs. Rillous Yates at Meridian. Mrs. Starkel returned after a five-week visit in Meridian with friends and relatives.

## Methodist women plan celebration

Women of the United Methodist church at Meridian will hold a brief celebration next Thursday, October 6, at 2 p.m.

The name of the women's organization has been changed to United Methodist Women.

The service will be held in the fellowship hall at the church, with Mrs. Charles Easley and leaders, the Mmes. Sherry Witt, K. D. Hartwell, Leonard Rutan, Earl Bolen.

Mrs. John Gale will help with the program, and Mrs. W. K. Curtis will be the pianist.

## Star party fetes returned traveler

Mrs. Nettie Hudson, Meridian, returned home recently from an extended trip to Seattle and Petersburg, Alaska. On her way back, she stopped to visit in Spokane.

After her return, she was honored with a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Ryska at Star. Among the guests were:

The Mmes. Evelyn Perron, Rosalie Wells, Pearl Kinzer, Cora Gilbert and Bertha Marstes, all of Boise; Mrs. Bessie Matcham, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rosti, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wolfe and Roderick Mau, all of Meridian, and Mrs. Jo Martin of Los Angeles, Calif.

## Meridian C of C plans library help

Meridian Chamber of Commerce members voted at their Tuesday noon meeting to spearhead a drive for completion of the library-building project.

C of C president Don Palmer named Jack Riddlemoser as chairman of the library-assistance committee, with Marvin Bodine, Wallace Lovan, and Ralph Hunter as committee members.

## Teachers' sorority welcomes members

WELCOMED AS NEW MEMBERS of Meridian district's Alpha Delta Kappa, international honorary society for women teachers, were Mrs. David McFadden, Mrs. William Smith, Mrs. Rodney Sauer. The group met last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Clarence Clauson, with Mrs. L. W. Tucker and Mrs. Frank Bryce assisting. Mrs. Henry McFadden is president of the group, with Mrs. David Frost as vice president. Others assisting were the Mmes. Bruce Cleveland, Robert Beeson, Earl Coryell, Herald Cox, Edith Crockett, Donovan Douglas, Omar Fricke, Esther Jenkins, George Judd, Alice Kusler, Jess Marlatt, Chester McPherson, Alfred Sall, Blanche Scott, Albert Sharp, Ruby Trautman, Ronald VanOrder.





Happiness is  
a smile  
and  
dimples!



Why did we in-  
clude the above?  
Because the cen-  
ter picture is  
that of the wife  
of Dr. Richard Moore,  
son of our long,  
long time faithful  
treasurer, Viola Moore.

Why the  
arrangement? It  
might have  
been created by  
one of our  
Garden Club-  
Occident Club  
members.





## Occident club meets Monday

Occident club will meet at 2 p.m. next Monday, October 1, with Leona Egbert as program chairman.

Guest speaker will be Carl Zatica of Homedale, who will discuss consumer education.

Mrs. Egbert will demonstrate broom-stick crocheting.

Oct. 1: Finances

"Consumer Education"

D. Ulmer, Chm.

Hostesses: H. Goodwin, Z. Haworth,

L. Bodine, V. Volle

## Letters to editor . .

To the Editor  
Valley News-Times  
Meridian, Idaho

Dear Ralph:

Once again I want to thank you for your help and cooperation with the publicity for last week's blood drawing. You also came to our rescue with that last article published the day of the drawing.

Because of this, and because of the unstinting efforts of scores of people, we achieved our goal.

Sincerely,  
Humbert M. Valenti, D.D.S.  
Co-Chairman  
Meridian Blood Program  
Committee

Many members  
work at these  
drawing and all  
Bloodmobile Meetings  
are held in the  
Occident Club  
rooms, free of  
charge. Just one  
other good thing we do!

Many of our  
members work at the  
fair and are recipients  
of prizes or belong to  
gardens who receive  
them. These vegetables  
are typical of seasons.





*Nostalgia!*

*Several of our present and past club members are in the group!*



**Here is Meridian grade school some 70 years ago**

TAKEN ABOUT 1900, above photo shows the old Meridian grade school, located in the block where the Masonic building

now stands. Raymond G. Wolfe, who furnished the pioneer picture, said that some of the students pictured are still living in this area.

**Byes welcome guests**

Houseguesting with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bye has been their daughter, Mrs. Thurman Willis, who came for homecoming at Melba high school where her three teen-agers attend. A dinner party for the young people and their friends Saturday night preceded the Melba high school homecoming dance.

Other recent visitors at the Bye home were Mr. and Mrs. Arne Farbo of Sweet Grass, Montana.

**Party fetes birthday**

A dinner party Saturday night at the Voris Botkins honored their son, Keith Botkin, who brought his family from Nampa to celebrate his birthday anniversary.

**Oregonians visit**  
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bell of Eugene, Oregon, visited the Ray Ulmers and Lon McFaddens recently. The Ulmers returned to Oregon with them, visiting friends and relatives in Eugene, Veronia and Portland.

**Methodist women meet Saturday**

Celebrating a new name and reorganization, women of the Meridian United Methodist church will meet Saturday, October 6, to recognize a new beginning as United Methodist Women.

The service will be held in the fellowship hall. Mrs. Charles Easley will lead, assisted by the Mmes. Sherry Witt, LaVerne Hartwell, Nancy Rutan, Earl Bolen. Mrs. Norma Gale will help with the program, and Mrs. Helen Curtis will be the accompanist.

**Occident club reports use of library**

With president Mrs. Ethel Pilkington presiding, the Occident club met Monday afternoon, with 25 members and two guests present.

A report was given on the public library. Library memberships now include more out-of-towners than Meridian residents, 740 to 720.

**Gifts received**

Two gifts were received for the emergency loan closet—a bed and mattress from Mrs. Vivian Mc Donald; and an aluminum walker. The donor of the walker is unknown, and the club members wish to express their appreciation.

Four members of the club have donated 91½ hours of sewing to the Veterans Administration at Boise.

A talk on food marketing and prices was given by Paul Zatica.





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Daddy went  
a hunting as do of the  
husbands and some in the  
members. It does help  
(food price) energy*

## Sorority hosts dinner party

Members of the Alpha Delta Kappa sorority chapter of Meridian entertained their husbands with a dinner party at the Coffee Mill last Saturday evening.

Ronald Van Order, Meridian high school music director, provided the entertainment for the evening, furnishing dinner music and playing and singing a hymn, and leading friendship songs and group singing.

Attending were the Messrs. and Meses. Frank Bryce, Clarence Clausen, Earl Coryell, Herald Cox, Donovan Douglas, Ethmer Jenkins, George Judd, Ace Kusler, Jess Marlett, Henry McFadden, David McFadden, L.W. Tucker, Ronald VanOrder, Alfred Sall, Omar Fricke, Bill Smith, Ruby Trautman, Edith Crockett, and Mrs. Mildred Jones, who was a guest of the Alfred Salls.

## Botkins welcome out of staters

Recent houseguests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Voris Botkin, Meridian, were Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cline of Baker, Oregon; and Mr. and Mrs. Semer Coston of San Diego.

The Costons had been visiting at Denver, and stopped at Meridian enroute home.

## New Yorker visits

Mrs. Anthony Contino of New York City, left Sunday for her home after being with her mother Mrs. Jessie Bell. Mrs. Bell fell breaking her shoulder a few weeks ago. Upon arriving home the Continos will prepare to move to Turkey for the next two and one-half years, where he will be assigned with the U. S. Government of Special Investigation.

**Children are hosts**  
A reception honoring the 90th birthday of Mrs. Nina Egbert will be held at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Egbert, 506 East Idaho, 2 till 5 p.m., Sunday, November 4. The honoree has requested no gifts.

Co-hostesses will be Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Egbert and Frank Egbert. Mrs. Egbert has been a long time resident of Meridian, active in church and club work.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

## Mrs. Hudson returns

Mrs. Nettie Hudson returned from a four week vacation in Arizona and California. In Yuma she visited her cousin Mrs. Joe Martin and they went to southern California where Mrs. Hudson visited Mr. and Mrs. Dieter Walde at Arcadia and many relatives and friends of the area.

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**PAST MATRONS** of Order Eastern Star will meet at 2 p.m., Tuesday, November 20 with Mrs. Deane Ulmer. Mrs. Mildred Botkin will give the program.

## Card of thanks

Dear friends—thank you for all the many kindnesses extended to me since my accident. Everything is so much appreciated.

—Jessie Bell

Like homing pigeons

## Brace family returns from Brazil; Gary Pitkins move to Meridian area

Mrs. Earl Brace and daughter Allison who arrived in the States several weeks ago from Macio, Brazil, have been visiting Mrs. Brace's parents in Oregon, and with Mrs. Dorothy Brace of Meridian.

This week Mr. Brace arrived from Brazil. His wife flew to meet him at New York City, where they will visit friends for a week. One-year-old Allison is staying with her grandmother Brace for a week.

## Ayres reunion

## Dinner honors visiting families; Mrs. Raynor, DeMonds return home

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ayres enjoyed having their children home last week for a visit. Coming from Los Angeles, Calif., were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ayres and four-month-old baby daughter Karen and Mrs. Grace Inman of Nelsonville, Ohio.

Hosting a family dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Amidon before the travelers left on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Langley are expecting their son Dean, a junior at the University of Idaho, and his roommate Joe Carlson of West Des Moines, Iowa, for the holiday vacation. Joining them on Thanksgiving will be the Bud McNealys of Boise and Mrs. Mary McNealy of Emmett.

## Bridge club meets

Mrs. Lena Bodine entertained the Friday Bridge Club last week. Winning high prize was Oral Coleman, and Mildred de Rues won second prize. Other bridge players were Nina Scrivner, Nina Egbert, Grace Neal, Monta Watts, Myrtle Sherman.

## Visitor to Iowa returns home; houseguests leave

Mrs. R. H. Bell has returned from a three-week visit in Iowa where se was a guest of her sister, Mrs. George Elder, and her family at Lake City and of Mrs. Norman Welander and her family at Pomeroy. Mrs. Bell celebrated her birthday while she as there with a trip to Fort Dodge, Iowa.

METHODIST CHURCH meet Thursday, Nov. 15, with Jesse Lee, Circle 1, meeting with Mildred Langley at 1:30 p.m., with Hazel Goodman presenting the lesson.

Celia Cowan, Circle 2, will meet with Emma Brinegar at 1:30 p.m., with Ruby Lane giving the lesson.

Ruth Robinson, Circle 3, will meet with hostess, Ethel Pilkington, who will also give the lesson.

## Good Sam club reports events

The Treasure Valley chapter of Good Sam Club met at Leroy Demonds for their monthly meeting last Friday. William DeMond, president of the group presided.

Attending were the Dale Smiths, Dallas Schultz, Mrs. Mamie Darlington and Ray Billick of Nampa, Clark Amoses of Emmett, Henry Brown and the Richard Lavoies of Boise, Ed Doramuses, Middleton, Clark Ellensohns, Neal Braces, Raymond Langleys, William Demonds, Leroy Demonds and the Ray Andersons of Meridian, Kenny Demonds and son.

Warming up November

## Reception honors Leonard Starkeys; Steelmans celebrate 40th anniversary

A wedding reception honored Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Starkey at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Hill, Strawberry Lane, Boise, last Sunday. The Starkeys were married in Reno, Nev., October 19.

Miss Connie Coleman, daughter of Mrs. Starkey planned the affair and Mrs. Hill was co-hostess. Assisting were Mrs. Gary Pitkin, Mrs. Harold Pitkin, and Ella Pitkin.



# Award of Merit

PRESENTED TO

*Meridian Occident Club*

for

*First for Scrapbook*

*April 17<sup>th</sup>*

SECOND DISTRICT

*Idaho Federation of Women's Clubs*

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## Occident club hears speaker

The Occident Club met Monday and heard attorney Jack Riddlemoser give an informative talk on planning estates. He explained the necessity of making a will and discussed community property.

He said only 13 states have the community property law. He added that everyone should have another person named who could sign checks if the need arises. A question and answer period followed the attorney's talk.

Ethel Pilkington, president of Occident Club, told members what is being accomplished on getting construction finished at the library.

### Two members honored

Nina Egbert who was recently 90 years old and Mabel Cairns, who is 92, were honored. Both are long-time members of the club.

The club, a member of the Idaho Federation of Womens' clubs, has several members who have been sewing items for veterans at the hospital in Boise.

It was also reported that last month there had been six calls to borrow emergency equipment.

The next meeting will be December 3, when a potluck luncheon will be held. Each member attending is asked to invite a senior citizen who is not a member of the club. Edith Crockett will be in charge of the program on Christmas customs and ideas.

Thirty-four members and two guests attended Monday's meeting.

Nov. 5: Finances  
"Estate Planning"

H. Goodwin, Chm.

Hostesses: O. Jenkins, E. Crockett,  
E. Bye, L. Hartwell

## Arizona visit

### Wolffs tell vacation highlights; duo returns from East coast travels

Home from a 45-day sightseeing vacation trip are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wolff. The Wolffs visited Page, Ariz., where they were three-week houseguests of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wolff.

The highlight of the visit with their son was being able to visit the construction site of the coal-fired steam plant at which Dale is an engineer, for Morrison-Knudsen Company, builders.

The pollution-controlled plant is a 900 million dollar project, the Wolffs report. The coal for the power will be surface mined.

The Grand Canyon and many other side trips were enjoyed before they left for Herlong, Calif., where they were guests of Mrs. Phil Findley, the Clyde Woods family in Red Bluff and Cecil Woods family at Monmouth, Ore., where they stayed ten days due to a snowstorm and bad weather.

They returned home through Othello, Wash., to visit friends and the Leonard Wolffs at Kendrick, Idaho.

### Vacation ends

Miss Lillian Peters and Mrs. Emiley Pratt and Mrs. Mary Alice White are home after a six weeks vacation of traveling, visiting and sightseeing. Miss Peters and Mrs. Pratt visited with Mrs. Pratt's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Delyea in Leham, Maryland, with friends and relatives in Pennsylvania while Mrs. White visited her daughter and son-in-law and children, Capt. and Mrs. James Doe at Indian Head, Maryland.

Highlights of her sightseeing trip were the Washington, D.C. zoo where they saw the panda bear and Williamsburg, and the outstanding wooded area of beautiful trees near her daughter's home.

Mrs. White was met in Youngstown, Ohio, by her traveling companions, after visiting her cousin, Miss Ruth Beecher, then traveling to Salt Lake City visiting friends there before returning home.

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The group from WWI  
#1056 Auxiliary  
who are beginning  
the eighth year  
for this service  
includes an  
average of three  
Occident Club  
members.

In '73-'74 several  
hundred items of  
good clothing - much of it new,  
has been taken. During the  
last year nearly  
a thousand  
hours of steady  
work has been recorded.

Mrs. Mildred Botkin  
Veterans of World War I Auxiliary  
1103 E First  
Meridian, Idaho 83642

One year's subscription to  
the National Observer was delivered.  
Most months a large number of  
current, good magazines for men  
are included. This project can be  
considered "self sustaining". Two Club  
women who have been in for six  
or more years; one member since the  
beginning. Two Club members provide  
most of the transportation.

IDAHO VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
IDAHO VETERANS' HOME  
P. O. Box 7765  
BOISE, IDAHO 83707



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MRS. CLAIRE WETHERELL  
MOUNTAIN HOME

JAMES R. SEWELL  
GROFINO

October 23, 1973

Nyra Renshaw, Dept. President  
Veterans of World War I Auxiliary  
1022 South Lynn  
Moscow, Idaho 83843

Dear President Renshaw:

I wish to notify you of the large amount of clothing which was brought to the Members of the Veterans Home by Mildred Botkin, Meridian Barracks 1056 Sewing Club.

The clothing consists of overcoats, suits, trousers, shirts and shoes. This supply of clothing is in good condition and I am sure there are many who will find several items useful as we go into colder days.

We extend our thanks to these sewing ladies who are continually thoughtful and bringing their services to the Members of the Veterans Home.

Sincerely,

Larry Laughridge  
Commandant

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cc: Mildred Botkin ✓

The group from WWI  
#1056 Auxiliary  
who are beginning  
the eighth year  
for this service  
includes an  
average of three  
Occident Club  
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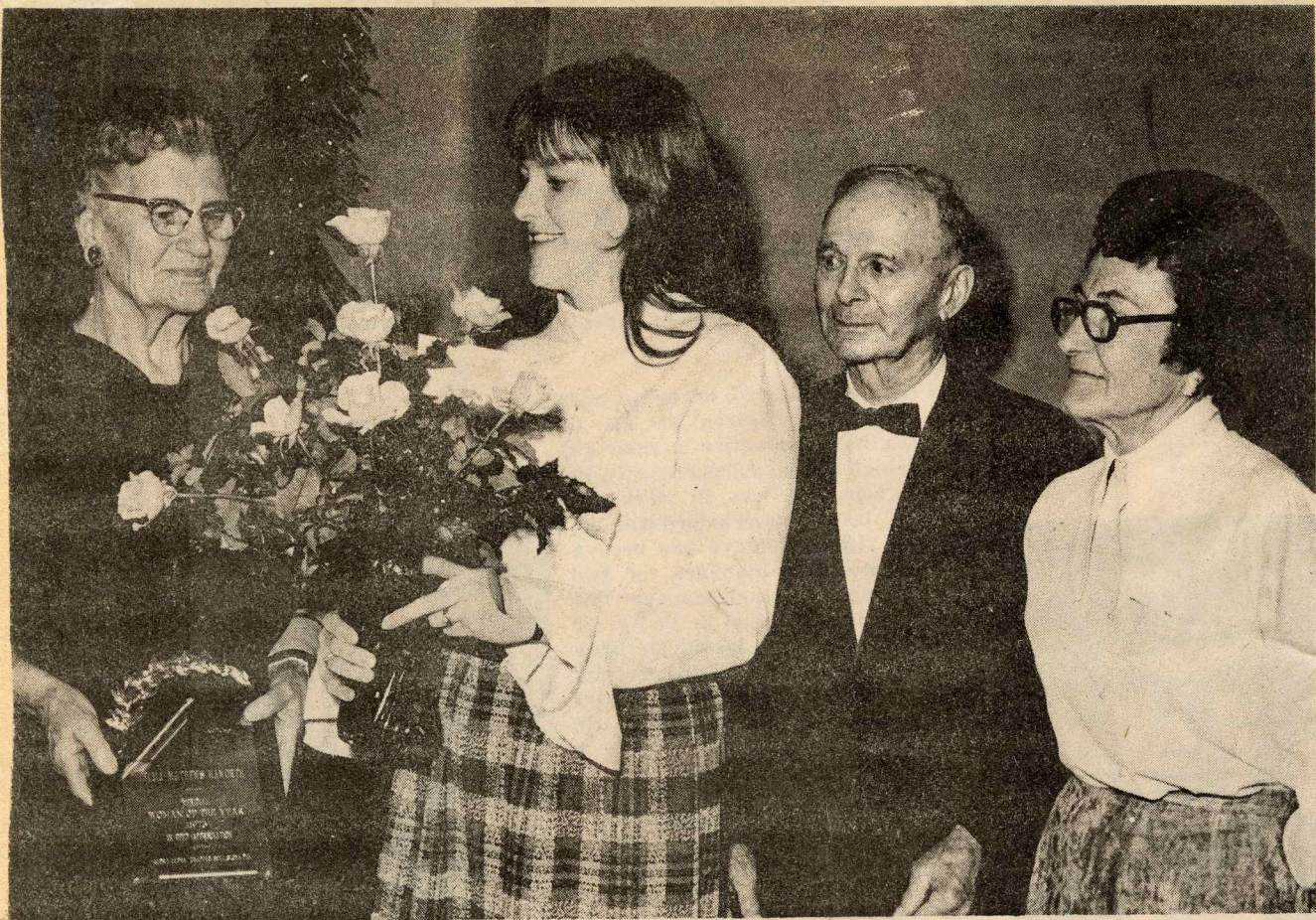
One year's subscription to  
the National Observer was delivered.  
Most months a large number of  
current, good magazines for men  
are included. This project can be  
considered "self sustaining". Two Club  
women who have been in for six  
or more years; one member since the  
beginning. Two Club members provide  
most of the transportation.







# "Woman of Year" for 1973



ZELMA MATHEWS HAWORTH receives "Woman of the Year" plaque and roses from Sharon Housman, president of Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Watching presentation are her husband, Ralph Haworth, and her daughter, Mrs. Helen Goodrich.

Happiness in December, '73 was knowing our much loved Zelma to be chosen "Woman of the Year". Zelma not only was a chartered member of the Occident Club,

helping with it from the beginning; through the years being one of the most active of members. For many, many years she has been Chairman of the Emergency Loan Closet, helping with work and trips in connection with the project and giving a monthly report. We salute you, Zelma!

## Annual banquet Meridian C of C honors two with civic awards

Zelma Mathews Haworth and Glenn E. Green were honored as Meridian's "Woman of the Year" and "Man of the Year" at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet last Thursday.

### "Woman of the Year"

Mrs. Zelma Mathews Haworth, "Woman of the Year" for 1973, has been a resident of Meridian for more than 50 years. She has held many offices, including being president

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### December

Glen Green was honored as Meridian "Man of the Year" by the Meridian Chamber of Commerce; and Mrs. Zelma Mathews Haworth was honored as Meridian "Woman of the Year" by the Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Edna McCormick was named "Explorer of the Year" for Post 101.

and district president of Royal Neighbors, president of all church circles and the Grandmothers Club at the United Methodist church, president of the Poultry Association, and other organizations.

A major community service has been her activity with the Occident Club, including serving as president, helping to organize the Meridian public library, and many committee assignments.

Emergency Loan Closet, helping with work and trips in connection with the project and giving a monthly report. We salute you, Zelma!



Dec. 5: Traditional  
"Christmas Customs & Ideas"  
E. Crockett, Chm.

Covered Dish Luncheon  
Hostesses: M. Anderson, D. Brace,  
B. Matcham

Guests welcomed  
Joyce Knowles and her son,  
Patrick, were overnight guests at  
the home of her parents, the Ray  
Ulmers, Sunday night.

### Bowers family enjoys dinner

Relatives and friends of Mr. and  
Mrs. Fred Bowers enjoyed a potluck  
dinner Sunday, December 23, at the  
Fairview Grange hall.

Those enjoying the reunion were  
the Messrs. and Mmes. Dean Rule of  
Pilot Rock, Oregon, Jerry Rule and  
family of Eagle, Lloyd Rule of  
Lewiston, Larry Rule and family of  
Nampa, Monte McClure and family,  
Robert Reynolds and family,  
Everett Chesnut, all of Boise; Neil  
Brace, Doyle McClufe, Ray Ulmer,  
all of Meridian; Neil Parisat and  
family of Mountain Home, and Mrs.  
Rosalie Aldape of Boise.

### Judds visit son and family

Mr. and Mrs. George Judd have  
returned from Princeton, New  
Jersey, where they kept care of their  
granddaughter, Allison, daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Gary Judd, while they  
were looking for a home in  
California. The Gary Judds moved  
to Pasadena and Gary will commute  
to his work in Los Angeles.

**New grandson**  
Mrs. Mona Watts became ac-  
quainted with her great grandchild,  
Tom Lipps Jr., while she was on a  
month's visit at Cincinnati, Ohio,  
where she was a houseguest of her  
daughter and family, the Charles  
Lipps.

### Grandson promoted

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ulmer and Mrs.  
Hazel Alcorn have received word  
that their grandson, Dr. Kenneth I.  
Knowles, has been promoted to the  
rank of lieutenant-colonel in the U. S.  
Air Force. Stationed at Travis Air  
Force Base, California, he is head of  
the endodontics department. His  
parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ivan H.  
Knowles of McCall.

### Rebekahs install next Wednesday

The Rebekah lodge at Meridian  
will install new officers at an 8 p.m.  
ceremony next Wednesday, January  
9. Members and guests and families  
are invited.

Incoming as the Noble Grand will  
be Ethel Pilkington, with Viola  
White as the new vice-grand.

The installation will be preceded  
by the regular meeting at 7 p.m.

### Occident club hears speaker

The Occident Club of Meridian, a  
member of Idaho Federation of  
Clubs, met Monday at the clubhouse  
with 21 members present. Mrs.  
Goldie Simmerman became a new  
member.

A special guest speaker, Edwin  
Wimmer from the Department of  
Special Services for the Aging, told  
members of services available to  
Meridian. He also explained the  
American Act of 1965.

Beginning next Tuesday there will  
be a lunch program for older citizens  
each Tuesday and Thursday at the  
Meridian grade school, at 12:30 both  
days.

Wimmer explained to the group  
that there will probably be a need for  
transportation as the program  
grows.



Voris R. Botkin

Services for Voris R. Botkin, 78,  
of 1103 East First, Meridian, who  
died Tuesday at a Boise hospital,  
will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday  
at Robison Chapel of the Chimes,  
Meridian, by the Rev. Charles W.  
Easley Jr. of the Meridian United  
Methodist Church. Interment will  
be at Cloverdale.

He was born Oct. 6, 1895, at Kan-  
kakee, Ill., and moved to Nampa  
with his parents in 1910. He gradu-  
ated from Nampa High School in  
1914. He worked for the Union Pa-  
cific Railroad until 1917 when he  
joined the Idaho National Guard  
and served on the Mexican border.  
He married Mildred Cline on June  
18, 1919, at Middleton. In 1926, he be-  
came self-employed and worked in  
Iowa, Colorado, South Dakota, and  
returned to Meridian in 1937 where  
he had been in partnership with  
Wayne Stringer at Valley Real Es-  
tate Agency for the past 27 years.

He attended the Meridian United  
Methodist Church; was mayor of  
Meridian for two terms; was Meri-  
dian's Man of the Year in 1968; was a  
member of the Boise Realty Board;  
was the last living charter member  
of the Meridian Lions Club; was  
past commander of World War I  
Veterans' Barracks No. 1056; was a  
member of the Lloyd E. Hutchison  
Post No. 113, American Legion; was  
a life member of the Boise Elks  
Lodge, No. 310; was a member of  
the Meridian Shrine Club; the Cedar  
Lodge No. 124 AF&AM, Belle  
Fourche, S.D.; the Scottish Rite  
Bodies of Boise; and the El Korah  
Temple Shrine.

Botkin had been active in the Boy  
Scouts. He joined the scouting dis-  
trict in 1939 and received the 10-year  
veteran's award in 1949. He was  
elected to the executive board of  
the Scouts in 1946. He also served as  
a district commissioner in 1946, an  
institutional representative from  
1959 to 1973, vice president of the  
Mountain View Council from 1949 to  
1952, institutional representative for  
Cub Pack No. 1 of Meridian from  
1959 to 1964, and institutional repre-  
sentative for Troop No. 1, Meridian,  
from 1964 to 1973. In 1953, he re-  
ceived the Silver Beaver Award, the  
highest award the Scouting District  
can present.

Survivors are his wife of Meridi-  
an; a son, Keith, of Nampa; and  
four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to  
the Elks Convalescent Center, the  
Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital,  
a favorite charity, or flowers may  
be sent.

### Here for funeral

Attending the services of Voris  
Botkin for last Friday were Mr. and  
Mrs. G. L. Cline of Baker, Oregon;  
Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Newbry of  
Weiser; Mr. and Mrs. Forest  
Freerer of Mountain Home, and  
coming from Salt Lake City were  
Jack Brown, Kenneth Webb, Mrs.  
Ruby Frerrer and Wayne Webb.  
Diane Botkin, student at Brigham  
Young University, returned to Provo  
with the Salt Lake City group.

*It was in  
Mrs. Botkin's  
office where  
he and  
partner,  
C.W. Stringer  
kept and  
sold cards,  
note paper  
and place  
mats for  
the  
Occident Club.  
Mr. Stringer  
is the one  
who drew  
the design  
for the  
club year  
book for  
Mrs. Botkin  
when she  
was presi-  
dent of  
the club  
during  
1957-1958*

*The design on  
this scrap book  
was painted by  
Mr. Stringer's  
daughters, Mrs. Mike  
(Connie) & Tail.*





**This was the drug store at Meridian in early 1900's**

**GRACE L. NEAL**, who died January 2 at Boise at age of 89, was registered pharmacist who operated above drug store at Meridian for several years. She and her husband, Dr. Halbert Neal, came to Meridian in 1905 and he practiced medicine here until his death in 1933. Mrs. Neal was an unusually active community member, long before days of "women's lib". Among dozens of other things, she helped establish the Meridian Cemetery District at a time when all the water for the

struggling trees, shrubs, and sparse grass had to be hauled to the cemetery. Other activities included serving as school district clerk, and membership in many community groups. She is shown above at left, with Dr. Neal at right. Historical photo was supplied by Mrs. Donald (Dorothy) Stephens of Boise, a daughter of the Neals.

#### Grace L. Neal

Services for Grace Louise Neal, 89, of 1615 South Atlantic, who died Wednesday at a Boise hospital of natural causes, will be conducted at 2 p.m. today at Summers Funeral Home by Dr. David Aasen of the Cathedral of the Rockies. Interment will follow at Meridian.

Born Aug. 27, 1884, at Syracuse, Neb., Mrs. Neal married Dr. H. F. Neal at Indianola, Neb., Dec. 28, 1904. The couple moved to Meridian in January, 1905, where Dr. Neal practiced medicine until his death in 1933. Mrs. Neal, a registered pharmacist, operated a drug store for several years. She was active in community affairs, helping to establish the Meridian Cemetery District.

Mrs. Neal was a past president of the PTA, a charter member of the Meridian Order of Eastern Star, and past matron of both the Meridian and Boise chapters. She was a charter member of the Meridian PEO and Chapter AY of Boise and was a member of the Rebekah Lodge where she received its highest honor, the Degree of Chivalry.

She had served as clerk of the Meridian School Board, secretary of the Meridian Cemetery Association, registrar, and was a charter member of the Occident Club. She was a member of BPW, the Meridian Methodist Church and the Cathedral of the Rockies in Boise. She moved to Boise in 1947.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Charles, in 1906, and a sister, Mrs. Frank Marsh.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Donald "Dorothy" Stephens and Mrs. Frank "Louise" Sinsel, both Boise; a nephew, Lt. Gov. Frank Marsh, Lincoln, Neb.; a niece, Margaret Hodgson, Grand Island, Neb.; and four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

*Mrs. Neal was a charter member of the Occident Club and very active until taking up her residence in Boise with her Boise daughters.*

## Mrs. Grace Neal, former resident, dies at Boise

Final rites were held last Saturday for Grace Louise Neal, 89, of Boise—a long-time Meridian resident—who died January 2.

The services were conducted by Dr. David Aasen of the Cathedral of the Rockies, and interment was at Meridian cemetery.

Mrs. Neal was born August 27, 1884, at Syracuse, Nebraska. She was married to Dr. H. F. Neal December 28, 1904, at Indianola, Nebraska. The following January the couple moved to Meridian, where Dr. Halbert Neal practiced medicine until his death in 1933.

Mrs. Neal was a registered pharmacist and operated a drug store in Meridian for several years. She was active in community affairs and helped to establish the Meridian Cemetery District when there was no water available to the pioneer community.

#### Active in community

Mrs. Neal was a past president of the PTA, a charter member of the Meridian Order of Eastern Star, and past matron of both the Meridian and Boise chapters. She was a charter member of the P. E. O. and Chapter AY of Boise. She was a member of the Rebekah Lodge, and received its highest honor, the Degree of Chivalry.

She served as clerk of the Meridian district school board, secretary of the Meridian Cemetery Association, and was a registrar and charter member of the Occident Club. She was a member of the BPW, the Meridian Methodist Church, and the Cathedral of the Rockies at Boise. She moved to Boise in 1947.

She helped her husband and served the community with Spartan solicitude during the 1917-18 epidemic of influenza.

She was preceded in death by a son, Charles, in 1906, and a sister, Mrs. Frank Marsh, in addition to her husband.

Casket bearers were Ma Masons from the Meridian lodge, D. Petty, George Judd, Vernon Cairns, Francis Veach, E. B. Jenkins, Carl Egbert.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Dorothy) Stephens and Mrs. Frank (Louise) Sinsel, both of Boise; four grandchildren, Dr. Aubrey Stephens of Ketchikan, Alaska, Peter Sinsel of Winnett, Montana, Mrs. Edward (Sally) Covington III of Fort Sheridan, Illinois, Mrs. Peter (Caroline)





## Rebekahs slate Christmas party

Acme Rebekah Lodge will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 26, at the American Legion hall for their annual gift-exchange holiday party.

Retiring Noble Grand Mrs. Blanche Scott will have a party for her officers. Refreshments will be served.

New officers to be installed January 9 are Ethel Pilkington, Noble Grand; Viola White, vice-grand; Dorothy Ausman, recording secretary; Rose Beers, financial secretary; Minnie Anderson, treasurer.

### Mrs. Patch returns

Mrs. Marguerite Patch has returned home from a month's visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nickolino at Vashon Island, Wash. Mrs. Patch spent Christmas with the Jess Patches in Boise.

### Hartwells visit Nebraska

Mr. and Mrs. K.D. Hartwell have returned from a trip to Nebraska, where they were houseguests of Mrs. Hartwell's brother and family, the Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Clarks. While there they visited friends at Eustis, Shelton, and Scotia. The Jack Hartwell family of Richland, Wash., were here for Christmas, and the group had a family dinner with the William Wigles in Boise.

### Family party

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wolff spent Christmas in Boise with the Jack Woods family. The Phillip Woods were hosts Christmas Eve at their home for a family gathering for the Felt families.

It was quite a party and display of handi-craft; suggestions for gifts.

Shown in the picture beginning with the right side of the picture,

Ethel Pilkington, president, Edith Crockett who planned the party with Anna Jenkins

'Tis the season . . .

## Wayne Gasses enjoy holiday on coast, families welcome guests for Christmas

It was a family time when Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gass drove to Anacortes, Wash. to be with Mr. and Mrs. David Sharratt for the Christmas holiday. Their son Don Gass of Seattle and Mr. and Mrs. John Schewiebert and boys of Portland joined them.

Louis J. Smith of Madton, Wash. has been visiting his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cooper, and the Frank Smiths.

Delores Kotschwar will be leaving next week for Minneapolis, Minn. returning to Augsburg College, after spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kotschwar.

Voris Botkin is in the Veterans Hospital in Boise.

### Christmas at Caldwell

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Kusler, the Paul Kuslers of Boise and the Clyde Steelmans spent Christmas eve with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Houtzles of Caldwell. The group will spend New Years Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Ace Kusler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lloyd spent Christmas with Mrs. Frances Brooks in Emmett.

Lori and Ann Scrivner, granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Scrivner, are visiting here this week, from Ontario, Ore.

Friends have learned that former Meridianite Grace Neal, who makes her home at Boise, suffered a stroke Christmas Day and is in St. Lukes Hospital. Mrs. Aubrey Smith is also in St. Lukes Hospital for treatment and observation.

## Clubs and groups schedule events

The Occident Club will meet at 2 p.m. next Monday, January 7. Hostesses will be Erma Easley, Bessie McNeff, Leona Egbert, and Deane Ulmer.

Nettie Hudson, program chairman will be in charge of the program called, "Social Centers and Visiting Services". The meeting will honor senior citizens.

### World War 1 meeting

World War 1 Barracks 1056 and Auxiliary will meet at noon this Friday, January 4, for potluck dinner, with meetings following.

### Church of Christ

Berniece Booth will be hostess for the Womens' Council of the Church of Christ at 1:30 p.m. this Thursday, January 3.

### Teachers' sorority

Alpha Delta Kappa will meet with Mrs. Ace Kusler at her home at 12:30 p.m. this Saturday, January 5, for a dessert luncheon meeting. Hostesses will be Tresa Sharp, Edith Crockett, Mary Meyer. The program will be on fraternal education.

*Mr. Smith had donated and installed equipment in the powder room.*

*Mrs. Smith was a long time member until ill health forced her to illimitate some of her pleasures*

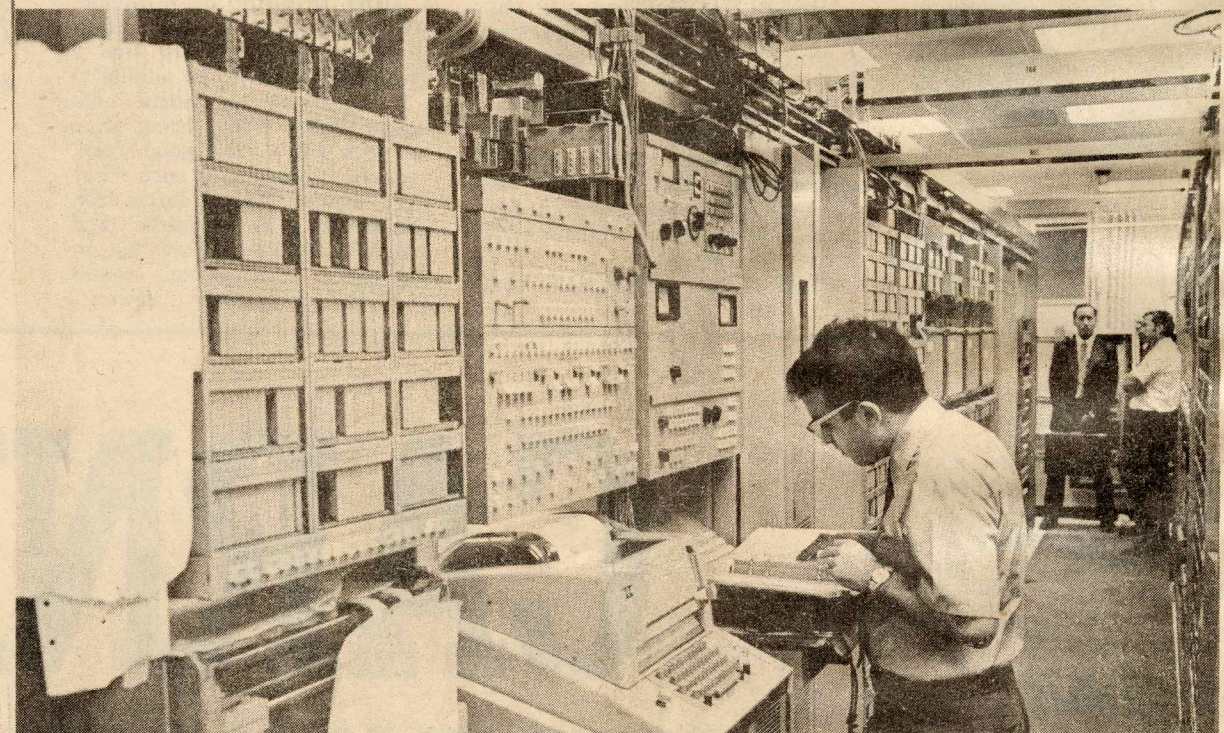
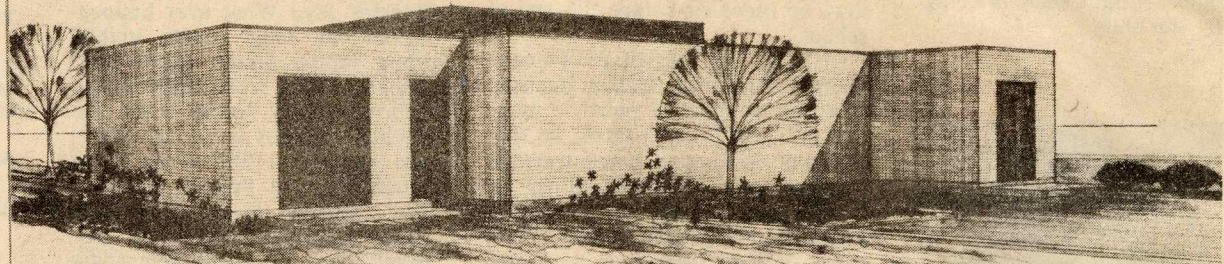


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## Meridian to have \$2-million ultra-modern electronic telephone system

MOUNTAIN BELL telephone company will host all interested residents and Chamber of Commerce members at noon luncheon at Coffee Mill restaurant next Tuesday, January 29—to explain the new \$2-million electronic switching system to be installed at Meridian. Architect's drawing of new building is

shown at upper right, with interior scenes shown in other pictures. The new Meridian facility will be one of only three of its kind in the world, and is termed "unbelievably fast, with great reliability". The system is one of the most sophisticated types of telephone equipment available in the world, and the

new facilities will provide touch-tone dialing, speed calling, and call waiting. Completion of the installation is expected by the last of April, on property owned by the telephone company on Meridian Street, just north and east of the Occident clubroom and public library. (Mountain Bell photos)

*This picture, as some others, give an object lesson on why Meridian's library sponsored (and still does) by the Occident Club, is growing so rapidly. The new building is adjacent to the Club building as is their first building—on ground purchased from the Club.*