

WCS Elects, Hears

Book Review —
CHAMBERS — The Women's Society of Christian Service met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Robert Farrier. About 20 were present.

The following officers were installed: Mrs. H. B. Burch, president; Mrs. T. E. Newhouse, vice-president; Mrs. R. K. Platt, secretary; and Mrs. Glen Adams, treasurer.

Mrs. Charles Grimes reviewed several chapters of the book, "Burma Surgeon." She will continue the review at other meetings.

SOCIETY

South Side Club Hears

Short Story —
 The South Side club held its January meeting at the home of Mrs. John Conard, at Emmet, on January 8.

After the usual covered lunch, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Bessie Birch. Miss Lena Winkler and Mrs. Dean Birch were guests.

Due to the severe weather, the program committee was not ready. Mrs. D. C. Schaffer read Lloyd Douglas' short story, "Home for Christmas." There was a good attendance, despite the weather.

Mrs. Peterson Hostess —

Mrs. Herbert Peterson was hostess to the 9FF club Wednesday evening. After dinner at the M & M cafe, the guests played cards at the home of the hostess. Mrs. Harrison Bridge won high honors, Mrs. Dean Reed was second high, and Mrs. Robert Evans won all-out.

Contract Club Meets —

Mrs. Edward Gallagher is entertaining the Contract club today (Thursday). Last Thursday's meeting was held at the home of Mrs. William J. Froelich. Winners were Mrs. S. J. Weeks, Mrs. C. E. Stout and Mrs. W. H. Harty.

'Family Economics' Topic —

Mrs. A. Neil Dawes entertained the Goldenrod club at her home Wednesday afternoon. The project lesson for the afternoon was "Family Economics." There also was a discussion on health.

Mrs. Enright Entertains —

Mrs. Moss is hostess to the Martez club at her home Tuesday evening. Mrs. R. R. Morrison, Mrs. Edward Campbell and Evelyn Stannard won high honors at their respective tables.

Entertains Business Girls —

Miss La Veta Lehn was hostess to the Business Girls club of the Presbyterian church Wednesday at her home. Miss Esther Kaner gave the lesson for the evening.

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Proposal Reenacted on Anniversary Day

About 30 friends gathered at the L. B. Price home Saturday evening to help Mr. and Mrs. Price celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peters, who were among the guests, were celebrating their 37th anniversary.

The evening was spent visiting, singing favorite songs and playing games. The climax of the evening was reached when Mr. Price reenacted his proposal to the bride.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Arrive Here from Santa Barbara —

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Pruitt, of Santa Barbara, Calif., arrived Friday for an extended visit in the home of Mrs. Pruitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin. Mr. Pruitt was recently separated from the Marine corps. They were accompanied by Richard Cronin.

Mrs. Holly Is Guest —

Mrs. Stephen Holly is entertaining Mrs. Marjorie Thacker, of Omaha, who arrived Wednesday. Mr. Thacker will arrive Saturday and both will return to Omaha Sunday.

Mrs. Don Enright entertained her pinocle club last Thursday. Mrs. Ralph Beckwith won high honors, Mrs. Ralph McElvain won second honors, and Mrs. Clyde Elkins had low score.

Entertains at Lunch —

Mrs. John Melvin entertained a group of ladies at lunch Wednesday afternoon. The guests played cards.

Entertains Club —

Mrs. Victor Halva entertained her pinocle club Sunday evening.

Emma Shattuck Remembered on Blizzard Anniversary

Fifty-nine years ago Sunday — on January 12, 1888 — Nebraska and the entire Plains area were hit with what oldtimers aver was the worst winter storm in the memory of man.

Few of Holt county's oldtimers overlooked the anniversary this year, despite the fact that the mild and balmy weather suggested anything but a blizzard.

There are those who remember Emma Shattuck, a rural teacher in Holt county, who found refuge in a haystack where she remained from Thursday night until Sunday. She was so badly frozen that both limbs had to be amputated, and she later died. A relief fund was subscribed for these and other sufferers — both teachers and pupils.

The superintendent of the State Historical society, James C. Olson, of Lincoln, this week revives the legend of the great Blizzard of 1888 in his weekly press release entitled, "Out of Old Nebraska."

"The territorial pioneers looked back on the winter of 1856-57, which began with a lifetaking storm on December 1, as the most terrible they had spent in Nebraska," Olson wrote. Likewise, the Easter storm of 1873 was talked about for years. The Blizzard of 1888, however, seems to have been worse than either of these. At least, the Blizzard of 1888 is the most celebrated snowstorm ever endured in Nebraska. Hundreds of reminiscences have been written about it. An organization known as the Blizzard club, composed of men and women who went through the storm, meets each year on January 12 to commemorate the event. The club soon will release a book about the storm, based on much careful research.

"Although conditions differed somewhat in various parts of the state, most accounts agree that the early hours of that eventful January 12 were unseasonably warm. Cattle were out in the fields. School children in some areas played outside during the noon

recess. In some cases, men were reported to have worked out-of-doors in their shirt-sleeves.

"Then, the wind suddenly changed to the north, driving before it a great mass of thick, blinding snow. Men and animals alike were trapped in a freezing, white wasteland. The thermometer plummeted to 34 degrees below zero.

"The storm lasted from 12 to 18 hours over most of the area, and was followed by minor local storms. The state was two weeks digging itself out. When the newspapers finally were able to assemble the details from isolated farms and ranches, it was evident that the loss of life and property sustained in the great blizzard was the greatest ever known in the West. Estimates as to the number who died in Nebraska ran as high as 100. In Dakota Territory, 109 lives were lost.

"A particularly harrowing aspect of the storm was the fact that it caught so many school children away from home in tiny one-room school houses, with no food and little fuel. The heroism displayed by a number of school teachers, and their older pupils, in caring for the younger children will always have a place in the annals of Nebraska.

"Of all these, the one who probably gained the most fame was Minnie Freeman of Mira Valley, Valley county. When the storm broke there were 13 children in her school. She tied them together, single-file, with herself at the head of the line, and ably assisted by the older pupils managed to get them to the nearest farmhouse. A popular song of the day, "Thirteen Were Saved, or Nebraska's Fearless Maid," was written in commemoration of her achievement.

"Lois Royce, teaching near Plainview, attempted to get to a farm home with three small children. The children perished and she lost her limbs below the knees."

Mrs. M. J. Golde and daughter, Kathryn Ann, spent Tuesday in Sioux City.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Cronin have as their guest Mrs. Cronin's brother, A. E. Biglin, who arrived Wednesday to spend several weeks visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Cronin are driving to Grand Island today (Thursday) to meet Mrs. Cronin's sister, Miss Genevieve Biglin, and Miss Nora McAuliff, of Salt Lake City, Ut. Miss Biglin has been visiting Miss McAuliff for the past few weeks. Both are registered nurses.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Froelich departed Tuesday for Chicago, Ill. They will return Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McKenna spent Tuesday in Norfolk.


Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Ferris, of Clear Lake, Ia., were Friday evening callers at the Mrs. John Timmerman residence.

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