

Rexburg Second Ward Relief Society



From left: Ella Skelton, May Beck, Jessie Atkinson, Leona Archibald, Ellen Cook, Marie Barber, Alvaretta Davis, Lavina Webster, Alice Howard, Olive Westover, Agnes Lords, Hattie Brown, Effie Buchmiller, May Mason, Pauline Bird, Hazel Cook.

1887—1942

The Rexburg Second Ward Relief Society was organized in 1887. Christina Magdalena Walz was the first president.

On April 3, 1890, Sister Walz was again chosen president, with Mary Springer and Sarah Cahoon as counselors; Mary M. Lutz, secretary, and Maggie Hendricks, treasurer. On January 27, 1895, Sarah Cahoon was succeeded by Isabelle Archibald as second counselor. Mary M. Lutz was released as secretary and Louisa C. Anderson appointed as such. Elizabeth Steiner and Emily J. Cook were both treasurer under Sister Walz's presidency.

Sister Walz served 18 years as president and was honorably released on February 4, 1905, at which time Almira M. Nelson was appointed second president, with Fannie Berry and Nancy Osborne as counselors, and Louisa C. Anderson, secretary, Cynthia A. Bird, assistant secretary, and Ella May Williams, treasurer.

The society was reorganized February 3, 1910. Almira M. Nelson was released after five years of faithful service and Ellen Archibald was set apart as third president, with Martha Heath and

Sarah Ellen Lloyd as counselors and L. Jane Osborne, secretary, Cynthia W. Bird, assistant secretary, and Cora Winner, treasurer.

Ellen Archibald also served five years, doing much good. When she was released Mary Brenner was chosen president with Lorena Flamm and Jennie Stewart as counselors, Mary Ricks, secretary and Sarah E. Ricks, treasurer. All were set apart on December 15, 1910. Eliza Nelson succeeded Jennie Stewart as second counselor, December 10, 1911. L. Jane Osborne and Mary Simmons served as secretaries and Martha Heath as treasurer under Sister Brenner's presidency.

Sister Brenner and her board served faithfully for six years and were released May 11, 1916, at which time Elvora Jacobs was appointed president, with Mary Simmons and Minnie Ovard as counselors; Esther Nichols, secretary; Martha Heath, treasurer, and Rhoda A. Hansen, chorister. Sarah Timpson and Jane E. Berry were set apart as first and second counselors, May 19, 1918.

These officers were honorably released August 4, 1918 when Jane E. Berry was sustained as sixth president with Sarah Timpson and Lucy Oldham as