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Article Summary: This article is a bibliographical guide to articles appearing in *Nebraska History* on a variety of topics. The sections include family life, hardships and dangers of the frontier, social life, intellectual and cultural life, women's organizations, politics, law, science and medicine, education, Native American women, religion, garrison life, war, and biographies, autobiographies, reminiscences.

# A READER'S GUIDE TO WOMEN IN NEBRASKA HISTORY MAGAZINE, 1918-1977

# By Jane Renner Hood

The recent interest in the history of women has generally illuminated, but occasionally obscured, the fact that in the past women's existence had often appeared in print. While it is true that the history of women has only recently received reluctant acceptance as a legitimate area of inquiry, it does not follow that woman's historic role has always gone unrecorded. But, consistant with the recent origin of the history of women as a recognized focus of research, is the reality that much information about women has been included—even hidden away—within studies detailing other historical developments.

Retrieving this material from obscurity, as well as keeping abreast of the voluminous amount of research currently being published, has prompted recent bibliographical guides. These range from the general surveys completed by Gerda Lerner and and Joan Kelly-Gadol<sup>1</sup> to the more narrowly defined ones documenting materials to be found within specific historical journals.<sup>2</sup> This bibliography falls in the latter category.

First as a frontier territory and then as an agricultural state, Nebraska has provided women with opportunities to play a full and productive role in its development. Their activities have surfaced frequently in issues of *Nebraska History*. The nature of these records requires some explanation, however.

First, the sort of information included in *Nebraska History* has changed during the more-than-half-century of its publication. The early volumes seldom contained, article-length essays on women. Information was usually in the form of a brief notice. But as the Journal grew more sophisticated, the articles tended to adhere more closely to the standards found in scholarly periodicals. So it must be remembered that titles referred to in the early years (the inaugural issue appeared in 1918) may be no more than a brief note submitted by an interested reader.

Second, many of the articles were written by non-professionals; for example, the prize-winning Native Sons and Daughters essays often provided biographies of women or studies of their particular activities. To emphasize that many of the articles were contributed by non-scholars does not compromise their worth. Indeed, such sources are often reliable and occasionally the only means available to reconstruct woman's past. But the authors were not necessarily professional historians.

The last explanatory note deals with the editor's problems of deciding which articles to include and how to organize those chosen. Although many articles mentioned women-names of wives or mothers, for example-such brief references did not warrant their inclusion. Those with more substantive information were divided into sixteen distinct categories. Occasionally an article contained information on more than one topic. Biographies, autobiographies, and reminiscences, for example, would often record experiences documenting family life, social life, or pioneer hardships. In such cases the section preface has simply indicated that the entries in another general area are likely to contain information on the given subject. In other less obvious cases, they have been cross-indexed individually.

## FAMILY LIFE AND DOMESTIC DETAIL

Observations about day-to-day living fill the pages of Nebraska History. This is particularly true for those articles dealing with pioneer Nebraska. The reader should also consult titles listed under Biography, Hardships, and Social Life for additional references to women and family life.

- DeBell, Ella J. "The Bruner and Neligh Families." XVI (April-June, 1935), 82-92. Domestic information about two families related through friendship and marriage who settled in Omaha and West Point in the 1850's and 1860's.
- Graham, Walter B. "The Biography of Thomas Graham." XV (January-March, 1934), 15-26.
- Harmer, Marie U. and Sellers, James L. "Charles H. Van Wyck—Soldier and Statesman, Part II." XII (July-September, 1929), 190-246. Kate Van Wyck maintained a high social standard, complete with two maids and a butler, in her Nebraska City home in the 1870's and 1880's.
- Heard, Eunice Mutz. "Twenty-two Years in Keya Paha." XVII (April-June, 1936). 91-102. Domestic and social details of life in the 1880's and 1890's.

- Johnson, J. R. "Nebraska in the Seventies," XXXVII (June, 1956), 97-102. Koertner, Pauline F. "The Biography of a Nebraska Pioneer: Rebecca Burkhard Synder." XIV (October-December, 1933), 228-237. The hard work demanded of an 1878 settler in Hastings.
- Line, Etta, "Memories of a Pioneer." XXI (April-June, 1940), 106-107. Life of eastern Iowa settlers in the 1840's.
- McCulloch, Josie McCague. "Memories of Omaha—A Reminiscence." XXXV (December, 1954), 277-303. Much domestic detail; "woman's work" in Omaha in the 1860's and 1870's.

- Potter, James E. "The Ranch Letters of Emma Robertson, 1891-1892." LVI (Summer, 1975), 221-229. Glimpse of her role as manager of room and board for ranch hands.
- Roosa, Alma Carlson. "Homesteading in the 1880's: the Anderson-Carlson Families of Cherry County." LVIII (Fall, 1977), 371-394. Contains rich detail of Norwegian immigrants' pioneer experiences, including photographs taken by the author's uncle, John A. Anderson.
- Walker, Alice B. "Biography of a Nebraska Builder: David Eastwood." XVI (January-March, 1935), 14-25. Domestic life and hardships of men and women of Franklin County in the 1870's.
- Welsch, Roger L. "Sorry Chuck' Pioneer Foodways." LIII (Spring, 1972), 99-113. Difficulty in feeding pioneers from native supplies of food.
- Winkelman, Phyllis H. "Fairview: Home of William Jennings Bryan." LV (Spring, 1974), 143-156. Information about Bryan's wife, Mary Baird Bryan.
- Wisehart, David J. "Age and Sex Composition of the Population on the Nebraska Frontier, 1860-1880," LIV (Spring, 1973), 107-119. Challenges assumption of female scarcity on the frontier.

# HARDSHIPS AND DANGERS OF THE FRONTIER

Although most women throughout recorded time could have found much of their personal history defined within the domestic sphere, the woman of the frontier experienced unique hazards in her day-to-day existence. Indian attack was the most terrifying of dangers and undoubtedly the most exaggerated. Nevertheless, the fear of potential attack added to the host of other problems facing the pioneer woman.

- Billington, Monroe, ed. "Pothook Pioneer: A Reminiscence by Ada Blayney Clarke." XXXIX (March, 1958), 41-56. Snakes, storms, and hard work at the turn of the century near Oelrichs, South Dakota.
- "Capture of Mrs. Frank Morton by the Indians," XVIII (April-June, 1937), 146. Brief note on the Plum Creek Massacre from an August 12, 1937, letter to Nebraska State Historical Society from Mrs. Lulu L. Purinton, Grand Junction, Iowa.
- Clark, Victor. "More Nebraska Stories." XVIII (January-March, 1937), 53. Black family's hard times as homesteaders near Nebraska City in the 1860's.
- Dick, Everett. "Sunbonnet and Calico: The Homesteader's Consort." XLVII (March, 1966), 3-13.
- Duffin, Reg. P. "Amanda Lamin—Devonshire, England; or Amanda Lamme—Marthasville, Missouri." LVIII (Fall, 1977), 301-306. Duffin unravels the identity of a woman buried on the Oregon Trail near Bridgeport.
- Frady, C. H. "Fifty Years Gospel Giving on the Frontier: The Story of Chaplain C. H. Frady," X (October-December, 1927), 269-325. Traveling minister's record of hardships, illness, and death faced by pioneer women.
- Franklin, John F. "The Fort Kearney Block House Address," XIX (September, 1938), 78-83. Tribute to trials and bravery of pioneer women.
- Hagerty, LeRoy W. "Indian Raids Along the Platte and Little Blue Rivers, 1864-1865." XXVIII (October-December, 1947), 239-260. Capture of white women.
- Hoover, Herbert T. "John Milton Leeper: Pioneer Farmer." LII (Spring, 1971), 31-44. Hardships in the 1870's and 1880's recorded by Leeper's first wife, Harriet Shaeffer Leeper.
- Keith, A. M. "Dull Knife's Cheyenne Raid of 1878." VII (October-December, 1924), 116-118. Abduction and rape of white women.
- King, James T. "The Republican River Expedition, June-July, 1869: Part II, The Battle of Summit Springs." XLI (December, 1960), 281-297. Capture of two white women.

- Mahoney, Donald, ed. "End of an Era: The Travel Journal of Mary Mahoney." XLVII (September, 1966), 329-338. Hardships en route in the last treks of covered wagons at at the turn of the century.
- Nuermberger, Ruth K. "Letters From Pioneer Nebraska by Edward Randolph Harden." XXVII (January-March, 1946), 18-46. Harden's attempt to persuade wife to follow him to Nebraska by diminishing the dangers assumed common to the territory.

Peck, Sally Gammon. "Prairie Fire." XVIII (April-June, 1937), 67-76.

- Robinson, Hervey S. "A School Child in the Blizzard of '88." XXIII (July-September, 1942), 205-209.
- Schmidt, William F., ed. "The Letters of Charles and Helen Wooster: The Problems of Settlement." XLVI (June, 1965), 121-137. Wooster's preparation of house for her arrival; his assurances that she need not fear the Indians.

"Site of Plum Creek Massacre." V (July-September, 1922), 47-48. Adventures of women settlers in Indian wars.

# SOCIAL LIFE

Despite the perils and hard work of frontier life, women who settled in Nebraska did not face a life of unending fear and drudgery. The social life of the pioneers was reported in diaries, letters, and journals, and thus made its way onto the pages of *Nebraska History*.

- Carmack, Mary. "Memories of Omaha," XIII (January-March, 1932), 42-57. Fashion, education, and social life in the 1860's and 1870's.
- Dale, Edward Everett. "The Social Homesteader," XXV (July-September, 1944), 155-171.
- Fite, Gilbert C. "Flight from the Farm," XL (September, 1959), 159-176. Social life of pioneers as well as the hard life for women that resulted from the farmer putting all of his capital back into the farm.
- Hicks, John D. "Then (1891) and Now (1966): Some Comparisons and Contrasts." XLVII (June, 1966), 139-155. Women's fashions.
- Miller, Annie L. "The Social Life of Pioneer Lincoln," XXVIII (March, 1946), 47-57.
- Pease, A. V. and Sholes, Gertrude Metcalf. "Julia Beatrice Kinney Metcalf." XIV (January-March, 1933), 49-57. Social life in Nebraska City in 1860's and 1870's.
- Pound, Louise. "Old Nebraska Folk Customs." XXVIII (January-March, 1947), 3-31. Folk customs and social life in general.
- Reed, Charles S. "Life in a Nebraska Soddy: A Reminiscence." XXXIX (March, 1958), 57-73. Social activities and domestic detail of Custer County pioneers in the 1890's and early twentieth century.
- Wardle. Ralph M. "Territorial Bride." L (Summer, 1969), 207-228. Rich detail of social life in Omaha in the early 1860's.

# INTELLECTUAL AND CULTURAL LIFE

The line separating strictly social activities from attempts to bring the "finer things" to the frontier is often difficult to draw. Music, lectures, and stage productions all satisfied a need for social activity; but they also evidenced the Nebraska settler's desire to re-establish the cultural advantages she had left behind in the more settled east. This section also includes articles detailing the artistic contributions made by such Nebraskans as Willa Cather, Bess Streeter Aldrich, and Mari Sandoz.

#### NEBRASKA HISTORY

- "A Nebraska History Study Class." XIV (October-December, 1933), 241-242. Organization in 1930 of women interested in Nebraska history.
- Bemis, Ada Gray. "My Own Biography," XIV (October-December, 1933), 208-219. Pioneers' attempt to re-establish cultural life on the frontier through clubs, societies, and newspapers.
- Brainerd, Henry Allen. "Nebraska's Press History." XIII (October-December, 1932), 266-271. Women and the press including Willa Cather and Bess Streeter Aldrich.
- Brown, Marion Marsh. "The Brownville Story," LV (Spring, 1974), 1-141. Glimpses of women interested in bringing culture to Brownville throughout its history.
- Brown, Madeleine Packard. "The Pioneers." XXII (July-September, 1941), 243-266. Illustrations by Cecil Rose O'Neill creator of "The Kewpies."
- Burrows, Maud Marston. "The Great Kearney Real Estate Boom." XVII (April-June, 1937), 105-115. Burrows' interview of Nellie Bly for Kearney Enterprise.
- Carleton Squires, Miriam Stanley. "Music of the Pioneer Days in Nebraska." Part I, XX (January-March, 1939), 39-50; Part II, XX (July-September, 1939), 169-171; Part III, XXI (April-June, 1940), 83-91; Part IV, XXII (July-September, 1941), 267-270; Part V, XXIII (April-June, 1942), 128-137; Part VI, XXIII (October-December, 1942), 268-277; Part VII XXIV (October-December, 1943), 267-276.
- Clark, Thomas D. "Arts and Sciences on the Early American Frontier." XXXVII (December, 1956), 247-268.
- Dale, Edward Everett. "Culture on the American Frontier," XXVI (April-June, 1945), 75-90.
- Ferris, Loraine. "Helen May Martin—Her Book of Life." XXI (April-June, 1940), 71-82. Brief biography of deaf-blind musician born in Lincoln in 1895.
- Fike, Duane. "The Table Rock Opera House, 1893-1900: A Small-Town Community Center." LVIII (Summer, 1977), 149-174. Women performers, including programs sponsored by Women's Suffrage Association and temperance groups.
- Furnas, Sallie L. "Early Music of Brownville—1879-1892," XXIV (October-December, 1943), 277-281.
- Harper, Robert D. "Theatrical Entertainment in Early Omaha," XXXVI (June, 1955), 93-104. Traveling troupes including women performers in the 1850's and 1860's.
- Kalisch, Philip A. "High Culture on the Frontier: The Omaha Library Association," LII (Winter, 1971) 411-417. Amelia Bloomer's appearance in 1858 in the Association's lecture series.
- McAnulty, Sarah. "Angel DeCora: American Artist and Educator." LVII (Summer, 1976), 143-199. Brief biography of French-Winnebago artist that includes photos of many of her works.
- Ryan, Pat M. "Hallo's Opera House: Pioneer Theatre of Lincoln, Nebraska," XLV (December, 1964), 323-330. Women performers including lecturer, Victoria Woodhull.
- Seymour, Margaret R. "The University of Nebraska School of Music, 1876-1894." LIV (Fall, 1973), 399-418. Women faculty members in early years.
- Turner, Martha. "Women Editors of Nebraska Newspapers." IV (July-September, 1921), 40.
- Witte, Ernest F. "The Nebraska FERA Art Exhibit." XVI (January-March, 1935), 57-60. Women exhibitors in a 1933 CWA art project.

#### BESS STREETER ALDRICH

- Aldrich, Bess Streeter. "The Story Behind a Lantern in her Hand." LVI (Summer, 1975), 237-244.
- Meier, A. Mabel. "Bess Streeter Aldrich: A Literary Portrait." L (Spring, 1969), 67-95. Emphasis on her Hollywood activities.

#### WILLA CATHER

Bennett, Mildred R. "The Incomparable Opera House," XLIX (Winter, 1968), 373-378. Cather's memories of traveling performers in Red Cloud in the 1880's. ———. "Willa Cather and the Prairie." LVI (Summer, 1975), 231-235.

Gale, Robert L. "Willa Cather and the Usable Past." XLII (September, 1961), 181-190. Riley, Paul D. "Cather Family Letters." LIV (Winter, 1973), 585-618. Although this collection contains only passing references to their famous relative, according to the editor it is important in describing "the world of Willa Cather."

#### MARI SANDOZ

Greenwall, Scott L. "The Literary Apprenticeship of Mari Sandoz." LVII (Summer, 1976), 249-272. Frustrating early years before triumph of *Old Jules*. "Some of the Tall Tales of Nebraska." XXIV (January-March, 1943), 57-58. Mari

- "Some of the Tall Tales of Nebraska." XXIV (January-March, 1943), 57-58. Mari Sandoz' collection of remembered tales sent to Louise Pound in response to request for Nebraska "strong men" stories.
- Sandoz, Mari, "The Look of the West—1854." XXXV (December, 1954), Calamity Jane Canaray—the second of three Calamity Janes.

"The Sheridan County Region—Origin and Early History." XVI (October-December, 1935), 241-249. Tribute to Mari Sandoz.

# WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

Again, the distinction drawn between women's organizations, social activities, and reform movements is sometimes not distinct to the historian trying to bring some workable order to a large amount of interrelated material. Essentially, the articles included in this section deal with women's organizations whose purpose was more than simply social, and yet were not part of the great reform movements such as temperance or suffrage.

- Alfers, Kenneth G. "Triumph of the West: The Trans-Mississippi Exposition." LIII (Fall, 1972), 312-329. Woman's committee in charge of entertainment and the philosophical and scientific subjects for the Omaha exposition in 1898; women of the Salvation Army deface nude statues.
- "A Bit of Thurston County History," I (March, 1918), 3. Organization of the Farmers' Wives Society in 1885.
- Dale, Edward Everett. "The Frontier Literary Society." XXXI (September, 1950), 167-182.

Donovan, Ruth Godfrey. "The Nebraska League of Women Voters." LII (Fall, 1971), 311-328.

Paine, Clara S. "Nebraska Society Daughters of the American Revolution." III (July-September, 1920), 3-4.

Sheldon, Ruth Ann. "The History of Nehawka, 1855-1941." XXIV (January-March, 1943), 84-94. Woman's Club instrumental in building library in 1934.

# WOMEN AND REFORM

The nineteenth and early twentieth century witnessed women's involvement in a variety of reform movements. The women of Nebraska were no exception to this trend, and the focus of their attention ranged from the plight of the Indian to vice in the city. Related to the latter concern was the "social problem." The study of prostitution has claimed much recent interest, and thus a separate category has been included in this section for articles dealing with that topic.

- Costin, Ula B. "Grace Abbot of Nebraska." LVI (Summer, 1975), 165-191. Brief biography of the reformer.
- Fitchie, S. D. "The Fight for Prohibition in Nebraska." VI (July-September, 1923), 81-88. Woman's Christian Temperance Union and other women's activities.
- Fike, Duane. "The Table Rock Opera House, 1893-1900: A Small-Town Community Center," LVIII (Summer, 1977), 149-174. WCTU production.
- Grant, H. Roger. "Henry Olerich and the Utopian Ideal," LVI (Summer, 1975), 249-258. A forgotten Nebraska Utopian who advocated women's rights, child-care centers, and trial marriages in his 1927 book, *The New Life and Future Mating*.
- Green, Norma Kidd. "The Presbyterian Mission to the Omaha Indian Tribe." XLVIII (Autumn, 1967), 267-288. Details work of Margaret-Wade, superintendent of Omaha Indian Mission School in 1883 and Alice C. Fletcher, ethnologist who studied Indian women during same period.
- Lawson, Michael L. "Omaha, A City in Ferment: Summer of 1919," LVIII (Fall, 1977), 395-417. The formation of the National Mother's Organization to repeal daylight savings time, unionization efforts, and other political activity during a "time of restless transition."
- Manley, Edward. "An Iliad of Early Nebraska." XIII (July-September, 1932), 183-197. Women and prohibition.
- Rickard, Louise E. "The Politics of Reform in Omaha, 1918-1921." LIII (Winter, 1972), 419-445. Opposition of immigrants to south Omaha settlement nouse. Information on woman's detention hospital, institution to which women with venereal disease were committed.

#### PROSTITUTION

- Chudacoff, Howard P. "Where Rolls the Dark Missouri Down." LII (Spring, 1971), 1-30. Omaha prostitution in the early twentieth century.
- Davis, John Kyle. "The Gray Wolf: Tom Dennison of Omaha." LVIII (Spring, 1977), 25-52. Prostitution in Omaha at the turn of the century.
- Harkins, Michael J. "Public Health Nuisances in Omaha, 1870-1900," LVI (Winter, 1975), 471-492. Attempts to control prostitution and venereal disease.
- Johnson, J. R. "Covington: Nebraska's Sinful City." XLIX (Autumn, 1968), 269-281. Prostitution in Covington in the 1890's.
- Loudon, Betty, ed. "Pioneer Pharmacist: J. Walter Moyer's Notes on Crawford and Fort Robinson in the 1890's," LVIII (Spring, 1977), 89-117. Prostitution in Crawford.

## WOMEN AND POLITICS

Although historians traditionally have included woman suffrage within the general topic of reform activity, it can be seen just as easily as the most important political achievement of American women. Thus, those articles detailing the struggle of Nebraska women for political rights are considered here.

- Bakken, Douglas A., ed. "Luna Kellie and the Farmers' Alliance," L (Summer, 1969), 185-205. Kellie's reminiscence describes her important role within the Alliance and her subsequent disillusionment with the movement.
- Dale, R.E. "Back to Normal." XXXVIII (September, 1957), 179-206. Consumers' strike to control post-World War II prices organized by women's clubs.
- Jeffery, Mary Louise. "Young Radicals of the Nineties." XXXVIII (March, 1957), 25-41. Women's activities in the Farmers' Alliance in the 1890's.

- Johnson, J. R. "Imperialism in Nebraska, 1898-1904." XLIV (September, 1963), 141-187. Anti-imperialism stance taken by Federation of Women's Clubs regarding the independence of the Philippines.
- Paul, Justus F. "Nebraska's Record in the Senate: Nine Senators in Three Years." XLVII (December, 1966), 399-402. Nebraska's two women senators, Eva Bowring and Hazel Abel.
- Rowley. William D. "The Loup City Riot of 1934: Main Street vs. the 'Far-Out' Left." XLVII (September, 1966), 295-327. Mother Ella Reeve Bloor's support for the riot and the unsuccessful strike of the girl poultry workers.
- Shover, John L. "The Farm Holiday Movement in Nebraska." XLIII (March, 1962). 53-78. Brief mention of Mother Ella Reeve Bloor's involvement in 1932 movement.
- Wagaman, David G. "The Industrial Workers of the World in Nebraska, 1914-1920." LVI (Fall, 1975). 295-337. Individual women mentioned.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE

- Abbott. Othman A. "Recollections of a Pioneer Lawyer." XI (July-September. 1928), 115-117. Chapter XX discusses "The Long Struggle for Women's Rights."
- Fike, Duane. "The Table Rock Opera House, 1893-1900: A Small-Town Community Center." LVIII (Summer, 1977), 149-174. Productions sponsored by the Women's Suffrage Association.
- Lawson, Michael L. "Omaha. A City in Ferment: Summer of 1919." LVIII (Fall, 1977), 395-417. Pro- and anti-suffrage activity in 1919 Omaha.
- Luebke, Frederick C. "The German-American Alliance in Nebraska, 1910-1917." XLIX (Summer, 1968), 165-185. Opposition of the Alliance to woman suffrage.
- "The Old Settler's View." IV (January-March, 1921), 8. Poem commending woman's role in settling Nebraska and advocating her right to vote.
- Stone, James A., ed. "The Norris Program in 1924." XLII (June, 1961), 125-139. George Norris' support for woman suffrage.
- Stanley, Ruth Moore. "N. K. Griggs and the Nebraska Constitutional Convention of 1871." XLVI (March 1965), 39-65. Woman suffrage as an issue at the convention.
- Wilhite, Ann L. Wiegman. "Sixty-five Years Till Victory: A History of Woman Suffrage in Nebraska." XLIX (Summer, 1968), 149-163. Includes activities of Amelia Bloomer, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Emmaline Pankhurst, and others on behalf of suffrage in Nebraska.
- Woodward, C. Raymond. "A Frontier Leader of Men and Women." XVIII (July-September, 1937), 200-202. Biographical sketch of Mary E. Smith, an active suffrage worker.

# WOMEN AND THE LAW

Although the frontier often has been described as a lawless land, pioneer women came into frequent contact with the law, particularly as land holders, occasionally as violators or practitioners of it.

Chapman, Berlin B. "The Barnes Family of Barneston." XLXII (March, 1966), 57-83. Mary Drips Barnes' legal struggle to keep her Oto lands.

- Coletta, Paolo E. "William Jennings Bryan's First Nebraska Years." XXXIII (June, 1952), 71-94. Information about Bryan's wife, Mary Baird Bryan, a lawyer.
- Dick, Everett N. "Free Homes for the Millions." XLIII (December, 1962), 211-227. Donation Land Law of 1850 encouraged settlers to take child brides in order to claim a second half-section in their wives' names.
- Hicks, John D. "The Third American Revolution," XXXVI (December, 1955), 227-245. Concludes that as of 1955, "equality between the sexes has arrived."

"Judge Gaslin Stories." IV (July-September, 1921). 44-45. Series of anecdotes about Judge Gaslin, including one indicating his prejudice against women.

Paine, Bayard H. "Decisions Which Have Changed Nebraska History." XVI (October-December, 1935), 195-219. Among those legal changes important for women, Paine includes chapters on "The Value of a Widow's Homestead Right in Nebraska," "Women as Office Holders," and "Suffrage."

Snow, C. O. "History of the Half-Breed Tract." XVI (January-March, 1935), 36-48. The manner in which land passed from the government to the individual.

Socolofsky, Homer. "Land disposal in Nebraska, 1859-1906; the Homestead Story." XLVIII (Autumn, 1967), 225-248. Legal difficulties of the female homesteader.

# SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

Although the fields of science and medicine traditionally have been male professions, the occasional female practitioner surfaced in the pages of *Nebraska History*. Furthermore, rugged frontier conditions often dictated home medical care by the pioneer woman.

- Benjamin, Ludy T. "The Pioneering Work of Leta Hollingworth in the Psychology of Women." LVI (Winter, 1975), 493-505. Although Hollingworth is best remembered for her work in child psychology, her early work in female psychology challenged traditional assumptions of woman's inferiority.
- "Dr. Hetty K. Painter," XXIII (January-March, 1942), 72. Photograph and brief story of Hetty Painter, who served as a nurse and doctor for Union cause in the Civil War. (Article is partially in error. Mrs. Painter was no relation to John Brown and it is doubtful that she served as a spy. Editor, Nebraska History.]
- "Dr. Georgia Arbuckle Fix." XVIII (April-June, 1937), 103. Brief note on first pioneer women doctor in western Nebraska during the 1880's.
- Jimerson, Hazel Hayward. "The Story of Peru." XXIV (January-March, 1943), 95-104. Mentions women doctors in the 1890's, Mary M. MacVain and Capitola Reed Graves.
- Johnson, J.R. "The Second Nebraska's 'Battle' of Chickamauga," XXXII (June, 1951). 77-93. Reluctance to use female nurses in Army hospital during Spanish-American War.
- "Letter from George Bird Grinnell," V (January-March, 1922), 3. Notice regarding Dr. Margaret Wilhelmina Rhode Koenig's [woman] study of tuberculosis among the Winnebago.
- "Pioneer Conditions in Pennsylvania, 1750-1820." XIII (July-September, 1932), 197-201. Home medicines.
- Roosa, Alma Carlson. "Homesteading in the 1880's; the Anderson-Carlson Families of Cherry County." LVIII (Fall, 1977), 371-394. The author's mother was a practical nurse on the frontier; an early woman doctor in Cherry County is also mentioned.
- Scrimsher, Lila Gravatt. "The Medicinal Herbs of Our Forefathers." L (Fall, 1969), 309-322. Home remedies used by our foremothers.

# WOMEN AND EDUCATION

A school marked the advance of civilization on the frontier, and it often remained the real focus of many small communities. Because education was one profession considered proper for women, and because of the nostalgic image of the pioneer schoolmarm, *Nebraska History* contains numerous articles relating to women and education.

- Barnds, William Joseph. "Nebraska College, the Episcopal School at Nebraska City, 1868-1885." LII (Summer, 1971), 169-189. Mention of female education.
- Beall, Loulie Ayer. "A Webster County School." XXIII (July-September, 1942), 195-204. Pioneer school experiences in the 1880's.
- Clement, Ora A. "Fort Harsuff and the Local Pioneer Life: A School Teacher's Recollections of Fort Hartsuff." XII (January-March, 1929), 140-157. Genia Rood Crandall's recollections of teaching in the North Loup Valley Fort in the 1870's.
- Cutler, Anne Bemis. "The First School at Sutton." XXIII (July-September, 1942), 210-218. School days in the 1880's.
- Dudley, Richard E. "Nebraska Public School Education, 1890-1910," LIV (Spring, 1973), 65-90. Information about school teachers, the majority of whom were women; disparity in male/female salaries; women school board members.
- Fuller, Rosalie Trail. "A Nebraska High School Teacher in the 1890's: The Letters of Sadie B. Smith." LVIII (Summer, 1977), 447-473. Letters of a Nebraska high school teacher from the 1880's.
- Hicks, John D. "My Nine Years at the University of Nebraska." XLVI (March, 1965), 1-27. Observations on southern co-eds in the 1920's; women students at Nebraska more favorably described.
- Hotze, W.H. "Pioneer School Days in Southwest Nebraska A Reminiscence." XXXIII (March, 1952), 41-53. Indianola school experience in 1870's, 80's and 90's.
- Kortman, Florence Bauch. "Madison, A Pioneer Nebraska Community," XVII April-June, 1936), 103-112. Early school and women teachers from 1867 to the 1880's.
- Mears, Louise W. "Miss Eliza Morgan A Short Biography." XVIII (April-June, 1937), 133-135. Morgan was a teacher and preceptress at Peru State Normal School from 1872 to 1898.
- McAnulty, Sarah. "Angel DeCora: American Artist and Educator." LVII (Summer, 1976), 143-199.
- Pospisil, Emma. "A Teacher of the Willow Creek School." XXIV (January-March, 1943), 13-24. Impact of a country school teacher, Cedalia collins, on a young Czech girl around the turn of the century.
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# NATIVE AMERICAN WOMEN (INDIAN)

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# WOMEN AND RELIGION

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# WOMEN AND WAR

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