1 hour

ANNA VIVAN HISE CRAIG

Moscow, Orofino, Minidoka; b. 1887 school teacher

minute

Side A

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00 Minidoka project. Could get claim by planting trees and building house. When brother came (1904-6), helped build irrigation ditches and took a claim 03 She left Nebraska to keep house for her brothers. Started teaching school. Had 35 students in one room schoolhouse. Older students would finish their work and then helped students in lower grades. If they didn't finish work, they were kept after school for 30 minutes. Older students considered it an honor to help younger. 10 Spelling down and ciphering down on Friday afternoon. Programs once a month. 13 Quite strict. Often rules written on blackboard, e.g., no whispering. Punishment--stand in corner or stay after school. 16 Recitation bench near teacher; it was done quietly so as not to disturb other children. Written exam for 8th grade at the end of the year. Graduation from 8th grade quite a big affair. Able to cope with outside world with 8th grade education. Parents really wanted children to go to school. 23 Brought in relevent articles from newspapers and read them. Discussion time severely limited. Current events once a week for opening exercises. Special to have individual seats and not have to share. Side B 00 Some school districts furnished books. Ten minutes the average for each class. Classbook kept record of work done each day. 07 Changes in education not all for the best. Less memory work now, but more work on problem-solving. Rules for teachers. Supposed to set an example, e.g., not smoke. Went to dances. 15 Methodist minister, T. C. Craig, was her father-in-law.

> Good to live with families. Got \$25/month in Nebraska, \$125/month at Minidoka. Had to haul logs at Minidoka Project.

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Side B (continued)

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Moscow "looked like quite a little city." Churches important in social life. Services in morning and evening, prayer meetings Wednesday night. Religion much more important in individual's life. Methodist church the largest.

Rev. T. C. Craig's duties. Visited sick. Very inspired by religion. Minister in Civil War. In Andersonville prison, dished out rice from trough. An Indian boy brought some pork crackling to him.

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