

**HAZEL WHIPPS**  
**1897-1985**

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References are U.S. Federal Census – 1930 and 1940

Hazel V Whipple was born 1897 in the state of Kansas. She married Donald E Wells about 1916 who was born in Nebraska. All of their children were born in Wyoming. In 1930, there were Sylvia (age 13), Eldon ( 8) and Marcella (5). By 1940, Donald Victor was 8 years old. They lived in Ten Sleep, WY until their children were adults. Much of the time Hazel was alone with her children living on the north bank of the Victoria ditch above the Ten Sleep school district lands in a small house which they owned. She was a conscientious member of the Sabbath-Day Adventist Church and when Don (her husband) was in town, they walked arm-in-arm through the alleys of Ten Sleep in their Sunday dress. He appeared very gallant and solicitous. Don allegedly made his living from another area in the mid-west. They were a handsome couple and seemed to survive without other relief. After a very long period of time, Donald E Wells evidently ceased to be part of their family life as he failed to appear. Hazel lived alone a great portion of her life. Her daughter Sylvia married and lived in California; her son Eldon served in WW II and established a garage in Ten Sleep about 1946; Marcella married Sam Dellos and lived there until her family was grown; Donald Victor (better known as Vic) married Arleta Magoon and moved away from Ten Sleep. Hazel later married a Mr. Whipple and lived in the Big Horn Basin. She passed away in 1985—a revered mother and an upright woman of the community.

*Memories: Hazel was always neatly groomed, properly clothed and decorous in her behavior. Where the musical talent came from I don't know but both Marcella and Victor had great singing voices and added to Ten Sleep school performances. Hazel Wells was endowed with the striking appearance that black hair and dark eyes set in a white complexion can give. She was of medium height and weight and had a great personal dignity. Fb*

*Worland Newspapers left to right: May 28, 1982; April 11, 1946; Nov 12, 1948*

## Hazel Whipps

**TEN SLEEP** — Hazel Victoria Wells Whipps, 85, died Tuesday, May 25, at Canyons Hill Manor in Thermopolis.

She was born Jan. 5, 1897 to Irving M. and Mary E. Bower in Mound City, Kans. She lived in Kansas until 1911 when the family moved to Shell. She attended school in the log school house near Shell. In 1915 she married Don Eldon Wells. The couple had five children.

In 1956 she married James J. Whipps of Greybull. She was a member of the Greybull Seventh Day Adventist Church.

She was preceded in death by husbands Don Eldon Wells and James J. Whipps; one son, Paul David Wells; one brother, Enos Bower of Portland, Ore.; one sister, Edith McGuire; one daughter-in-law, Arleeta Wells; and one grandson, Samuel Lee Dellos who was killed in Vietnam.

Survivors include two sons Eldon M. Wells of Ten Sleep and Donald V. Wells of Redding, Calif.; two daughters, Sylvia A. Asbell of Yucaipa, Calif., and Marcella B. Dellos of Ten Sleep; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, in the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Ten Sleep with the Rev. Paul Vercio officiating. Burial will be in the Ten Sleep Cemetery. Mortimore Funeral Home of

# Couple Reunited Few Weeks After Getting Divorce

Mr. and Mrs. Don E. Wells, Ten Sleep, who last month decided to call it quits after 30 years of marriage, changed their minds after a few weeks of separation and were remarried last night in the Seventh Day Adventist church in Worland.

The ceremony was performed at 8 p. m. by Elder S. A. Reilly.

The couple was originally married at Shell on November 7, 1915, and became the parents of five children, four of whom are living.

Last month Mrs. Wells was granted a divorce for "intolerable indignities" by Judge P. W. Metz in district court.

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### Wells - Ainsworth Nuptials Held

TEN SLEEP — The Seventh Day Adventist church in Ten Sleep was the scene of a wedding Nov. 6 at 3 o'clock when Hazel Victoria Wells became the bride of Marion Ainsworth. Rev. L. G. Beans of Powell officiated.

The bride's matron of honor was Mrs. Clayton Curtis and Dr. Clayton Curtis was best man. Mrs.

Emer Curtis played the nuptial music and also accompanied Mrs. Bert Ainsworth and Mrs. Joe Chamberlain who sang "I Love You Truly."

A reception following the wedding was held at the home of the bride's daughter, Mrs. Sam Dellos. Mrs. Dellos and Victor Wells served ice cream and the wedding cake.

Guests at the church were Mrs. L. G. Beans and Donald of Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Emer Curtis and little girls, Mrs. Lora Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. Lora Boyle, Mrs. Frank Chamberlain, Linda and Ralph, Mrs. Stanley Kennenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Greet and Mrs. Florence Gifford, all of Worland and from Ten Sleep, Mrs. Archie Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ainsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ainsworth, Fred Greet, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greet, Mrs. George Greet, Neal Greet, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ainsworth, I. M. Bower, Mrs. Sam Dellos and children, Vic Wells, Mrs. Cora Egbert, Mrs. Max Weagle, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Pyle and Mr. and

Mrs. Clarence Wain.

The newlyweds left on a honeymoon trip to Denver.

Upon their return they will make their home in Ten Sleep.

### POWELL P.T.A. PLANS HOBBY EXHIBIT

POWELL—The Parent-Teacher association is making arrangements for a hobby exhibit at the meeting Nov. 15.

So that the exhibit can be complete by evening members are asked to bring their exhibit to the junior high study hall between 4 and 5 on Monday afternoon.

Frank Brown of Lovell will be guest speaker and will speak on Parent and Family Life Education.

Girls from the junior high chorus will present a group of songs.

Hostesses for the evening are Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Irvin Good, Mrs. Robert Ruzick, Mrs. Hugh Wallis.

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