McConnell family moves from marriage to Idaho. They moved into Mansion on December 24, 1886. A woman upset the "privy in the house." Kidnapping of Mary McConnell as a baby in Portland; the kidnapper had lost her own baby and thought she was hers.

Mrs. Borah's first dinner with Theodore Roosevelt at the White House. The dress she bought for the occasion. She called Senator Borah "Billy". Her personalized car. "Little Borah."

Senator Borah's death - he slipped getting out of the bathtub. Mrs. Borah's survival from parrot fever: Senator's prayer for her; her desire for mashed potatoes when she recovered. After his death she returned to Idaho briefly, and then back to Washington, where she visited Idaho servicemen and wrote to their families. Her injury in a revolving door, which could well have been fatal.


Mrs. Borah's ability to handle institutionalized, mentally ill men. The Idaho legislature supported her in her last years, keeping it secret. Her special dishes when sick.

Some of her precious possessions.