

**Nell Madeline Runnels, daughter of Levi Sherman and Ida May Runnels was born March 4th, 1892, at Lyndon, Kansas.**

**Her early school years were spent in Lyndon and after graduation from highschool in Harveyville, Kansas, she taught school for two years. Feeling that the business world offered a more congenial environment, she enrolled in the law department of a private business school. She went from there to employment in the law offices of Carr W. Taylor, Hutchinson, Kansas, where she gained the necessary experience to obtain employment with The Anthony & Northern Railway Company. She progressed to the position of corporate officer.**

**She was married to Arthur Barnett Card on May 10, 1917. To this union were born three daughters: Phyllis Rahe, Crescent, Oklahoma; Barbara Dunn, (formerly of Holly, Colorado) who died July 8, 1963 and Janet Broaddus Keene, Mission Hills, Kansas. Also surviving Mrs. Card are two sons-in-law, Max N. Rahe, Crescent, Oklahoma, W. Richard Keene, Mission Hills, Kansas; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Julius Fossil, Brazoria, Texas.**

**For a number of years the family lived in Gate, Oklahoma, moving from there to Alva, Oklahoma in 1941.**

**Mrs. Card was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Alva, Oklahoma.**

**Feeling that she should reside near a member of her family, she sold her home in Alva in 1975 and built a home in Crescent, Oklahoma, near her daughter and husband, Phyllis and Max Rahe. Living with her in the home is a friend of many years, Maurie Stout.**

**Following her husband's death in 1955, she pursued actively his profession of oil and gas leasing throughout western Oklahoma. During this period she became acquainted with and gained the respect of many individuals in the state's oil industry.**