

Pioneer Home in Kotzebue? Discusses merits of it for Native people.

Tells about marriage to Bess Chamberlain. She was the daughter of Pioneer merchants and came to Kotzebue when she was 13 years old. Marriage short lived and ended during World War II. Married her in 1937. Never said what happened to his first wife whom he married in 1919 as he was finishing college. Apparently she never came to Alaska.

Present wife is also Bess (Elizabeth). Born in Deering and has only fifth grade education. Is self educated. Cross speaks very fondly of her, her success in rearing their children, her executive ability, her work at Kotzebue hospital, her being the first woman mayor of Kotzebue. She presently is supervisor of housekeeping and supplies at Kotzebue Public Health Hospital.