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E. W. THINGAN,

Murdock,

Nebraska

Mrs. W. H. Warrell was visiting with friends and also looking after some business matters in Lincoln.

Otto Miller and family were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Backemeyer at Elmwood last Monday.

Miss Elsie Deickman has been assisting in the work at the Murdock Mercantile company during the past week.

Misses Minnie Deickman and sister, Elsie, and Miss Edna Miller were visiting with friends in Ashland on last Friday.

Max Dusterhoff has been suffering from an attack of tonsillitis which has been interfering with his work during the past week.

E. H. Schulhof was a visitor in Murdock last week, doing some piano work at the home of H. F. Schweppe, and also at the church.

E. F. Campbell and wife and M. R. Teis and family of Lincoln were spending last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Warrell.

Mrs. O. J. Pothast was a visitor in Lincoln during the first days of this week, where she was a guest at the home of relatives and friends.

The Rev. Strauss and wife were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Miller last Monday, where all enjoyed the occasion very much.

Fred Oehme and wife, Joseph Wutchnick and family and Max Dusterhoff were spending last Sunday at Krug park in Omaha, making the trip in the new truck.

Henry J. Miller of Alvo was a visitor in Murdock for a short time last Thursday while on his way home from Plattsmouth, where he had been taking Mrs. Miller to visit with her sister, Mrs. F. S. Bankman.

Messrs. E. J. McHugh, dispatcher for the Missouri Pacific at Falls City, and Thomas Walling, of Plattsmouth were visiting last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McHugh for the evening, returning to Plattsmouth later.

The Missionary society of the Evangelical church held their monthly meeting at the church last Thursday at which there were a large number of the members present, and did a good amount of work as well as having a pleasant afternoon.

While driving to Greenwood last Wednesday, our townsman J. H. Buck had the misfortune to get a bug in his eye which has caused him a great deal of trouble and pain. He had the offending insect removed and the eye treated by the doctor, and is hoping that the member will soon be well again.

H. D. Robinson, better known as Happy Robinson, who with the family have been making their home in Lincoln, departed last week for Kansas City, where they will make their home in the future. They visited for a short time at the home of Mrs. Robinson's parents, A. J. Bauer in Murdock, before going to Kansas City.

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ED. GUILSTORFF,

MURDOCK

NEBRASKA

Herman Lutchnas was a visitor at his farm near Elmwood last week and was well pleased with the rent as the wheat yielded very well. This goes to show that women can farm.

Henry Schleuter has had the high wheels placed in front and the low ones in the rear on his high grade "Rolls Ruff" speed buggy and Henry says that it is the most comfortable buggy he ever rode in.

Hans Righart in the employ of Henry Schleuter came very near having a serious runaway when his team started to run but owing to his great ability to run he was able to run them down.

Fritz Neben thinking he could make better time by standing while raking was unfortunate enough to get his heel caught in the rake. There was no damage except to skid the wheels and ruin a new shoe for Fritz.

Carl Schlapf last Wednesday completed his threshing run of 500 acres in 10 1/2 days and owing to his ability to handle an oil can the outfit, crew, engineer and any visitors who happened to come along were well soaked with oil.

J. W. Kruger celebrated his thirty-second birthday anniversary at Omaha last Monday and was assisted in the delightful task by the good wife and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Landholm, who are wishing John many more happy birthdays.

Simon Schleuter has purchased the home of W. H. Rush, and will occupy the home after it has been vacated by the former owner who will in a short time depart for Texas to improve the land which he purchased there a short time since.

Card of Thanks

We as children desire to express to our kind neighbors and friends our deepest appreciation of their tender sympathy to us in the hour of sorrow and grief of taking away our father. Also to those who assisted so kindly at the funeral service and for the beautiful flowers.—Mr. and Mrs. Otto Miller and family; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Backemeyer and family.

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Spending Week at Meadow

Harry Gillespie and wife are spending a week at Meadow, where they are joined by Messrs. Adams and Hox of Omaha and their wives. They will camp there during the week and fish and swim as well as get next to nature and the great outdoors. Jerry E. McHugh took Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie down to Meadow last Thursday afternoon.

Location in the Air Now

Since the bonds have been voted and disposed of for the erection of a new consolidated school building and the plans shaping themselves, the matter of where the new building is to be located is a question which is occupying the minds of the people.

At the meeting which was held last week, no one location could suggest the necessary sixty acre site of the votes cast for a location. After all was done which could be, the matter was by agreement turned over to the redistricting board for settlement.

The county superintendent, Miss Alpha Peterson and J. M. Tegardner were here and with the other members, Mr. John J. Gustin, they canvassed the situation and while they thought favorably of one location, the owner being under a guardian, it was decided best to get legal advice on the matter before asking that the land be condemned for the purpose. So at this time the matter of the location is all in the air, as yet.

Plant Doing a Good Business

Will Meyers last week installed a new electric motor at the Trunkenbolz Oil station which will be used by the excellent manager, Mr. Chas. Schafer, in pumping the oil and gas from the tanks on the cars to the tanks at the station. Under the able management of Mr. Schafer this business has grown to large proportions and makes about all the work one truck and a man can well attend to. There has been some talk of the owner of the plant turning some assistance to the present manager, Mr. Schafer.

Crosses Country in Auto

Mrs. Judge Cornish, who has for some time been making her home in Boston, where the children are now in school, with the children drove from their home in the east to Lincoln, arriving about a week ago.

They spent some two weeks on the road and had a most pleasant trip. Mrs. Cornish was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday for a short time, being en route to Lincoln from Omaha, and having stopped at Meadow, where she took a swim in the lakes. While in Omaha she listed her Sary county farms for sale and also leased her residence in Lincoln, as she with the children will make their home in Boston for some six years, while the children are attending school.

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CASS CO. FARM BUREAU NOTES

Rosebud Clothing Club meets. The Rosebud Clothing Club east of Weeping Water held a meeting Wednesday August 1, at the home of Dorothy West. Ten members were present. This club is doing some very fine work under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Lee Brown. The girls took up the judging of the clotheless bag. The following received honorable mention: 1st place, Nora Rhodes; 2nd place, Clara Rhodes; 3rd place, Fred Brown; 4th place, Elthe Rhodes. This club has just finished the princess slip and will take up the kitchen apron at the next meeting. At the close of the meeting Mrs. West and Dorothy served dainty refreshments.

Young Ladies Sewing Club. The girls of East Rock Bluffs precinct held a very interesting meeting Tuesday July 31 at the Lewiston church, fourteen girls answering to roll call. After a brief business meeting the judging of the sewing bags and clotheless bags was taken up. A score card for judging was worked out and then the girls (who are not experienced in judging) with the assistance of the county home agent placed the bags. The following placings were made: Sewing bag 1st, Violet Carroll; 2nd, Freda Hill; 3rd, Ruthie Bell; 4th, Emma McNatt. Clotheless bag: 1st—Freda Hill; 2nd, Violet Carroll; 3rd, Ruthie Bell; 4th, Emma McNatt.

Weeping Water Clubs meet. The Jolly Farm Girls and the Priscilla clubs of Weeping Water held a very interesting meeting at the home of Doretta Koester Thursday August 2. Doretta Koester gave a very interesting demonstration on wool, telling how it was produced and discussing the manufacture of same. She also showed some very attractive samples of wool material. Creta Baker gave a splendid demonstration of the manufacture of silk. Both of the girls and their subjects were very well. Samples of care and service which the Jolly Farm Girls made were on exhibit and were judged with the following results: 1st, Doretta Koester; 2nd, Ruth Ranney; 3rd, Waunetta Fleming; 4th, Irene Mohr. All the Jolly Farm Girls wore their middy suits.

A style show was held at which time each girl displayed her middy and told the history and cost of same. The middies were certainly a credit to the girls and to their leader, Mrs. J. M. Ranney. Each girl brought her dress dress, with the set in and showed her own originality. The Priscilla club of which Miss Myrtle Olson is leader was also present at the meeting. These girls exhibited some beautiful Nellmara Embroidery towels also interesting underwear garments and clotheless bags.

The club is doing some very fine work in course II. The board pocket was demonstrated. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Koester and Miss Sophia served delicious refreshments. K. K. A. club held meeting. At the home of Charlotte and Marjory Joyce, Weeping Water, Who? K. K. A. club is doing some very fine work in course II. The board pocket was demonstrated. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Koester and Miss Sophia served delicious refreshments.

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WHEAT YIELD OVER THE STATE VERY DISAPPOINTING

Poorer Quality and Lighter Return Than Anticipated.—Corn Not Injured Any as Yet.

The Nebraska wheat crop yield is disappointing. The crop report for the Nebraska district of the Burlington railroad issued from the office of General Superintendent Lyman Wednesday places the average for this district at 13.7 bushels per acre. This same report indicates that in spite of a lack of rain over a large part of the eastern half of the state the corn crop is holding its own. This is the fertilization period for corn and is regarded as a critical time in the development of the crop. The report says that rain is needed on the Omaha, Lincoln and Wymore divisions, but that so far no damage has been done.

The estimate of the winter wheat yield on the Omaha division is eighteen bushels per acre; Lincoln, thirteen bushels; Wymore, thirteen bushels; McCook, eleven bushels.

Spring wheat was also injured by dry weather at a critical time and by black rust. Black rust is charged with causing disappointment as to quality and yield of the winter wheat crop in most instances, although in this immediate locality, the Hessian fly is blamed for the failure.

The oats crop over the state generally is excellent and barley is also good. During the last half of July there was considerably more rain on the McCook division than on the lines east of there. The soil on the McCook division is said to be in good condition, the rainfall there ranging from half an inch to four inches.

FRENCH CRIMINAL GIRLS' LOT HAR.

Confined in Castle Prison, Working Long Hours.

UNDER STRICTEST DISCIPLINE

Although child crimes in France are not so numerous as might be expected after four years of war when fathers had Germans to meet and keep in check while mothers often sought work in ammunition factories to help their men folk, thereby leaving children carefree and often in danger of making ill-famed connections, it has, nevertheless, been necessary in many cases to put youths and girls away in homes.

While the boys find shelter in reformatory schools, where they are usually maintained until they reach the age of twenty-one or until such time as their conduct might induce their guardians to let them out as "cured," girls are put away in a huge castle, formerly the property of royalty, at Clermont, 80 miles from Paris. Here some 250 girls, most of them victims of childish temptation, are secluded from the rest of the world by an immense wall 90 feet high through which there is but one small aperture in which is placed a solid iron gate. The only sign of exterior life which tells these hapless girls of the joys beyond the walls is the rippling laughter of smaller children, boys and girls, playing along the country road on the way to or returning from school.

Girls Work Long. Inside the walls and surrounded by a large park, across which the girls "prisoners" rarely roam, is the immense castle, today a prison in charge of a score of French nuns. There girls who could not withstand the temptation of a glittering coin or jewel work long and late for many weary months in an attempt to regain their freedom by good conduct and hard work.

Groups sit at a long table busily sewing dainty lace on fine underwear made for their older and more fortunate sisters outside. Others bend over a bag of potatoes or other vegetables, busily getting ready for meals. Others embroider fine garments. Others wash clothes or dishes. For every ten sewing girls there is one pair of scissors carefully put away out of their reach when work is finished, usually when daylight begins to fade outside.

Every day apart from other work they have to attend classes, where the etiquette of honorable living is crammed into their nervous and fearful systems. After school and other work the better-behaved girls are allowed a few minutes' recreation followed soon after by a hurried "dinner" consisting of soup and a fig.

Speech between any of the "inmates" of the "prison" is forbidden. There are scores of young and would-be happy girls in the home who have not uttered a word for nearly twenty months. They are resigned to their unhappy lot and move around the establishment merely counting the days when freedom of speech and action shall have been given back to them.

Three days a week they are given meat. That is their only luxury. They sleep in huge dormitories capable of containing twenty prisoners, each within a caselle apparatus wherein is a bed, a jug of water, a comb and brush. All through the long night the girls are watched over by a nun, while any attempt to mutiny is quickly repressed by the muscular arms of male attendants hurriedly summoned by the nuns. Twice a month they are given a douche of cold water. If well behaved they receive a certain number of good points at the end of the month, and a certain number of good marks often reduces their sentence by eighteen months or two years.

Hard Lot of Bad Girls. Girls so treated are considered "enraged." The "bad characters," usually made up of girls who have already passed through the home, been set at liberty and have returned there for some new charge, are kept away in small cells, heavily barred and locked. Rarely do these unfortunate youngsters, some of them not twenty years old, leave those cells for months at a time.

Although the ages of these inmates vary from sixteen to twenty-five, it is estimated that only about 65 per cent, when set free, become honest and lead a straight life. Some have been known to get married in the neighborhood and at times visit the establishment which harbored them during the best years of their youth because one day they had stolen a few francs.

When their prison term is over many of the girls place themselves at the disposal of the nuns who seek to find work for them. Others go drifting along through life and perhaps with the sad recollection of lost joys only fall deeper and deeper into crime.

WOLF SHOT IN TOWN

California Marshal Slays Animal, Thinking It a Mad Dog.

City Marshal Pinkham of Huntington Park, Calif., shot a wolf inside the city limits recently. He was called to a residence on South Albany street by a woman who said there was a mad dog under the grape arbor. He went to the spot and on approaching the animal it snapped several times. He shot it with a revolver and discovered after killing it that it was a large-sized wolf.

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HARDING FIGURE TO ATTRACT NOTICE AMONG THOUSANDS

President Striking Personage in Any Crowd—Loved to Have His Friends at White House.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Massive in frame and feature, a figure to attract a second look in any crowd—that was Warren G. Harding, the man.

Although slightly less than six feet in height, he carried his 210 pounds without any hint of obesity and his unusually broad and high forehead and heavy, square jaw rounded out an impression of force and distinction. Contrasting sharply with his almost silver-gray hair were markedly thick, black eyebrows which almost masked a pair of calm, gray eyes. In repose his face took on the aspect of severity so often seen in his photographs, but when he talked or listened the lines were broken by a smile that radiated cordiality.

White House Thrown Open. Mr. Harding was both a good conversationalist and a good listener and he loved to rub elbows with his fellow men. His first official order was that the gates to the White House be thrown open and at the start he received visitors at almost any hour of the day. This took up so much of his time, however, that the establishment of a fixed hour for this purpose was decided upon.

Each day after he had cleared his desk and was ready for lunch he received groups of visitors in the executive offices, shaking hands and exchanging a smile and a word with each individual. White House officers estimated that an average of 1,000 persons called upon him daily. He received also the more formal functions, such as the New Year receptions and the state and diplomatic dinners.

Very Fond of Children

Mr. Harding was very fond of children although he had none of his own and Easter egg rolling on the White House lawn was made an annual event. He and Mrs. Harding mingled freely with the little tots and appeared to find much enjoyment in watching them play.

In his rest hours Mr. Harding liked to have around him his personal friends and intimates, in whose company he could put aside the dignity and cares of state and with whom he could swap stories and reminiscences. He was not surprising then that, like Cleveland before him, he frequently slipped away from the White House in the evening to pay informal calls upon former associates in the senate and other close friends.

Golf was Mr. Harding's favorite recreation and whenever public affairs permitted he sought the links of a Washington country club. His friends of the senate frequently were his opponents and in such matches there always developed a keen though friendly rivalry.

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MAY TIE UP FIRE MARSHAL'S FUNDS

Use of Them to Help Pay Salary of Code Employes Doesn't Appeal to Insurance Companies

State Auditor Marsh has decided to pay split salary claims of Governor Bryan's code employes in accordance with an opinion from the attorney general, says the State Journal, but he has been informed that fire insurance companies propose to file an injunction suit to prevent the payment of \$80 a month to Deputy Secretary L. B. Frye of the department of labor out of funds derived from taxation for the support of the state fire marshal's office.

The fire marshal's office, under the code law, is under the department of trade and commerce, a department that also has insurance and banking business to look after. The governor has made the deputy secretary of labor fire marshal. Claims are on file with the auditor to pay the deputy secretary of labor \$250 a month. Of this sum, \$80 is a claim against the fire marshal's salary and wage fund and \$170 is to come from the wage fund of the department of labor. This plan was evolved for the purpose of providing sufficient salary for the secretary of the department of labor, the legislature having made no appropriation for the salaries of any of the secretaries of the six code departments.

The attorney general has decided that split salaries can be thus paid if the pay is in fair proportion to the work performed by the claimants for the two or more departments or bureaus. The code law provides that funds of one department shall not be used for another department. If labor is really performed in proportion to the pay the attorney general says this plan is legal.

The attorney general did not pass upon the right of the governor to use funds of the fire marshal for any other department. The marshal's fund being a special one created by law and derived from a tax upon insurance companies and under the original law cannot be used for any other purpose except for support of the fire marshal's office.

C. E. Hartford, recently displaced as state fire marshal by the governor has conferred with Auditor Marsh and is said to be representing the fire insurance companies who propose to file suit to prevent fire marshal's funds from being paid in the form of salary to the head of the labor department. The auditor has been informed that Secretary Frye of the labor department who is now chief of the fire marshal's office, has not devoted three hours in all to the fire marshal's work since he was appointed and that his whole time is occupied in hearing and deciding cases under the workmen's compensation law.

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