

# Murray Department

Prepared in the Interest of the People of Murray and Surrounding Vicinity Especially for the Journal Readers

If any of the readers of the Journal know of any social event or item of interest, its locality, and will mail same to this office, it will appear under this heading. We want all news items—Ebbro

## U.B. Thrift, says



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You can smile and rest assured of the future if you will only acquire the habit of being thrifty.

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## Murray State Bank

Murray, Nebraska

SLOGAN—

There is No Substitute for Safety

Walker Gilmore will be at home for the mid-winter vacation coming on December 20th for a two weeks' vacation.

Henry C. Long who has been feeling quite badly for some time past is reported as being much improved of late.

Mrs. Robert Burr has been rather sick at her home for the past week with a severe attack of the grip but is some better at this time.

Robert Shrader has been assisting in the blacksmith shop of Mike Rys, he driving the shoes for the horses which were fitted by Mr. Rys.

A. A. Young was looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth last Wednesday, driving over to the county seat in his car.

John Farris and G. M. Minford were shippers of a carload of mixed stock which went to the South Omaha stock yards the first of the week.

W. L. Seydolt and Charles Mutz shipped a carload of mixed stock to the South Omaha market last Monday and which were on the market Thursday.

Geo. Ray was shelling and delivering corn to the Pitman elevator during the early days of this week and found the roads very rough and the weather very cold.

C. W. Clark was a business visitor in Murray last Tuesday afternoon and in order to get home had to go to Plattsmouth to catch the midnight train for Union.

Thomas Woods was a visitor last Wednesday at Omaha where he went to look after some business matters for the day, he making the trip via the Missouri Pacific train.

Frank Dill took a truck load of hogs to the South Omaha market on last Tuesday and found the market not the best and the weather and the roads about the worst.

David Murray and Ivan Balfour who have been serving on the jury in the district court at Plattsmouth were excused last Wednesday and returned home Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Will Macey and the children who have been making their home in the northern portion of the state, arrived in Murray and are visiting

at the home of Ernest Richter for the present.

Dr. G. L. Taylor was looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth last Tuesday afternoon, driving over to the county seat and reports the roads far from being smooth.

Wm. Minford and wife were visiting last Sunday and Sunday night at Omaha at the home of the parents of Mrs. Minford, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Coble, and returned home last Monday morning.

Mrs. Ray Frans of Union was a visitor in Murray last Saturday and on Saturday evening coming to assist in the work incident to the bazaar which was put on by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

Rudolph and Ernest Shumaker were passengers to Plattsmouth last Tuesday afternoon, called there by the death of the father of the wife of Mrs. W. S. Shumaker, who died last Tuesday morning.

Robert Troop brought a carload of hogs into Murray for shipping and the prices having broken very severely he took the hogs back to the farm to await until the market showed better conditions.

Robert Shrader was a visitor in Plattsmouth last Saturday, called there by the illness of his father, Uncle George W. Shrader who has been pretty sick at the home of his other son, H. H. Shrader.

Frank Mrasek was a visitor in Omaha last Monday and had a load of hogs for Joe Green which found a very low mark but as they were there and he did not care to bring them back they were sold.

A blessing came last week when Little girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Owens who are making their home on the Frank Schaefer place. The parents are both happy over the event and all are doing nicely.

Leon Gansemer has established himself in business in Murray, he being equipped himself for shoe shining and is located on the Churchill barber shop in the building which was formerly occupied by Kemper Frans.

The Farmers elevator company were loading out three cars of grain last Tuesday, two of them being wheat which had been purchased last summer and the other was corn which is being received at this time pretty freely as the roads will permit.

Grandma Hendricks has been very sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Carroll and has required the care of the daughter a good deal of the time and as Mrs. Carroll has not been feeling the best it has also taxed her much with the extra work.

Little Maxine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanni, who has been so severely ill with an attack of pneumonia, is reported at this time as being considerably better and is making good progress now. Maxine was a very sick little girl for a number of days but nice condition.

Miss Bertha Nickels returned from Creighton last Saturday evening where she has been to attend the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Frank Albin, who died there last Tuesday. Miss Bertha tells of much snow in the north but the weather otherwise is very mild.

Uncle D. J. Pitman has been feeling rather poorly for several days past and the elevator has been looked after by Messrs. O. A. Davis and James E. Hatchett, while Mr. Pitman has not been able to be at the office. It is hoped that he will soon be able to be down again and looking after the business.

Grandmother Ploeger who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Julius Engelmeier, is reported as being quite ill and has been for some time. Everything is being done by the daughter for the comfort and care of the mother and it is hoped by her many friends that Grandmother will soon be much better.

C. D. Austin and wife of Union are rejoicing over the arrival at their home early Thursday morning of a very fine son, who with the mother, is doing very nicely. The proud father and the grandfathers are all doing as well as one could expect if the weather keeps good they are expected to put through.

Will Creamer who has been in the west for some time, drove home last week with his car and notwithstanding the roads was far from what it should have been for making good time, he was able to cover the distance from Overton in two days, but was very glad when the trip was over and he was home a Murray.

J. T. Reynolds of near Union who underwent an operation at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha is doing very nicely at this time but will be compelled in a short time to undergo a second operation for complete relief from the malady which has afflicted him. Mr. Reynolds has many friends over the county as well as Otter county who will be pleased to hear of his improvement and recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. David Churchill of Twin Falls, Idaho, who have been visiting here for a number of years and where they are engaged in farming and who far the past week have been visiting at the home of relatives in Murray, departed last Saturday for Plattsmouth where they will visit for some time with relatives there. Mrs. Churchill is sister of Mrs. W. S. Smith and Mr. Churchill a brother of M. G. Churchill of Murray.

Herman Wohlfarth was a visitor last Monday at Nebraska City taking with him a truck load of hogs and remarks how much better the roads were after having struck the Otter county highway where the roads were graveled and not as bad as they were on this side where there

is no gravel. It is not to be wondered that there is a difference in the business as where there are good roads the people go and if we want business we must build roads so the people can come our way.

**United Presbyterian Notes**  
W. F. Graham, Pastor  
Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m.  
Inter-mediate at 7:00 p. m.  
Teaching services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.  
On Sabbath the 28th of December, we will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Our new elders will be ordained and installed at this service.

We wish to thank Mr. Alex Story for the handsome new hymn board and the communion cup holders he donated.

**Bazaar Saturday a Success**  
The bazaar which the ladies of the Presbyterian church put on last Saturday evening was a success and notwithstanding the very bad roads they had a crowd which insured success and who enjoyed the occasion very much. The ladies netted something over \$140 and while they worked hard for their success and to combat adverse circumstances they did nicely and are to be congratulated.

**Nicely Decorated Room**  
The store room of H. M. Soennichsen & Co., which has been worked on by the deft artists E. S. Tutt and Thomas Woods, between times when they are in the city, has grown into a very very inviting place with a very Christmas appearance and spirit. The room is a very attractive one with the decorations and excellent display of goods as they are arranged and worth going a distance to see.

**Will Sing Christmas Carols**  
Those having the matter in charge will sing Christmas carols in the streets the coming week in the evening both Monday and Tuesday and would appreciate the assistance of all who can sing.

**Teacher Has Scarlet Fever**  
Miss Hiltion, one of the teachers of the school at Murray was stricken last week with scarlet fever and has been kept to her room at the hotel on account thereof. Mrs. G. L. Taylor has been looking after the school work during the time since Miss Hiltion has been kept away from the school.

**Were to Attend Funeral**  
Messrs. Geo. E. Nickels and brother Charles were called to Creighton last week by the death of their sister, Mrs. Frank Albin who has been quite sick for some time and who passed away at her home near that place last Tuesday after having been sick for some time. It was not thought that she was dangerous as the physician had given her hope that she would rally. The funeral was published elsewhere will give a full account.

**BIBLE SCHOOL LESSON**  
Sunday, December 21st  
By M. S. Briggs

**Zacchaeus of Jericho.**  
Golden Text: "The Son of man came to save that which was lost."— Luke, 19:10.

Today's lesson happened at Jericho as the Master and His disciples were passing thru the last journey to Jerusalem but a short time before the crucifixion. Let us inquire about Jericho. This was a city of great antiquity, situated 19 miles east and a short distance north of Jerusalem, and but a few miles west of one of the fords of the Jordan river. It was a walled city and had a king fifteen hundred years before this lesson. The children of Israel, when coming from Egypt, had spent forty years in the wilderness and were encamped on the east side of the Jordan. This was just following the death of Moses, on Mt. Nebo. Joshua had been given command. He sent two spies over the river to spy out the land. They, and their mission, had been discovered, and the king, hearing they had been at Rachab's house, sent there after them, and she feigned they had gone and secreted them until night when she let them down from a window in the city's wall, and thus made their escape from the city. For this, later when the city was sacked, she and her home were saved while the city was destroyed and a curse was pronounced by God on whose shoulders should rebuild it. However, nearly 500 years afterwards Hiel of Bethel, rebuilt the city and laid the foundation in the death of his eldest son, Abiram, and set up the gates thereof in the death of his youngest son, Segub. This was the story that our lesson of today is laid.

Jericho became a city of much importance, for on the road from the east a good ford, or crossing place, of the Jordan existed. The road led up from the Valley and passed thru Jericho and on to Egypt. Over this route in those days there was much traffic, and this country, then in the hands of the Romans, was crossed with their goods and caravans only by the payment of tribute. Those who had charge of collecting

this tribute also collected the taxes of the land, which was sent to Rome.

The Roman senate devised a plan whereby the "farmer out" the collecting of these taxes to some high Roman, who paid a certain sum, getting his return when he collected the taxes. This man in turn hired others who looked after the collections at the various places. Those entrusted with this collection were allowed to add some for their pay, which they certainly did. The Roman rule with the Jews was a odious proposition in any case and more especially when they were robbed by these collectors. Therefore, every Jew hated the publican, or tax gatherer. In some cases Jews became tax gatherers and being shrewd became most successful in their profession. Such an officer was Zacchaeus, he was a man of small stature, but had a very shrewd mind, also he was very rich.

When Jesus, the Great Prophet, as they viewed Him, was passing thru the town, everybody was excited and, like at present when a man passes thru our town, they all wished to see Him. Trust the town boys to get the vantage points, they know just where to go to be able to see. Zacchaeus fell in with them, went on ahead of the way Jesus and his disciples were going and climbed into a tree for crows throned about Jesus. Just before Jesus had entered Jericho, He had opened the eyes of blind Bartimus, which had caused great excitement.

As Jesus and the disciples came along the Master stopped and said unto Zacchaeus, "Zacchaeus come down for today I must abide at thy house," that is, be his guest. Zacchaeus made haste and received the Master joyfully. Now the Jews, having said he had a bad name, as a tax collector said the Rabbi, the Prophet, Jesus had gone to be a guest of a man who was a sinner, for all tax gatherers were sinners, especially if they had grown rich in the business, in the eyes of the Jews, for they figured that what he had gained they had lost, and in many cases it was so. Therefore, the Jews objected to anyone going to be a guest of such a man, however, Zacchaeus said, "One-half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have wrongfully taken anything more than the tax from anyone, I will restore it four fold." The Master said, "This day salvation came to this house, for as much as he is also a son of Abraham."

"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Christ came, not into the world to condemn the world, but that the world, thru Him, might be saved and He came, not to call the righteous, but the sinners, unto repentance.

While the people wondered, Christ spake a parable unto them, the parable of the pounds.

It is substantially as follows: A nobleman had received word that he had inherited a kingdom, which he had to go a long way to receive. When he was ready to depart he gave into the charge of his servants his property. To one he gave 10 pounds, to another 5 pounds and to another he gave only one pound. He instructed them to use this in the best way possible while he was gone. The men with the money looked about for something to do. The man with the ten pounds made a good selection and by careful investments he found he had 20 pounds when the landlord returned. The man with the 5 pounds had also gained another 5, making him 10. Now in the kingdom the nobleman had been he needed some governors, so he gave the first man charge over 10 cities and the one who had gained 5 pounds, he gave 5 cities. Now he comes to the man to whom he had given one pound, who probably was unable to handle it, if that was so, his guess was right, for he was either lazy and would not work or afraid and lacking in confidence in himself for he layed down on his job. He dug a hole in the ground and buried his one pound. He came and confessed what he had done. The money was taken away and given to one who could handle it and he was cast into outer darkness, for he was of no use. This day and age needs men who will do and dare, for one must try, must work, have faith and make an effort.

**OBITUARY OF MRS. GILMOUR**  
From Monday's Daily—  
Lucy Ellen Towner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Abraham Towner, was born January 4, 1849, in Bates county, Missouri, and died at Sioux City, Iowa, on December 11, 1924, while visiting at the home of her husband, Mrs. Jack Butler. At the age of six years, the deceased was brought to Rock Bluffs, Nebraska territory, by her parents and has spent practically all of her life in this country and in the same locality in which the family first settled. Her father was the first county judge of Cass county, after its organization in the territorial days. On October 2, 1867, the subject of this sketch was united in marriage to William Gilmour at the old home near Rock Bluffs. Tho this union there were born eleven children, five being left to mourn her death, James Gilmour of Ulisses, Nebraska, S. T. Gilmour, Plattsmouth, William Gilmour, Jr., of Cascade, Idaho, Mrs. B. W. Livingston, Plattsmouth and Mrs. Jack Butler of Sioux City, Iowa. The aged husband, now in his eighty-sixth year, also survives the passing of the wife. There are two sisters surviving, Mrs. Joel Tishue of Seward and Mrs. C. J. Cutler of Modale, Iowa, as well as twelve grandchildren and eight great grand children.

There were present to attend the funeral services at the home Sunday the following members of the family from out of the city: James Gilmour and wife, Ulisses; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler of Sioux City; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Grant, Omaha; Mrs. Susan Cutler of Modale, Iowa; Mrs. Anna Beecher of Woodbine, Iowa, and Hugh Cutler of Omaha.

When baby suffers with eczema or some itching skin trouble, use Doan's Ointment. A little of it goes a long way and it is safe for children. 60c a box at all stores.

# Public Sale!

The undersigned will offer for sale at Public Auction on the George Snyder farm, a mile and a quarter west and a quarter mile north of Mynard, commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. on—

Friday, December 26th  
the following described property

- 25 head of Horses and Mules
- 3 extra good Saddle Horses
- 1 gray Mammoth Jack
- A few Cattle; A few Hogs
- 2 sets of Harness
- A bunch of Horse Collars
- A quantity of Farm Implements
- Numerous Other Articles.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums under \$10, cash. On sums over \$10 a credit of six months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note bearing eight per cent interest from date. Property must be settled for before being taken from the premises.

**ANDY SNYDER, Owner**

Col. W. R. YOUNG, Auctioneer H. A. SCHNEIDER, Clerk

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You can do this by getting something which will serve you in good stead, and which you need. An electric washer would make a fine present. Come in and see it operate. We have also the double power washer, in the Dexter, one of the very best makes on the market.

Another useful gift—the up-to-date Quick Meal kitchen range—and there are none better. Come take a look at it and see how much it will save the housewife in her daily work.

## Puls & Mrasek Murray, Nebraska

## Worthwhile Christmas Gifts SEE OUR LARGE STOCK

We have a lot of new goods which will make worthwhile presents for Christmas. And for the festive dinner we have everything needed for the preparation of a meal truly "fit for a king." Also candies, nuts, cigars by the box, mittens, gloves, hats, caps and shoes which you will need anyway and you can make your dollar do double duty by giving useful gifts like these. Come and look over what we have for you for the occasion.

## Murray Mercantile Co.

MURRAY -- -- -- NEBRASKA

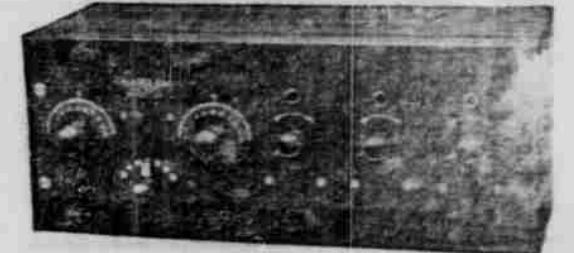
## Harness Oiling and Repairing

Having added a harness repair department at our store, we are ready to repair your harness quickly, strongly and economically. We are also equipped to oil your harness. Bring them in now, before you need them.

## Murray Hardware & Implement Co.

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## Yours for Service!



Radios the worth while kind; best service and best lines. I am here to serve you the best. See me for what you want.

## CURLEY REEVES

MURRAY -- -- -- NEBRASKA

## Christmas Shoppers

Here are real suggestions of appropriate gifts for every member of the family.

### Gifts for the Tiny Ones

- All wool booties, 43c. Sweater sets, \$1.98.
- Baby blankets. Wool caps, 48c to \$1.25.
- Wool hose, 50c. Comb. brush sets, 98c.
- Celluloid rattles, 10c to 50c.

### Handkerchiefs

Economical, yet always appreciated.

- Ladies' pure linen in boxes, orange, green and blue, box.....79c
- Ladies' Linweave in boxes, pink, green and blue, box.....59c
- Men's handkerchiefs in boxes, plaid border, fast color, box.....98c
- Men's pure white handkerchiefs in boxes, box.....75c

### Belts

Here's a gift that will suit the man or boy.

- Men's cow hide belts, tan or black, nickle plated buckles...50 and 75c
- Men's belts in boxes, nickle buckle with belt chain.....\$1.35
- Boys' belts, just like the big ones, nickle plated buckle...25 and 50c

### Hosiery

- Ladies' pure silk hose, list top, cinnamon and airdale.....\$1.39
- Ladies' pure and artificial silk, full fashioned, list top and foot. Color black. Per pair.....\$1.50
- Men's pure silk hose in brown and black.....75c
- Men's fibre silk hose in brown and black.....50c

### Mufflers

- Brush wool mufflers in tan and heather and brown and heather.....95c, \$2.19 and \$5.45

### Gifts that Men and Boys Appreciate

- Men's dress shirts.....\$1.45, \$2.25 and \$2.45 (Attached or detached collars.)
- Boys' dress shirts with attached collars.....85c to \$1.00
- Men's supporters with cuff buttons to match.....60c
- Men's arm bands in all colors in individual boxes.....25c
- Men's and Boys' ties.....50c and 75c

### TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

If there is anything in the market in the way of Toys, you will find them here at prices below the city stores.

### STATIONERY

As usual, we have in stock for our customers the finest line to be bought. White and colors, new edge designs.

### Candies and Nuts

Our line this year is truly wonderful in quality and price. Fresh Fruits and Vegetables a plenty for your Christmas dinner will be here for you.

We will close at 10 O'Clock on Christmas Day

## The H. M. Soennichsen Co.

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Murray, Nebraska