

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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Mr. and Mrs. Milo Buskirk are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Sunday morning.

Wm. Schewe and Emil Kuehn were looking after some business matters in Lincoln one day last week.

Misses Minnie and Elsie Diechman who are attending school at Lincoln were home for the week end.

Miss Anna Schormeier from Farmhamville, Iowa, is visiting at the Henry Bornemann home this week. S. P. Lein has been assisting in the construction of the barn which is being built at the home of Paul Schewe.

Miss Elsa and Mary Bornemann were shopping and visiting with friends in Lincoln Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

William Bourke had a car load of hogs on the Omaha market on Wednesday which he shipped from Murdock station.

O. J. Posthast and family were spending last Sunday with friends in Lincoln, driving over in their car for the occasion.

Harold W. Tool was a visitor in Lincoln last Sunday where he was practicing with the Shriener band and orchestra.

Mrs. Rev. Walters of Arlington, Neb., has been visiting with relatives here, being a guest at the Henry Gakemeier residence.

Mathew Thimman and son have been making some extensive repairs on the barn at the home of Emil Miller north of Murdock.

A. H. Ward has been erecting an addition to his garage which will afford him more room for the car and an opportunity to work on it.

O. C. Zink was a visitor in Elmwood on last Wednesday where he was looking after some business matters at the city of shade trees.

Frank Melvin has been constructing a double crib at the home of Fred Buell, when the wind does not blow so hard he cannot work.

The impression received from the bankers visiting here were of the very best and well advertised the rustling little city which Murdock is.

C. M. Jordan of near Alvo was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday looking after some business matters and also visiting with friends as well.

W. E. Goings of Plattsmouth, representing Fred Lusch, tailor and cleaner, was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday looking after business for his firm.

Jesse Landholm was looking after some business matters in Omaha last Thursday, going for a new car which is to be delivered to Mrs. Ed Hempke, and is an Oldsmobile sport roadster.

The Murdock orchestra furnished music for a Bankers Convention which was held at Murdock last week and the kind of an article which they presented was one well appreciated by the visitors.

Mr. Herman Thiemann was a passenger to Omaha today, going up to see Mrs. Thiemann, who is in a hospital there. Mrs. Thiemann is reported as improving nicely and expects to be home again soon.

Chris Kupke has been suffering from an attack of the flu and was not able to be out from the house for a number of days. However, he is getting along as well as could be looked for now.

O. E. McDonald and the family were visiting in Plattsmouth last Saturday where they were guests at the home of relatives, and also where Miss Margaret was taking a teachers examination at the court house.

Uncle William Heiers, who has been having a round with something like the grip, which nearly, but not quite, put this gentleman out of the running for a short time. He is getting along and will wear the malady out in a short time.

Sure Dad Mooney is feeling pretty well thank you, as the stork brought a very fine granddaughter to the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hess, at Flagler, Colo., a few days since. All concerned are doing nicely, and all are happy.

R. A. Kuehn of Big Springs, has been visiting in Murdock for the past few days with relatives, being a brother to Emil Kuehn, and Messrs. Frank Rosenow and E. W. Thimman. Mr. Kuehn is farming in the western portion of the state.

E. K. Norton, who has been working in Des Moines for the past few months, was a visitor at home for over last Saturday and Sunday, and returned to his work for the Western Telegraph company at the Iowa capitol city last Sunday evening.

"Bud" and "Dick" were attending a very pleasant dance which was given at Ashland one evening last week and to the work for the Western march which came the first number on account of their having to go over near Cedar Creek for their lady friends. However, all enjoyed the ride and the dance as well.

A party of young people, consisting of Henry Zink, Mary Catherine and Edwin McHugh, and father and Jerry Jr., were over on the Platte river last Sunday, where they had more fun and enjoyed the day better than they had luck in fishing, for they scarcely had a wheelbarrow load of fish from all their efforts.

Simon Schleuter Quite Ill. Uncle Simon Schleuter has been very sick at his home in Murdock some time on account of an attack something like a stroke of paralysis which came a few days since. Mr. Schleuter is only semi-conscious and is receiving all medical care and the best nursing possible. His many friends are hoping that he may soon be able to be up and around again.

Building Business Fair. Business at the Murdock Lumber yard is not the best, as the three are now building, in the neighborhood of Murdock, one barn, at the home of Paul Schewe, one crib at the home of Fred Buell, the repairing and enlarging of the Callihan church just out of town, and Ed Melvin's residence in Murdock the coming week and one on the place that was formerly owned by Mrs. Melvin and which was burned. These makes the business not so bad, but could be still better. Mr. Tool has been having some lumber unloaded at the yard during the past week.

Association Will Meet. There will be a meeting of the members of the Wabash cemetery association at Wabash on May 5th, Sunday, and as the weather is expected to be very hot, it is hoped that the burying ground, which are used by both the people of Wabash, Murdock and surrounding vicinity.

Bankers Hold Convention. The Arbor day meeting of the Cass County Bankers Association, which was held at Murdock last Wednesday was a success in every feature of the gathering. Preparations had been made by the ladies of the Royal Neighbors, to care for the visitors and the dinner was held at the school building, which was an elaborate course dinner with plates laid for one hundred guests. The tables had been decorated most beautifully, and all nature paid tribute for the supplying of the table for the visitors. A most worth while program was given and all benefited as far as business was concerned as well as the development

of the social side of the meeting. On the program was Mr. Victor B Smith of the Omaha National Bank, who gave a most comprehensive address on Nineteen Twenty Five, and what it has in store for the conservative entergetic business man and agriculturist, who was willing to put forth an effort in the extension service of the state agricultural college, and what they were doing. D. C. West of Nehawka, made a telling address on the country clearness, and as he has been in the banking business for some time was able to bring to the minds of all bankers the fine points which he discussed.

The gathering was welcomed to Murdock by Mr. H. R. Neitzel in a most eloquent address, handing the key of the city to the visitors, and telling them of the good things which Murdock has done during the past year and what they are expecting to do in the years to come. Mr. Thomas Murty of Weeping Water responded to the address of welcome in a most pleasing manner thanking the people of Murdock for their hospitality and good feeling toward the other portions of the county. Henry S. Guthman was toastmaster. Mr. Neitzel in a most eloquent address, handing the key of the city to the visitors, and telling them of the good things which Murdock has done during the past year and what they are expecting to do in the years to come. Mr. Thomas Murty of Weeping Water responded to the address of welcome in a most pleasing manner thanking the people of Murdock for their hospitality and good feeling toward the other portions of the county. Henry S. Guthman was toastmaster. Mr. Neitzel in a most eloquent address, handing the key of the city to the visitors, and telling them of the good things which Murdock has done during the past year and what they are expecting to do in the years to come.

The ladies of the Royal Neighbors are to be given much credit for the magnificent dinner which they served, and when it comes to doing things as they are to be done, and in the right way the ladies of Murdock, whether it be the Royal Neighbors or any other organization, are always there with the service.

L. Neitzel Welcomes Bankers. Mr. chairman, ladies members of Cass Co. Bankers association. It is indeed a pleasure to me, to extend to you the "welcome" of Murdock. I have never addressed such a distinguished body of men before. You, before all men, are the most trusted. Nobody would entrust me with the sums of money, and the secrets, that are placed in your keeping—and they are not often misplaced. You are the ones that are looked up to as leaders in the community in which you live; who aid every progressive movement; who are always willing to aid us in our property deals and transfers; who must help us in our financial troubles, and who are more than willing to take care of our cash, if we have any.

"Well! We are glad you are here, and welcome you to one of the finest and cleanest towns in Cass county. We may not be as progressive as some, but we are young, we can learn and grow."

"We are proud of our churches which minister to the spiritual wants of our people. We have an up to date school where our youth is molded into good citizens. We have two No. 1 banks, who in strength, efficiency, accommodations and service, compare well with the best in the country."

"We welcome you to our town and our homes, where you will find a great wholehearted welcome, from a live, happy and prosperous people. We hope you will enjoy your visit, and carry away with you, in your memory, the though that you have cherish your friendship. The town is yours while you are here."

"Again I bid you welcome."

Home From the South. Henry A. Guthman and wife, who have been sojourning in the south for the past three weeks returned about a week since and were well received by the home folks again, and while they liked the south and especially the climate there they thought they would as soon live in Murdock as anywhere, and are satisfied to remain here. They were visiting in Omaha last Thursday where Mr. Guthman was called on some business matters. They also visited with the folks in Plattsmouth last Sunday, where they enjoyed the visit very much.

Has Sixty Acres of Corn Up. Warren Richards of Wabash, who is a rustler when it comes to getting things done, seeing the good weather, and not wishing it to go to waste, planted his corn some time since and now has sixty acres of the cereal up and with warm weather will be ready for the plow in a short time. Richards said the weather and conditions of the ground was so inviting that he accepted the challenge and planted the corn. He says he knows that nature will do her part and that there will be a good crop of corn.

Evangelical Church Services. Services at Louisville church at 9:30 a. m. Bible school at both Louisville and Murdock churches at 10 a. m. Services in English, 11 to 11:30, and services in German, 11:30 to 12, at Murdock church. Young Peoples' meeting at 7 p. m. and evening preaching services at 7:30.

ELEVATORS BURN CAUSING A LOSS OF THREE MILLION. Chicago, April 23.—Two large grain elevators located near the downtown business section are on fire and threatened with total destruction. All available fire fighting apparatus has been rushed to the scene. The elevators, which are situated to be full of grain, stand at the intersection of Halstead and Twenty-second streets. Much adjacent property is threatened by the flames.

A large number of families living near the elevators were forced by the force of the flames to vacate their homes.

The property loss, which is believed late tonight would be confined to the two elevators, will aggregate \$3,000,000.

The fire was spectacular, lighting up a great portion of the city and attracting several thousand people to the scene.

But Interior Department Has Difficulty in Locating the Beneficiaries.

Washington, April 24.—Confronted with the problem of awarding pensions to Indians who cannot remember their names, the interior department has begun a systematic effort to learn who's who on the Pueblo Bonito reservation in American territory west of the Rocky mountains. Fred Indians, most of them Navajos, who, as United States scouts in the Apache campaign in 1885, helped General Miles chase Geronimo.

Word from the superintendent that pensions would be paid to those brought wrinkled old men between the ages of sixty-three and eighty from the distant corners of the reservation. They were veterans of the United States scouts but few had proof of it and could not remember the names of their benefactors. None could recall the dates and most of them had destroyed their enlistment papers.

Four pensions already have been awarded, the back pay in some cases amounting to as much as \$1,300.

AGAIN BOWS TO PEASANT. Moscow, April 22.—The soviet government today made a further concession to the peasantry by agreeing to allow them to employ salaried laborers on their farms.

The new labor regulations governing nationalization of land and redistribution of property forbade peasants to engage such labor because of the government's belief that this might lead to the accumulation of large areas of land in the hands of a few peasants. The present soviet land law specifies that no one shall possess more ground than he is able to work himself.

Attempts have been made to apply to villages the same labor regulations as govern the industrial worker in the city. But it was found that this was incapable of enforcement and caused much dissatisfaction among the peasantry, who insisted on employing farm hands at their own terms.

The new labor regulations give the peasant the right to extend the work day beyond the statutory eight hours, to conclude agreements with their workmen for twelve month periods and to pay them either in cash or goods.

LIQUOR LAW IS UNDER A TEST. Justices of Peace and County Judges Cannot Punish First Offenders Until Second Day of July.

Assistant Attorney General Bayse has given an opinion to County Attorney W. C. Jones of Lincoln county holding that on and after July 2, justices of the peace and county courts will have jurisdiction to try persons charged with a first offense for violating H. R. 177, known as the one-peat law. Until that date the court in such cases will exercise only the powers of an examining magistrate.

The law referred to anyone transporting liquor for sale or to give away shall for the first offense be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined \$100 and be imprisoned in the county jail not less than sixty days, nor more than ninety days.

"It is our opinion that inasmuch as the constitution provides that the jurisdiction of a magistrate must be defined by law, that a magistrate, justice of the peace or county court does not have jurisdiction to try a person charged with the first offense of violating House Roll No. 177, but that the jurisdiction of such magistrates is restricted to that of an examining magistrate."

He further says that the last legislature passed S. F. 9, which will become effective July 2, and that

the "green apple stage"—when characteristics are formed soon to ripen into a personality of maturity, and the capacity to assume a proper citizenship and a position of usefulness in the economic structure of society. Are we giving our boys all the opportunities to which they are entitled; are we developing their character, their intelligence, their physique and safeguarding their environment to a hundred-fold multiplied modern thought, modern methods and modern facilities?

To the glory of our time it can be said that our boys come to an age far different than has been the privilege of boys of other days. Their nature in the raw may not have changed, but what a different world is theirs in which to work and live and play! A broader conception of education confronts them; the environment and resourcefulness of a marvelous period surround them, opportunities a hundred-fold multiplied have opened to them. All that remains is to give them the right equipment, the "glad hand" and the proper impulse and we shall have a wonderful human product of a wonderful age.

If it be true that as the twig is bent so will the tree incline, it is also true that as our boys are trained and developed so will our nation be—so will be the world. It is opportune, therefore, that during this week we should give special attention to the "Back-to-School" campaign, which carries with it the challenge as to whether we are doing our fullest in backing our educational institutions; whether we are leading the way in the development of our educational facilities and safeguarding the quality and the temperament of the teaching staff. Only by interesting ourselves in our educational agencies can we feel assured that boyhood will be given the best chance for development in order that sturdy bodies, fertile minds and moral worth may be created. Thus and thus only do these agencies become an institution for the promotion of progress and the establishment of international good will.

Branded Charge as False. The accused senator, appearing on the floor of the senate, the next day, branded the indictment as a frameup on the part of the department of justice because of his activities as a prosecutor for the Daugherty senate investigating committee.

His colleague, Senator Thomas J. Walsh, who defended him here, asked the senate to investigate the case. A committee probed the circumstances surrounding his indictment, and Mr. Wheeler was "wholly exonerated" in the committee report.

"The verdict is exactly what I expected," said Mr. Wheeler tonight. "There could have been no other. The verdict is not only a vindication of me but also of the senate committee, of which Senator Borah was chairman and of the great majority of my senate colleagues who voted for the Borah report, which found me innocent of these charges, and against the department of justice."

"I received the verdict of not guilty at the same moment I received a telegram announcing the birth of a baby daughter at my home in Washington. During the trial I had grown anxious concerning Mrs. Wheeler than I did over the proceedings in this case."

Hayes Daugherty's Friend. "As for this man Hayes (star witness for the government), I have just been informed that he is a friend of Harry M. Daugherty. Nothing more need be said in that connection. Finally, I want to say no man ever had an abler defender than I did in Senator Walsh. I can never repay him for what he has done for me and what I say about the senator applies to my other counsel."

Mr. Walsh declared he regarded the case as an offshoot of the Teapot Dome investigation which he started nearly two years ago, and said he had felt it his duty to appear as counsel for his accused colleague.

John L. Slattery, United States district attorney, who prosecuted Senator Wheeler said:

"It was just a case for me. I am the district attorney and had no choice other than to prosecute. There is no ill feeling."

Exactly two hours and thirteen minutes elapsed between the time the jury retired to deliberate and the verdict was returned. Out of this time the jury took one hour to dine.

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Charles Gardner was chairman of the meeting.

ANNOUNCE CONSOLIDATION OF TWO RAILROAD LINES. Huntington, W. Va., April 22.—Garrett B. Wall, vice president of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway, in a statement to the Herald-Dispatch here tonight, announced that the road would exercise an option to purchase the Shelby Valley and Elk-horn railroad. The consideration was not made public. Mr. Wall said the Chesapeake & Ohio would consolidate the Shelby line with its Big Sandy division in the coal fields of eastern Kentucky.

VIATGRAPH FILM CONCERN CHANGES HANDS BY SALE. New York, April 22.—Warner Brothers, Inc., independent motion picture producers of New York and Los Angeles, today announced the purchase of the Viatgraph Company of America, the oldest motion picture producing company in the United States. The deal makes Warner Brothers one of the largest international distributors in the country.

Charles McGuire departed this morning for Omaha and from there goes to Auburn for a visit there for a few days with relatives and friends in that city.

All the home news delivered to your door for 15c a week.

SENATOR WHEELER IS ACQUITTED IN MONTANA TRIAL

Daugherty's Nemesis Triumphs in Case After Only One Ballot Taken By the Jury.

Great Falls, Mont., April 24.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler was acquitted a charge of unlawfully using his influence as a senator before the department of the interior by a jury in federal court here tonight.

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MASSACHUSETTS IS SHAKEN BY QUAKE

Boston, April 24.—Southeastern Massachusetts, including Cape Cod, the islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, was shaken early today by a slight earthquake.

The tremors lasting from 19 to 30 seconds, were felt as far north as Boston and as far west as Worcester.

In the vicinity of New Bedford along the coast of Buzzard bay, the tremors were reported to have been accompanied by a rumbling sound as of thunder or a quarry blast. Dishes and window panes rattled. Many persons were awakened.

It was the third shock to jar Massachusetts since early in January.

ENGINEERS GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS ON WATERWAY PROBE.

United States and British Governments Approve Plans to Investigate Schemes on St. Lawrence.

Washington, April 22.—Instructions to the joint board of engineers of the United States and Canada governments, which is to investigate schemes for the improvement of the St. Lawrence waterway, were made public today by the state department, together with correspondence on the subject which has passed between the department and the British embassy.

The instructions have been approved by both governments concerned. Ambassador Howard, however, submitted on behalf of Canada an additional "understanding," that was accepted by Secretary Kellogg, who pointed out, however, that in the opinion of this government the investigation of the engineers would be more satisfactory if it were not restricted to diversions authorized by federal authorities.

Among the factors to be investigated by the engineers in their investigation and discussed in their report are the following:

The estimated respective costs for improving the river for navigation alone and for power alone.

To what extent may water levels in the St. Lawrence river and Great Lakes be affected by the proposed waterway project; to what extent they now are affected by authorized diversions and by what measures they would be restored.

Readjustments of the location of the international boundary that might be necessary or desirable to place power structures of either country within its borders, as recommended by the international joint commission.

For what draft vessels provision should be made.

NEBRASKA RANKS HIGH IN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.

Describing the work of the extension service of the university of Nebraska College of Agriculture, W. H. Brokaw, director, told the Omaha Rotary club Wednesday noon that Nebraska ranks as one of the foremost states in the union in agricultural development. He said, "after visiting 16 eastern states last year, I returned to Nebraska an optimist. Our state ranks among the first in agriculture."

Brokaw outlined the work being done by his department in developing Nebraska's crops, poultry, hogs, cattle and fostering education among the women and children in the farming districts. His talk was illustrated by picture slides.

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STECK-BROOKHART BALLOTS ARRIVE.

Washington, April 24.—A mail bag filled with ballots cast in the Iowa senatorial fight today reached the sergeant-at-arms of the senate.

They will be counted under the supervision of the committee on privileges and elections of the senate as the first step to be taken here in the contest filed by Dan F. Steck, democrat, who challenged the seat of Senator Smith W. Brookhart, independent republican.

Senator Spencer, chairman of the committee, said the ballots received today were those cast by absentee voters. He predicted the other ballots will be received shortly and the count will consume a month or six weeks. After the count the committee will hold hearings, Spencer said.

Col. E. B. Thayer, acting for the committee, has been in Iowa some weeks, checking up on the voting machine ballots. So far Brookhart has gained about 400 votes in that region.

In the official returns, Brookhart won over Steck by 750 votes, after the republican organization sent word down the line to vote for the democratic nominee because Brookhart failed to endorse the Coolidge-Dawes ticket.

SOLD