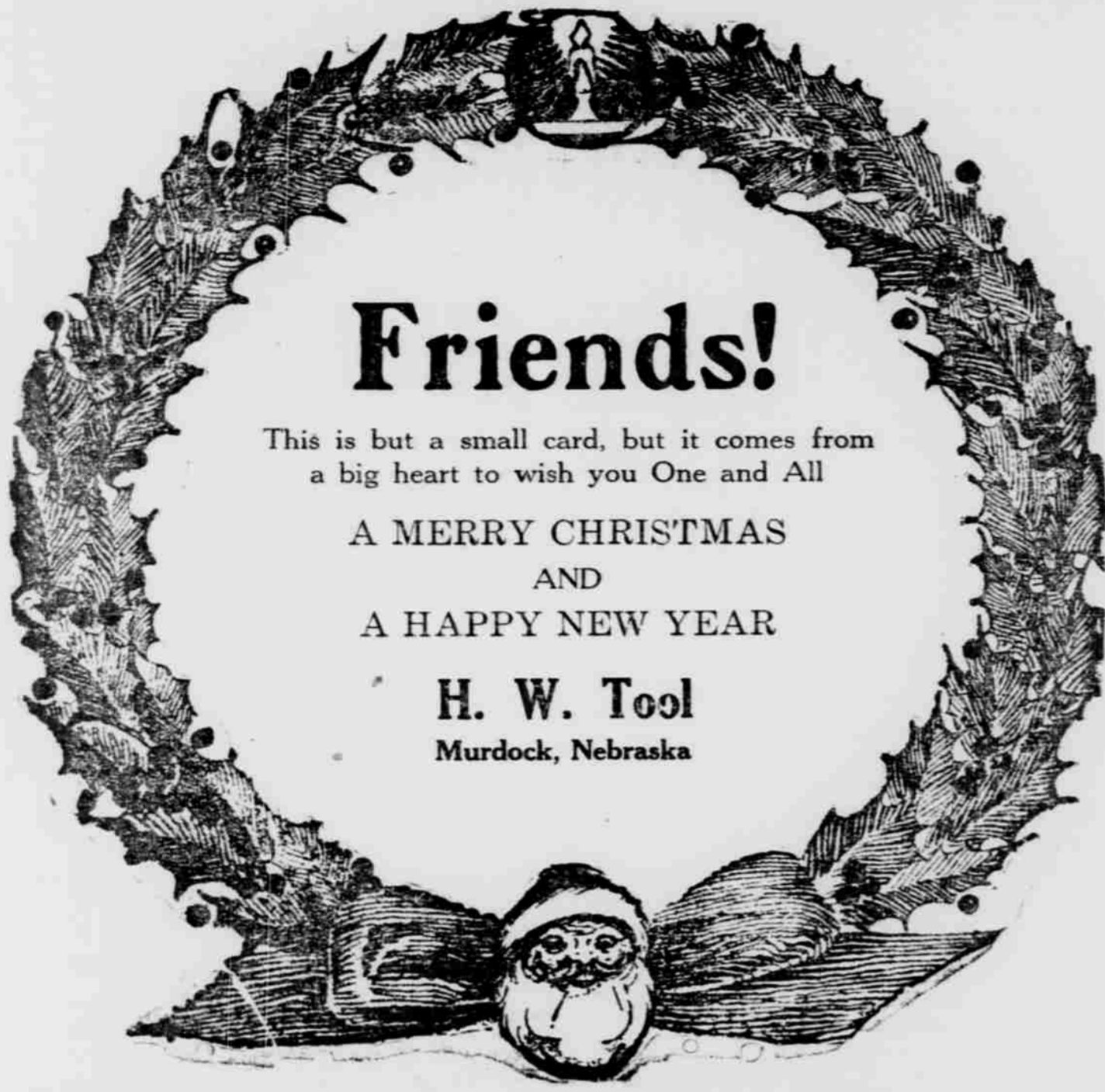


# MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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## Friends!

This is but a small card, but it comes from a big heart to wish you One and All

A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

H. W. Tool  
Murdock, Nebraska

Miss Eva Sorick of Lincoln arrived last week and visited for over the week end with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Lawton.

Miss Thelma Winkleplex, who is doing marcelling and permanent waving, is getting a nice patronage established.

Emil Kuehn was a business visitor in the neighborhood of Eagle last Thursday where he had some business matters to look after.

W. O. Gillespie and John W. Kruger were busy unloading a car of

coal for the Murdock school, which kept these gentlemen out of mischief for the day.

Both the Murdock Mercantile company and the cream station have been receiving a liberal supply of chickens and other poultry during the last few weeks.

Miss Elsa Bornemeier was a visitor at Lincoln last Thursday evening, where she went to spend the evening with her friends and also to look after some shopping as well.

For Sale: A Scotch Short Horn bull

ready for service and an excellent animal, being pure bred and exhibiting many excellent traits.—W. O. Schewe, Murdock, Nebraska.

The sixteenth Colonial Banquet range for this year was purchased by Emil Heiers. This makes it a repeater; for three years in succession Mr. Neitzel has repeated this.

Henry A. Tool was looking after some business matters in Lincoln on last Wednesday, being a passenger with Emil Kuehn, who drove over to look after some business matters.

## Marcelling and Curling

AT MY HOME

Call Phone 40 for Appointment

MISS THELMA WINKLEPLEX

(Opposite Barber Shop)

Murdock - - Nebraska

Jess Landholm, who is having treatment for an affection on one of his hips, was a visitor in Omaha to see the specialist last Thursday and was accompanied by Mrs. Landholm.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. McDonald were in Lincoln on last Friday afternoon with their auto looking after the purchase of goods and Miss Irene returned home with them for the week end and the holidays.

C. E. Kupke had a wood sawing at his home during the past week, in which the neighbors joined and the winter and summer's supply of wood both at hand now in the shed and will be in readiness whenever needed.

Messrs and Mesdames Leo and Will Rikli were in Lincoln last Saturday, where they went for a visit as well as to look after some business and to hold an interview with old Santa Claus, who had a date with them.

L. Neitzel, by request, taught the large Bible class last Sunday morning in place of Mrs. O. W. Shewe, the regular teacher. A deep interest was manifest as he depicted the life of Paul the aged in his coronation.

J. Johanson has been complaining

of having a good business with his truck and this coupled with the hauling of the children to school has been keeping him busy of late and he has had the assistance of Fred Tonak, Jr., in his work.

Mrs. A. R. Hornbeck, who is at the hospital in Lincoln, where she has been for some time since her operation, has been convalescing, and is now getting along nicely and it is hoped that the time may be short now until she is able to return to her home again.

H. A. Williams of Elmwood was a visitor in Murdock last Friday and in company with E. W. Thimman they were in Omaha where both had business matters to look after, they being and returning to Plattsmouth where they also transacted some matters of business.

There are great preparations in progress by the Sunday school, and the rehearsals last late into the night at the Evangelical church. A program for the Christmas entertainment is in the making. Anticipation and expectation are running high—realization will follow.

L. Neitzel has installed a monstrous heater for the benefit of his customers. They find a "warm" welcome now. It is a reminder of the old time country store, where the neighbors gathered, shucked their corn and saved the country by giving the president advice on how to run it.

Louis Hornbeck, of Lincoln, was a visitor in Murdock last Sunday and was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Caroline, who came as far as H. C. Backemeyer's, where she stopped for a visit with her cousin until the father returned. While here Louis was a visitor with his brothers, I. G. and A. R. Hornbeck.

At the home a few nights since, a set of harness belonging to Chas. Buell was stolen, while two halters were also stolen from Frank Buell, and also at the same place two bridles which belonged to Wayne Swartz were also stolen. Thus far no clue to the whereabouts of the purloined goods has been discovered.

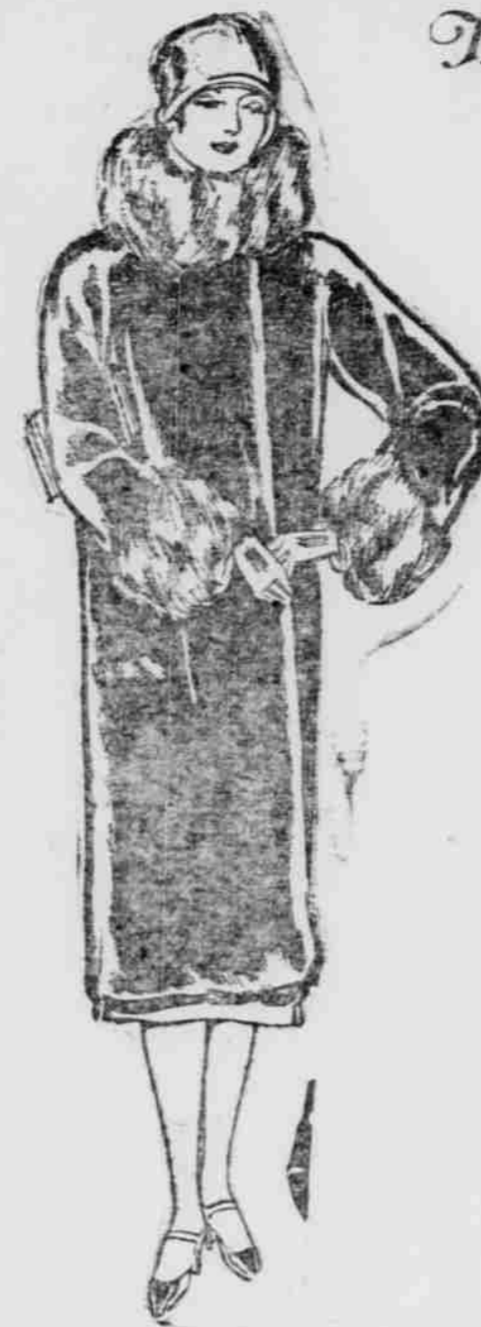
Byron McDonald went over to Greenwood to meet A. E. Kroh, who had been at Lincoln to visit the son who is in the hospital. While going west where the roads are quite rough, the car passed in a rut filled with much force into the ditch by the road side, crimping the fender, but otherwise doing no harm.

Miss Irene Lau was taken last week with scarlet fever and has been quarantined in order that it might be communitated and the school she was attending has been thoroughly fumigated and disinfected that the disease might be exterminated. Miss Irene was quite ill for a time, but is reported as being better, though still having some fever.

The Ladies Aid society of the Evangelical church met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. A. Schmitz and her daughter. The ladies did much good work at their meeting as well as enjoying the occasion very much as well. The closing feature of the pleasant afternoon was the delightful luncheon which was served by Mrs. Schmitz and her daughter.

Oscar McDonald and family were over at Murray last Sunday for a visit with the mother of Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Myra McDonald, before she should depart for the west, she having departed on Monday evening for the west where she will visit for a number of months with her daughter, Mrs. Grace Hellingger, who makes her home at Chico, California. Mrs. McDonald will first go to Los Angeles, where she will visit for a time before going to the home of her daughter.

The Murdock Mercantile company's store window presents a very attractive appearance with the Christmas trees and other attractive Christmas features. While this is true and to a pronounced degree, it is not a be-



The H.M. Soenwicksen Co.

"The Store of Big Values"

NOW!—BEFORE CHRISTMAS!

JANUARY CLEARANCE PRICES

ON

Coats and Dresses

Beginning Tuesday, December 22

Women's fine winter fur trimmed coats, including Princess and Sterling makes!

9 women's fine fur trimmed coats, sizes 18½ to 42. Former values to \$98.50, now—

\$45.75

12 coats, including straight lines or flare, with or without fur trimming. Sizes 18 to 47½. Former values to \$29.75, now—

\$18.95

18 coats, styled especially for figures requiring straight lines. Best all-wool materials, fully lined, with or without fur trim. Sizes from 36 to 46. Former values to \$19.75.

\$14.85



January Clearance Prices on Women's Fine Silk, Velvet and Cloth Dresses—Grouped in three groups at the following prices—

\$8.95 - \$14.85 - \$19.75

## Coats for Children

10 coats for children, ages 8 to 11 years.

Former values to \$12.75

\$6.95

24 Juniors Coats for ages 12 to 18 years.

Former values to \$14.75

\$9.85

11 coats for children, ages 2 to 6 years.

\$4.95



# Merry Christmas

Is the wish of the Murdock Mercantile Company to all, and with it good health, happiness and wealth throughout the coming year. An almost endless variety of Nuts, Candies, Fruits and everything to eat that will make that Christmas dinner a happy occasion. We are here to serve you, and appreciate your patronage.

## Beautiful Washable Gifts!

### For Her

Fine Kid Gloves, Silk Stockings, a fine Sweater, Jewelry (very nice), a Ring for a special gift. Ribbons in any width, shade or color. Silk Dresses, Handkerchiefs. How about a Wrist Watch?

### For Mother

Glassware, Fancy Dishes, Fancy Napkin Sets. A few beautiful Curtains to enliven the home. Some new Knives and Forks or Silverware for the table. Aluminum Cooking Utensils or something mother may suggest.

### For the Children

Candies, Nuts, Toys. Sweaters just to fit them. Caps, Hoods, Mittens, Fruits, including Oranges, Apples, Grapes, Figs, Grape Fruit. School helps—Pencil Boxes, Basket Balls, other sport goods.

### For Him

Scarfs, Ties, Cuff Buttons, Silk Handkerchiefs or Sox. A hat or a cap or a nobby pair of Gloves. A fine Cigarette Case. Belts, Sleeve Holders.

### For Father

A warm Leather Coat for the cold days. Overshoes, warm Woolen Sox. Would he like a good warm pair of Mittens? How about a Woolen Shirt—real flannel? What has he been needing for a long time?

### For the Whole Family

A Radio, Blankets, Bed Spreads, fancy Pillow Cases, Reading Lamps, a beautiful Table Cover, a Rug for the floor, a bit of Fancy Work to enliven the home, or what you want.

Store Open Every Evening

**Murdock Mercantile Company**  
MURDOCK, NEBRASKA

gining to what the interior holds in the way of Christmas eats, Christmas gifts and Christmas comfort in all lines and the best of all, is the real Christmas cheer which pervades the establishment and all connected with it. The Mercantile company has a large ad in this issue of the Journal calling the attention of our readers to their many Christmas offerings and we bespeak for them the fullest share of Christmas trade, to which they are entitled, carrying as they do, a stock of goods that would do credit to a store in towns of much greater size than Murdock.

### For Sale

Three male pigs, full blooded Chester Whites, ready for service. 1½ miles west of Murdock.

G. V. PICKWELL,  
Murdock, Neb.

### Averill Kroh Undergoes Operation

Master Averill Kroh, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Kroh, the owner of the market in Murdock, who has been suffering for some time from repeated attacks of appendicitis was on last Sunday taken to the hospital at Lincoln, where he underwent an operation for relief from the illness, and following which he has been getting along nicely. His mother is with him and the father was there for a number of days. While they were away, Mr. and Mrs. John Kruger and Harry Gillespie were looking after the market and the restaurant which is run in connection with the market. The many friends of Master Averill are hoping that he may be able to return to his home and studies at the school here in a short time.

### Holstein Bull for Sale

I have an exceptionally fine specimen of a Holstein bull for sale. Can be seen at my home on the west church road at any time or address me at South Bend postoffice.

### The Corn Rolling In

Like many other places, there are many who are shelling and deliver-

ing corn at the elevators in Murdock, each getting a large amount of this cereal. Among those who have recently shelled and delivered corn to the Murdock elevators are Joseph P. Gustin, John J. Gustin, Simon Brackhorst, A. A. Lindell, the Earl Brothers, Ed Taylor, Edward Guehlstorff. Among this was some excellent corn, three of the deliveries going number three, which is the commercial grade.

### Evangelical Church Services

Services at Louisville church at 9:20 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. tf

## Becker Store Looter Found in Omaha

David Brott, Young Man Taking Large Amount of Stock from Union Store Apprehended.

From Thursday's Daily—The robbery of the Becker store at Union last Sunday morning has resulted in the young man that committed the offense being captured in Omaha and this morning bound over to the district court.

The young man who gave the name of David Brott, was apprehended in Omaha last evening where he had disposed of a number of articles that had been reported by Sheriff E. P. Stewart as having been stolen from the Becker store and in a very short time the man was rounded up by the Omaha city detectives and lodged in the city jail there where he remained until this morning when Sheriff Stewart motored to that place and secured him.

This morning Sheriff Stewart returned with Brott and he was at once arraigned on a complaint filed by County Attorney W. G. Kieck, charging him with breaking and entering and which carries with it a penitentiary sentence.

The young man was brought before County Judge A. H. Duxbury where he entered a plea of guilty to the charge and was accordingly bound over to the district court and where he will be arraigned in the next few days and receive his sentence. The prisoner when brought up for trial stated that he had made his way into the store from the upper floor by breaking out a small glass door and reaching in to turn the lock that allowed him entrance into the store.

The bond of Brott was set at \$500 and in failure to furnish this he was remanded to the custody of Sheriff E. P. Stewart.

### JOHN FRANCIS RETIRES FROM "Q" RAIL SERVICE

Chicago, Dec. 17.—John Francis, general passenger agent of the Burlington railroad with headquarters in Chicago will retire January 1 after 44 years service with the company. In 1881 Mr. Francis became chief clerk in the office of the division superintendent at Lincoln, Neb., next he was chief clerk in the passenger department and later assistant general passenger and ticket agent in Omaha, then followed his appointment to the position he now holds.

### PREMIER TO GET PIPES OF PEACE

London, Dec. 18.—Premier Balfour will receive five pipes of peace for Christmas. Ulstermen here are arranging for the gift in recognition of the premier's efforts in the cause of Irish peace. The pipes will be accompanied by a large package of tobacco mixed from the choice products of the South African, Indian Hampshire and Irish growers.