

# Murray Department

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

It is the purpose of the Murray Department to provide the people of Murray and vicinity with news of local interest and to give them the opportunity to express their views on local affairs.



## How to Judge a Bank!

Judge a bank as you would a man—not by what is said but by what is done.

A very simple rule but one that is infallible.

We shall be very happy to have those interested in selecting a good bank measure us by this standard.

## Murray State Bank

Murray, Nebraska

There is No Substitute for Safety

W. O. Troop shelled corn on last Monday for feeding the cattle which he has in his yards.

John J. Toman started to plant his corn on last Monday, and is getting along nicely with the seeding.

G. K. Petting of the Plattsmouth Motor company was in Murray on last Tuesday looking after some business matters.

T. J. Brendel the barber, was looking after some business matters in Nebraska City and Auburn on Tuesday of this week.

Tony Klimm has been very ill at his home east of Murray, and while all is being done for him, still remaining quite poorly.

A. J. Tritley of Plattsmouth was called to Murray to look after some business, driving down in his auto on Tuesday afternoon.

Louis Hallas and the family were visiting in Plattsmouth on last Sunday, driving over to the county seat in their car for the day.

Frank Mraasek has been hustling with the hauling of stock, and on Tuesday afternoon had made four trips to Omaha this week.

Phillip Kell began the planting of his corn on the farm north of Mur-

ray on last Monday, and is getting along nicely with the seeding.

Mrs. Wm. Minford was a visitor in Omaha on Monday of this week, where she was the guest of her parents who reside in the big city.

George E. Nickles was a visitor in Plattsmouth on last Monday evening where he was looking after some business matters for a short time.

Addison Boedeker shipped a car load of cattle from Hurry to Omaha on last Sunday evening which he had on the market on Monday of this week.

Andy Campbell has been feeling rather poorly, and so he has not been able to be in the field for some time, and not well enough to look after the work.

A Gansemer of the Farmer's Elevator company was called to Omaha on last Tuesday afternoon to look after some business matters for a short time.

Mrs. Joseph Cook who has been in Omaha where she has been keeping house for her son and daughter was a visitor in Murray for a time last Sunday.

Joe Cook who has been working at the Burlington shops in Plattsmouth for some time resigned his position there a short time since and returned to Murray.

Ralph Kennedy and wife were spending last Saturday and Sunday at the home of friends and relatives in Omaha, they driving over to the big city in their auto.

Uncle John W. Edmunds has not been feeling the best for several days but has kept up and going and about his work every day, and is hoping he will be feeling better soon.

Alfred Ahlers who has formerly been working on a farm near Plattsmouth was a visitor in Murray, and was arranging to move to near here where he will work on a farm.

Joseph Dietl from his home west of Mynard was looking after some business in Murray on last Tuesday afternoon, and having some work done at the Murray blacksmith shop.

W. G. Boedeker was a visitor in Manley where he was visiting with his friend Mr. W. J. Rau of the Manley state bank and also looking after some business matters for a short time.

R. Kettelhut of near Nehawka was a visitor in Omaha and Plattsmouth on last Tuesday afternoon and stopped in Murray for a short time to look after some business which he had here.

Raymond Berger of Plattsmouth

representing the Chevrolet, and a member of the Smith & Berger auto company of Plattsmouth was looking after some business matters here on last Tuesday afternoon.

Mesdames E. S. Tuit and O. A. Davis were visiting with friends in Plattsmouth on Tuesday afternoon of this week making the trip in the auto of Mrs. Tuit and enjoying a visit with their many friends there.

Miss Lorene Hatchett and her nephew, J. E. Wasson, jr., of Havelock were spending last Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hatchett of Murray, and returned to her studies at Havelock on Sunday evening.

The many friends of Mrs. Delbert Todd who is a teacher in the Murray schools and was formerly Miss Hilton gave this very popular teacher a miscellaneous show at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bakke on last Tuesday afternoon.

George and Lee Nickles were over to Omaha on last Sunday where they were visiting with their sister, Mrs. Fannie Crosser, who is at this time convalescing at the hospital following an operation and treatment there for the return of her health.

B. H. Nelson was over to near Nehawka where he delivered a tractor and its complement of John Deere plows for Edward Knabe, which will be used in the preparing of ground for the reception of this year's corn crop for this gentleman and his son Edward.

James E. Gruber is working in Plattsmouth with the Modern Construction Co., and has been assisting in spreading gravel on the highway between Plattsmouth and the Platte river, and will in a short time go to Duhrar with the company for some road work there.

George B. Lehnhoff of Omaha was a business visitor in Murray on last Tuesday afternoon, and was a visitor with his friends here. He was also accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Lehnhoff and sister, Miss Tillie Lehnhoff of Plattsmouth who were visiting here during his stay.

George S. Ray was a visitor in Omaha on last Saturday and was at the hospital to see Dora Crosser, his brother-in-law, who is at the Lord Lister hospital where he is receiving treatment for his health. On Monday Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Crosser went up to see Mr. Crosser. Mr. Crosser is reported as getting along some better but still remains unable to leave the institution.

Murray the Beautiful.

The secret is out why so many people enjoy living in Murray, and why they are so loyal to the bustling little city. All are endeavoring to make this one of the best cities of its size in which to live and to engage in business. The relations of the people are very amicable, and with the returning of springtime, the trees are taking on added beauty, and the little city is a very desirable place to reside, with the people all well satisfied to make their home here and more who would like to live here but cannot find a place to reside.

Will Make Improvements.

The owners of the Murray bathing beach, are contemplating the expenditure of considerable money in the adding to the appointments at the popular resort. There will be considerable concrete work done in order to make the place just what the owners desire to have it, and to give the very best service when the season arrives for the annual bath.

Building a Barn.

Contractor J. A. Scotten with his corps of workmen have just begun the construction of a foundation for a new barn which is to be constructed on the farm of Ora Davis west of Murray.

Telephone Making Improvements.

The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company have been under the instruction of J. P. Lahr, superintendent of Cass county construction work as well as manager of the exchange at Plattsmouth, and his foreman, Ed Herrick, rebuilding the farm lines running out of Murray, and will continue at the work until its completion which will probably be some time yet. The expenditure will be something in the neighborhood of five thousand dollars, and will put the lines in excellent condition when completed. Mr. Lahr was in Murray looking after the work on Tuesday of this week. The company has purchased the Murdoch exchange recently, but will not rebuild that exchange until in 1928.

Services at Lewistown.

There will be services at Lewistown church southeast of Murray Sunday afternoon, May 8th, at 2:30. Services will be conducted by Rev. Saylor of Plattsmouth, who will deliver the sermon. Music will be furnished by the choir of the Methodist church. The entire community is invited to be present.

LEGION MAN DIES AS RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT

Watertown, S. D., May 4.—Alvey Jones, state adjutant of the South Dakota American Legion, succumbed to wounds in a local hospital Tuesday night as the result of the accidental discharge of a pistol he was cleaning. The bullet entered his right temple, passing through the brain and lodging on the other side of the skull.

had told them during his life, how he would rise from the dead the third day.

What a great revelation for these two sturdy fishermen of Galilee, did they then think of what Jesus had said along the shore of the sea of Galilee. "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

They then thought what the Master had said during his life, and of the time when he, with Peter, James and John were coming down from the Mount of Transfiguration, when the Father had said out of the cloud, "This is my beloved son, hear ye him," and that the Saviour had commanded them not to tell this until he had been risen from the dead.

They then went to their homes, but that night when they were all assembled in the room with the doors locked (all of the twelve except Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of the Master, and Thomas), the Master appeared in their midst, saying, "Peace be unto you."

The disciples had passed through many trying circumstances and when the Lord appeared with no way of getting in and greeted them, they were frightened, and to relieve them, Christ said, "It is I. Come, feel me, and be satisfied," asking for something to eat to convince them.

Thus they were assured, and when the Master, he doubted and said, "Unless I shall see the prints of the nails in his hands and thrust my hand in his side, I will not believe." This he was offered by the Master at the next meeting, but believed without the test.

Time ran on and it became weary-some, and Peter, who wanted to be doing something, probably because of his restive spirit and again probably because he was grieved in his conscience for his faithlessness on the night of the trial, said unto the others, "Let us go fishing." This was but natural, for that was their former business and with the time hanging heavily on their hands they sought some diversion. They went, and in their favorite fishing grounds fished all night and did not catch anything. As the dawn began to break and they were tired and discouraged because of their fruitless night's work, they perceived a figure on the shore some distance away and a voice clear and commanding accented, saying, "Cast your net on the right side of the ship and you shall find." Obediently the command, they were surprised to find the net literally filled with fish.

When they came to the shore, they found it was the Master, for they had known it very well from the time they first saw him there and heard his voice. Now comes a question: What was to be done with these men who had made such great protestations of faith and had declared that Christ was indeed the Son of God, and had every one of them belied him? We repeat, what was to be done with Christ himself had lived with them for over three years and had instructed them in the way of life, and they had proven faithless—not a single one but had denied him. Could they be used for the great work of saving the world? Had they been asked this question, it would seem that all would have said, "We are not worthy."

But Christ knew better. He was dealing with men and knew what was in men, and he was the one who was to judge of the fitness of men for positions of responsibility. He knew men were men and that the work of generating the world was to be done by their fellow man. Christ had died to make a way for the salvation of the world and it was for man to carry the message to the entire world. By the death of Christ was the way made possible, but through the instrumentality of man must the work be done. Know we from this that we have a portion to do in the salvation of the world and when we in that faith which removes mountains, carry the message, we are doing our part in the salvation of the world.

In all the things which the Christ had he surely taught us that he was indeed the Son of God, and that believing on him we can have life through his name. Search the scriptures for in them you will find that they testify of men. So said the Christ.

We will have our place in this work and let us do it gladly for no one else can do it but us.

RAISES STANDARD OF LIVING

"Within the past 40 years, the people of the United States have come to use the telephone for neighborhood and for distance communication in an extent that no other people understand," says the Gainesville, Texas Register.

"And the standard of living in this country is correspondingly higher, and comforts and conveniences are greater here because of this and other utility services."

"This industry seeks greater efficiency and fuller cooperation with the people it serves. To that end it wants the people of every community to become fully acquainted with how it works, its objects in community building and in individual service."

STATE'S MOTOR PLATES FOR 1928 TO BE BLUE

Lincoln, May 4.—Nebraska's 1928 motor vehicle license plates will be blue, with white letters and numbers. They to cover the estimated requirements of all counties.

The total number of plates ordered a year ago was 407,253.

## BIBLE SCHOOL LESSON

Sunday, May 8th, 1927

By M. S. Briggs

Leading Thought: "Then entered in therefore that other disciple also, who came first to the tomb, and he saw and believed."—John 20:8.

### The Lord is Risen

That those who die in Christ shall be raised in like manner as he was, is the central thought of Christendom, and on the verity of this is based the hope of the Christian belief. That Christ was indeed the Son of God and as such was able to perform the many things which he did during his life on earth, such as healing the lepers, raising the dead, restoring sight to the blind and the curing of all manner of sickness, as well as his walking on the sea of Galilee unscathed, should be clear evidence of his divinity and his power over death, but the culminating fact was that he burst the confines of the tomb, and came forth victorious over death, hell and the grave, which are about one and the same.

It was indeed a very sad day for the band of disciples, when they had lived with the Master for three years, were forced to give him up, seeing him crucified and buried in a cave. They had very limited understanding of the things he had told them concerning the resurrection and so naturally believed him dead.

They all had thought they would remain loyal to the Master, when he had done so much for them, but when everyone had denied him and this was further impressed upon them by the knowledge of each that the others had done the same, things looked rather dark to them. True Peter had not seen the Lord according to what information we have, after the time when he had denied him, and went out and wept bitterly. There is nothing in the scriptures as to where he went or what he said and did from the time he came to a realization of his weakness until we see him again when Mary came on the resurrection morn, telling her and John of the empty tomb.

Indeed the plight of the disciples was most miserable. They were without hope as they saw the Lord whom they had in a way believed would restore material Israel, subjected to the rule of the Jews and taken outside the city and crucified, being buried in a tomb surrounded by a guard of soldiers to watch the same, and securely closed with a huge stone rolled into place at the entrance. The band of erstwhile loyal followers was badly disorganized and did not know what to do—they were as sheep without a shepherd, waiting and wondering what to do and what might happen.

The Lord had taught them to pray, he had walked on the sea, he had raised Lazarus from the dead, indeed, they had all declared that he was the very Christ, the son of the living God, but their faith had just been given a severe test and they had failed to measure up to their professions in any particular. They had sinned, and according to our code of the eternality of things, they were not fit to be trusted with the evangelization of the world, for which work they had been picked by the Lord and Master. And doubtless they themselves felt that they were not fit for the mission they had been selected to perform. Still, they had been bidden by the Lord to remain in Jerusalem, until they should be endued with wisdom from on high, so they stayed on, scarcely knowing what it was all about.

Such was the condition of the men who had been chosen to bear the glad tidings of salvation to a lost and sinful world, and as they were thus waiting, and the Master had been dead now three days and it was coming morn of the third day, they were discouraged and disconsolate. The women had waited until after the Jewish Sabbath day and had come just as it was dawning to embark the body of the Lord, according to the custom of those days. They were wondering who they would get to roll the ponderous stone away from the sepulchre, for it was large and they could not handle it. They arrive at the tomb, finding the stone rolled away and seeing two men sitting in the tomb where the head of the Master had lain and the other at his feet. They wondered just what to do, but as Peter had been the leader and was to be the leader of the band, they hastened (or rather Mary did), running and not stopping for anything, but at the command of Jesus himself, who appeared unto her saying, "Tell Peter and the disciples that I will meet them in the mountain in Galilee." Then did Mary bear the message to Peter, and as they find him he was with John, and they start for the tomb, both running, but as Peter was well along in years and John was a young man, he outran Peter and arrived at the tomb first, and stooping down looked into the tomb, but entered not. Then came Peter all out of breath, and entered the tomb, observing the condition with the rainment in which the Master had been buried lying there with the linen cloth which had been about his head in a place by itself. Then entered John and they saw the empty tomb and believed what the Master

## Bellevue Boy Has Narrow Escape in China

Thomas Jones Write an Interesting Letter Home Concerning His Experiences.

Mrs. Rance Jones of Bellevue, this week received a very interesting letter from her son, Thomas, better known as "Tommy," who has been seeing active service in China.

The letter is dated March 26, and was written from Nanking, China. After an opening paragraph the letter contains the following interesting experience in the last six days. They had been sniping at us ever since we reached here. We opened up with machine guns every once in a while and they would be quiet for ten or twelve hours and then start in again. On the 26th day they had been firing at us all day and we answered four or five times. About 7 p. m. a messenger came from the American consul that his life and property were in danger. They picked ten men and one officer to go to the rescue. I was among them.

They ordered us to make up full packs, and I have had a rifle under our arm and went over that way. We were stopped seven times in the eight miles that we had to go, but finally reached there O. K. Everything was quiet that night, and the next day they managed to smuggle a machine gun and six pans for it out to us. The consul had plenty of rifles and ammunition so we were all set, but none too soon as things soon began to happen. That was the night of March 21.

The retreating soldiers were all looking for some place to hide and we had an awful time keeping them out. Another man had come out to help for us, as we thought we would be able to stay there until it was over. That night was the start and none of us had a wink of sleep, from the morning of the 21st until we got back to ship. Our orders that first night were not to shoot to kill unless it was necessary in order to keep them out of the walls. These walls were about six feet high with three gates, one the main one, being fifteen feet wide, the other two just the size of a door. So we thought we had a chance to keep them out. That afternoon we had to mount the machine gun about fifty yards from the wall, and our orders were to shoot to kill any time a mob stopped in front of the gate or anyone tried to get over the wall. That first shot to kill was hard but it finally came and we did not mind it so much after that. With the help of thirty-five dead Chinese soldiers as a threat to anyone who would try to come in we made out that afternoon. The next day the twenty-third, it looked as though it were going to quiet down as the retreating soldiers were all passed and the Cantonese were passing on into the city, and we thought they were our friends. Some of them stood and asked us what we had killed all the soldiers for. After we had explained they seemed satisfied and went on.

About noon we got word that the British and Jap consuls had both killed and Mr. Davis, our consul, thought it would be best for us to get to Standard Oil Hill where the Preston 344 had a landing party of ten men. And from there we could see and signal to the ships in the river.

"Meanwhile a few more Americans had come to the consulate for protection. This made twelve sailors, five civilians, and the consul, his wife, and two children, a girl of ten and a boy six. So we all started to make that four miles on foot with all the arms and ammunition we could carry and still run. We got 100 yards from the house, when they began to fire on us. We had to carry Mrs. Davis all the rest of the way. We were nearly there before any one was hit. Then one of the sailors got it in the back. We could not stop and get him, as it meant death. But he did fagally make it to a near by house, about 300 yards from our destination, where we later went and got him. That night our troubles were all over. There were twenty civilians, one woman and ten sailors by this time, and our troubles had just started. Mr. Davis would not let us fire on the Cantonese soldiers that kept coming and demanding things and shooting out the windows. Troubles kept increasing during the night until Mr. Davis sent out an S. O. S. call to the ships in the harbor that had been standing by all this time, asking them to shell all around the house, until we could get out. For an hour we fired back at the soldiers. Fifty of them were within seventy-five yards of the house, shooting out the windows. You should have heard the yell of joy that went up when the old Non laid a 4-inch T. N. T. shrapnel buster right among them. The Chinamen came out from right and left and not a word of them got away. Then the Preston and the British (H. M. S.) Emerald opened up and they were dropping all around us, but not a one of them hit the house. That's the kind of shooting we do, hit where we're looking. We then tied sheets and blankets together and dropped off the wall that surrounded the city, and got back to the ship with guns firing all around us to protect us.

"Don't worry about me, for the Chinamen are not going to bother Americans any more after we showed them what we can do."—South Omaha Sun.

Mother's Day Sunday May 8th. Look over the special line of Mother Day mottoes at the Bates Book & Gift Shop. See display in windows.

All local news is in the Journal.

## AL SMITH GOES CALLING

New York, May 3.—Governor Alfred E. Smith called on Mrs. Woodrow Wilson at the residence of Bernard M. Maruch here today. The call lasted about fifteen minutes. The governor said later he had called on the widow of the war time president at the suggestion of Mr. Maruch.

Governor Smith's last meeting with Mrs. Wilson was when the late president returned to this country from the peace conference in 1919. Mr. Maruch, a long time personal friend of the governor, was chairman of the war industries board and confidential financial adviser to President Wilson during the world war.

## Passing of a Former Well Known Resident

Mrs. Ida May Gelvin, a Member of Murray Family, Goes to Last Reward—48 Years Old.

Ida May Gelvin was born August 19, 1879, near Plattsmouth, where she grew to womanhood. She passed away last Saturday, April 30th, at Thayer, Nebraska.

The death of Mrs. Gelvin was very sudden and was a great shock to the relatives and friends. She was the daughter of the late L. C. W. Murray and wife, pioners of Cass county.

To mourn her death there remain the husband and four children, Katherine, Marie and Dorothy of Thayer, and Edwin of Nebraska City. Seven brothers, Charles A. and L. C. Murray, of Alva, Oklahoma; David, of Union; Edward, of Nehawka; Albert, of Mynard; Guy, of Summerfield, Kansas; and C. C. Murray, of Weeping Water; together with three sisters, Mrs. E. J. and Mrs. Phillip Spangler, of Weeping Water, and Mrs. J. C. Vest, of Lisco, Nebraska, one grandchild and a number of other relatives and friends survive her. Her father, mother, three brothers and one sister have preceded her in death.

The funeral was held at 10:30 on May 2nd at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Fox, with whom she made her home. Burial was in the beautiful cemetery at Benedict, Nebraska.

Those to attend the funeral from Cass county were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Spangler, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Spangler and C. C. Murray, of Weeping Water, and David and Edgard Murray.

## WOULD CONTROL STORAGE

Chicago, May 3.—A board of trade warehouse corporation to control the storage of grain in Chicago was recommended today by the special committee of the board appointed to examine warehouse conditions here. The purpose of the corporation would be to remove the evils of private interest between elevators and operators such as grain men claim were exposed in the Armour Grain company case.

The ware house corporation, it is understood, would rent storage space from the elevator operators for contract grain to be delivered on future sales. The Armour Grain company has filed a bill of exceptions from seventy-five to one hundred points made, against the award of \$3,000,000 made against them in favor of the Rosenbaum Grain corporation by Attorney Edward E. Brown, arbitrator, it was revealed today.

The recent veto of the farm relief bill may increase the president's popularity among city people. We have a nervous feeling, however, that it will not put him first in the hearts of the countrymen.

## Pride of Hogles Creek

Pride of Hogles Creek is a registered (Registry No. 26584) Black Jack, with white points, 16 hands high and will weigh 1050 pounds. He will make the season of 1927, on the—

## Wm. Nickles Farm

1 1/2 Miles East and 3 South of Murray, Nebr.

TERMS—\$10 to insure colt to stand and suck. Should mare be traded or removed from locality where bred, service fee becomes due and must be paid at once. Will not stand responsible should any accidents occur, but all care will be taken to prevent the same.

## NO SUNDAY SERVICE

Reverse All Phone Calls to 1811, Murray, Neb.

## A. D. Crunk, Owner Murray, Nebr.

Murray, Nebr.

Black Diamond Grade Percheron

BLACK DIAMOND is a coal black, three-year-old Stallion, and weighs about 1,550 pounds. Will make the season at my home one-quarter mile south of Murray. Call No. 33, Murray Exch'ge.

Inspected and Certified as Sound by the State Veterinarian.

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