

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT

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Miss Marie Ostblom who so ill with a cold and grippe last week that she was kept from school for a few days.

A. H. Ward was called to Weeping Water on Thursday of last week to look after the getting of some supplies for his garage.

Whalen Ward, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward, who has been so ill with tonsillitis, is reported as being some better at this time.

John Gakemeier was called to Council Bluffs and Louisville during the past week, where he was looking after some business matters for a short time.

Alvin Klemme, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klemme, who has been so seriously ill for some time past, is reported at this time as being considerable better.

Mrs. Emil Lau has a hen which presented her first fourteen very nice little chicks early last week. These are the first we have heard of being hatched this season.

David Meese and family of north of Ethica were visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Lee for a few days during the past week, they being relatives of the doctor.

Herman F. Schweppe, in preparation for the coming spring and summer's work, purchased from the Farmers Union Elevator company, a manure plow, and is getting it on the farm, so that when the time comes to use the machine, he will not have to wait for one to come, a very wise idea.

The Ladies Aid society of the Murdock church met last week with Mrs. James Mills, where they were at all entertained and where they looked after their work nicely as well as having a fine social time. They all had words of praise for the excellent manner in which Mrs. Mills entertained the meeting.

Mrs. Emil Lau was a visitor in Omaha on last Wednesday, where she went to consult a specialist regarding the condition of her health. Mrs. Lau was fearful that she was afflicted with a mastoid tumor, but the specialist assured her that such was not the case, and that she was only suffering from a severe attack of neuritis, and that she could expect a return to her former health.

E. W. Thimgen and John Eppings, with a number from north of Murdock were out hunting coon on last Wednesday evening and after they had hunted up some coon, the wary animals made for some rocky crevices near the river, where they could not be dislodged. They were not joined by Wm. Kleyser, who would have liked very much to have been in on the chase, but as he could not make any time with a pair of crutches on which he has been forced to get around since the last hunting party, when he stepped into a hole, he being forced to forego the pleasures of this one. The boys used the Kleyser dogs however, and the animals did fine work.

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Twice Blessed, Sure Mr. and Mrs. August Kecke were blessed the past week, when the stork brought to their home a pair of very fine Americans, one a boy and the other a young woman. They, with the mother are doing well, and the father and little brothers are getting along as well as one could expect under the circumstances.

Give Farewell Reception In the near future, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schultz and the family will remove from the neighborhood of Murdock to make their home on a farm in Sarpy county, not far from Fort Crook, and on tomorrow (Tuesday) evening, their many friends in this vicinity will give a farewell reception, which will be combined with the features of a Valentine party as well. The reception will be held at the Murdock hall and will be a demonstration, having with us Fred Colber from New York, a famous composer and pianist who records exclusively for the Duo-Art and is at present on a concert trip from the Pacific coast to the east.

station of the high respect in which this excellent family is held. The people here realize that they are losing a most estimable family, and while it is a loss to this community, it will be a gain to that section of Sarpy county where they will reside. We are wishing you our friends, Bill and family, prosperity in your new home.

Farmers Union Grain Co. Elects At a meeting last week of the Farmers Union Grain company, of Murdock, they listened to the reports of the officers and looked after other features of the work and following the other matters which were to come before them, they elected officers. The matter of the conduct of the business was very satisfactory, and they are hoping for a continuation of the good business. The election resulted in the naming of the following for the various offices which were to be filled: Aug. Ruge, secretary; Otto Miller, Frank Zox and Dan Schlapf, members of the board of directors. Fred Stock was held over as president and H. C. Backemeier and Henry Meyer-Jensen are the hold-over directors.

High School Supt. Resigns Byron Lamb, who has been at the head of the Murdock schools for some time past, resigned his position early last week, the matter being brought about by the death of his father, as he was appointed administrator and was not able to continue with the school and look after his other duties as well. Following their acceptance of the resignation of the late superintendent, the Board of Education proceeded to elect to the position, Prof. Johnson, who was formerly located at Papillion, and who has not been in school work for the past few months, but had been in commercial lines, and teaching business rather quiet, was willing to accept the position offered.

Spring Work Soon Farmers, throughout this part of the country are getting ready for the spring. It is time to get your order in so you will be ready when the time comes to use it. We can supply you with any farm machinery you need.—Murdock Farmers Union Elevator.

Ill for a Number of Days The Rev. A. Stausa, pastor of the Murdock church, has been kept to his home and the bed for a number of days last week on account of ill health, coming from a cold and the grippe, and while he was in bed, the church outside of the house and the getting in of fuel was looked after by Robert McDonald, who amply looked after the work in most excellent manner.

Gave Supt. Farewell The members of the Murdock High school were very appreciative for the good work which the late superintendent, Mr. Lamb had done during the stay in Murdock, and the good he had done for the school, gave him a farewell reception, at which time they expressed their appreciation of the teacher as an instructor and one of the very best of citizens.

Shower for Bride-to-Be On last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kupke, was held a very pleasant gathering of young people, in the nature of a shower for Miss Malinda Jung, who is soon to wed Paul Kupke. The affair was arranged by Mrs. Herman Wendt and Elsie Kupke, and there were many of the friends of Miss Jung present, the list being as follows: Gertrude Burdorf, Vera Selma and Dorothy Rohrlanz, Olga and Myrtle Wendt, Selma Neuman, Albertina Kupke, Edna Hill, Louise, Malinda and Leola Stohman, Leola, Elsie and Thelma Joachim, Pauline, Hilga and Iola Vokler, Eleanor and Irene Stray, Luella and Myrtle Edell, Beulah Reinke, Uta Schlichter, Mrs. Carl Kupke, Anna, Ella, Alma and Selma Lau. The bride-to-be received many valuable and useful gifts, which she

will take with her into her new home as reminders of the good wishes of her friends.

The wedding of Miss Jung and Paul Kupke will take place on Sunday, February 19th.

Ladies Aid Gave Farewell The ladies of the Evangelical Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Schultz last Tuesday for a farewell dinner and visit.

The day was pleasantly spent with music and a general good time, the ladies presenting Miss Schultz with a very nice set of sherry glasses to remind her in her new home of her many friends in the Ladies Aid society of Murdock.

The Schultz family will soon move to a farm in the vicinity of Fort Crook.

Two Dances Before Lent Old fashioned dance, at 12th and Collegians of Lincoln, Monday, 20th, at Legion building, Plattsmouth.

In Memory of Mrs. Blum The grip resper has again invaded our community, this time Mrs. Andrew Blum being his victim. On Sunday afternoon, February 5th, the remains of this devoted mother and companion were carried to her last resting place. Before the announced time, the Lutheran church, north of Murdock was filled to overflowing by sympathizing friends, which showed in what esteem the departed was held.

The service at the church opened with "Rock of Ages," by the congregation, followed by Scripture reading, I Thes. 4:13-18. A quartet sang "My Jesus as Thou Wilt." The sermon preached by the pastor, Rev. G. Zoch, based on Rev. 14:13, "Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord," was very comforting and cheering; it dispelled all gloom and doubt and brought hope and assurance to the hearts of the bereaved husband and father, as also to the children. The service is only temporarily, and the soul is happy and eternal reward is held out to those that "die in the Lord." The quartet sang at this time, "Asleep in Jesus," which was very appropriate. After prayer, the Ladies Aid society, of which the departed was an active member, sang "H. F. Lytle's 'Adele With Me.'" This was another of God's faithful followers being called to her reward. The home and the church will miss her. We recall to our mind the service she rendered at the installation of the present pastor, in decorating the church with oak leaf garlands; by heaven is enriched by her coming to Him who rewards her and washed her in His blood to prepare her for a home on high.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mr. Louis Neitzel and Miss Lydia Neitzel were married February 19th, 1878, at South Bend, Indiana. Mr. Neitzel, receiving an appointment to preach in the Evangelical church at Walnut Mission, they made the journey there in 1882. They have since resided here and Omaha and Alford for the next nine years. In 1891, being attracted by the opportunities offered by a new town, they moved to Murdock, establishing the hardware business in which Mr. Neitzel is still engaged.

They have four children, A. J. Neitzel living at Murdock; Mrs. O. J. Hitchcock, Havelock; Mrs. C. L. Hartung, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. S. B. MacDiarmid, who with their families will form a family party for dinner at the family home in Murdock next Sunday. From 2 to 5 p. m. of that day, they will keep open house, when they will be glad to have their friends call without further invitation.

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NEW SURFACE FOR SECONDARY ROADS SUCCESSFUL Good news for county and state governments is contained in a statement by Bert R. Meek, California director of public works, approving a new oil-mix surface for secondary roads. According to Mr. Meek this surface has helped solve the problem of adequately surfacing isolated and little-traveled highways.

"In many of the arid and desert sections," said T. E. Stanton, assistant state engineer, "no good cementing base rock is available, nor is there any local clay or suitable binding material. And in these sections it is impossible to secure a base course of stable material to enable the surface oiling method to be adopted with any success. We were forced in such cases to eliminate the use of oil altogether, or adopt some other process than the penetration method." As a result, the oil-mix method was developed. While this new discovery does not and is not designed to replace asphalt or any heavy-duty type of pavement, it should prove a boon in districts where good road surfaces are needed and desired and the expense of unnecessarily strong surfacing is prohibitive.

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Farmers Expected to Increase Hogs

Reduction in Market Supplies Next Winter—Fewer Cattle and Horses This Year

Increased numbers of hogs on farms with prospects of a reduction in market supplies next winter, some increase in market receipts of lambs as compared with last year, and a gradual upward trend in beef cattle production are regarded as outstanding features of the agricultural department of agriculture, in its February report on farm conditions.

There are more sheep and hogs, but fewer cattle and horses, than a year ago, the report says. Computed on the basis of equivalent units, it appears there are about the same total number of animal units in the country as last year, but the total value of livestock is approximately \$500,000,000 higher.

The bureau's index of purchasing power of farm products in terms of other commodities is placed at 86 for the last year, as compared to 85 for 1926, and 89 for the year 1925. The best preceding year was 1919, when the purchasing power figure was 105, the 1909-14 five year average being used as a basis of 100. Viewing the entire agriculture situation, the bureau says that "so far as concerns the production plans of farmers, the probability appears to be that the domestic market for this year's output will be equal to that at present, with the possibility of some improvement."

RAD TEETH DELAY TRIAL

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 10.—Three infected teeth prevented the formation of a jury today in the trial of Governor Ed Jackson. State and district judges sat on the panel when George Oilar, Indianapolis man, asked to be excused to visit a dentist. When he insisted that the work on his teeth could not be delayed, Judge Charles McCabe excused him.

Everyone concerned was satisfied with the panel at the time and the judge was ready to swear the men into service when Oilar presented his plea. The three-day old task of examining witnesses then was resumed, but efforts in the final minutes of the session were futile.

There was a session tomorrow, Judge McCabe changing his plans at the request of counsel.

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Twelve Head of Hogs Two bred sows, to farrow in April; ten head of shotts.

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Sees Many Catastrophes for the Year 1928

"Old Moore's Almanack" Gives Predictions for Many Disasters for the Coming Months

London, Feb. 8.—Ceaseless unrest in China, two influenza epidemics, threats of war between the United States and Japan, four disastrous fires from explosions in America and England, two earthquakes, storms, floods and volcanic disturbances, the illness of a member of the British royal family, the death of a famous statesman, a cholera epidemic in India, coal riots in the middle west of the United States, the loss of a warship with many casualties and an abortive attempt to restore to the throne a deposed monarch of central Europe.

These are the main events the world may expect during the year 1928, according to the predictions of Old Moore's Almanack, one famous handbook which has had a place upon nearly every English library table or bookshelf for generations.

Brighter Outlook In spite of these impending catastrophes, Old Moore sees a brighter outlook for the world in general during the coming year. Industry is healthy, he sees, but the governments of the world will find themselves beset with worries of many different sorts.

Old Moore is specific in his predictions. About the eighteenth of April, according to his prophecy, a cinema fire will cause consternation in America, and about the same time a hurricane in the middle west will involve further loss of life and property. The coal riots he predicts will occur in September and they will be prompted by efforts to lessen the power of the unions.

"Stars is increasing over America and Japan," Old Moore declares in his predictions for February. Through the almanack this sentence is reiterated; he sees the questions of immigration and naval supremacy precipitating a dispute which threatens to develop into armed conflict.

Of China, Old Moore has much to say, and little of it is optimistic. He sees the communist influence causing incessant uprisings, with foreign life and property constantly endangered.

Serious fires in London and the Midlands are on the calendar for February, followed by the American motion picture fire in April. October, too, will have its share of disaster, for Old Moore foresees fire or explosions threatening oil wells in America. On the 22nd of October, according to the predictions, a scandal at Geneva will rock the world.

The member of the Royal family who is slated for the sick-bed is not identified, but the event will take place early in April, causing widespread anxiety throughout the United Kingdom.

In June, Europe will be thrown into a turmoil by an attempted coup d'etat to re-seat a deposed monarch on a tottering throne.

September will be a busy month, according to Old Moore, for in that period the famous statesman, American or British, will die, a war vessel will be sunk with a heavy loss of life, China will be embroiled in serious internal difficulties, and the coal riots in the United States will cause great alarm.

Earthquakes Seen March and December will see earthquakes in different parts of the world, and August will be the month of a serious financial panic in one of the British colonies. Trouble in China is forecasted specifically in January, February, March, September and November.

But in general, Old Moore concludes the world will be better in the year to come. The average man will look upon life less in an "eat, drink and be merry" sort of way, and devote his time to a serious, sober attempt to make the New Year a prosperous one.—Lincoln Star.

GIRL REMAINS MYSTERY

New York, Feb. 9.—A frail, nervous young woman—center of an international controversy as to whether she is a peasant girl or grand duchess—was whisked off the line-Beregaria today in a manner as mystifying as all that has been known of her since she appeared in a German asylum, saying she was a daughter of the late Czar Nicholas II.

The shy little woman buried her pallid face, said to have been battered by the butt of a red guard's rifle, in her fur as she walked down the gangplank, accompanied by her nurse.

She was accompanied in the car by Bleh Hotkin, son of the late czar's physician. He last saw the Grand Duchess Anastasia when she was seventeen, and he was nineteen, and asserted that he knew this woman to be the same person.

However, in Europe, she is said to be regarded as a poor peasant girl suffering from hallucinations of grandeur, surviving members of the Romanoff family have declared her an impostor.



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WONDERFUL ATTRACTION

The musical that is to be given on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the American Legion community building, under the auspices of the music department of the Plattsmouth Woman's club, will be one of the most notable events of its kind that has been held in the city in many years.

The artists from Omaha and Council Bluffs who present the attraction are numbered among the best known in the west and comprise Mrs. Karl Robert Wendorf, piano; Mrs. Madge West Sutphen, violin; Mrs. Charles C. Cannam, soprano; Miss Luella Ruth Cannam, accompanist.

This will be a real musical treat and the ladies should have a large audience of the Plattsmouth lovers to enjoy the unusual opportunity that is given to them.

Mrs. Karl Robert Wendorf, from Vienna, appeared in many concerts here and abroad and thrilled her audiences with her marvelous skill of technique and fire which is true of so many Viennese artists.

Mrs. Madge West Sutphen, violinist of the well known West Sisters string quartette, is the favorite violinist of Omaha. She has appeared in numerous concerts and is a steady feature over the radio.

The Schmoeller-Mueller Piano Co. is furnishing for the concert a Steinway Duo-Art which will play for some of the renditions of the singer and violins in the accompaniment.

This may be a big surprise for the evening, having with us Fred Colber from New York, a famous composer and pianist who records exclusively for the Duo-Art and is at present on a concert trip from the Pacific coast to the east.

Mrs. Charles C. Cannam—Soprano, Miss Luella Cannam, accompanist, Mrs. Cannam and her daughter, Miss Luella Cannam recently appeared before the Omaha Woman's club where they were cordially received. They have given concerts over the radio in Omaha as well as radio programs in various cities along the Pacific coast, including Los Angeles where they broadcasted over station KFI.

Mrs. Cannam has also been heard in musicals and song recitations on various occasions in Omaha as well as in other cities.

VICTORY TO VARE IN RECOUNT ROW

Washington, Feb. 9.—Senator-elect William S. Vare (R.) of Pennsylvania won a complete victory Wednesday afternoon in his fight for equal representation before the Waterman election subcommittee in the recount of Pennsylvania's 1926 senatorial ballots.

The committee agreed to give Vare all the representatives and watchers he desired, although at first the committee limited him to one supervisor and three assistants. The decision ended the dispute between Vare and the committee which provoked the Vare lieutenants into hotting the recount.

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