

# MURDOCK ITEMS

Herman F. Schweppe was shelling and delivering corn to the Murdock elevator on last Wednesday.

John Gakemeier was a visitor looking after some business matters at both Lincoln and Greenwood on last Monday.

Henry Carson was called to Omaha on last Wednesday to look after some business matters making the trip via the train.

George Work and family of Omaha were visiting for over the week end at the home of A. J. Tool, Mrs. Work formerly being Miss Christine Tool.

Hindegaard Baumgartner has accepted the appointment as teacher in the schools at Kenesaw, and will teach there the coming school year.

R. W. Stoll of Kingston, California, was visiting for the week at the home of J. H. Buck, Mrs. Stoll and Mrs. Buck being brother and sister.

H. W. Tool was a business visitor in Omaha on last Tuesday, called there to look after some matters in connection with the lumber yard here.

R. Riley and family of Omaha, the traveling representative of the United States Oil company, was a visitor for over night in Murdock last week.

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# Vice President Says His Duties are Exacting

Climbing out "Lower Five" Assistant Executive Meets Friends in a Genial Manner.

Topeka, Kas.—Home for a rest for the first time since his inauguration, Vice President Charles Curtis Friday visited with his neighbors in the same genial way that won him warm friendships during his service of nearly a quarter of a century as United States senator from Kansas.

At an informal meeting with newspaper men in the red brick house he shares here with his sister, Mrs. Rome Colvin, and her husband, Mr. Curtis reviewed his experiences as presiding officer of the senate and said his duties as vice president gave him plenty to do, despite the belief in some quarters that the office is not as exacting as the east as an ordinary citizen, the vice president occupied a lower berth in a sleeping car. He was surprised that this should occasion comment.

"Why shouldn't the vice president ride in lower five?" he asked. "He is nothing but the people's servant. Why shouldn't he ride with the people?"

Mr. Curtis said there is an erroneous impression abroad as to the duties of a vice president. "His duties are just what he wants to make them," he continued. "He may be idle if he chooses or he may be a public servant. I try to be a servant."

Many friends in Kansas, he said, felt he still was their senator and called upon him for various favors. "So I have the correspondence of a senator plus the correspondence of a vice president," he added.

Referring briefly to the "social war" which centered about his sister and official hostess, Mrs. Edward Gann, Mr. Curtis said there no longer was any issue, as the matter had been officially "laid out" for the administration, Vice President Curtis said he had found a tendency in several hosts and hostesses in Washington to show a spirit of observance of the prohibitory liquor laws by dispensing with the serving of liquors.—State Journal.

Howard University President, Son of Former Slave, Gets Spingarn Medal

Cleveland, O.—For bringing "rare and diverse gifts to the field of education and for his inspirational leadership," Dr. Mordcaiv L. Johnson, first Negro president of Howard University, government-endowed Negro institution in Washington, D. C., was awarded the Spingarn medal at the final session of the twentieth annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The award is made annually to the person selected as having done most for the advancement of the Negro race during the year. Dr. Johnson, youthful looking, intently serious, was presented the medal by Dr. Charles E. Thwing, president of the Western Reserve University, Cleveland. Dr. Johnson's father was a slave in the South before the Civil War, and preacher of the Gospel.

The son, starting as a poor boy, has become one of the noted Negro educators of the country.

Dr. Thwing, in presenting the medal, recalled his acquaintance with Oliver Otis Howard, founder of Howard University. He referred to Mr. Howard's strong desire to found an institution of learning that would stand as a monument to the Negro race.

He said Dr. Johnson was a "man of rare and diverse gifts. His education has been rich, diverse and distinctly formative. His work at Howard has attracted the attention of thinking men of all races."

It was with considerable trepidation that I went to Howard as its first Negro president," Dr. Johnson said. "This medal is the first positive indication that I have received that I am making progress."

Max Walker who worked in Murdock for so long and was the manager of the Emil Kuehn barber shop last week moved to Lincoln where he is employed at his trade and moved a short time since. Mr. Kuehn has secured another workman and one of very high character as workman and also a citizen who will be here for work immediately. Come around and get acquainted.

International thresher, separator 22-28, with Titan tractor 10-20, both in good condition. Phone, write or come see me. Murdock phone 721. J8-37w GUST HEMPEK

Equity Starts Campaign

New York—The Actors' Equity association announced Wednesday that it had voted to place \$10,000 at the immediate disposal of Frank Glumetz, its president who is now in Hollywood to carry on its campaign to organize actors in sound and talking pictures.

Phone your news to the Journal.

# SOUTH BEND Ashland Gazette

Mr. and Mrs. George Vogel drove to Omaha Sunday.

Mr. Judd Weaver and Mrs. L. B. Lackey drove to Omaha Saturday. Glenn Weaver and Kenneth Lackey drove to Plattsmouth last Tuesday.

Mrs. Viola Long and son, Harry, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rau spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell.

Mrs. Paul Hartung, of Kansas City was a Tuesday afternoon guest of Miss Carrie Kleiser.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cox, of Portland, Ore., are spending a few days at the Date Cox home.

Mr. L. Thiessen, of Gretna, is spending a few days at the home of his daughter, Mrs. V. Allington.

Mrs. Ross Hill and family, of Lincoln were visiting relatives and old friends in South Bend Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Towle, who has been quite sick the past two weeks is able to be up and around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Corley and daughter, Maxine, of Omaha, spent Sunday at the M. C. Brown home.

Mr. Fred Weaver and daughter, Mrs. Eula Lackey, spent Wednesday evening at the Henry Stander home.

Rock Island Engineer Jim Holland, of Fairbury, was visiting at the L. T. McGinness home one day last week.

Mr. Sturzenegger of near Gretna is spending part of her vacation at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. S. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. William Neuman, Jr., are the proud parents of an eight and a half pound son which was born Thursday.

Mrs. F. B. Lackey and son, Glenn, came last week for a visit at the home of Mrs. Lackey's father, Fred Weaver.

Mr. Judd Weaver and sister, Mrs. Eula Lackey and sons spent Thursday in Plattsmouth.

Mr. Judd Weaver and Mrs. Eula Lackey and sons spent Wednesday afternoon at the L. J. Roeber and Ed Rau homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Kitzell and family of university Place spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Kitzell.

Mr. Howard Jackman, of Louisville and Mr. Jack Knight, air mail pilot of Omaha, were visiting at the Fred Weaver home Saturday.

Mr. Carl Hoffmeister departed on Monday for Chicago, where he will take a course in chiropractic treatment. The course will require 18 months to complete.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reinke are the proud parents of a seven pound baby boy, born Sunday, June 30. Miss Anna Lau is the nurse in charge and all are doing nicely.

Mrs. Oscar Neuman underwent an operation in Omaha last Wednesday. Her many friends are glad to know that she is recovering and expects to return home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Powell and daughter, Jean, and Mr. John Diers, of Lincoln, Mr. H. S. Ough and Mrs. J. A. Shaffer of Alvo were Sunday guests at the Fred Weaver home.

Mrs. Viola Long and son, Harry, returned last week from Hutchinson, Kansas, where they visited relatives. They also visited several other places while gone.

Chas. McKinley, of Lincoln, was a week end visitor at the Date Cox home. He was accompanied by Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Nunn and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wilby Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Corbin Cox and Harold Stander.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Laughlin, of Prairie Home spent Sunday at the George Bornemeier home. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dean and family, of Ashland, were afternoon visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Keller and family of Alvo were afternoon callers also.

Mrs. Louis Roeber and Mrs. Ed Rau were hostesses to a group of friends and relatives at the Rau home Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Ed Rau and two sons, Kenneth and Glenn, of Minatare, Nebraska. The guests who were present were Mrs. Fred Weaver and sons, Judd and Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell and son, Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shaffer and Carolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stander and Bert, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mooney and Billie, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Roeber and Kenneth and Leonard, Henry Mann and Wayne Logan. The evening was spent socially, after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

103 BUT WHOOPS IT UP ON 4TH

Fairbury, July 5.—Alexander McNeal, an inmate of the Jefferson county farm, celebrated his 162d birthday on the Fourth of July as a guest at the home of Miss Rhoda Thompson, his friend here.

Mr. McNeal brought a display of fireworks with him with which to celebrate.

When Mr. McNeal was 100 Miss Thompson entertained in his honor with a sunset birthday party, which was attended by a large number of citizens. Today he is apparently in just good health as he was three years ago.

Happiness is the keynote of his character and perhaps one of the contributing factors of his longevity. His photographs are the pride of the K. M. Johnston, local photographer. He posed Thursday for his latest picture.

Henry Sanders and wife were in Omaha last evening where they spent the evening with friends and enjoyed the many points of interest in that city.

# Artist Paints Wierd Fish at Bottom of Sea

Staff Member of Field Museum, Chicago, Works 35 Feet Under Water

Chicago.—With strangely colorful fish swimming to within a few inches of him, stopping to pose, and then swimming away, Leon L. Pray, staff artist of the Field Museum of Natural History, tells how he sat calmly on the floor of the ocean off the Bahamas and painted pictures which are to form the basis for the museum's newest piscatorial exhibit.

Down to the floor of the sea through a dark tube Mr. Pray had gone. Carefully, slowly, as if upon an unstable ladder, he had descended. Suddenly he emerged into glorious light. He had reached his undersea studio, 35 feet below the surface of the waters that cover the coral reefs of the Bahamas.

There, amid a scene, which he describes as a marine fairytland, Mr. Pray made 60 crayon sketches of rare fish and eight oil paintings of the sea-creature. Soon these will be used by the museum as the basis for elaborate groups in its Hall of Fishes, showing the variously hued marine life among the corals.

Big Lens in Iron Ball

The deep-sea studio is the invention of E. Williamson, leader of the Field Museum-Williamson Submarine Expedition to the Bahamas. It is an iron ball with a big lens, thick enough to hold up under the powerful water pressure. A flexible tube connects it with a barge above.

The gloomy apartment is large enough to allow two artists to work at the same time and is constructed so that an abundance of fresh sea air is in constant circulation.

Time stood still, said Mr. Pray, when he set to work in this extraordinary studio. Hours slipped by in a daze of fascination at the marvels of the fish kingdom, seeing beauties that have rarely been brought to the surface or, in his opinion, even satisfactorily photographed, before Mr. Williamson's invention. Three, four hours passed, and he continued to paint, forgetting that up above in the world of men, lunch hour had come and gone.

"It was so still, so peaceful," he said. "There was no noise except the murmur of conches. Yet the slightest sound could penetrate the iron wall, as invisible as air. As we looked through the window of the chamber we could watch thousands of living things moving about in beautiful rhythms, but we could see no water. Artists that depict water by water are really mistaken. When one is in it as we were, fish seem to move about in midair, as if suspended."

Fish "Model" Readily

"For a distance of 50 or 60 feet one could see clearly. Objects beyond that space seemed to be at a great distance, in a peculiar, blue-gray haze."

The artist had but little difficulty in getting the fish to "model" for him. By throwing out a little bait, the fish would come close to the window. In fact, the fish seemed as though some of them tried to swim right into the studio.

Even the sharks "posed" for the artist. He got a new conception of their beauty. The sinuous, graceful movement of the animals was a surprise to him. The sharks approached him by a slow motion, accompanied by their pilots, the remoras who always swim along with the larger fish, and together they seemed to be dancing, the remoras circling over the backs and under the bellies of the big fish.

Most beautiful of all were the angel fish, colored like flowers. The artist saw a huge golden yellow, shading into orange, to a deep purple running into very red. Other fish changed their very patterns from spots to bars like a kaleidoscope. Again their colors vanished. This was the appeal of the fish. The artist saw a large golden yellow, shading into orange, to a deep purple running into very red. Other fish changed their very patterns from spots to bars like a kaleidoscope. Again their colors vanished. This was the appeal of the fish. The artist saw a large golden yellow, shading into orange, to a deep purple running into very red. Other fish changed their very patterns from spots to bars like a kaleidoscope. Again their colors vanished. This was the appeal of the fish.

SEEK ALLEGED THIEF

Lexington, Neb.—Held here as a Fairmont bank robber suspect and later released, meanwhile being fined \$100 for possession of liquor, a man giving the name of M. L. Wilcox of Cheyenne, Wyo., is again being sought, this time for car theft.

He was arrested when he walked into the Lexington State bank to exchange small bills for larger ones. The bank had been notified to hold anyone making such a request. Search revealed a bottle of liquor.

His identification apparently substantiated by articles in his grip, Wilcox was released. He sold a car which he had wrecked west of here, then bought a ticket for Detroit, and left. Shortly afterward a request was received by officers to hold a man and car with the engine number found on the wrecked car.

J. D. ROCKEFELLER, JR. AIDS IOWA U. SCHOOL

Iowa City, July 1.—Financial support by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., for the University school of religion to the extent of \$60,000 has been promised in a message received by President Walter A. Jessup of the university, and accepted Monday.

# KING FUAD CALLS AT GENEVA

Geneva, July 5.—King Fuad of Egypt, who came to Geneva to witness the festival of the River Throne, Friday paid an official visit to the League of Nations. In the absence of Sir Eric Drummond, secretarial general of the League, the official host was J. A. M. C. Avenol, deputy secretary general.

As a boy king Fuad attended a large school on the outskirts of Geneva, now a sumptuous hotel. It happens that the king and his suite are occupying rooms in which he studied years ago.

Peace Vote Stamp Winning Support in 20 Countries

Use on Letters to Be Taken as Supporting Movement to Abolish Warfare

St. Paul, Minn.—To permit the people of the world to cast a vote for peace by the purchase and use of a certain postage stamp is a movement that is meeting with favorable sentiment in high official circles in at least 20 countries, it is announced by J. W. Hamilton, founder and secretary of the World Peace Postage Association with offices here.

The plan is to induce governments to issue a special "peace ballot stamp" to be used for national and international postage in the same way as other authorized stamps. It is proposed that there be the regular issue and an issue bearing the peace design. Thus, the champions of the idea point out, the voluntary purchase of a peace stamp would constitute a vote for peace, the request for such a stamp and the use of it or mail indicating the purchaser's sentiments.

"In 1927 nearly 3,500,000,000 pieces of mail were exchanged between the nations," Mr. Hamilton points out, "in a widely circulated ballot stamp, into the thought of sender and receiver there would have come the message of peace and good will. Support the parlements of statesmen for peace with thousands from every class, and there will go out into the atmosphere of mankind a power to make war impossible."

TEACH TRUTH, PYRTLE PLEA

Atlanta, July 3.—The National Education association's 67th convention divided its time Wednesday between the teachers' problems and election of officers.

The two women nominees for the presidency—Miss E. Ruth Pyrtle, Lincoln, Neb., and Miss Effie MacGregor, Minneapolis, appeared in the role of convention speakers that delegates might know them better.

In an address, Miss Pyrtle "wondered" if the printed text was not overstressed, and urged instructors to teach the truth that international hatreds and prejudices might be abated.

Miss MacGregor declared teachers must perfect their world-wide organization, that the ultimate goal of truth in the schoolroom might be reached more quickly.

In the election, 11 vice presidents were voted on as well as directors and other officers. The ballot boxes were to be open until 6 p. m. when the county will be made.

William J. Bogan, Chicago school superintendent, asserted that selfishness and cynicism of adult society had frustrated the teacher's appeal to the idealism of youth, and advocated greater public co-operation for schools.

ASK TO QUASH INDICTMENT

Omaha—Federal Judge Woodrough will shortly hear arguments of attorneys representing Raymond E. Wilkinson, Guy Weir and Garfield Bruner, indicted in September, 1927, for mail fraud, asking that the indictment be quashed. The defendants, charged with land frauds at Ogallala, are alleged to have sold property and furnished the new owners title and deeds which were void because they never purchased the property from the real owners.

In asking that the indictment be quashed the defendants set forth that the government fails to "state the time or place where the alleged conspiracy or scheme to defraud was commenced," nor does it state how the offenses were completed.

Persons whom the trio are alleged to have defrauded are not mentioned, they charge, nor does the indictment state how the scheme was carried out. They further allege the indictment only sets forth conclusions and does not give essentials of the crime said to have been committed against the laws of the United States. Each of the defendants is at liberty under \$5,000 bond.

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