

MURDOCK ITEMS

Floyd Hite made a trip to Beatrice Saturday. Fred Towle was in Plattsmouth on business Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tool drove to Lincoln Monday. H. A. Tool made a business trip to Omaha on Thursday. The auditor for the Farmers Union elevator was here the past week. Frank Melvin and Floyd Hite were in Lincoln on business Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Peters of Greenwood were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gakemeier Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Elnhoff and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heineman were shopping in Lincoln Monday afternoon. The Murdock high school basketball team defeated the Alvo team in a close game of 14 to 13, Friday evening. Emil Kuehn was working near Hesperus for the greater portion of last week, notwithstanding the very bad weather and roads which made it not the best to get around. On last Tuesday Messrs. E. W. Thimman, H. W. Tool, Paul Scheve and Frank A. Melvin were over to Plattsmouth, where they had some business matters to look after. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rannic, of Council Bluffs, the latter a sister of Henry Amgwert, were here spending a few days at the Henry Amgwert home. They returned to their Iowa home early last week. Miss Viola Everett who has been employed as a saleslady in a store at Beatrice, with the slowing up of business was not required to work longer, and so returned to Murdock. John Eppings and family were over to Murray and Nehawka on last Sunday, where they were guests for the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lancaster, of Nehawka, and where they as well as many other relatives enjoyed the visit very much. Harry A. Williams, of Elmwood, accompanied by the good wife, were visiting for the day on last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Thimman and where a very pleasant afternoon visit was had. Mesdames Thimman and Williams are sisters. Mesdames Henry A. Tool and Chris Kuehn were at Elmwood on last Wednesday afternoon, where they were attending the meeting of the Eastern Star Kensington, which was held at the home of Mrs. Dr. Liston, and where the ladies report a very pleasant afternoon. The Murdock firemen were served an oyster supper with all the trimmings at the Modern Woodman hall Tuesday evening. About thirty were present in spite of the drifting snow and near blizzard and all report a good time. The chemical engine was then demonstrated that more might learn how to use it. Mrs. Wm. Meyer, who has been staying for some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. McDonald, since her return from the hospital, with her improvement not being as rapid as hoped for, departed on last Wednesday morning for her home near Ashland, in order that she might be nearer the family physician. Miss Martha Forbery, of Clay Center, Kansas, was a visitor in Murdock and the vicinity for a number of weeks and while here was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bornemeier. Miss Martha is teaching at Clay Center. Ralph Bornemeier took the young teacher home and was expecting to get back home on Tuesday of last week, but on account of the snow and snow blocking the roads, he was unable to get home until Thursday of last week. Hastling on the County Roads. Louis Schmidt, who is supervisor of the roads about Murdock has been more than busy getting about over the roads of this portion of the county with the large grader, getting them opened up and in condition that they can be traveled and

he has sure been doing a good piece of work on them. John Eppings, also on the highway maintenance force, has been hustling to keep the roads open for travel. They have sure both been doing their part in this time of bad roads and bad weather to keep the lines of communication open so they can be used.

Quilted at the Cafe
Mrs. Mathew Thimman, with a number of her friends, namely Mess. James W. O. Gillespie and Charles I. Long and Miss Viola Everett were working very industriously at a quilt during the time when Mrs. Thimman was not busy with her work at the cafe.

Sister Died in Omaha
Mrs. Catherine Metzloff, of Omaha, aged 64 years, who was born in Germany, he came to this country when she was sixteen years of age, and a sister of our townsman, G. Baur, died last Sunday at her home in the metropolis, following a stroke of paralysis. The husband had preceded her in death a number of years ago. The funeral was held on last Wednesday afternoon and was attended by Mr. Bauer, the brother, and Mr. and Mrs. John Gakemeier, nephew and niece of the deceased. Interment was at Omaha. Mr. Bauer and family have the sympathy of the entire community in this, their hour of grief.

Looking for Better Rates
With the organization of the Murdock Fire Department and the securing of better fire fighting equipment, as well as the installation of the new electric fire siren for use in giving alarms in case of fire, the city has been platted by a fire inspector and there is hope that the fire insurance rate will be materially lowered. The citizens of Murdock have reason to be pleased that these things have occurred to bring about the reduced rates which are expected.

Enjoyed a Fine Meeting
The Young Married Folks classes of the Murdock Bible school, whose teacher is Mr. Charles Kupke, Jr., and whose assistant teacher is Mrs. W. O. Scheve, who has taught the class successfully for the past eight years and had asked for a year's vacation, and which class is one of the very fine classes of the Bible school, held a business and social session at the Murdock school on last Tuesday evening at which time they had a very fine program and a very fine time. They had their business session and also a social session with games and also they had something to eat, which was also greatly enjoyed.

Baby Girl Blesses Home
One of the homes of Murdock was blessed last Sunday by the arrival via the stock route of a very fine baby girl, which came with a smile and a cherry greeting to the parents, and who is promising a very happy benediction to the home and the fond parents. The advent of a baby into a home is an important event and one which changes the entire life of the home and always for the better. The little one may be a blessing to the parents and a consolation for them in the years to come is the wish of all their friends.

Making Good Improvement
Mrs. W. E. Newkirk, mother of Mrs. Dr. L. D. Lee, is reported as showing good progress and while she has as yet to remain in her bed a portion of the cast which has been removed and the patient is kept to her bed. It is expected that ere long the entire cast will be removed and she will then after a time be able to be allowed to leave the bed and be up again. Her many friends are pleased that she is thus far progressing and that she will soon be able to be up again.

Murdock Man Receives Appointment
With forty-two applicants for the position of sheriff of Cass county, due to vacancy caused by the death of the late Sheriff Reed, on last Tuesday evening the board of county commissioners selected Edward W. Thimman, of Murdock, for the filling of the unexpired term until the next general election. Mr. Thimman was over to Plattsmouth Saturday to confer with the board of commissioners in regard to the office and what was expected to be done regarding the selection of a deputy. The board of commissioners might have labored for the entire remainder of the year and not have selected as good a person for the position as they secured at this time. Mr. Thimman is a man well qualified for the position he has been chosen to fill and as he expects to enforce the law impartially, everyone should be satisfied. Mr. Thimman has selected Ras Becker, of Union for deputy, an excellent man for the place.

Welcome New Grandson
A new and second grandson arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Werk of Omaha last Saturday night with the mother and the young man doing nicely. There is added joy at the home of Grandfather and Grandmother A. J. Tool incident to the arrival.

Died in the West
Peter Rueter, father of Messrs. Henry and Daniel Rueter, of Alvo, Will Rueter, of Murdock, and Fred Rueter, of Manley, and Miss Minnie Rueter, was born in Germany and was about seventy years of age at the time of his death. He came to this country when a young man and engaged in farming here when the country was new. With the family grown, he went to the western part of the country several years ago to make his home, he and the good wife locating in California. The wife and

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mother has since died, preceding the husband and father to the other world several years ago. With the passing of Peter Rueter, two sons went out to attend the funeral, they returning early last week. A more detailed account of the life of this excellent gentleman will be given in our issue of the coming week.

Cutting Much Wood
Melvin Buskirk has been busy in the timber notwithstanding the deep snow in the cutting and getting wood ready for the consumer. He has some fifty large truck loads ready for delivery and also is offering two large truck loads for the poor of Omaha, only waiting for some one to come and get it, or for some one here to offer to take same to Omaha for the warming of the poor of that city.

Had a Good Sale
On last Tuesday at the home of George Tonac, who has been residing some four miles east of Greenwood, was held a sale for the disposing of what surplus farming machinery he had, as he is to move to near Gordon, where the farming will be different and where he will mostly engage in the cattle business. While the scarcity of money is felt very keenly, Henry A. Tool, who was the clerk at the sale, reports a very good sale and the goods going at very fair prices.

Church Holds Official Meeting
The members and officers of the two churches, the one at Murdock and the other which is known as the Louisville church northeast of town, but more properly the Emmanuel church, were in session at the Murdock church on Wednesday afternoon of last week, where they looked after the business matters of both churches. They employ the same pastor for the both churches.

Home from the West
Messrs. Henry and Will Rueter, who were called to the west on account of the passing of their father, Peter Rueter, who died a short time since and at whose funeral they were in attendance, returned home Tuesday of last week.

Notice
Some new equipment has been secured by the Murdock Fire Department. Included in this is an electric fire siren. This siren will be sounded daily except Sunday at approximately 12 o'clock noon. It is operated from the office of the Lincoln Telephone company and is not intended as a correct time signal, but as a test to insure the siren is in working order at all times. Fire alarms may be turned in by calling the telephone company office or from the fire house.

BUY NEW APPARATUS
The board of trustees of the village of Murdock recently added to the fire department equipment and are better prepared to fight fires than heretofore as they have also recently organized an active and capable fire department, who are always alert to save the property of the people of the city. There has been some very destructive fires in the town and to prevent the recurrence of the fire demon in the future every precaution has been exercised. Among the other equipment has been the installation of an electric siren which can be sounded from the telephone exchange by pressing a button. As their notice, which appears in this issue of the paper tells, this siren will be sounded at about the noon hour every week day, and will tell about the time of day being about noon, but not to the second. The idea is for all to know when the siren is sounded about noon it is not for a call for a fire but any other time it is for a call and it will be sounded at that time in order that it be known that the siren is in good working condition.

OLD RESIDENT HERE
M. E. Bushnell, one of the long time residents of Cass county, living on the farm between South Bend and Ashland, was in the city over night, being a guest at the home of his brother, A. H. Bushnell and family. Mr. Bushnell was a resident of Plattsmouth many years ago, he being engaged here in newspaper work, his brother H. M. Bushnell, having for some time been here on the Plattsmouth Herald. Mr. Bushnell has in these years however, engaged in farming in the northwest part of the county. While here Mr. Bushnell was a caller at the Journal to renew his subscription for another year to the weekly edition of the Journal.

MURDOCK LADY MARRIED

Announcements have been received by friends of the recent marriage of Jess N. Backemeyer to Miss Marie Jane Ostholm, which took place on Dec. 22, 1932, at Seward, Nebraska. This was a great surprise to many of their friends as they were not aware of the fact until announcements had been received. Mr. Backemeyer is the second son of Mr. F. W. Backemeyer. He is a graduate of the Elmwood high school and attended school at Naperville, Ill., and Peru Normal and took a course in chemistry at the State University, and is now a Chemist doing work along this line at several places in the state recently. The bride is a daughter of Mr. John Ostholm of Murdock, Neb. They will make their home at Lincoln, Nebraska. The friends of the newly weds extend to them their heartiest congratulations for a long, happy and prosperous wedded life.—Leader-Echo.

Most Highways in State are Now Open to Traffic

Little Precipitation in the State Thursday Night—Low Temperatures Prevail.

In most sections of the state Friday low temperatures and an abundance of snow remained to warn persons that winter still prevailed. Although little precipitation was recorded throughout the storm area Thursday night, biting winds drove mercury to subzero levels in many places, weather bureau officials at Lincoln recording a low of zero at 6 a. m. Friday. The season's low for Lincoln vicinity is 3 below. By 1 p. m. Friday mercury had risen 16 degrees, with indications of rising temperatures continuing Saturday. The low Friday night was 19 above.

Reports from the Lincoln Automobile club touring bureau indicate that the main highways are practically open, and in fair condition in places. Heavy snows, thawing, freezing have caused the roads east thru Red Cloud, Hastings, Edgar, Superior, Red Cloud report east and west roads in those vicinities still drifted in many places.

No. 26 across Nebraska is open for traffic entirely, and in good condition, excepting a few rough spots. No snows were reported in western Nebraska at noon and very little wind, so no drifting is anticipated. No. 81 is open, with no drifting at Norfolk and very little snow north of Columbus. It is good thru Kansas, and open to Sioux City to Lincoln and south.

No. 38 is open and in fair condition from Omaha to Minden, pen west to Sterling and Denver. This road is also marked No. 6. No. 29 is fair in eastern Nebraska, and open to Lincoln. No. 75 is open for traffic, also No. 73 south to Kansas City. No. 2, Nebraska City to Lincoln, is open but fair. No. 24, East O, is open for traffic.

No. 3 west has many one way drifts, is very rough, drifted from Hampton to York very badly, but was open Friday. No. 2 continuing to Broken Bow, is open but rough in spots. No. 3 is fair to go to Hebron, open, but drifted in places west, should be open and clear with a few inches of snow reported, and with any wind it would drift in again. Oxford west, open. No. 4 is open to Bruning. No. 8 is open for travel. No. 1 and No. 12, Grand Island to St. Paul, and to Ord, open. No. 15 is open. No. 16 is drifted in places but should be open for travel soon. The weather forecast was clear thruout the state Friday morning, and no wind, so further drifting isn't anticipated. Roads are open south into Chicago. Roads are open south into Kansas City, and on to New Orleans.

The Burlington reported temperatures on the Lincoln and Omaha divisions ranging from 4 below to 5 above and on the Wymore division, from 4 to 16 degrees. Snow for the past twenty-four hours ranged in depth from 4 to 6 inches on the Lincoln and Omaha divisions and from 4 to 6 inches on the Wymore line west of Chester and Tobias. On the Albia and Leola divisions little precipitation was received, while in the northwest, on the Sheridan and Casper divisions, no snow fell but frigid weather persisted, the thermometer registering as low as 27 degrees below and climbing as high as 18 above.

Boeing Air Transport officials stated that all mail planes were flying along the line Friday from Chicago west. North Platte reported a temperature of 4 above, Omaha 6 above with 64 of an inch precipitation at Union, and Sioux City, 2 degrees and .33 of an inch moisture.

SUSPECTS ARE RELEASED
Chicago—Two men suspected of the murder of Felix Sojko, farmer from Page, Neb., were discharged Friday. Police found nothing but circumstantial evidence against John Lazarez and Joseph Donset. Sojko was found dying in an alley several weeks ago, robbed and beaten fatally. On the floor of the apartment where Lazarez and Donset lived was blood and concealed there were Sojko's empty money belt and \$117. They were charged with murder, but they explained that Sojko came to their flat and said he had been in a fight but demurred at their suggestion a doctor be called.

Sons' Suicide Realized Mother's Wish
Choice of Death Before Capture Probably Only Decision in Lives of Young Brothers, Slayers of Six Officers, Approved by Mother.



Trapped in a house at Houston, Texas, Harry and Jennings Young, slayers of six law officers at Springfield, Mo., put an end to their own lives before they would submit to capture. Thus they inadvertently committed the only act of their notorious career of which their mother approved. Mrs. W. H. Young, mother of the desperadoes, stated when questioned by police that she prayed her boys would commit suicide before they'd allow the law to exact the penalty for their crimes. Mrs. Young had eight children, four of whom were boys. Of the four, only one, Oscar, stuck to the straight and narrow path. The other three, Harry, Paul and Jennings, embarked at an early age upon a career of lawlessness and soon acquired prison records. The gun battle at the Young farm in Springfield, Mo., was the climax of their career. It resulted from an attempt by a posse to arrest Harry, wanted for a murder committed two years ago. The cold-blooded killing of six officers of the posse aroused the State and the Nation. More than 10,000 police, deputies, special officers and volunteers aided in hunting the killers. But women members of the Young family, Vineta and Mrs. Alber Conley, sisters of the killers, freely predicted that their brothers would never be taken alive. The mother said she hoped they wouldn't.

Houston, Texas—What is probably the strangest wish ever made by a mother regarding her offspring was realized in dramatic manner when Harry Young and his brother, Jennings, slayers of six peace officers in Springfield, Mo., committed suicide, preferring death to capture. The mother, Mrs. W. H. Young, who was held for questioning after the terrific gun battle at her farmhouse, voiced the wish to authorities that her boys would kill themselves rather than allow the law to exact its penalty for their crimes. Mrs. Young's remarkable attitude will seem strange to mothers of more worthy children. A woman's maternal instinct is to protect her child, to the last ditch and even though the world may point an accusing finger at the being she brought into the world, she never ceases to regard her boy as a baby. One finds it hard to imagine the Young killers as babies, but if one were privileged to look inside their mother's mind, the picture of her children which she treasures there would doubtless be as they were when they first began to utter baby words. Who could foresee at that time that such tiny morsels of humanity would one day write their names in blood on the history of their state as calloused murderers? Or who could see in those tiny tots desperadoes whose deeds rival the worst ever perpetrated in dramatic manner when Harry Young and his brother, Jennings, slayers of six peace officers in Springfield, Mo., committed suicide, preferring death to capture. Mrs. Young had eight children altogether. Four were boys. Of that four, only Oscar, stuck to the straight and narrow path. The other three, Harry, Jennings and Paul, were just naturally bad and soon came into contact with the wrong side of the law. Maybe they had that mental kink that makes crimes such as those perpetrated by such celebrated outlaws as the Jameses seem epic of gallantry. But whatever the reason, the three Youngs didn't take long to acquire prison records and an unwholesome contempt for law and order. The climax of their career of lawlessness, which finally rung down the curtain on their activities, was the gun battle at the Young farmhouse near Springfield, Mo. Harry sought for a murder he was suspected of having committed two years ago, was run to earth there by the merest accident. His mother and sisters, Vineta and Mrs. Alber Conley, were questioned regarding an automobile accident and inadvertently betrayed the fact that their wanted brother was at the farm. What happened when the posse surrounded the house to arrest him is history. Harry and his two brothers opened fire, killing six of the officers and wounding three others. Their escape to Texas was nothing short of miraculous, considering the number of state police, deputies, special officers and volunteers who aided in the chase. The fact that they reached the end of their criminal trail so quickly proves that the days of the Jesse Jameses and Daltons are over. No longer can a desperado just jump on a horse and gallop off laughing at the law. The Young boys utilized autos for their get-aways, but they could not escape the meshes of the net justice had spread for them. Their suicide was the last desperate act of trapped rats that knew that the hand of the law was approaching inexorably to exact retribution for their bloody lawlessness. In the light of what their mother had hoped, their self-destruction may also have been the only act of their brief but hectic careers that carried the stamp of maternal approval.

Shouse Scans Scene of 1932 Conventions

Stadium at Chicago Seats Thirty Thousand—Additional Space Is Available
Chicago—Arrival in Chicago this week of Mr. J. Shouse, executive director of the Democratic National Committee, to look over the Chicago Stadium, focused attention on the scene of the Republican as well as the Democratic National Convention next summer. They will meet in an arena now capable of seating 30,000 delegates and spectators. Built of steel, concrete and stone, this great structure was capitalized at \$7,000,000 when finished in May, 1929. In addition to the arena, the stadium has a basement said to be equivalent to a city block in floor space, where committee offices may be established and press facilities set up. It also has office space on three floors in the four corners of the building. In addition many of the corridors, which sweep wide in places, can be sliced off if needed for special purposes. The building is square and the arena is oval. This amphitheater is located on Madison Street, the north and south meridian of the city, 18 blocks west of the center of the city's business section. It is served from the "Loop" by elevated lines, by boulevards on which bus lines run and by several street car lines. The stadium was built by a number of leading sportsmen of this city, organized by Mr. P. J. (Paddy) Harmon, a promoter of professional sporting activities. It has become the leading sport center of the city, largely supplanting the Coliseum in that function as well as in the matter of political conventions.

Rail Labor Leaders



Left to right, George M. Harrison, grand president of Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees; D. B. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and M. S. Warfield, president of the Order of Sleeping Car Conductors, who are among the representatives of 1,900,000 railroad employees meeting in Chicago to discuss wage and working conditions.

TWO HOODLUMS ARRESTED

Chicago—Philip Mangano and Louis Clementi, hoodlums, were arrested while another suspect was leashed, absconded by the police of implication in the murder of Benjamin Rosenberg, independent cleaning plant operator. Harry Robins was freed by Maywood police but search for his uncle, Al Robins, was renewed. Robins said his uncle left for St. Louis Tuesday saying he was wanted for writing bad checks and he must get out of town. St. Louis officers were asked to watch for him. Phone the news to No. 6.

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