

## MURDOCK ITEMS

John Zoz has been kept to his home a good portion of the time for the past few days in bed with an attack of the flu.

August Stander of Elmwood was a business visitor in Murdock on last Friday where he was looking after some business matters for a short time.

Henry Heinemann and Mathew Thimgan have for some time been building a stage in the Murdock church that entertainments may be more easily given and in a better way.

Misses Helen and Mary Bornemier were over to Ashland on Friday of last week where they were looking after some pre-Christmas shopping and also meeting a number of their friends.

The weather being cold did not stop A. H. Ward from making his accustomed trips to Elmwood, Wash and South Bend on last Friday with his distribution of oils, greases and gas.

G. Bauer, who has been chopping wood for some time past has been adversely effected with the cold and dampness and has been having some rheumatism which has given this gentleman some trouble.

Someone spilled about a half pound of roofing nails at the entrance of the garage of I. G. Hornbeck, but which did no damage and were picked up and the owner may have them by calling at the Rock Island station.

Mrs. O. E. Bradford, formerly Miss Mary Tool, arrived home last week and is visiting for a time with the parents. She was assisting in the bank while her father, Henry A. Tool, was called to look after some business matters out of town on last Friday.

Martin Blum and Wm. Blum, Ivan Sutton and M. Christensen made a very fine team of wood choppers who were making wood for the fire out of the big trees in the pasture of W. E. Palmer over on the Callahan creek north of Murdock and west of South Bend.

J. H. Buck, who has been growing a good pig during the past summer thought this cold spell a good time to dress the same for meat and accordingly has done so, and found that the porker when dressed weighed near six hundred pounds and besides the meat it provided an abundant amount of lard for the coming year.

**A Cold Day But Good Time.**  
The Ladies' Aid of the Murdock church which are a very enthusiastic bunch of workers for the church and the good of the home town, were meeting on last Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roebler northwest of Murdock where they enjoyed the afternoon and as well looked after much work for the church and its charities. The ladies pronounced Mrs. Roebler a genial hostess and a most capable entertainer, and are looking for the time when they can meet at her hospitable home again.

**Has Been Very Sick.**  
Wm. Meyer who has off and on worked for Conrad Baumgartner and elsewhere in this neighborhood, has been afflicted with the rheumatism to the extent that he has not been able to work and has been suffering a good deal and the church of which he is a member has been considering the matter of sending him to some home for treatment, and were meeting for that purpose last week. While the matter is still undecided he is being cared for here.

**L. Neitzel Very Poorly.**  
L. Neitzel, who has been kept to his bed and home for the past ten days, is not feeling so much better but still is feeling that his condition is improving, is kept to the home

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and while he is thus kept from the store the business is being looked after by Charles Kupke, who is a very careful and obliging gentleman, and one who will well care for the business until such a time as Mr. Neitzel can get back to his work.

**Tells of Cold Weather.**  
Wayne Swartz, who is buying horses in North Dakota, while the folks visit in Murdock with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gakemier, write that the weather is very cold up there he having experienced a temperature of 28 below zero and with no noticeable intention of getting warmer.

**Celebrates Birthday.**  
Russell Lee Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward, is a very close student at the age of five years and is a member of the class which is taught by Mrs. Charles L. Long, and on last Sunday, December 11th, which was his birthday, the occasion was appropriately celebrated when his parents entertained at a dinner and had as guests the teacher, Mrs. Long, who had baked a birthday cake with five candles thereon, and with the family and grandfather and Messrs. and Mesdames W. O. Gillespie and Merle Gillespie, at dinner with young Russell and also extended to him the wish for many more such happy birthday anniversary celebrations.

**Will Celebrate Christmas.**  
The Murdock church, the Louisville church and the Callahan church of the Evangelical denomination, and the Trinity Lutheran church, all four have just now in hand the perfecting of a very nice program and the finishing of the appointment for their programs will furnish a very nice evening's entertainment at each of these churches on Saturday of this week.

**Bible Class Holds Good Meeting.**  
The Bible class of the Murdock Bible school, held a very fine meeting at the Murdock schools last Wednesday and enjoyed a very fine get-together meeting with much sociability and some good eats as well and having concluded their program, they held the election of officers for the ensuing year, electing the entire list of officers who have served so faithfully during the past year. They are Elmer Miller president; Charles L. Long, vice-president; and Leroy Gorthey, secretary-treasurer.

**Very Pretty Custom.**  
The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co. over the entire territory have a Christmas organization which permits all employees to participate in providing a Christmas for little tots who would otherwise get no Christmas cheer. The girls at the Murdock office have provided ten dolls while the gentlemen who work for the company provide an equal amount of toys which they have to purchase and on Christmas morning the presents are distributed as per a list which they have been preparing for many months. This looks like it is a very fine practice and which is bound to scatter happiness in many an otherwise unhappy home.

**Feeding Cheap Corn**  
Robert Stock was in Fremont last Saturday and purchased 75 head of hogs, which he will feed on some of the cheap corn. Rudolph Kusha also purchased 75 head of hogs to be fattened in his feedlot.

**Got Their Oyster Supper**  
Robert Stock gave an oyster supper last Saturday night for Jess, Harry and Paul, his brothers, who had helped him pick corn. He had promised them this treat and made good on his offer and a good time was had, the boys also bringing their lady friends, Edna Zoz, Ruth Kuehn and Bernice Boys. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zable and daughter, Arlene, were also present.

**Martin Nickles Home Burns.**  
With the very disagreeable day on last Friday, December 16th, the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin J. Nickles caught fire and was entirely consumed. While neighbors endeavored to render what assistance possible, in many instances the cars, on account of the cold weather, would not start and so could not get there until the home was consumed. This is a terrible time for one to have their home burn, any time is bad, but with the extremely cold weather and having to get out and go elsewhere, is doubly bad. We aren't able to report how the fire started or whether there was insurance on the structure or not.

**Had a House Warming.**  
And a dandy time for such work. At that, was enjoyed by a number of the friends of Fred Dieckmann, Jr. when they on Tuesday night went in a body to his home where they were prepared for a good time and



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## Manley News Items

John Crane was a visitor with friends in Omaha on last Saturday and was also looking after some business matters as well.

The twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stander are reported as being very poorly at this time with a severe attack of cold and croup.

Herman Dall and Earnie Pankonin were visiting in Omaha on Friday of last week, going that Mr. Dall might bring the daughter home who is attending school there.

Adolph Steinkamp has been quite poorly for some time past and has been kept to his home and bed for a number of days but late last week was able to get down town and see his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rauth and Miss Rena Christensen were over to Omaha on last Tuesday where they were both visiting with friends as well as looking after some pre-Christmas shopping.

Joseph Macena, who makes his home with a daughter at Weeping Water, was a visitor in Manley for a short time early last week, but the weather being so cold that he could not get to visit as much as he desired.

Miss Anna Rauth who is attending school in Omaha, was a visitor at home for over the week end last Thursday and where she enjoyed the day very much. Mr. and Mrs. Rauth took her back to her school on Sunday evening in their car.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Murphy gathered at their beautiful country home one day last week where they surprised this estimable couple and where all enjoyed cards until it was time to go home. Refreshments were served which added much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

**Takes Mother to Hospital.**  
The mother of Mrs. John Bergman, Jr., has been very sick at her home near Murray and the daughter has been there assisting in the care of the mother for some time and as she has not been showing the improvement desired, it was deemed best to take the patient to the hospital, so accordingly Mr. and Mrs. Bergman took her to Omaha late last week where it is hoped she will show good improvement and that she may soon be well again.

**Making Good Improvements.**  
Miss Teresa Rauth has been having some improvements made at her country home a short distance from Manley. Harold Krecklow has been doing some carpenter work while George Rau is doing some decorating on the interior of the home.

Journal Want-Ads get results!

## Cass County Farm Bureau Notes

Copy furnished from Office of County Agent Waincott

**Farmers Enter Old-Time Contests**  
Middle aged and old folks as well as young people will compete for the cash prizes in the Fun Frolic contests at the College of Agriculture, January 4, according to Ivan D. Wood, who is in charge of the events. The Fun Frolic contests, featuring old time fiddling, ciphering, square dancing, overall patching and singing are a part of the annual Farmers Fun Feed held in connection with the Organized Agriculture meetings taking place the first week in January.

A complete schedule of the rules for the eleven contests has been drawn up by those in charge of the events. Entries will be accepted in all of the events up to the time they are scheduled to take place except in the carpet beating, the group song contest, and the square dance. Any person may enter more than one contest if the schedule of events permits him to participate in them. No entry fees are charged for any of the events. The old fiddlers' contest is limited to Nebraska farmers more than 50 years of age. Each contestant will be allowed an accompanist. The county song group contest is limited to gray-haired farm men and women with not less than five and not more than ten people in the group. Many entries for all contests are already being received by county agents in the state and Ivan D. Wood of the College of Agriculture at Lincoln.

**Cass County Sing at Organized Agriculture**  
Mrs. Eugene Nitzman, of Nebraska, will lead the Cass county sing at Organized Agriculture, Wednesday morning, January 4th at 10:15. The sing will include, "Little Brown Church in the Vale," "Love's Old Sweet Song," and "My Nebraska," three of the favorite songs of Nebraska club women.

All project and study club women are urged to memorize these songs, attend the morning session Wednesday and join in the sing.

**Seedling Trees Available.**  
One year old nursery grown seedling trees, in sixteen varieties, will be available to farmers in Nebraska this spring through the Extension Service. The farm bureau office has application blanks ready for those who wish to place orders for these trees, at \$1.00 per hundred trees.

The varieties available are: Broadleaf, American Elm, Chinese Elm, cottonwood, green ash, catalpa, honey locust, soft maple, box-elder, Russian mulberry, Russian olive, and caragana (Siberian pea tree), evergreen, Austrian pine, yellow (Bull) pine, Scotch pine, eastern white pine, Jack pine. The red cedars are available only to counties west of a line through the eastern edge of Holt and Webster counties.

The eastern white pine is a new variety made available this year and is a very good tree for eastern Nebraska. Applications for trees should be sent to the farm bureau office within the next few weeks as it is expected the demand will be heavy.

### WEDDED IN COLORADO

Word has been received here of the marriage of Dorothy Cross of Arriba, Colo., to Mr. Oscar Smith of Bovina, Colo. The marriage was solemnized Saturday, October 29, 1932 at 12 o'clock noon.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Cross of Arriba, Colorado, former residents of Cass county. She is a senior at Colorado Agricultural College at Fort Collins, a very popular and accomplished young lady having recently been elected to the national honorary sorority, Omicron Nu, for home economics students. Mrs. Smith will receive her degree in May.

Mr. Smith is a young man of sterling character and a former student of Colorado Aggies where he was very active in school activities and a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity. At present he is engaged in teaching in the schools of Lincoln county.

### LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robert M. Walling on North Third street and who was assisted by Mrs. A. H. Duxbury and Mrs. Otto Keck. The afternoon was given over to the discussion of the business of the society and the discussion of the recent district convention held here and which had been such a splendid success in every way. At a suitable hour dainty refreshments were served to add to the pleasure of the occasion.



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