

Murray

George Nickles was a visitor in Plattsmouth on last Saturday, called there to look after some business matters for a short time.

Ray Fredrick of the Farmers Elevator company of Murray was a visitor in Murray last Tuesday and was looking after some business.

Dr. Joseph H. Hall of Plattsmouth was a visitor in Murray for a short time on last Tuesday and was looking after some business matters while here.

Will Patterson was a visitor in Weeping Water on last Tuesday where he was guest of his two brothers, David Patterson and Alex J. Patterson.

Edward and George Graves of Peru, sons of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Graves of Murray were visiting them on last Sunday. All enjoyed the visit very much.

A. G. Long shelled and delivered corn to the elevator one day this week and is pleased with the prices which he received and to get the grain off with good weather and roads.

John H. Farris and Mrs. Sadie Oldham were having their corn shelled on Tuesday afternoon of this week the same being delivered to the Wilson elevator. With the new crop coming along and is so excellent they desire to get the old corn out of the way.

On Monday of this week Charles Reed threshed for Will G. Cook his wheat of which there was 37 acres yielded 808 bushels, which makes an average of 21 bushels and 45 pounds and which is not so bad for that number of acres this year, and all good wheat at that.

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Churchill and John Frans and family were over to Ashland where they enjoyed a visit for the day with friends with Mr. and Mrs. Hammand who is engaged in the barber business and who worked here for Mr. Churchill some few years ago.

On last Sunday C. H. Boedeker and wife with Mrs. Boedeker's parents, J. C. Stuart and wife and their son who have been spending some time in an outing at Spirit Lake, Iowa, where they spent the time camping out and swimming and fishing as well as boating, as the lake is some eleven miles long and a number of miles wide. They enjoyed their outing and came back browned by the sun, but happy in the excellent time which they had.

Mr. and Mrs. Gussie Brubacher and their little one were guests last Sunday at the home of the parents of Mrs. Brubacher, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Lash of near Auburn, where they visited for the day and enjoyed the stay there very much. They report crops very fine down that way and much like they are here. The wheat, however, is very good, making from 30 to 35 bushels and of a very high quality. Mr. Lash had an average of his fields of 29 bushels per acre and is well pleased with the yield.

Secures Divorce Decree. Some months ago Thomas Nelson filed a petition for separation from his wife and which has been pending for some time past. However a short time since Mr. Nelson appeared supplying proof as to his allegations and was granted a decree of full separation and divorce.

Back to the Hospital. Mrs. Bertha Shradler who was struck by an auto in South Omaha nearly a year ago and who has been in the hospital since, until a few weeks ago when she was taken to the home of her son, Chester Shradler, was compelled to return to the hospital where another operation was had and will have to remain in the institution for some time yet.

Entertain Friends. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lancaster entertained at their home on last Sunday, July 16 some 33 friends and relatives. All enjoyed the wonderful dinner prepared by the willing hands of Mrs. Lancaster.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Royer and Illa, June, Arlen and Darlene Royer, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Faris and son, Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hoschar and daughter, Mary Ellen, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lancaster and Margie and Harold, James Hoschar, Everett, Roy, Crystal, Earl,

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June, Dorey and Eva Lancaster, George Tompkins, John Royer, Gertrude Royer, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lancaster and Neva, David, Florence and Raymond.

Entertained on Birthday.

Last Sunday Mrs. Virgil Perry entertained a number of relatives and friends in honor of the birthday of Mr. Perry. All enjoyed a delicious fried chicken dinner with salads, ice cream and the beautiful birthday cake. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Gilmore, Mrs. D. J. Pittman, Mrs. Glenn Perry, Miss Helene Perry, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Davis and Mr. Paul Burgert from Lincoln.

See State Capitol.

Miss Bertha Nickles having some business matters to look after at Lincoln, drove over to the big town last Monday and was accompanied by her friends Mesdames Dora Crosser, Wm. Sporer and Fannie Crosser. While in Lincoln they all went to the capitol where they were shown over the building by a guide who gave a lecture of the history of the state of Nebraska as well as the building of the state building and the designs which appear over the new structure.

School Building Progressing.

The Murray school building is making good progress and this week the new concrete roof was run, that is the forms for the roof which is a self supporting device was run and left in the forms to harden and ripen. There are but a few days more of laying of brick and then the masons will have concluded their task.

The masons have another job waiting for them and have been in a hurry to complete their portion of the work. The contractors are losing no time in getting the structure completed so that with the beginning of the coming school year the building may be used, as the using of the other buildings has been far from satisfactory. Not that all get along but the buildings were not adapted for school work. However, the school board, the patrons and the instructors are greatly pleased that the buildings were available for use for school during the past school year.

Enjoy Ice Cream Social.

A group of 45 young people enjoyed a most pleasant ice cream party at the church Friday night, July 14, given by the members of the Royal Workers class of the Christian Sunday school.

Those present to enjoy the pleasant occasion were as follows: Dorothy Yost, Thelma Dill, Katherine Leyda, Helen Read, Florence Lancaster, Earriet Milburn, Hazel Vest, Maxine Hanni, Imogene Warthan, Katherine McCulloch, Mona B. Tilson, Katherine Tilson, Alice Dill, Florence Shogren, Gwendolyn Hansen, Gertrude Royer, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Feary, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Farris and son Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Vearl Smith, Effie Pointer, Joe Richter, Delbert Jennings, Charles Sporer, Malvern Read, Carl Park, Johnny Nottleman, George Tompkins, Gerald Rhoden, Gomer and Bert Warthan, Raymond and Dave Lancaster, R. A. Noell, Richard Brendel, Gene Gruber, C. Lloyd Shubert and two friends from Peru.

WEATHER STATIONS ABOLISHED IN STATE

Federal weather observation stations at Hastings, Sidney, Gordon and Ashland in Nebraska have been discontinued, in line with the government's economy program. The expense of each station was \$37.50 annually. There remain 19 observation stations in the state, including the four full time bureaus at Omaha, Lincoln, Valentine and North Platte.

R. V. Lawrence is the new director of airport observations at Omaha, succeeding V. E. Jakl, who has assumed a similar position at Kansas City.

DEPARTING ON VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lillie are departing on Tuesday for a short vacation trip to Missouri and Arkansas for the remainder of the week. They will spend a short time in Kansas City, Missouri, with old time friends and then pay a visit to a cousin of Mr. Lillie, residing at Sedalia. They will then motor through the Ozarks to northern Arkansas where they will spend some time.

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Coast Guard Reports Rum Syndicates Playing Boldly for High Stakes in Advance of Repeal.

Washington.—International rum syndicates operating in Atlantic and Gulf waters are preparing to "make a killing" before the eighteenth amendment is repealed, confidential reports received by the coast guard indicate.

These reports told of expanding rum feet activities based upon reviving prosperity and a general letdown on dry law enforcement on land and sea.

Efforts to flood the country with cheap foreign liquor before ratification of the repeal amendment were foreseen.

Rum Ships Are Sighted.

Five rum ships were sighted near New York City.

To meet this new offensive, the coast guard had a force depleted by the administration's economy program.

Coast guard officials pointed ruefully to the figures: Seven destroyers, which have been used for sea patrol duty, decommissioned; 140 smaller vessels laid up, to be sold at auction; four coast guard bases decommissioned, and the personnel slashed to meet these new conditions.

The destroyers were relied upon to keep contact with offshore rum fleets. The 140 smaller vessels consisted of 75-foot boats used for patrol work ten to twenty miles off shore; and 36-foot picket boats for inshore work.

Two Florida Bases Gone.

The four bases decommissioned were at St. Petersburg, Fla.; Galveston, Tex.; Fernandina, Fla., and Boston. Fernandina formerly was known as a "notorious rum hole," coast guard authorities said.

On top of all these curtailments, which recently have been effected, the coast guard was forced to decommission several radio stations and fifteen life saving stations. It was compelled to consolidate supply depots and administrative offices at several strategic points.

"Depression hit the rum trade a hard blow, particularly in the Florida area," it was explained, "but now that prosperity is returning the demand for hard liquor has picked up phenomenally.

"Neither the coast guard nor the rum syndicates are able to judge the situation that will prevail after the eighteenth amendment is repealed. The syndicates apparently are determined to make hay while the sun shines, running in as much liquor as possible during the next few months.

The advent of legalized 3.2 per cent beer has had little effect on rum fleet activities, coast guard headquarters asserted, but it has virtually broken up the once-profitable business of smuggling Canadian beer into American cities of the Great Lakes area.

LIGHTNING HITS HOSPITAL

Norfolk, Neb.—Lightning early Monday afternoon struck the Lutheran hospital in this city, knocked off several feet of the chimney, tore a hole in the roof and disabled the electric lights and telephones in the building. No one was injured.

The bolt struck while Dr. P. H. Salter and Dr. E. L. Brush were performing an appendix operation on John Hoffman of Pierce. When the lightning put electric lights out of commission, the doctors moved the operating table near windows to complete their work. Before it was finished, electric light service was resumed.

Three Dead from Locomotive Blast at Omaha

Charles Utter of Creston and Karl Zimmerman of Lincoln, Engineer and Fireman Die.

From Wednesday's Daily. As the crack Burlington flyer, the Ak-Sar-Ben was pulling into the station at Omaha from the west last night, the explosion of the locomotive of the train occurred and in which three lost their lives and several injured.

The engineer and fireman, Charles E. Utter of Creston and Karl Zimmerman of Lincoln, were killed, as was James McRea, a station red cap. The two dead men are among the veterans of the Burlington and are well known in this city as Mr. Zimmerman was running through here for several years on No. 2 of the Burlington and Mr. Utter has been here a number of times during the residence here of his brother, the late Harry J. Utter.

Due in Omaha from Lincoln at 8:15 p. m., the Ak-Sar-Ben was slowing to a stop alongside the station when the blast occurred.

Hurled into the air a hundred feet, the 10-ton boiler tore through a section of the concourse connecting the Burlington and Union stations and landed on the main line tracks of the Union Pacific two hundred feet away.

The wheel trucks of the engine, despite the blast's terrific force, remained on the tracks and the train continued to roll until it ran into tangled portions of the steel concourse, which had fallen in its path.

Zimmerman's body was hurled across the network of tracks, landing close to the first platform of the Union station. Engineer Utter's body was found on the platform near the scene of the blast. Both apparently were killed instantly.

McRea, who apparently had started along the platform to meet the train, was badly burned. He died three hours later at St. Catherine's hospital.

According to witnesses, the engine was about 125 feet west of the concourse at the time of the explosion. It had passed beneath the Tenth street viaduct, running along Track No. 5.

Silent as to Cause.

Railroad officials were silent on possible cause of the blast. J. H. Aydelott, general manager of Burlington lines west, said the boiler would be left all night where it had fallen and Burlington and federal authorities would begin an investigation immediately.

The federal officers, he said, would be boiler inspectors of the service department of the interstate commerce commission.

Arthur Olson, master mechanic of the Omaha fire department, searched the ruins in an attempt to locate the steam gauges, but was unsuccessful.

Tests to determine cause of the blast probably will take two or three days to complete, it is estimated. Railroad men around the station, hazarding a guess at the possible causes, said that the engine might have been running low on water and "coasting in" to the station.

Speculate on Fault.

A single defective flue, they said, might possibly cause such an accident. A stoppage in the upper water gauge, which would prevent a shortage of water in the boilers from registering might have caused the crew to forego "filling up" at the last stop, some said.

The engine was of S-1A type, about 15 or 20 years old, railroad men said. It had been reconditioned, however, and the firebox was only about five years old.

A Union Pacific wrecker and crew were called out to remove debris from the tracks.

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SURVEY HAIL STORM LOSS

Hartington, Neb.—Members of the Cedar county Farmers Union Sunday were making a survey of the damage done by a recent hail storm and planning reports to be made at half a dozen precinct meetings Monday night. J. P. O'Furey, publisher of a newspaper here, said after a tour of the storm area that for miles and miles northeast of Wausa crops and vegetation were swept clean from the ground. He estimated that affected farmers would need 315,000 to sustain themselves.

At the meeting individual cases will be taken up and a report made later of the needs. Those leading in the work will attempt to get a federal loan for seed for short time maturing forage, on the theory that the feed for stock will, indirectly sustain the farmers thru the winter.

A representative of the St. Louis office of the Red Cross is in the territory making a study of the situation and it is assumed immediate relief will be given by that organization. The farmers hope to get the seed for planting before July 26, which is about the latest it may be planted in order to have it mature before cold weather sets in. Oliver Rheinhardt and A. J. Phoenix are leaving in the work in this county.

FAMILY JINXED BY DEATH

Denver.—Curiosity over what was inside a toolhouse at the rear of a home for defective children here—and a falling window—caused the death of John Yauk, 11, wiping out the only remaining member of a family whose history has been marked by tragedy. Nine years ago John's father was killed in a coal mine accident near Morley, Colo. The distracted mother, with six children on her hands and no way to supply them, went into the room where the children were sleeping, shot and killed all of them except John and then turned the gun upon herself.

NOT TO ELIMINATE POSTOFFICE

The Journal has been informed the information given that the postoffice at South Bend was to be discontinued, was in error. The rural routes that have been operated out of South Bend have been discontinued and the mail handled from Ashland, but the postoffice at "The Bend" will continue to operate and supply the residents of that place as usual.

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Fort Washakie, Wyo.—Arapahoe and Shoshone Indians were bringing to completion their preparations for the most important event of their year—the annual sun dance. On July 29, 30 and 31, assembled on the plains west of Fort Washakie, the tribesmen, with fasting and dancing, will invoke the pleasure of the sun god upon themselves and their people for the coming year.

For three days and three nights, while the women chant prayers and beat upon the tribal drums, the braves, naked to the waist, will dance about the sun dance pole, from which they believe, the sun god will hear their supplications. Already the great pole has been prepared. From it, with leather whips, the young braves have driven the devils, thus permitting the sun god to enter in. As the dance goes forward this chant will rise monotonously and undendingly for the three days and nights:

"You see my heart, you see my hands are clean; you see I am willing to suffer, to undergo all this, even to die for my people, that they may be free from the evil one and that they may be blessed by the giver of life and the protector of our women and children."

From Wednesday's Daily Adam Meisinger and Marshall Gregg, of Cedar Creek, were in the city for a short time today attending to some trading and visiting with friends.

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