

# Murray Department

Prepared in the Interest of the People of Murray and Surrounding Vicinity Especially for the Journal Readers

If any of the readers of the Journal know of any social event or item of interest in this vicinity, will mail same to this office, will appear under this heading. We want all news items—Europe

## War Saving Stamps!

Your War Savings Stamps will be due and payable January 1st, 1923. All stamps that were registered, must be presented for payment at the post office where such registration was made.

All stamps not registered may be cashed at your bank. We will be glad to handle your stamps for you and give you the cash or credit on January 1st.

We have a "System" calendar for you with space for accounts and income tax. Better get yours.

## Murray State Bank

MURRAY NEBRASKA

J. A. Scotten was visiting for a portion of this week with a sister, who lives at Kansas City.

W. O. Troop and C. R. Troop shipped a car load of cattle to the South Omaha market last Tuesday.

Mrs. John Campbell was a visitor on Christmas day at the home of her brother Dan Lynn of Union.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Tait spent the Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pitz of Plattsmouth.

Gussie Pulien of Omaha was a visitor for the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Good, his foster-parents.

Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor and the children were guests of friends in Omaha last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Leroy Jarvis and wife of Omaha were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Churchill last Sunday and Monday.

Warren Mann was looking after some business matters in Murray on last Tuesday, coming from his home in Nebraska.

L. D. Hiatt and family were spending Christmas in Plattsmouth with friends and relatives and making the trip in their auto.

Ludwig Hahn and family were enjoying a visit last Sunday and on Christmas at the homes of their parents in Plattsmouth.

J. W. Edmunds spent the Christmas day and had an excellent Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Sporer.

Worth Clark and family were looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth last Tuesday, making the trip in their auto.

W. G. Reeder was enjoying the Knight Templar service given at the Commandery temple at Plattsmouth last Monday afternoon.

Hardin Foster has accepted a position with the Monarch Engineering company and is working with a crew of bridge builders in Nemaha county.

Louis G. Meisner who fell and skinned his elbow as well as injuring the elbow itself is feeling much improved though the arm is still giving him some trouble.

R. H. Christy and son Roy and John Chambers of near Nehawka

take up her studies at the college on next Monday.

Mrs. Levi Rusterholtz and daughter, Mrs. Becker, and son, Stephen, and Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson, were guests at the home of John Shoeman at Louisville on last Monday where they enjoyed the Christmas most excellently.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shrader and son Chester and daughter, Eldorine of South Omaha, were spending Christmas in Murray with relatives and with Grandfather and Grandmother Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Long, enjoyed a most excellent dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Nickles.

Last Sunday little Florence Schaefer while at play fell and cut a very ugly gash in her cheek on a piece of broken fruit jar, the wound being dressed by a surgeon and the little one is getting along nicely. Florence and her little brothers with their father were in Murray last Tuesday trading.

As is the custom the families of which there is a representative of the D. J. Pitman family gathered at his home last Monday and enjoyed their Christmas dinner and a most excellent time was had at that. There were present D. J. Pitman and wife, Glen Perry and family, O. A. Davis and wife, J. V. Pitman and family.

In a Serious Condition  
Last week Arthur Copenhaver was taken to Omaha, where at the Methodist hospital he underwent an operation for the removal of an abscess from the base of the brain. The operation was one very delicate to perform and since the ordeal Mr. Copenhaver has been resting as well as from the nature of the operation it would be expected. His many friends are hoping that he may soon recover. His father, W. S. Copenhaver, was visiting with him on Tuesday of this week.

Will Serve Gas in Future  
W. A. Scott, who is a rustler when it comes to business, is having a gas station installed in front of his place of business, Mr. W. H. Egan, being busy with the work and when completely installed will serve gas and oil as well as conduct the confectionery and eating house.

Mrs. Flora Sans Entertains  
On Christmas day the relatives of Mrs. Flora Sans of Murray enjoyed a most excellent time at her hospitable home, and one of the best of dinners as well. There were present for the occasion besides the family at home, W. C. Boedecker, Glan Todd and family, Charles Gorman and family of Union, Walter Sans and family and R. N. Frans and family of near Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Puls Entertain  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Puls entertained at their beautiful home in Murray last Monday, Christmas, a number of their friends and relatives, when they had a most excellent time. Besides the sumptuous dinner which was served by one of the best of cooks, Mrs. Puls, the day was spent in listening to music with games for the children and the older folks enjoying a most pleasant visit as well as family reunion. There were there for the occasion, Wm. Puls Sr. and wife, A. Gansner and family, Fred Lutz and family, Philip Hill and Fred A. Hill and their families.

The Carrolls Entertain  
Last Monday being Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carroll entertained for the day and dinner a number of relatives and friends, there being a most excellent time had by all present. There were present for the occasion, Mr. and Mrs. Ern Carroll and family of near Union, Albert Lillie and family of Plattsmouth, Arnold Lillie and wife of Union, Mrs. Wm. Carroll and daughter, Miss Francis, of South Omaha, Mrs. J. A. Scotten and two daughters, Misses Blanche Green and J. E. Hathaway and family.

New Years Greetings  
The old year has gone with its work, let us make the best of the new one which is coming. We wish all prosperity, health and happiness. The bank will be closed on New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. White Entertain  
Mr. and Mrs. Guy White, at their home northeast of Murray entertained for Christmas a number of families when they all enjoyed a most delightful time. There were present on the occasion Messrs and Mesdames A. A. Young, W. R. Young and D. A. Young.

Surprise Their Friends  
Last Monday evening a number of friends and relatives who had knowledge of the fact that Mrs. Ira Queen's birthday anniversary fell on that date went to the Queen home where they gave the entire family a surprise and made a most pleasant evening for all. Games were played and music as well predominated as well as the social dance which all enjoyed.

Have Family Reunion  
The family of Mrs. and Mrs. D. C. Rhoden were all together at the home last Monday when they celebrated Christmas in the most approved manner by a most pleasant day. There were there on the occasion Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Rhoden, Kelly Rhoden and family and a sister of Mrs. Kelly Rhoden, Mrs. Connor of near McCook, who is visiting here. Alex

Rhoden and family and John Lloyd and wife of Council Bluffs.

The Funeral of Wm. Cannon  
The funeral of the late William Cannon who died at the home of his sister Mrs. Kelly Rhoden last week, was held from the home on last Friday and the burial made at the Horning cemetery.

Celebrate the Event Nicely  
The two churches and their bible school were joined in celebrating the Christmas tide with a program which was fitting the occasion and furnished a treat for the children which all most thoroughly enjoyed.

They Wanted to Do Something  
Elizabeth McCracken and a number of the children of Rev. and Mrs. Graham ran out of something to play with and appealed to Mr. McCracken and he gave them a half dozen dolls to clothe, they going and getting the material and soon had the dresses made for the little orphans. Not being satisfied with this they brought the now dressed dolls back to Mr. McCracken and asked that he sell them but he told them they had been given to them for keeps. They then thought a little and decided to get up a show and give the dolls as prizes and organized a troupe and had a show charging from 3 to 5 cents admission which netted them about \$1.50 and with which they purchased toys and games and asked Mr. McCracken to send them to the orphanage at Council Bluffs, this he consented to and thought he could not do so without accompanying it with a gift himself. He was joined by a number of others who happened to drop in and at the end of the orphanage at Council Bluffs had a pretty good Christmas package. Children know how to move these things along.

Public Sale!  
The undersigned will sell at public auction at the Henry Creamer home, two and a half miles southeast of Murray, eight miles south of Plattsmouth

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH  
The following described property, sale starting at 10:00, lunch served at noon:

Horses and Mules, Etc.  
One span of mules, brown and sorrel, coming four years old, weight 2400; one span of mules, blacks, coming six and nine years old, weight 2600; one brown mule, coming seven years old, weight 1200; one brown mule, smooth mouth, weight 1000; one black mule, coming two years old; one team of gray horses, coming four and six years old, weight 2600; one black mare, coming seven years old, weight 1400; one buckskin mare, coming six years old, weight 1200; one team of horses, brown and gray, smooth mouth, weight 3400; one team brown mares, smooth mouth, weight 2800; one mare, smooth mouth, weight 1100; two colts, coming yearlings.

Farm Machinery  
One Deere 2-row stalk cutter, one 4-section harrow, one Deering disk, one Bradley lister, one Case lister, one John Deere drill planter, one J. I. Case two-row and six years old binder, one Jenny Lind cultivator, three Badger cultivators, one press drill, one Bradley walking plow, one Deere stag gang plow, one J. I. Case gang plow, one Galloway manure spreader, one McCormick mower, one hay rack with truck, one Newton wagon, two old wagons, one John Deere corn elevator with power and Jack, one 2-h. p. R. I. gas engine, one washing machine, one Econ. Chief cream separator, two new sets 1 1/2 inch harness, five sets 1 1/2 inch harness, about 20 tons of prairie hay and numerous small articles.

Household goods, including dining room table, stoves, beds, barrel churn etc.

Terms of Sale  
All sums of \$10 and under, cash; on sums over \$10 a credit of six months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note bearing eight per cent interest from date. No property to be removed from the premises until settled for.

MRS. H. C. CREAMER, Owner.  
COL. W. R. YOUNG, Auct.  
W. G. BOEDEKER, Clerk.

Good Cow for Sale  
I have a good fresh milk cow for sale. Call Wm. Nickles, Murray telephone No. 1811.

Public Sales!  
I will serve lunch at public sales. Make dates with Col. W. R. Young and notify me and I will be there. Call Murray phone 1712. I will pay for the call.

Oscar Nailer,  
Murray, Nebraska

## RATE REDUCTIONS COST RAILROADS A LARGE SUM

Statement by Executives Says Further Cut "Menace to Reviving Prosperity of Country."

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Reductions of railroad freight rates have averaged 12 per cent within the last year and are costing the railroads \$471,000,000 annually, the western railways' committee on public relations said in protesting against agitation for further reductions. Additional reductions were reduced more in proportion to the reviving prosperity of the country," the statement, made public by S. M. Felton, chairman, said.

While railway rates and earnings from rate reductions, but from increases in the prices of material they must buy, the statement said, explaining metal products increased 20 per cent in the last year; coal raised 40 per cent since the strike, and lumber has increased from 39 to more than 80 per cent.

In the four months following the reduction of rates July 1, for which the figures are available, the railroads of the country earned almost \$87,000,000 less than in the same months of 1922, although a 23 per cent poor year, said the statement, adding that the western roads had \$38,000,000 less net return for the same period. The reduction was due partly to the shopcrafts strike, but mostly to rate decreases, the statement said.

Total freight earnings of the country roads for September alone declined \$47,773,000 through the rate reduction.

Asserting the people in western territory and particularly farmers, were making the loudest clamor for lower rates, the statement said that the largest reductions have been made in western territory because rates on grain, grain products and hay were reduced more in proportion to western lines, the statement continued, the average rate of reduction from September, 1921, to September, 1922, was 13 per cent, western railways in September earning \$22,000,000 less than they would if the reductions had not been made. Because of rate reductions earnings of western lines have been reduced at an annual rate of about \$255,000,000 the statement said.

The result of the reduction in railroad freight rates while prices of other commodities advanced, has been such that the average freight rate per ton mile for the country is only 51 per cent higher than in 1913, the statement continued, adding that the average wholesale price of all commodities other than farm products is 68 per cent higher. The average price of farm products as compared with 1913, is no higher than the average price of western railroads, the average per ton per mile for western roads in September being 28.6 per cent higher than in 1913, while the average price of farm products for November was 43 per cent higher than for 1913, according to the statement.

## CLEMENCEAU IS BACK IN FRANCE

Glad to be Home, but Sorry He Had to Leave America—Sends Xmas Greetings.

Hayre, France, Dec. 20.—Georges Clemenceau arrived home from his American pilgrimage today in a typically hilarious mood, but apparently suffering from fatigue.

The "Tiger" received representatives of the press in his stateroom as the liner Paris was entering the port. A large crowd of relatives and friends as well as the correspondents and photographers also greeted him before the steamer docked. Clemenceau began his visit with the newspaper men by denying various interviews printed in the French press, particularly one sent from New York to the Petit Parisien.

The former premier had a very stormy voyage. He appeared gay and vivacious, but under the surface his friends saw that his experience in the United States had been almost too much for him. He will go to his Paris home for two weeks and then take a long rest at his country place in the Vendee at St. Vincent du Jar.

"I hope for good results from my trip to the United States," said M. Clemenceau to The Associated Press. "However, let the people decide I put my thoughts fully before them and they have certainly got sense enough to judge. It was apparent that there was a vast amount of interest in me personally, for which I am most grateful. It is a rare compliment."

Later, he added: "Maybe it is too soon, but it is my best opportunity. Say, please, to our friends in the United States: 'My first thought on sight of France was that I was glad to be home; second, that I was sorry I had left the United States.'"

"Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from an old friend."

## FAST FREIGHT LOCOMOTIVES PURCHASED BY BURLINGTON

Chicago, Dec. 26.—An order for 60 fast freight locomotives of the latest type has been placed for early spring delivery by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, Vice President E. P. Bracken announced here, stating the order approximates \$3,180,000. This is in addition to 2,000 reconditioned steel coal cars, 500 new automobile cars, 500 reconditioned box cars and 200 reconditioned refrigerator cars recently received.

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## Peterson Hardware Co.

Murray, Nebraska.

## CUT IN STATE EXPENSE IS PROPOSED BY BROSS

Biennial Budget, Ready for Governor, Shows Request of \$16,235,254 From Funds.

Secretary Philip F. Bross of the finance department has the biennial budget ready for Governor McKelvie to pare down as he sees fit. The governor will complete his recommendations within a few days. After that the budget will be ready to submit to the incoming legislature. Its voluminous and intricate figures promise to give the finance committees of the two houses something to ponder over for the entire legislative session.

Special funds are reduced to one, the capital fund, derived by taxation. Possibly \$2,000,000 for road funds to meet federal funds may be raised by special method such as from a gasoline tax as suggested by Secretary George E. Johnson of the department of public works. Then comes cash and federal funds and third, specific appropriations from the general fund raised mainly by taxation, but partly by cash and fees.

A big sheet of paper containing 12 columns of figures has been prepared by Secretary Bross showing the funds derived from these sources the last two years and the requests made by expending agencies for the coming two years, beginning July 1, 1923, which is the end of the new fiscal year established by the last legislature.

\$17,214,809 Sought

A summary of the tabulation shows that the legislature of 1921 appropriated from the general or tax funds \$17,214,809.96. Requests from expending agencies on file for the coming two years from the general or tax funds total \$16,235,564.62. That is not all the tale. The department of public works recommends the raising of \$3,000,000 for road work to meet federal aid by means other than taxation. If the legislature does not follow this recommendation, the \$3,000,000 must be added to the property tax, making the total \$19,000,000 instead of \$16,000,000.

Taking into consideration expenditures from all funds, the tabulation shows total appropriations two years ago to have been \$23,939,512.27, compared with requested appropriations of \$27,939,526.94 for the coming two years, or an increase of \$4,000,000.

It is said Governor McKelvie is certain to cut many requests for appropriations. The incoming governor, Charles W. Bryan, also will have an opportunity to alter or make new recommendations to the legislature.

In the beginning of the New Year let us learn to do without things unnecessary. This is one way to knock the profiteers' high prices. We do not mean that all merchants are profiteers, but the leaders in prices are the great profiteers in the country.

Blank books at the Journal Office.

## UNCERTAIN AS TO AN APPEAL

Railroads May Conclude to Take Their Medicine Rather Than Get Struck High Interest.

Information from Omaha is to the effect that the Burlington, Northwestern and Omaha railroads are undecided as to whether to appeal to the circuit court from the refusal of the federal court to enjoin the state from collecting the full amount of their state, county and school taxes.

The stumbling block is that if they finally lose, which is not at all unlikely in view of the federal court decision, the delay will have cost them a large sum in interest. Their taxes are all listed as personal, and have been delinquent ever since the first of the month. This subjects the roads to a 10 per cent interest charge, which is about \$600 a day.

If they finally do appeal they will be required and are willing to pay that part of the total which they think is all they should pay, 65 per cent for the Burlington, 60 for the Northwestern and 40 for the Omaha road.

In giving the decision of the majority of the court in the railroad tax case, Judge Lewis said in part: "I adhere to my tentative view stated early in this case that where the state statutes provide procedure for taxpayers for a correction of assessments, this procedure should be exhausted before the taxpayer resorts to a court of equity. If these questions are open, taxpayers can go into a court of equity at any time, thus stopping the revenue of that state. In this case, should the injunction be granted, it would leave several hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes need for schools and other institutions go uncollected."

"The Nebraska statute provides that after the state board of equalization has acted, the taxpayer can serve a writ of error to the supreme court of the state and that if that court fails to make an adjustment, then the case may be brought into the federal court. Such action was not taken, and I hold this injunction denied."

In his dissenting opinion Judge Woodrough said: "In a case like this I believe the railroads have a right to resort to the courts of the United States." He read several authorities he claimed to uphold his dissenting opinion.

What Poland will eventually amount to depends a good deal upon how many Poles imagine that assassination is patriotism.

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## The New Year

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for SATURDAY

Men's Flannel Shirts—Government standard, all wool cloth, \$3.50 and \$3.75 values. Special price, \$2.95.

Men's Dark Gray Flannel Shirts—Made of good, heavy cloth, two pockets, coat style, flat collar, large and roomy. Very special at \$1.95.

Men's Heavy Wool Socks—Soft yarns, long elastic ribbed top. Regular 50¢ values. Special price, 38¢.

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