

# MURDOCK ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Twiss, of Louisville, were guests at the J. A. Bauer home Sunday.

The Henry Johnson family drove to Omaha Sunday, where they witnessed the motor boat races at Carter Lake.

Louis Wendt was a visitor in Omaha on last Thursday, where he went to secure some repairs for his Buick car, driving over on his trip.

B. L. Philpot, of Lincoln, was a visitor in Murdock, coming to see about the sale of some stock feeds which he is handling in Weeping Water.

Wm. Bourke, of near Wabash, was a visitor in Murdock on Thursday of last week, driving over to look after some business as well as to visit with his many friends here.

Last week, Vernon Gakemeier while scouting about, was able to big seven coyote puppies on the farm of Conrad Baumgartner, which was considered a very good catch.

The high school held their picnic Thursday and the community grade children picnicked at the school house Friday. A ball game was also played during the afternoon.

The Laurance Race family drove to Auburn Friday evening to be in attendance at the graduation exercises of that school, where Mrs. Race's sister was among the graduates.

Mrs. Otto Eichhoff was called to Wabash to care for Mrs. Wm. Langhorst, who for some time past has been very ill. Mrs. Langhorst sure has an excellent nurse in Mrs. Eichhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammond of Davenport, Iowa, were visitors at the H. H. Lawton home Tuesday and also with Grandma Lawton at Wabash over night. They returned home the next day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Work and the kiddies of Omaha were spending the week end at the home of the parents of Mrs. Work, A. J. Tool and wife, where all enjoyed the visit very much.

Dr. L. D. Lee, who was elected a delegate from the Cass County Medical association to the state convention which was meeting in Lincoln last week, was over for the three-day session.

Mrs. Harry Eastman and their little son of Sterling, Colorado, arrived last week for a visit and with the mother, Mrs. Hannah McDonald, visited at Hampton for a few days last week and were brought home on last Sunday by Gayle McDonald and the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Martin, of Omaha, were visiting in Murdock for the day last Monday and were while here guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward, who are very close friends. A very pleasant visit was had by all the folks while the guests were here.

Henry A. Tool and wife, with their daughter, Miss Mary, went over to Ackley, Iowa, on last Saturday where they spent Sunday and Memorial day at the home of Mr. Tool's mother, Mrs. Leah Tool, who is now in her eighty-ninth year and enjoying life very pleasantly.

A. J. Tool has wrought wonders in the re-arrangement of the goods in his store in his effort to display his large stock of merchandise with not enough room. However, he has made a wonderful showing in the re-arrangement. Better drop in and see the new lineup.

The Eastern Star Kensington met with Mrs. A. J. Tool, Mrs. Chas. Kuppke being assistant hostess. A fine time is reported. A delicious luncheon of homemade ice cream, angel food cake and punch was served by the hostesses, adding to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Training meeting for project leaders in this vicinity was held on Friday at the home of Mrs. Henry Tool. The regular meeting of the club will be held on Monday evening, May 30th, at 7:20 o'clock at the Murdock school building. Achievement day is set for June 2nd, this feature also to be held at the Murdock school building.

Oscar E. McDonald and the family were over to Plattsmouth last Sunday, where they spent the day visiting at the homes of Mrs. J. R. Kelley, Charles Ault and Emil Koukal. All the folks enjoyed the visit very much and on the return of the McDonald family on Monday, they stopped in Murray to visit Oscar's mother, Mrs. Myra McDonald.

### Visited in Lincoln

On last Thursday morning, Gus Wendt, who was looking for some repairs for his auto, drove to town and saying he desired to go to Lincoln for the repairs, soon had a load of his friends who also wanted to go to Lincoln, they being L. Neitzel, Henry A. Tool and A. J. Tool, who had been subpoenaed as witnesses in the trial of Mrs. Strickler, who was injured in an auto wreck near Eagle

some two years ago and who has brought suit for damages in the sum of \$35,000 for injuries which she received in the accident. The party being sued is a Lincoln physician. She selected these gentlemen as witnesses because they lived or were in business where they could see her after her injuries. She had also called Dr. L. D. Lee (who was at Lincoln, looking after some business, and he gave expert medical testimony in the case. How the trial terminated, we were not informed, as the witnesses returned home as soon as they were excused.

### Had Slight Twister

At the home of Herman Zierott on last Wednesday evening there was a severe gale, so much so that many large trees were twisted off and broken down. Herman desired his father to come out and assist in the clearing away of the rubbish, but Uncle Albert was not feeling quite well enough for the task.

### Had Wonderful Time

The state meeting of the Evangelical church pastors held at the Callihan church southwest of Murdock during the greater part of last week, elicited much interest and drew large crowds, where all listened to many worth-while addresses. Wednesday night when the evening session was well along, a wind came with an abundance of rain, which caused a hurrying to and fro and a skurrying to home for shelter and in a way interfered with the services. However, the services throughout the week have been most interesting. We endeavored to get some one to send us a full report of the series of meetings so as to have them in this issue of the paper, but it may be we will have to let the matter go until this coming week.

### Spends Sunday with Mother

Jerry McHugh, Jr., who is employed in Denver, with a pal of his, drove from the mountain city on last Saturday and Sunday morning and spent Sunday and Memorial day with his mother and the others of the family as well as meeting and greeting his many friends in Murdock.

### Lived Here Nearly 50 Years

W. O. Schewe was born near Murdock and within a mile and a half of here fifty years ago this fall, there being no Murdock here at that time. He has made his home in this neighborhood ever since. Mr. Schewe says there could not have been selected a better place to be born and to spend one's life. During the fifty years he has never been three hundred miles from home and thinks people, land and other things here as good, and in many instances much better than one would find elsewhere.

### Has Beautiful Setting

John H. Buck, who works hard whenever he has it to do and when he does not, has just completed the building of a very beautiful lily pool and has also erected a windmill which he has made for the supplying of water for the pond, also building a pump for the purpose of supplying the water. He is also making a toy old Dutch windmill, which he will install on the lawn as an ornament. When you are looking for something to occupy your time, saunter down that way and take a peep at the array.

### Have Happy Wedding

Miss Irene Huycke, formerly a resident of Texas, at the same town where Rev. G. A. Zoch ministered and as the years rolled away coming to Omaha to reside, where she met Herbert Fisher. Becoming engaged, the young couple thought it would be a fine thing to come to Murdock and be joined in wedlock by the genial minister whom the bride had known so well in the southland. So they selected the day, last Wednesday, and away they came, having the ceremony performed at the church north of Murdock.

With the bride and groom, there came also some friends of the couple in another car. Mr. Fisher being a bit suspicious that some of the party might play a prank on them, turned the switch of the car off and removed the key, also locking the car door after having gotten their wedding garments, and when the ceremony was about to occur, they went to the minister's home, where they donned the glad clothes.

The wedding over, the clothes that had been worn to Murdock in the morning were neatly placed in suit cases and given to the occupants of the other car to take back to Omaha, where the wedding reception was scheduled to occur, beginning with a sumptuous dinner.

When the bride and groom were ready to start, the car was locked and the keys on the way to Omaha. Lawrence Race, of Murdock, was called, and hastening there he assayed to take the hinges from the car, but it would not yield and it was only af-

ter much effort that he was able to get the car door open by inserting a wire in the hole used for the heater, and operating the handle from the inside. Then came the task of starting the car without a key. The switch had to be disassembled and rewired before the start could be made. During this procedure the time was rolling along and the wedding dinner was getting cold in Omaha, but a run was made and they got there hungry and tired. Rev. Zoch and wife accompanied the party to Omaha and remained for the reception, which lasted until 11 o'clock and it was quite late and raining when Rev. Zoch and wife got started for home and some three o'clock in the morning when they got home in a downpour of rain. Still they had been to a wedding and reception and enjoyed every moment of the time.

### Organize New Club

A sewing club was organized under the name "Jolly Jumpers," at a meeting held at the home of its sponsor, Mrs. Bryan McDonald.

The members are Voline Bronkow, Fern Buck, Doris Cordes, Ruth Ruge, Geraldine Schmidt, Elsie Knaup, Mabel Stock, Marguerite and Lucile Jacobsen.

Officers elected were: Voline Bronkow, president; Elsie Knaup, vice president; Geraldine Schmidt, secretary and Lucile Jacobsen, news reporter.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. McDonald Wednesday, June 1st.

### Four Square Club

Training meeting for project leaders of county Extension clubs of this vicinity was held Friday, May 27, at the home of Mrs. Henry A. Tool. Demonstrations on food canning were conducted by Miss Ripzaph Douglas, specialist from the home office at Lincoln. Miss Jessie Baldwin assisting. Leaders from the following clubs attended: Klondike, Linger Longer, Homemakers, Hungry Hustlers, Swastika and Four Square. Visitors included Mrs. Raymond Eveland's girls' canning club.

Four Square club held its regular meeting Friday evening, May 27, at the home of Mrs. H. V. McDonald with ten members present. The lesson on "Home Conservation of Fruits and Vegetables" was ably presented by Project Leader Mrs. A. J. Tool. There will be no meeting Monday evening, May 30, as previously announced.

June 2 is Achievement day for the above mentioned clubs. Meeting will be held at Murdock school auditorium at 2 p. m. Visitors are cordially invited.

### BUDGET OR BUST

If it isn't the business slump, if it isn't graft—then what is it that makes cities "go broke?" The question is one of vital interest to Americans in this time of municipal unrest. For unrest it is that many a taxpayer is feeling over the financial conditions facing his city government.

Whether the difficulties are due to economic conditions, whether to corruption, may be debatable. For many, however, Mr. Lothrop Stoddard's discussion in the June issue of the Forum will indicate that slow business and graft are at most only part of the cause of the financial perplexity which has invaded a number of American city halls. Mr. Stoddard believes—evidently despite the disclosures of the Seabury investigation—that the honesty of city government in the United States generally has been increasing during the last twenty years or so. He also believes that the finances of a number of cities were unsound prior to the slump, though harder times have aggravated this condition as well as brought it to light.

The pastime of keeping up with the Joneses, even when the Joneses were being extravagant is held responsible in large measure for the "broke" and "badly bent" state of some American municipalities. Communities, like individuals, Mr. Stoddard says, go in for that sort of thing. But apparently not all communities. Milwaukee and Cincinnati are still in position, despite reduced tax rates in the case of the latter, to show that cities can keep out of the red without getting into a rut.

Naturally, Mr. Taxpayer wants to know how, if his home town cannot perform this feat, these cities can. Mr. Stoddard finds their secret simple: a planned and balanced budget. "In short," he says, "it's just the homely 'family budget plan' which is today being widely recommended to American fathers and mothers." Perhaps the people down at City Hall can explain why they can't run Mr. Taxpayer's home town on such a plan. But Mr. Taxpayer—who, by the way, now has a better first-hand knowledge of budgets than of politics—is more likely to wonder how they can possibly hope to run a city any other way.

### MARRIED AT COURT HOUSE

Wednesday afternoon at the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury occurred the marriage of James Christian Jensen and Miss Dorothy Elizabeth Remes, both of Davey. The ceremony was witnessed by E. G. Woodbury, district court reporter and A. W. Farmer, clerk in the office of Judge Duxbury. Following the wedding the bridal party returned to their homes in Lancaster county.

## Lindbergh will Testify Against Man who Misled

Declared Ready to Appear Following Reported Indictment of John Hughes Curtis.

Flemington, N. J.—Colonel Lindbergh personally will testify against the man who led him a three-week chase for a phantom kidnapers' ship. Prosecutor Anthony Hauck asserted after it was reported unofficially that John Hughes Curtis had been indicted for his faked efforts to recover the fier's child. The indictment was returned, it was indicated, after the Hunterton county grand jury had examined witnesses and heard evidence for two hours about Curtis' elaborate hoax in the Lindbergh case.

Hauck would not verify the report, saying the grand jury's findings would be presented to Supreme Justice Trenchard Saturday. He did, however, say definitely Colonel Lindbergh would testify if an indictment was returned and a trial resulted.

"Colonel Lindbergh will be one of the witnesses," he said. "He is willing to appear. Mrs. Lindbergh will not be called."

Earlier this week Hauck had said he would not summon Colonel Lindbergh before the grand jury, and he believed it would not be necessary for him to testify in case of indictment of Curtis and trial.

"I am not sure yet whether Admiral Burrage and Dean Peacock Curtis' associates, will be summoned to testify," Hauck added. "But, of course, if there is no indictment there will be no trial."

Curtis, who remained in his solitary cell during proceedings, was reported to be unconcerned about the outcome of the session. W. C. Pender, his attorney at Norfolk, said he expected an indictment.

The telephone message to Condon came at the camp of Walter C. Goodwin on Center lake, where Condon is ostensibly "on a fishing trip." Previously, the educator has spoken of "going fishing but not in the water," in apparent reference to his search for the "John" to whom he handed \$50,000 of Colonel Lindbergh's money to ransom the baby, then lying dead in the woods five miles from the Lindbergh home. "I told you when I first arrived here that I was expecting a message," he said. "This is the message. I cannot add anything to this statement.—State Journal.

### Journal Want-Ads get results!

## Presbyterians Back M. E. Dry Law Stand

Hints of Modernist, Fundamentalist Row Seen at Session Held at Denver, Colo.

Denver, Colo., May 27.—Applause greeted a report to the one hundred forty-fourth general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America today that the prohibition stand of the Methodist Episcopal church has the unqualified approval of the Presbyterians.

Rev. Dr. Hugh Thomson Kerr of Pittsburgh, who represented the Presbyterians at the Methodist assembly at Atlantic City, said he had assured the Methodists their attitude on prohibition would receive the plaudits of the Denver meeting. The Methodists last week declared for strict enforcement.

Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, president of Princeton theological seminary, reported that consideration of a plan of union between the Presbyterian and Methodist churches had been delayed because the commission of the Methodist Episcopal church was considering plans of union with the Methodist Church, South.

### Hints of Row.

Indications of a fundamentalist-modernist quarrel crept into deliberations of the assembly today during consideration of the budget.

The budget, presented by J. W. Smith of Philadelphia contained an item for \$144,500 for participation in affairs of the federal council of Churches of Christ in America. Objection to the item was raised by Rev. H. M. Griffiths of the Philadelphia fundamentalist group.

Mr. Griffiths urged the assembly to withhold approval of the item until action had been taken on two overtures pending before it.

### Seen as Too Liberal.

The Presbytery of Chester, Pa. asks the assembly to sever its connection with the federal council. A second overture from the Presbytery of Hudson asks the assembly to sever all connection with the federal council, including financial support.

Certain commissioners look upon some activities of the federal council as too liberal and as moving away from historical precedents of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America. One of the most highly controversial questions involved is that of birth control.

The proposal by Mr. Griffiths to eliminate the item for the federal council was lost. A standing vote showed little opposition to the \$144,500 expenditure.—World-Herald.

## Lindy Hoaxer on Way to Jail



Pale-faced and showing unmistakable signs of the long hours of grilling he has undergone, John Hughes Curtis, Norfolk, Va., shipbuilder, who confessed that his "negotiations" with the kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby existed only in his imagination, is shown on the way to a cell in the Hunterton County Jail, Flemington, N. J., in custody of a State Trooper. Curtis is held on a charge of having obstructed the course of justice.

## Roosevelt Back from a Vacation, Calls on House

Visit With Colonel Is Thought to Have to Do With Support from Texas.

New York.—Governor Roosevelt, well tanned by the Georgian sun, returned to the state of his past political battles, and stoutly refused to be led into a discussion of any public question. He was believed, however, to have delved into his chances for winning the democratic nomination in a visit he made immediately after his arrival with Col. Edward M. House, the late President Wilson's confidential adviser. Neither would comment on the matter, and the governor's associates termed it merely a friendly visit of farewell to Colonel House, who started for a vacation in New England.

Others attempted to read into the meeting a connection with the Texas

delegation, whose forty-six convention votes are pledged to Speaker Garner. They recalled that Colonel House in 1912 held the Texas convention delegation for Wilson and saw in Roosevelt's visit with him an indication the governor places much reliance in the possible influence Colonel House might have in winning him the support of Texas democracy, if not on the first ballot, at least on a later one.

Otherwise the governor's first day back in the state of which he is chief executive was devoid of apparent political significance. The governor had spent a month at Warm Springs, Ga.—State Journal.

### FOR SALE

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## Galveston Beauty Pageant on Rocks

Annual Pulchritude Parade Discontinued Owing to Depression; Bishop's Hostility and Colonel's Charges of Favoritism.



ANNE LEE PATTERSON CATHERINE MOYLAN NETTA DUCHATEAU

For the first time in more than a decade Galveston will not have its International Pageant of Pulchritude this year. The colorful event that brought the cream of the world's feminine loveliness to the Texas city has been abandoned for reasons—three in number. The depression, as it is to be expected, takes its share of the blame, the pageant having ended in an ocean of red ink for several years. Then there is the hostility of Bishop C. E. Byrne, who has long waged a tooth-and-nail fight against the "leg show on the sea wall." Lastly is the charges of Colonel W. E. Easterwood, chewing gum magnate, that the home girls of Texas were not getting a square deal in the contest and that some of the visiting entrants had enough synthetic complexion to paint the Washington Monument. The colonel's protest came last year when Anne Lee Patterson of Kentucky was chosen over the Texan beauty, Miss Eugenia Tullis, of Dallas, for the title of "Miss United States." However, in refutation of the colonel's charges it is pointed out that Catherine Moylan, another Dallas beauty, won the title of "Miss Universe" in 1926. Last year the world's beauty crown went to Belgium on the head of Mile. Netta Duchateau, but there was a difference of opinion as to the justice of the decision. However, a glance at the records shows that American girls have done well at Galveston. Dorothy Goff, of New Orleans, was a "Miss Universe" title holder, as was also Miss Dot Britton, of New Jersey, and Irene Ahlbergh, of New York, won the "Miss United States" title in 1929. Galveston will put on a "local" show this year, reverting to the original idea of the pageant, only girls from the surrounding States being eligible.

### ASK CONGRESS TO HASTEN

Scottsbluff.—W. S. Rodman of Kimball was elected president, A. J. Jorgensen of Sidney vice president, and E. Enevoldsen of Potter secretary-treasurer of group seven, Nebraska Bankers association, at the annual district convention here Thursday afternoon.

Resolutions were adopted unanimously urging the national congress to expedite its work by "speedily passing the necessary legislation to put the nation's finances on a sound basis, looking especially to the early adjournment of that body, and that further discussion of such subjects as legislation pertaining to guarantee of bank deposits be avoided;" and that national representatives and senators who are opposing further increases in taxes but are devoting themselves to reducing government activities and expenses be commended.

### AGED PAIR DIE IN FLOOD

Norfolk, May 27.—Mr. and Mrs. John Clinch, an aged couple of Lynch, were drowned when their home was swept away in Wednesday night's flood, according to a belated report received here Friday morning.

Following a five-inch deluge, water rose in the north part of Lynch so rapidly that rescuers were unable to reach the aged couple, who were 50 and 76 years old respectively.

Their home was swept into Whiskey creek and floated down into Ponca creek, where it lodged. The bodies were recovered, still in the house, about noon Thursday.