

# UNION ITEMS.

Clifton B. Smith was a visitor in Plattsmouth on last Tuesday where he was called to look after some business matters for a short time.

George McFarlane of Plattsmouth was a visitor in Union and also at the home of his daughter, Mrs. France Leiner and husband east of town.

Rue H. Frans and family of Syracuse, were guests with his mother, Mrs. Jennie Frans and also with D. Ray Frans and family where all enjoyed the visit very much.

Junior Gillespie has been down with the scarlet fever and while he is quite ill is getting along nicely and it is expected in due time he will be well and out again and at his studies at school.

Hans Hanson, living a few miles southwest of Union, is painting his house at the farm and the out buildings which is indeed a good insurance and one which will increase the value of his property.

Earl Troop and family were guests for the day on last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wehrbein west of Murray where all enjoyed the very fine dinner which Mrs. Wehrbein served.

Miss Mildred Schultz of Plattsmouth, was a visitor with her friend Miss Nola Banning for the last week end, coming down last Saturday and remaining until Sunday afternoon. The young ladies surely enjoyed the visit.

Mrs. G. S. Upton, who has been so seriously ill at her home for some time past was reported as feeling some improved on last Saturday and Sunday and her many friends are hoping that she may continue to improve.

Our friend Ralph Opp was wrestling with his work at the Missouri Pacific station on last Tuesday morning and at the same time was entertaining a very severe jumping toothache which he was enduring until such a time as he could go interview the dentist.

Dan W. Livingston of Nebraska City, was a visitor in Union on last Tuesday and was extending his acquaintance which has not been as extensive in Cass county as he has desired for it is his ambition to know more people and he is wishing to be district judge for the second district.

Mrs. France Leiner had the misfortune to step on a board with a nail protruding therefrom which penetrated her foot and has compelled this young woman to get about only with the aid of crutches. She, however, is getting along nicely and is expected will be entirely well in a short time.

Dr. J. L. Barritt, Ira Clarke, Frank Bauer, and Elmer Withrow were out to Chapman where they were hunting the festive pheasant on last Saturday and Sunday and on their return were accompanied by Henry H. Becker who was there. They had a very fine time but did not say much about the pheasants.

Paul Swan, who had a very poor foundation under a portion of his barn and desiring to have it better has been placing a concrete foundation under the same and was pleased when he completed the work early this week and now has it out of the way from the cold weather which would have interfered with the work.

Will A. Ost and Alfred Anderson, the latter from Omaha, and they both brothers-in-law were over to Norfolk, they going last Friday and being

there so as to become acquainted with the pheasants of that locality and with whom they mingled on last Saturday. But they were shy critters and refused to return home with the two hunters from this section.

Frank L. Anderson and the family departed last week for Brule, where they will spend some ten days visiting with relatives. Mr. Anderson has some four brothers in that vicinity, they being Ernest, Arthur, Amos and Charles Anderson and one sister, Mrs. Lella Flaischman and husband Vernon Flaischman. While they were away Mrs. Minnie Anderson, grandmother of Ben Anderson, who remained at home, will keep house for him.

### Has Made a Good Officer.

Hon. W. B. Banning, who is candidate for state senator and who has made one of the very best officers in this capacity which this section has ever had, accompanied by Stacey Niday, was making a trip over his district which comprises Otoe, Cass and Sarpy counties and were making many friends. They were received at all places, showing good interest and a high appreciation of the excellent services which Mr. Banning has rendered to the district as well as to the entire state.

### Enjoyed Fine Pheasant Hunt.

George A. Stiles of Union, Mr. C. E. Franc of Clarinda, Iowa, and Robert Anderson of Lincoln, made a very merry party of hunters who went to Greeley where they enjoyed a fine time and were able to get their quota the first day and were on their way home with their take.

### Will Show Free Movies.

The Union camp of the Modern Woodmen of America will give a free moving picture show at their hall on November 4th, to which the entire membership of the Woodman and the Royal Neighbors of America and their friends are invited. The scene will be laid in the mountains of Colorado, where the Woodmen sanitarium is located. 027-21w

### Enjoyed a Pheasant Supper.

Messrs. George, Frank and Wilber Martin last Friday departed for Norfolk where they visited for a time with relatives and also spent some time last Saturday interviewing the pheasants of that section and in some way induced some ten to return home with them to Union. On Monday evening the wife of Frank W. Martin, mother of the boys had prepared a sufficient number of the birds properly cooked for a feast for a dozen or more and with the other things which make a good supper, sure had a feast. There were gathered at the festive board Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Martin, host and hostess, with the families of George Martin, John Finkle and Wilber Martin, and also Frank Finkle of Falls City.

### Enjoyed Many Visitors.

Rev. and Mrs. B. M. Kunkel were pleased with a number of relatives who make their home at Oregon, Missouri, last week, and made the home a merry place to be, as there were there for the occasion and to make the occasion a happy one. John Eilers and wife, Edgar Crowell and wife and Clara Crowell and wife, all of Oregon, Mo., who remained from Saturday night until Monday morning. Dr. G. M. Kunkel and family of Tularso, N. M., were also visitors and who also visited for a time with the parents of Mrs. Dr. Kunkel at their home at Daykin and will remain for the greater portion of the winter with the parents of Dr. and Mrs. Kunkel, and should the climate agree with the folks they will make this portion of the country their home.

### On Way Home from East.

Miss Augusta Robb, who has been spending some time at the general convention of postmasters of the United States, and following which she started for home on last Sunday and will stop at a number of places on her way home for short visits and will expect to arrive home on October 30.

### Preached Here Sunday.

Dr. Fentel of Omaha, who is secretary of the Methodist conference of this district, was a visitor in Union on last Sunday and occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church, delivering a very forceful and worth while discourse, which was listened to and enjoyed by a large congregation.

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## Manley News Items

Miss Clara Johnson is spending some time visiting with relatives and friends in Louisville.

Ross S. Shields and the family with the trusty old car, made a trip to Omaha last Sunday where they visited with friends and also enjoyed a very fine show while there.

Jack Jorgensen, Albert Tuck and Henry Frizel departed for the north-west where they remained from Friday until Sunday and enjoyed the hunt most pleasantly, getting their full quota of birds.

Wm. Peters and Arthur Hill were enjoying a visit at Taylor where they also did some pheasant hunting and were able to bag their quota of this fine line of birds and were also able to bring some home for the folks to eat.

Our old time friend Emerson Dowler who has been rather poorly for some time past, still remains in a very critical condition and while everything possible is being done for him he does not seem to show the rallying strength which is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wally Johnson were over to Louisville for the evening last Wednesday where they were the guests at the home of Chester W. Merriam and wife who are parents of Mrs. Johnson and where all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

T. M. Patterson of Plattsmouth, and who is a hustling insurance salesman was a visitor in Weeping Water on Tuesday and was settling for a policy of insurance which had matured, paying the money for the same and as well looking after other business in his line.

George McFarland of Plattsmouth was a visitor in Weeping Water on last Tuesday meeting with his many friends as well as looking after some business matters for a short time.

Wm. Meyers, the cleaner, was a business visitor in Omaha on Monday of this week, making the trip in his auto.

Oscar McNurlin and John Cole were looking after some business matters in Omaha on Monday of this week and also Mr. Cole also made purchase of a new Ford truck which he sold to Mrs. C. Joyce to re-enforce the fleet of trucks which do so efficient work in the transportation of cattle and merchandise for the people of this county.

### Visited and Hunted.

Bert Jamison and wife and John Ferguson departed for Taylor where they visited for a time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hubbard where Grandmother Mrs. Julia Jamison has been visiting for some time as Mrs. Hubbard is a daughter. The folks are visiting there and also Mr. Jamison is doing some hunting in the pheasant line.

### Enjoyed a Fine Visit.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Tuck returned on last Thursday from an extended visit at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, where they were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Knight and where also they visited at the home of Mrs. Belle Hartley who resides a few miles south of Salem, Iowa. They found Mr. Knight not in the best of health but able to be up a portion of the time.

### Enjoyed Visit at Neligh.

Ralph Binger, who has been visiting at the home of his uncle, John Binger and family at Neligh since last Thursday until Tuesday morning of this week. While there Ralph also enjoyed the hunting of the festive pheasant and was able to bag his quota of birds.

From Tuesday's Daily  
George Lohnes and Philip Thierolf, well known residents of Cedar Creek, were in the city today for a few hours attending to some matters of business.

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## History of Murdock and Its People

Establishment of Railroad in 1891 and the Foundation of Present Little City.

By L. NEITZEL

In 1895 T. Wolf, a capitalist, came to Murdock and bought into the lumber business with E. J. Tool.

H. A. Gast, a harnessmaker, arrived in Murdock about 1893, who was also the first justice of the peace. In October, 1895, a Modern Woodman camp was organized with thirteen charter members. Dr. H. C. Madding was counsel, with L. Neitzel as clerk. It flourished and grew to over 30 members.

Mr. H. Dehning and Son started another hardware store in 1893, which was running for about five years when they closed out their business, and A. J. Tool bought their stock, adding it to his harness shop, and has continued ever since.

About 1903 H. R. Waldron bought the furniture store from Mr. Rikin, and opened a bank, with Mr. Krink as cashier, which run about eight years, when it was absorbed by the Bank of Murdock. Mr. F. Wolf built the first meat market, now owned by Art Ward, and used for a funeral home by Mr. Horton (1932).

The Misses Goodale ran a millinery shop in a lean-to to the meat market. The first death in Murdock came to the home of E. J. Tool, when his wife passed away six weeks after coming here from Iowa, leaving Mr. Tool with six children. She was buried at the Callahan cemetery, in 1892.

The citizens of the new town, who all owned their homes, saw to it that their religion was not neglected. After a Christian minister had preached a little while, all the church people being Evangelicals, but while the Evangelical church preached only in the German language, they decided to call a Methodist minister. An old retired minister was sent us by the name of Wilkinson, who came from Weeping Water.

Then the presiding elder formed a circuit with South Bend, Murdock and Wabash and an old veteran of the civil war, David Fetz, was stationed at South Bend. He was a hard worker and very successful, had a great revival in the school house. At that time everybody in Murdock went to church. It was a good atmosphere to raise a family in. Mr. Jim Matter was our first Sunday school superintendent, who also was a good singer, and soon Murdock was known about its fine singing. Rev. Fetz would hold revival services at South Bend and Wabash, and G. V. Pickwell would come in with his big wagon, and 8 or 10 would go to those places and assist in the service. Those were the happy days! Then the M. E. church decided to build a church. L. Neitzel secured two lots from the K. T. & L. Co., free of charge, and building operation were started in 1903 and the church was dedicated in the early spring of 1904 by Rev. Peter Van Fleet. L. C. Meyers was the pastor. The cost was \$2500. In 1903 Rev. Brooker of the United Evangelical church, held a tent meeting, on the ground where Ward's garage stands, organized a class, and built a church, on the site of Mrs. A. Panska's home. The class was small and never grew; after some 7 or 8 years was closed. In 1905 the Evangelical church located a church in Murdock, which is the only church left (1932). The M. E. church was virtually wrecked by agitation about a saloon. Unwise acts split the church and alienated the people from the church, in consequence it died, what was left of members were transferred to Elmwood and the property sold.

In 1910 a very disastrous fire consumed L. Neitzel's hardware store, Waldron's bank and the two story frame building, then owned by a man named Fish, who had owned it only about two months; this happened on Sept. 10, 1910. L. Neitzel started building the present store, and occupied it inside of three months. Two years later F. Wolf erected the building occupied by G. Bauer (this 1932).

The Bank of Murdock opened for business Oct. 27, 1892 and continued with Geo. Meeker in charge, until June 30, 1894, when Gus Weideman bought the bank, who being a farmer grew tired of banking and was ready to sell when H. R. Neitzel, brother to L. Neitzel, bought the business July 7, 1895, just one year to date after Weideman had taken over the business from Meeker. H. R. Neitzel conducted the business for 13 years very successfully until 1908 when he sold out to F. R. Guthmann, who continued until the business until 1930 when F. Martin of Omaha,

bought the bank, with H. A. Tool and Mr. Helmer in charge.

During H. R. Neitzel's residence here, Murdock was incorporated as a village with 222 souls. Soon afterwards a saloon was established with A. E. Frasher as owner.

A system of cement sidewalks was proposed, and carried through, and Murdock has the best sidewalks of any town in Cass county, all laid to grade and uniform in width. Saloon license money was used for crossings and abutting property paid for theirs. The incorporation was completed March 18, 1905, with the following five trustees, Orlando H. Eggleston, H. A. Tool, Calvin G. Leis, Jacob Goehry, H. R. Neitzel and the following year, 1906, the laying of sidewalks was ordered and completed.

Just before the village was incorporated in 1894 Mr. H. W. Eggleston, L. Neitzel, H. V. McDonald, H. A. Tool, A. J. Tool, E. J. Tool and others, met and talked over the matter of building a local telephone system. A company was formed with L. Neitzel president, H. V. McDonald secretary and treasurer. Stock was sold at \$25 per share. H. C. Kohl-rush was elected manager, who secured stockholders, and in a short time enough stock was sold to begin building the lines. One hundred and thirty-five phones were placed, and before January 1st, 1895 the company was doing business. It was a success from the beginning, and proved a good investment.

In the fall of 1920 the village voted to have electricity in town. An agreement with the Nebraska Power Co. to furnish power was entered into; and the village voted \$10,000 bonds, to be redeemed in ten years. The line was built, and proved of great benefit to the town. The power was obtained from a line running from Louisville to Weeping Water and connection made two miles east of Manley and brought in on No. 1 highway. In 1926 the village sold out to the Nebraska Power Co. for \$10,000 cash, which left \$4,000 in the village treasury.

The same year by vote of the people, the streets were ordered gravelled, which gave Murdock the best streets of any town in the county, and added much to the neat appearance of the village.

In 1926 the Murdock Telephone Co. sold out to the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., who rebuilt all the lines and gives excellent service.

In the year when Murdock became of age (18 years old) 1909, the first street fair was held, continuing three days. It was a great success. It was repeated in 1910 and 1911, then street fairs became so common, that no more were held.

The development of the Evangelical church. Rev. A. Fischer tried to open a preaching place in Murdock in 1894, in the school house, but it failed. In 1905 Rev. H. Pieper found a number of Evangelical people in Murdock; Peter Withreft, C. Gurr, Charles Bakermeier, Fred Scheve, had moved into the town, with several families of the Louisville church added, Christ Miller, Otto Miller and A. Rikin, a church was organized and a building erected. The following year the parsonage was built while Rev. A. Branche served the charge; who was followed by C. Boelter, H. A. Schwab, I. Lalpipy, C. Strauss and H. R. Knosp, 1932. The charge has grown to 164 members with two Sunday schools with about 250 scholars.

The present school house was built in 1925. The district was organized the same year into a consolidated school, with 25 sections of land including the town of Murdock and some six miles of railroad making it one of the richest districts in the county. Eight teachers have about 180 pupils. The property cost \$45,000 with equipment, and the cost per year amounts to about \$13,000.

Only good things can be said about Murdock; it never had any use of a jail; none of her citizens have been arrested; no fighting was ever indulged in, even in saloon days; the citizens are proud of their record and are found to live up to it. It is the best built up town; everybody vies with his neighbor to have the nicest lawn, the best paint on their houses, and the cleanest and neatest place; which adds largely to the moral atmosphere in which to raise a family. All strangers that stop, make remarks about the neat appearance and substantial homes, that the town contains.

This is a condensed history of the beginning of Murdock, all written from memory by L. Neitzel.

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Very few weeks pass in the year without someone from this town being found among the patients in Clarkson Hospital. An offering was taken at St. Luke's church Harvest Home service, recently, of preserves and other provisions. The letter came immediately in response. "We are writing to acknowledge and express our appreciation of the donation of fruits and jellies. . . Patients do enjoy home made preserves and often these prove an appetizer where all else fails. With many thanks to each and every giver."

### RECEIVES CATTLE

The cattle feeding firm of Wehrbein & Boedcker of Murray have received a large consignment of cattle from Whitmore, Nebraska, which will be fed at their farm at Murray. This firm has been one of the most extensive cattle feeding companies in this part of the state and have in the past year shipped a great deal of stock to the Chicago market. Their stock has almost always topped the market and are in brisk demand from the buyers when they are on the market.

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No matter what your views may be, to them they're not quite right— And leave you in a chastened mind at the end of a verbal fight. So I'll toddle through this vale of tears a-singing my little song, And if they don't accept MY view, doggone 'em, they're all wrong. "K"

### RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Miss Mary Ann Hadraba, who was operated on some two weeks ago at Omaha for appendicitis, has so far recovered that she has been able to return to the home here. She is recuperating at home and hopes soon to be able to resume her activities in school.

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