

# The Avoca Department

News Items Gathered Each Week by a Special Reporter for This Department of the Semi-Weekly Journal

Wm. Toney was over from Syracuse Saturday.

George Braezele was a visitor at Talmage one day last week.

Mrs. W. A. Hollenberger has been at Alexandria this week.

W. I. Smoots was a business visitor at Auburn Friday.

Asa Johnson attended the auto show at Omaha this week.

Gus Ruder and Harry Marquardt were at Omaha Wednesday.

Roy Malcolm was here from Talmage several days this week.

The last number of the lecture course will be on March 5th.

See Brown's Tennessee Minstrels at the town hall Monday night.

B. C. Marquardt and wife were at Omaha Tuesday and Wednesday.

Have you seen the new line of wall paper at Copes' drug store?

E. G. Copes of Cook was here this week visiting at the home of his son, Ora E. Copes.

John Heng of Lorton was visiting at the home of J. C. Zimmerer the first of the week.

Harry Marquardt and Wm. Mase-man attended the dance at Murray Saturday night.

T. H. Straub and L. W. Fahnestock were looking over the benzine wagons at Omaha Tuesday.

Misses Oliver Clark and Florence Leonard of Weeping Water, spent Sunday with the Misses Florence and Bertha Smoots.

Edward Morley and Ralph Graham were at Omaha Tuesday with stock.

Mr. Moore of Nehawka, was a visitor in Avoca Tuesday.

**Wedding Bells.**

Theron Melcoln was united in marriage to Miss Virginia Ethridge Sunday evening, February 20, at the home of the bride's parents at Cook, Neb., Rev. Bert Wilson officiating.

As the date was the twenty-sixth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ethridge's marriage, the time was a very appropriate one in which the nuptials were celebrated. Mr. Melcoln is a prosperous young farmer, sober and industrious and respected by all who know him.

Miss Ethridge was formerly a teacher in the Cook schools and will be missed by her many friends in school and church work. She is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Ethridge of Cook and is a most estimable and accomplished young lady.

The young people will commence housekeeping on the A. Zimmerer farm southeast of Avoca.

**School Notes.**

Anna True has been absent from school for a few days.

Fred Ahrens was absent Monday on account of bad cold.

Pearl Nutzman was absent from school last week on account of her mother's illness.

The intermediate room had their "Star Day" Wednesday afternoon.

A seventh grade pupil recently defined "affection" as meaning "pressure." We have no doubt but that is often the way affection is shown.

Pearl Nutzman will write the school notes for a few weeks.

**Old Maids Entertain.**

Monday evening, February 21, the Old Maids gave a reception to the Old Bachelors and Widowers who were brave enough to occupy the front seats at the convention. The reception was held at the home of Fredora Bobkins (Julia Nutzman).

Such old fashioned games as "spin the platter," "wink," "happy is the mille rboy," etc., were played. For refreshments the following were served: "Magic Pie," "Love Powders," (for the men) "Breath Tablets," (for the ladies) boligna sandwiches, (remains of old maids' dog), pickles, kleses, cake, elixir for making old maids and bachelors young (punch) Those present were:

Ladies:—Misses Julia Nutzman, Marguerite Francis, Sophia Ruhge, Louisa Ruhge, Selma Marquardt, Nancy Fleishman, Viola Fleishman, Elsie Opp, Eda Nutzman.

Mesdames:—J. W. Brendel, O. E. Copes, A. B. Lewton, P. Nutzman.

Gentlemen:—Henry Kuhnenn, Jens Rasmussen, Claude Durham, Harry Marquardt, Fred Ruhge, Will Gillen, Louis Ruhge, George Jung, John Betts, Herman Wellensolk, Simeon Raemier, Rev. Kokjer, Herman cattan.

**Old Maids' Convention.**

The Old Maids held a convention at the town hall Friday evening, February 18th. Twenty old maids in gay and festive attire were present. Sarah Jane Springster gave the market report as follows:

Will Morley—highly eligible and heart whole.

Ed Wulf and Simeon Raemier—uncertain.

Jens Rasmussen, Ben Mohr and George Jung—getting interested.

Theron Malcolm and Fred Carsten—off the market.

Jack Betts and Will Gillen—promising.

Herman Cattan, Will Gollner and Will Wulf—engaged.

John Bogard—yielding.

The committee suggested that a little more attention be paid to Henry Kuhnenn, August Theile, Dad Waldrip, Melvin Kear, Rev. Kokjer, Ralph Graham, Harry Marquardt, Will Mase-man and George Trook.

A large crowd was present and the efforts of the old maids to get husbands were greatly appreciated by the audience.

A delegation of bachelors and widowers occupied the two front rows and showered bouquets at the old maids. To the flowers cards were attached, on which were written proposals. Each bachelor wore a huge red necktie and carried a pair of opera glasses. Henry Kuhnenn carried a large banner on which was inscribed: "Delegates from Bachelors' Headquarters."

The ladies cleared thirty-five dollars to be placed in the treasury of the Congregation Ladies Aid society. An Old Maid.

**Removes to Town.**

The Journal is pleased to record the advent into the city of another fine citizen in the person of George Meisinger. Mr. Meisinger recently purchased the Robert Troop property and several days ago moved into the place. He is one of the best citizens of the county and makes an excellent addition to the good people here. He has been a thrifty and industrious citizen and has accumulated a competence during his years of hard work on his farm, finding that he could now take a little leisure time and live in the city. He will receive a hearty welcome from all who know him.

C. E. Westcott is among those visiting the metropolis this afternoon, going there on No. 23.

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**MURDOCK BANK**  
IN FINE SHAPE

Cashier H. R. Neitzel Will Be Assisted by H. A. Guthman

The Journal is pleased to chronicle today a number of important changes which have taken place in the Bank of Murdock, one of the flourishing financial institutions of Cass county. In the first place the bank has increased its capital stock from \$10,000 to \$15,000 which furnishes depositors an increased and ample margin of safety for their deposits. Besides this the number of stockholders have been materially increased by the addition of some of the strongest and most substantial men in that prosperous community and at the present time the bank numbers the following gentlemen as its stockholders, to-wit: Messrs. Fred W. Backemeyer, Conrad Baumgartner, Chas. F. Guthman, H. A. Guthman, Emil Kuehn, Herman and William Leuthens, C. E. Mockenhaupt, Henry Meier-Jurgen, Louis and Herman R. Neitzel, John C. Stroy, Paul Schewe Eugene T., Arthur and Henry A. Tool, George E. Vandenberg, F. Wolf, Frank and Andy Zoz. These gentlemen are all very well and popularly known in the county and are among the most substantial men to be found anywhere. Their names are a guarantee of commercial integrity.

One other change in which Plattsmouth people will be particularly interested is that Henry A. Guthman, the son of our esteemed fellow townsman Frank R. Guthman, assumes the cashiership succeeding J. O. Goehry, Jr., who goes into business for himself in Idaho. Mr. Guthman has long been connected with the bank at Waterloo, Neb., and is a tried and trusted banking official. He will assist materially in promoting the welfare of the Bank of Murdock and the Journal predicts for him a long and successful business career in his new position.

With these changes the Bank of Murdock becomes one of the top-notchers in financial institutions in the county, keeping up at the head of the procession and its name will remain as in the past a synonym for good business dealing and financial strength.

**New Theories.**  
Science, in its steady progress, brings out new theories about the origin or cause of diseases and upon such theories proposes new methods of treatment. The old doctors were of the opinion that the body is as strong and as sound as the stomach and that it quickly declines when the stomach refuses to work. We are of the same opinion and with us every good observer. Let us try our best to keep our stomach in perfect condition, and should we notice any irregularity in its work, let us use at once Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine. It will cleanse the stomach, heal every soreness in it, increase the activity of the glands, and strengthen the muscles of that organ. Food will then be readily accepted and thoroughly digested. This remedy should be taken in diseases of the stomach, the intestines and the nerves. At drug stores. Jos. Triner, 1333-1339 So. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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## CASE OF STATE VS. C. H. NELIGH

Defence Claims Court Has No Venue in Case But is Overruled by Judge Travis

The case of the State vs. Neligh which was taken up yesterday morning by Judge Travis and a jury is still on for hearing today. Immediately upon the state's resting, yesterday Attorney Gering made a motion to dismiss the case and discharge the prisoner, C. H. Neligh, as no venue was shown for the court here. The contention of counsel for the defense was that the legal residence of the plaintiff and the defendant was in Cuming county where the parties were living at the time of the alleged abandonment. The point was then argued by Mr. Gering for the motion and County Attorney Ramsey in opposition last evening. The testimony of the plaintiff and her witnesses were relied upon by the county attorney to sustain his contention that the legal residence of the parties was here and that the crime of desertion took place here instead of at Wisner.

Judge Travis this morning handed down a decision on the question raised by Mr. Gering in which he overruled the motion to dismiss. He held in effect that the court here had jurisdiction of the case and that sufficient testimony had been introduced to establish a case of residence of this county. To his ruling the defendant objected.

Immediately after his decision the taking of testimony was resumed, the defendant putting in his side of the testimony. The probabilities are that the case will come to a conclusion this afternoon and be submitted to the jury by night. The testimony which has gone in has been of a rather salacious nature bordering on vulgarity and plentifully interspersed with profanity. The state seems to have established the fact of the defendant leaving the plaintiff after she had come home to her parents in this city, as the defendant returned to this city and remained over night with his wife, leaving the next morning and returning no more. The defense seem to be that the complaining witness made life unbearable for the defendant by reason of her constant use of profanity and the calling of vile names to the defendant. The defendant testified this afternoon, during his cross examination, to the fact that he became tired of her references to him in a vile and indecent manner and that he left her for that reason.

In addition to the plaintiff's testimony regarding the facts of the separation of the parties, the state presented the testimony of J. C. York, father of the wife, Mrs. J. C. York, her mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Gravett, all of whose testimony was corroborative of the facts in the complaining witness' testimony, to some extent.

The defendant had a large array of witnesses from the vicinity of Wisner, Neb., who testified to the language used by the complaining witness, whenever she referred to the husband, these being Mrs. Lillie Wild, Mrs. Fred Rudbusche, Mrs. A. E. B. Neligh, the defendant's mother, Ambrose Neligh, defendant's brother, D. J. Brazda, Jas. Brazda and H. L. Hines. The defendant when on the stand testified in addition to reciting the language his wife was alleged to have used toward him, the fact that she pulled his hair, beat him up and treated him generally in a scandalous manner. He also denied he had ever done anything to provoke her assaults and that all he did to protest against

her attacks. He admitted on cross examination that he had taken hold of her to stop her from pulling his hair. There were a number of women at the afternoon session, and they seemed to enjoy the unsavory details of the testimony to the limit. At the hour of going to press the case was still on the grind and the defendant was being cross examined.

**A Delightful Event.**

A very delightful little party was given by Miss Rachel Livingston several evenings ago, to a number of her young friends in this city. The party consisted of a sleigh ride and a fine time was had. Sleighs were called into requisition and the party enjoyed a fine drive over the smooth, hard road of this vicinity, the bright moonlight aiding largely in making the evening one of enjoyed pleasure. After some time spent in this way, the party repaired to the home of the young lady south of the city where her mother, Mrs. B. W. Livingston, had prepared a sumptuous luncheon for the party and where the remainder of the evening was spent. In addition to the feast which was fit for a king, the evening was spent in song and games and when the time came to break up and return to their homes in this city, the party did so with the utmost reluctance.

Those enjoying this splendid evening out included Misses Hallie Yarmele, Lucile Gass, Helen Clark, Messrs John Falter, George Dovey, Lynn Minor and Clarence Staats.

Bilious? Feel heavy after dinner? Tongue coated? Bitter taste? Complexion sallow? Liver needs waking up. Doan's Regulets cure bilious attacks. 25 cents at any drug store.

**HORSES FOR SALE**  
5 work horses, 4 cultivatory, 1 corn planter, offered at private sale. Apply to Mr. Baughman, on Dovey Section.

Philip H. Meisinger is among the many coming down this morning from his home near Cedar Creek to look after business matters in the city.

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No. 2 On the Heart No. 5 For Men  
No. 3 On the Kidneys No. 6 On Rheumatism  
**Dr. Shoop's Restorative**

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Bank of Cass County, of Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Charter No. 642.  
Incorporated in the state of Nebraska, at the close of business February 12, 1909.  
RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$22,962 88
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	68 69
Bonds, stocks, securities, judgments, claims, etc.	2,300 00
Banking house furniture and fixtures	9,200 00
Real estate other than banking house	3,925 40
Current expenses and taxes paid	8,807 12
Due from nat'l, state and private banks and bankers	62,267 94
Checks and items of exchange	228 16
Currency	12,516 00
Gold coin	8,265 00
Silver, nickels and cents	1,095 00
Total	\$143,036 19

LIABILITIES  
Capital stock paid in... \$50,000 00  
Surplus fund... 25,000 00  
Undivided profits... 11,610 56  
Individual deposits subject to check... 115,238 82  
Demand certificates of deposit... 74 50  
Time certificates of deposit... 180,086 58  
Cashier's checks outstanding... 12,000 82  
Due to nat'l, state and private banks and bankers... 3,414 87  
Bills payable... 25,000 00  
Total... \$433,036 19

**A Very Cold Night.**  
Henry Hilbert, the well known farmer and stock raiser who is located just outside of the city limits and one mile north of Oak Hill cemetery, was in the city this morning and states that last night was one of the coldest of the winter so far as freezing weather is concerned. For the first time this winter water froze in his well and this morning he had to break the ice before water could be drawn from it. While the thermometer did not register nearly as low as at many times during the winter, the wind served to drive the cold into the most remote parts and open water froze hard. The water in his well was at a distance of fifteen feet below the surface of the earth. Mr. Hilbert recently added a fine thoroughbred bull to his stock, having bought the animal from Chas. Contryman, living near Murray. The animal is a pedigreed one and is considered one of the best in this immediately vicinity. He intends to stand the animal at his home just outside the city limits. Mr. Hilbert also has some fine shoats and one or two excellent cows which he intends to place on the market very shortly.

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Plattsmouth State Bank**  
of Plattsmouth, Nebraska.  
Charter No. 780  
Incorporated in the state of Nebraska, at the close of business, February 12, 1909.

Loans and discount	\$14,434 47
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,175 79
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	1,579 90
Real estate other than banking house	11,600 37
Current expenses and taxes paid	277 74
Cash items	84 03
Due from nat'l, state and private banks and bankers	5,110 15
Currency	2,310 00
Gold coin	1,450 00
Silver, nickels and cents	482 42
Total	\$45,073 95

LIABILITIES  
Capital stock paid in... \$50,000 00  
Surplus fund... 500 00  
Undivided profits... 175 16  
Dividends unpaid... 110 00  
Individual deposits subject to check... 54,149 39  
Demand certificates of deposit... 452 90  
Time certificates of deposit... 31,884 46  
Bills payable... 8,000 00  
Total... \$145,373 95

**STATE OF NEBRASKA,**  
COUNTY OF CASS, J. J. M. Roberts, Cashier of the above named bank, do hereby swear that the above statement is a correct and true copy of the report made to the State Banking Board, J. M. ROBERTS, Cashier.

Attest: J. W. H. NEWELL, Director.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of February, 1910.  
R. B. WINDHAM, Notary Public.

**Tickling in the Throat**  
"Just a little tickling in the throat!" Is that what troubles you? But it hangs on! Can't get rid of it! Home remedies don't take hold. You need something stronger—a regular medicine, a doctor's medicine. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral contains healing, quieting, and soothing properties of the highest order. Ask your doctor about this. No alcohol in this cough medicine. J.C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.  
Constipation positively prevents good health. Then why allow it to continue? An active Pevier's great preventive of disease. Ayer's Pills are liver pills. What does your doctor say?