

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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The Bank of Murdock

HENRY A. TOOL, President J. E. GUTHMANN, Vice-President
 H. A. GUTHMANN, Cashier

Earl McKinney, the motor mechanic, is visiting at the home of Bert Lewis for a short time.

Dr. O. Trenchholm, of Elmwood, was a caller in Murdock last Thursday, being called to look after a patient here.

L. Neitzel, the hardware merchant, made a brief business trip to Lincoln last Thursday evening, returning on the late train.

Wm. Rush completed his season's threshing the first of the week, the last settings being at the home of Henry Gakemeier.

Lacey McDonald reports the roads far from being good, and says that they are costing him good money for tire upkeep on his car.

E. H. Miller, living north of Murdock, reports he completed his corn picking on last Saturday, and that the crop averaged about thirty-five bushels.

H. W. Tool was fortunate enough to secure a car of hard coal for his customers last week, and which was gladly received by those in need of the same.

For Sale: Registered short horn, two-year-old bull, pedigree furnished. Call or phone. Farm one-half mile north of Murdock.—Louis Schmidt, phone No. 22-B. Murdock, Neb.
 Max Dusterhoff, who is finishing the home of Peter Eveland in Elmwood, has had to wait somewhat on the plumbers and was also held up some last week on account of the extremely cold weather.

Miss Selma Branchie, the courteous and obliging clerk at the Murdock Mercantile company's store, has been at home sick for several days, during which time Master "Dick" Tool has been assisting in the work at the store.

Will Soon Have Home Finished

Henry A. Tool, who is just completing his new home in Murdock, reports good progress during the past fortnight and says the plasterers began last week to put on the last, or finishing, coat, and it looks like he and his good wife will be able to occupy the new home in the very near future.

New Bank Does Good Business
 As a mascot for the new bank, little Robert McDonald proceeded to the bank on the morning it opened.

has installed various styles and sizes of plants in the homes in and about Murdock. All of them seem to have given perfect satisfaction.

Has Moved Family to Murdock
 Mr. J. A. Pothast, the new banker, who has just moved to Murdock from his former home at Courtland, is occupying the residence of Mrs. Amgwert, which has been the home of Jesse Landholm for some time past. Since the removal of Mr. Landholm and wife to the new home which they have just had completed, the house has been vacant, and afforded an excellent opportunity for Mr. Pothast and his family to find temporary quarters until they are able to erect a home of their own during the coming year.

Married Last Week
 At the home of the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gustin, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Grace Gustin to Mr. Kenneth Easton Sedman, of Wahoo, on last Thursday, in the presence of a large circle of admiring friends. The bride has lived in this neighborhood all her life and to know her was to love her. The groom has frequently visited in Murdock, and for a time he made his home here. He is now employed with the Swift Packing company as a salesman. A more extended account of the wedding appeared in Monday's issue of the Semi-Weekly Journal, as taken from the Elmwood Leader-Echo and this paper is glad to extend best wishes to this popular young couple along with those of their many friends in the vicinity of Murdock. May prosperity and happiness be theirs through their lives.

Postoffice Inspector Makes Visit
 Postoffice Inspector W. C. Coble, of Omaha, recently made a visit to the city of Murdock and found everything at the local office being conducted in excellent shape. It is also reported that he visited a certain citizen whom he found it necessary to administer some good, wholesome advice to.

Are Making the Corn Fly
 Louis Schmidt, who lives just north of Murdock, is getting his corn out in a hurry. Besides himself, he has the help of Dillet Utt, who has now become an excellent corn picker, and Mr. Edward Rikkl, who arrived from Denver a week or so ago, and the three are surely making the corn fly, and will soon have the fields cleared and the corn all in the cribs. Mr. Rikkl is the son of Arnold Rikkl, who lives near Enid, Oklahoma, and a grandson of Arthur Rikkl, of Murdock.

Makes Purchase of Home
 Harry Gillespie has just made purchase of a home, not seeing anything in renting, and got the place which has been occupied by G. Baur for some time, and which is located just south of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Angwert. This property is a very nice one and will make an excellent home for Mr. Gillespie and his good wife. They will occupy it as soon as Mr. Baur can find a place into which to move.

Move Into Their New Home
 Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Landholm have just moved into their new home, which has been under course of construction for a number of months past. This home is modern in all its appointments and is equal to any in the larger cities. Along with others of the recently constructed modern homes in Murdock, is helping to make Murdock a city of beauty, and one which is becoming noted for its comfortable homes.

Pretty Busy People Now
 W. O. Gillespie and wife, who have been experiencing much difficulty in securing help with which to operate the hotel they conduct in Murdock, while not becoming discouraged, have buckled into the work themselves when they could not get the needed help, and just now are about as busy as two mortals well can be looking after the work at the hotel.

Miss Viola Everett, who is employed during the day at the store of Baur & Kraft, assists during the morning and evening, thus helping out greatly, but still the three are very busy. By the way, Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie are conducting a reliable hotel, and one that would do credit to towns much larger than Murdock. And the traveling public surely appreciates their efforts to please.

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OVERSEAS SOLDIERS COMING TO MURDOCK

Next Number of the Lecture Course on Wednesday Evening, November 26th.

The next number of the Murdock Lyceum course to be held on Wednesday evening of next week at the Methodist church in that bustling village, is one of exceptional interest and will prove pleasing to all who attend.

Included in this number are four young men who have all seen service in foreign countries during the war, and who have returned to portray, in both song and story, their experiences. These young men saw the grim side of warfare, and also that the other side, for it was not all the trench and carnage kind, but interspersed with now and then enjoyable occasions, when they and their comrades in arms would give vent to mirthful inclinations.

All of these young men have gone over the top and received wounds facing the enemy, one being commended for gallantry and being the recipient of official decoration at the hands of the French. They are equally as good entertainers as they were fighters and a rare treat is in store for the people of the Murdock community on Wednesday evening.

The time spent in attending entertainments of this kind is far from being lost and the people of Murdock are to be congratulated on the interest and support they are giving the Lyceum course this year.

Trains Run Via Louisville

The Rock Island railroad, which is constructing a new bridge over the Platte river at South Bend, began running trains over the Burlington track between South Bend and Louisville, and over the Missouri Pacific between Louisville and the station at Meadow, where they return to the Rock Island tracks and continue their way into Omaha, or leave them enroute to Lincoln and the west.

The Rock Island has been making preparations for some time for this procedure, by building a transfer Y at South Bend and a stretch of track leading to their own line near Meadow. The Y at Louisville will be used for switching trains from the Burlington to the Missouri Pacific tracks. Trains will be operated this way until the new bridge at South Bend is ready for use, a number of months from now. The work is being done at this time of year in order to avoid high water in the river and it is expected to complete it before the spring break-up. The old bridge there had been in use a long time and was considered as being unsafe, trains being limited to a very slow rate of speed in crossing it.

Mrs. Oscar McDonald Entertains

On last Thursday, at her home in Murdock, Mrs. Oscar McDonald elegantly entertained at a Kensington, the members of the Royal Neighbors of America and other friends. The afternoon was very profitably and enjoyably spent with the work while the ladies brought with them, while they also had a season of sociability and enjoyed a very exquisite luncheon, which was served by the genial hostess.

Departed for a Trap Shoot

Edward W. Thimigan departed on last Thursday for Kansas City, via auto, where he went to attend a trap shoot being held last week. He went by way of Syracuse, where he picked up his friend, Dr. Hall, who is also a lover of trap shooting sport, and the gentlemen continued on their way to Kansas City together. Both are good shots and we are expecting that they pulled down some very handsome prizes.

Murdock School Notes

The schools of Murdock, after having waited for some one else to inaugurate a drive for the Red Cross and which did not materialize, have concluded to conduct one themselves in the schools.

While there was nothing done by the public in Murdock in recognition of Armistice day, the schools took upon themselves the matter of providing a patriotic program, which proved interesting and instructive, as well as assisted materially in inculcating patriotic sentiments in the minds of the scholars—a matter upon which too much stress cannot be placed at the present time.

The school board presented the High school and the grades with two

large International dictionaries that will be greatly appreciated by both the faculty and the scholars. They also supplied some other necessary paraphernalia for the primary department.

The quarterly tests were given last week and continued over into the fore part of this week. The results were indicative of very satisfactory progress being made in all lines of study.

Carl Schneider, who has been attending a parochial school for some time, has returned and taken up his work in the Murdock schools.

Last Thursday, Rev. A. H. Schwab visited the schools and made an address on the subject of "Good Citizenship." In each of the different departments he admonished the scholars to have a high ideal of citizenship and Americanism and to work to that ideal in all their studies.

NICE WEATHER IS WELCOME

From Tuesday's Daily.
 Such days as Sunday and yesterday throughout Nebraska go a long way toward bringing smiles to the face of the householder as they lessen the strain on the coal supply and make the shortage much easier to stand. The good weather with which Nebraska is blessed in the fall season is certainly hard to beat in any portion of the broad domain of the United States, and it makes one full of pep and activity.

RED CROSS GETS BONDS FOR MEN

Home Service Branches of Organization Secures Good Results in Getting Prompt Action.

From Tuesday's Daily.
 Efforts of the Red Cross to secure the delivery of Liberty bonds paid for by soldiers and sailors are meeting with great success, says a report from Washington. In one month a total of 296 deliveries had been completed, involving bonds worth \$29,700. In addition, action has been secured in two cases of bonds subscribed through the Marine Corps amounting to \$200.

Definite reports were also secured regarding the status of 198 other cases, in which it was impossible to secure the bond because of previous delivery, failure to secure full check of account or other reasons.

These 198 cases involved bonds aggregating \$22,500 and, in many of them, information was secured by the Red Cross in a few days after weeks and months of fruitless efforts on the part of the individual, generally through ignorance of the proper procedure.

The plan of the Red Cross for assisting the soldier in getting his paid-for-bonds consists in having him assign the delivery bond to a Red Cross representative who secures it from the bond section of the zone finance office in Washington and forwards it promptly by registered mail to the soldier through Red Cross channels, generally on the second day after the receipt of the affidavit, provided the bond can be secured promptly from the zone finance office.

A form of affidavit for the soldier is provided by the Red Cross, on application to the nearest Home Service station, whereon complete information about subscriptions to bond issues may be given.

MEETS WITH ACCIDENT

From Tuesday's Daily.
 While returning Sunday afternoon from a visit to Union, John McCarthy and family, who make their home on the old homestead near Wyoming, just over the line in Otoe county, met with a serious accident. The Franklin sedan which Mr. McCarthy was driving ran off the culvert east of Union at the corner and went into the ditch, with the result that Mrs. McCarthy, who was riding in the car, had her left wrist broken and received a general shaking up.

The remainder of the family, although they received a severe shock, were not seriously injured.

Mrs. McCarthy was treated by Dr. Barrett, who reduced the fracture and made the lady as comfortable as possible, and she is resting as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

The car was quite badly damaged, the top being broken in, the windshield smashed and other parts being broken. It was hauled in by a service outfit from one of the Union garages, and is now under process of being repaired, which work will be completed long before the fractured wrist of Mrs. McCarthy shall have gotten well.

Under the circumstances the family can consider themselves fortunate that the accident did not re-

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sult in worse injury or more serious damage to the car.

KANSAS TO OPERATE THE COAL MINES

State Will Take Over Large Properties Under Receivership Proceedings, It is Said.

Topeka, Kansas, Nov. 17.—The large coal mining properties of Crawford and Cherokee counties this evening passed into the control of the state of Kansas when the state supreme court issued orders and named receivers for the properties. The action followed the filing of proceedings by Attorney General R. J. Hopkins to bring about the receivership. The receivers appointed by the court are:

Mayor C. D. Sample of Fort Scott, representing the public.
 Willard Tins, of Girard, a coal miner, representing the men.
 C. R. Spencer, of Pittsburg, president of the Pittsburg-Midway Mining company, representing the operators.

Action of state officials, it became known, was taken after the operators had declined to have anything to do with the appointment of receivers or to suggest names of their representatives.

NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN MASS MEETING THURSDAY

In the interest of the National-wide campaign of the Episcopal church that is now being conducted throughout the nation, a mass meeting will be held at St. Luke's church

in this city on Thursday evening at 7:45.

The Rev. Wilford Mann, rector of St. Paul's church of Council Bluffs, Iowa, will be present to address the meeting, as will Mr. Charles Hooper, of Omaha, one of the leaders in the lay church movement, and these gentlemen will have a message well worth hearing.

It is desired that every member of the parish be present at this meeting and by their individual attendance and efforts make the campaign work in this city a success.

Those who have participated in the Nation-wide campaign meetings held so far have realized a great deal of benefit from them and have been strengthened in their faith as the result of the splendid efforts of the church in reaching its membership.

RETURNS FROM THE HOSPITAL

From Tuesday's Daily.
 This afternoon Miss Belle Speck, who has been at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha for the past two weeks, was so far recovered from her recent operation that she was enabled to return to her home in this city.

Miss Speck was suffering from a very severe case of appendicitis at the time she was taken to the hospital and was operated on at once, and with the very best of results as she has been continuously on the mend since the operation and is now able to be back home. The occasion of her return is the source of a great deal of pleasure to the relatives and friends of this estimable young lady.

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