

# MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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## Making Business Safe!

Every year some firms who have ventured upon the stormy sea of commercial life found hidden reefs of rock which wreck their ship and leave their business a dreary waste. They have failed to study the situation and have ventured upon propositions which involved considerable investment, without first knowing if the things were safe.

Better know that your proposition is "water tight" before you risk your all on it.

The banking house that is conservative and looks after the welfare of the community is the safest institution to obtain the knowledge necessary to make you safe when needed.

The Bank of Murdock, which has done business in this community for the past thirty-five years is the best place to get the knowledge and service required in a safe commercial enterprise. Always at your service.

## The Bank of Murdock

Murdock, Nebraska

"The Bank where You Feel at Home"

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

Miss Leona Rush, of Lincoln, was the guest of her parents here for the day yesterday, Sunday.

Wilma Panska, who was sick for a few days during last week is reported as being much better.

Mrs. Ruth Norton visited during the week at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. Wiseman, of Elmwood.

August Panska is suffering from a sore hand which he injured in a door which he was endeavoring to open.

Mr. Foster Wambach, of Alliance, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rush for a few days last week.

John Burt and wife, of Omaha, were visiting for one Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rush, of Murdock.

Messrs and Mesdames Otto Miller and Emil Leu were visiting and looking after some shopping last Thursday at Ashland.

Ray Bollin has been picking corn near Prairie Home and spent last Sunday with the folks here, returning to his work Monday.

Mrs. Mary Leis, of Waterbury, in the northern part of the state, is visiting at the home of Mrs. John Lies and son, S. P. Lies.

Mr. Emil Kuehn of Lincoln was a visitor in Murdock and was looking after some business matters for a short time last Thursday.

Little Hilda Schmidt, who was sick for some time last week with tonsillitis is so she can be up again, and is improving rapidly.

What is known as the town team, one outside of the schools which has been organized, will have a practice game on Tuesday of this week.

Mr. Andrew Schlietert and daughter, Miss Hulda, were visiting in Lincoln and also looking after some business matters last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wiseman and the children, of Elmwood, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Norton of Murdock last Sunday.

Louis Hite of Cheney and wife were visiting in Murdock last week for a few days, being guests at the home of Mr. C. F. Hite and Mrs. John Amgwert.

Mesdames John Gakemeier and Daniel Panska were visiting in Omaha last Thursday, they catching the bus at Weeping Water and returning there in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldo Mueller and the mother of Mr. Mueller, Mrs. George Mueller, all of Lincoln, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rush last Sunday.

W. H. Rush and Robert Crawford were shelling corn at the homes of Ray Parsell and W. O. Schewe last week, both of which was delivered at the Farmers elevator here.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thimgan were visiting at the home of relatives at Malcolm, where they remained for a few days and on their return a sister of Mrs. Thimgan returned for a short visit here.

J. D. McConnell departed last Thursday evening for Pensacola, Florida, where he will spend the winter and will return here in the spring expecting to work in this neighborhood the coming summer.

John and Albert Rung, who formerly lived in this neighborhood, but who are at this time located at Lincoln, were here a few days this week, and were overhauling the tractor of

Mr. Edward Guelstorff, northeast of town.

John Buck, the smith, has been repairing the wagon which is used for the conveyance of the children to and from school, and which is used by Mr. Johanson. The wagon since it has been rebuilt, is a fine looking vehicle.

Mr. and Mrs. Weyer Norton and daughter, Ellen, of Omaha, were guests at the home of E. K. Norton and family last Sunday. Mr. Norton is an electrician, in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company at Omaha.

A very interesting and worthwhile practice game was held at Murdock last Wednesday when the teams of Murdock and Elmwood tried out issues, both the boys and girls showing the fine spirit and working conditions of all the teams in good order.

The Rev. I. Lalpilly departed last Wednesday for Fremont, where he went to assist in a series of revival meetings which are being conducted by the Evangelical association at that place at this time. He was back home to look after the services on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schmidt were visiting at the home of Mr. Herman Kraft, father of Mrs. Schmidt, and who has been quite sick for some time past, but who is getting along nicely, at his home in Itasca last week. While they were away their little daughter, Geraldine spent the time with Grandmother Mrs. H. R. Schmidt.

The electric lights on the streets having a tendency to swing with the wind, which caused an oscillation of the shades, which would throw a shaft of light into the windows or over the surrounding ground, which would be followed by a darkness when the shade swung the other way. The shades were taken off a number of the lights which were the most pronounced in causing the trouble.

Last Friday a very enjoyable time was had when the four basket ball teams, the boys and girls of Alvo and the girls and boys of Murdock, met at the Woodman hall for a practice game. They are having very enjoyable times in their practice just as they would be the games for blood. But by the way some ones who are attending these practice games are not as careful as they might be of the furniture at the hall, as some persist in sitting on top of the piano and standing on the chairs. Better take care of the furniture, for it costs money.

Improving the Time

A number of people throughout the county have been plowing during the past week and among them is Mr. F. A. Roscow, and find it an excellent time to get the work done.

The Oil Station Completed

The oil station which Mr. Frank Melvin has been building has been completed and is a very complete station with the exception of the fence which has not been erected as yet. As yet it is not known who will be the man in charge, but a number of people here have made application for the position.

Mr. Schluter Some Better

Mr. Simon Schluter, who was stricken with paralysis some time since at his home west of Murdock, is reported as being considerably improved and continues to improve with the time. This is excellent news for the large number of friends of this excellent gentleman.

Rose Valley Stock Farm

This is a reality at this time. Mr. Louis Bormeyer has given that name to his home east of town, which he with the assistance of Mr. J. D. McConnell have just painted white. All the buildings have been made to shine, and the name of "Rose Valley Stock Farm" now greets the visitor from where it is painted on the barn, making a very pleasing view from the highway as one is passing.

City Board Do Business

The meeting of the city board at the Bank of Murdock building last Thursday resulted in the handling of a number of questions which they disposed of in dispatch. One thing which was taken up was the passing of an ordinance allowing the operation of an oil station, and the granting of a license to George Trunkenborg for the term of five years for operation such station. The ordinance is known as ordinance number ten.

Lycium Number Postponed

On account of the illness of the parties who were to put on the number of the Lycium course which was falling near this time, the entertainment had to be postponed until a later date. Just when it will be given it is now difficult to determine as other dates conflict. When it is decided just when it is to be, a notice will appear telling of the date.

Required an Operation

Some time since while having a carnival at the school, in the games which were played, Richard Tool and Victor Thimgan chanced to collide, the top of Victor's head hitting Richard on the nose and fracturing that organ. The injury did not mend as was desired and after some time, it was determined to seek the advice of an expert, and so with his father, Henry A. Tool, Mr. Richard Tool

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went to Omaha last Wednesday, where it was deemed best by the specialist to have some of the particles of bone removed, which had been fractured in the compact.

Is Taking a Vacation

Mr. I. C. Hornbeck, agent for the Rock Island, is taking a vacation and last Thursday afternoon departed for Tobias, where he will visit for a short time with friends and then will return and depart for Oklahoma, where he will expect to spend some time and will also visit in Fort Worth, Texas, while he is away.

Entertains For Friends

The very charming home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schultz near Murdock was the scene of a most delightful gathering on last Sunday when they entertained a number of friends and the occasion one of the greatest of pleasure. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the Schultz home were Otto Miller and family of Murdock, Philip Hinz, wife and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. F. Braun, Fred Schu-bner, wife and family, Misses Emma and Elizabeth Hinz, Gretel and Leota Hackenberg, and Rev. H. Kottich, all of Plattsmouth.

Another entertainment was held in honor of the visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Miller and where the guests were treated to the lavish hospitality of their friends in a manner that they will long pleasantly remember. Those attending were W. A. Schultz, wife and family, of Murdock, Misses Emma and Elizabeth Hinz, Gretel and Leota Hackenberg and Rev. H. Kottich of Plattsmouth.

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## PLANS TO BLOCK WILY PROMOTER.

Blue Sky Department Uses New Form of Contract—Sets Out That No Dividend Can be Promised

The new form of subscription contract that Director Tou Velle of the state bureau of securities now requires stock salesmen to use has so far proved a complete stumbling block to the activities of men who have depended on their glibness of tongue to mask the real proposition being sold. This contains all the information in a summarized form that an investor is entitled to know and affords a complete check on any misrepresentations by the salesman.

When an application is filed with the bureau it is examined in detail and if it proves of involved nature and of considerable speculative tendency the bureau digests the case, makes up a condensed statement, and then requires the company to utilize that statement in the promotion and sale of its securities. The practice is to require the applicant to use a specified type of subscription contract. This contract is the only one that can be used, and is prepared in triplicate. Every subscriber to the stock of the company must sign the triplicate copy of contracts at the time making subscription, also the agent making the sale must sign the contracts.

One copy of the signed contract is retained by the subscriber, a second copy is at certain intervals forwarded to the bureau and the third and original copy is retained by the company. When the subscription contract is prepared it contains the usual terms of such contracts and in addition as a part of said contract contains the statement prepared by the bureau, said statement being set out under a bold type heading of "Read before you sign." The company is required to omit any reference to the fact that it has obtained authority from the state and any and all literature put out by the company for advertisement purposes must carry a correct copy of the statement prepared by the bureau.

The contract starts off with a subscription blank, setting up the par value of the shares, the entire capital, the terms of payment, the non-assessable character of the stock and the fact that no other agreements than there set forth are binding on the company. Then follows some such statement as this: "READ BEFORE YOU SIGN"

"The Blank Elevator Company, of Blank, Neb., is capitalized for one million dollars, all common stock of the par value of \$100.00 per share. The company plans to and is at this time constructing a grain elevator in the vicinity of Blank, Nebraska, and upon the completion of such plans to conduct a general terminal elevator business. The company estimates that it will cost approximately \$720,000.00 to erect a complete terminal plant as planned. The first working unit, consisting of a work-house, will cost approximately \$460,000.00. The money necessary for this construction is to be raised by the sale of stock. It is estimated that it will cost 15 per cent of the par value of stock sold as cost of selling said stock and paying expenses of organization. The primary success of the enterprise cannot be assured and it is necessarily dependent upon the company being able to raise sufficient cash through the medium of stock sales. Money invested in the stock of the company becomes the exclusive property of the company and the company does not agree to return same or guarantee dividends thereon. Dividends can only be paid when and after the company earns and receives net profits from its business. The company holds permit No. Blank, issued by the Nebraska Bureau of Securities, but this fact does not constitute approval or recommendation of the bureau, nor guarantee the safety of an investment in the stock of the company."

Offers a Real Handicap

The blank forms of notes set forth that they are not negotiable. Director Tou Velle says that the plan is undoubtedly a handicap to the wily promoter, as it often refutes some of his most plausible and deceptive statements and then again its use places the bureau in a position where it can jar the investing public into realizing that it must exercise its own judgment in making investments. The experience of the Nebraska enforcing body is that the use of the old form of statement does not faze the prospective investor and instead the salesman uses it as an argument to induce the sale, he skillfully explaining that the state uniformly refuses to recommend investment in any security but the fact that the state let it go really constitutes a recommendation, and then he proceeds to tell the prospect whatever he deems necessary in order to consummate the sale. Accordingly the Nebraska authorities deemed it the wiser course to so far as possible prevent the use of the fact that the security has been licensed for sale by the state, at least so far as the use of a printed statement or exhibition of evidence of the fact is concerned, and in lieu thereof require the promoter to openly display his wares through the medium of a printed statement.

BRANCH OF GULF COAST LINES ANNOUNCES FREIGHT CUT

New Orleans, Nov. 30.—A 33 1-3 per cent cut in freight rates on the Louisiana Southern branch of the Gulf Coast lines has been announced here. The cut extends to interstate as well as intrastate shipments. It included all classes and also the special rates on canned goods, cans, coal, coke, sugar, baskets and hampers and lumber. The cut was made voluntarily, it was announced, to stimulate business.

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## WM. GEHRTS,

The Implement Man

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## GRAND JURY TO SIT ON C. W. MORSE'S DEALS

Washington, Nov. 29.—The government is preparing to lay before a federal grand jury here on December 8th, the results of its investigation of certain transactions between Charles W. Morse and the shipping board.

Reports have been current in Washington and New York for some time that the government was contemplating a grand jury proceeding, Fletcher Dobyns, special assistant attorney general, attached to the shipping board, when asked regarding the report, would say no more than that the case would be presented.

The report which has been current, has said that others beside Mr. Morse would be involved. So far there is no confirmation of that.

## RUMOR OF MORATORIUM FOR GERMANY REVIVED

London, Nov. 28.—Rumors of a proposed moratorium for Germany are revived by the Daily Mail, which reports that Sir John Bradbury, British delegate on the reparations commission, has drafted a memorandum on the subject for the consideration of the cabinet.

The newspaper says that, as a result, the cabinet may urge a moratorium on Germany's debts to the allies of two or three years, on condition that she cease manufacturing currency.

Dr. Walter Rathenau, former German minister of reconstruction, and Dr. Simon, an economic expert, and Dr. Hatheanu, secretary, arrived in London today, and it is surmised that their visit is connected with the reparations question.

## France Opposes Plan

Paris, Nov. 29.—The French government, it was made plain today, is strongly opposed to the proposed moratorium for Germany's debts to the allies, the movement for which is understood here to be gaining great strength in British official circles. The French view is that Germany is potentially quite capable of

## NEBRASKA STUDENT WINS JERSEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Lincoln, Nov. 30.—The \$400 scholarship offered by the American Jersey Cattle club for the highest individual score in judging Jersey cattle at the national dairy show held at Minneapolis has been awarded to Milo G. Sherman, a junior in the Nebraska agricultural college and a member of the dairy judging team. It was announced by college officials. Mr. Sherman is a member of the varsity dairy club.

## CAPITOL FOUNDATION TEST CONTINUED BY ENGINEERS

Lincoln, Nov. 30.—Engineers are sinking test holes at the proposed southeast corner of Nebraska's new state house to ascertain how deep they must go to lay the foundation on solid ground. A test made by placing 132 tons of steel rails in a hole 15 feet deep revealed that overnight the steel sank .35 of an inch. They will go 10 feet deeper and make another test.

## Weak Batteries Freeze!

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The Landholm Auto Co.,

Murdock, Nebraska

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## ED. W. THIMGAN,

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