

Murray Department

Prepared in the Interest of the People of Murray and Surrounding Vicinity Especially for the Journal Readers

If any of the readers of the Journal know of any social event or item of interest in this vicinity, and will mail same to this office, it will appear under this heading. We want all news items.—Editor

GERMANY UNHAPPY NATION JUST NOW

Decline of German Mark Works a Hardship on Aged Who Had Saved for Old Age.

"The almost total absence of new clothing among the rural people of Germany, is the first thing that attracts the attention of the American visitor in that country," said H. G. Wellensiek, attorney and banker of Harvard, Neb., addressing the Waverly high school, Thursday morning. "I attended church one Sunday and was surprised to see no new bonnets or hats and no new suits. The clothing all gave evidence of hard wear and showed many patches and repairs. The man with whom I stayed said that ordinarily a man had only three suits in a lifetime—one when he was confirmed by the church, one when he was married and one later, if he lived long enough."

Mr. Wellensiek declared that although there were 500 people in church that morning, none of them had come in an automobile or carriage, everyone having walked except two men who had brought bicycles.

"The people are so poor, said Mr. Wellensiek, that their farms averaged from seven to ten acres in size, the farm work being done with hand tools, most of which are home made. Wheat, averaging from forty to sixty bushels to the acre is cradled and bound by hand, and the field is carefully gleaned after the cutting to save the heads of grain that had escaped. After this, poultry is herded on the field to pick the shattered grains."

"Their farm buildings," said the speaker, "are all under one roof. In one part of the building lives the family, on one side are the cows, and on the other are the hogs and chickens. In the mow above the house is stored the entire crop that has been gathered."

"Their schools seem to be conducted on much the same basis as American schools, except that they specialize on the three R's which are very thoroughly taught. Especially do they drill the pupils in mental arithmetic so that they can do calculations in their head that the American child would find difficult to work with a pencil and paper. The older pupils attend in the morning and the younger ones in the afternoon. While the lower branches are very efficiently taught, no attempt is made to give everyone a high school education as we do in America."

"The depreciation in the value of German money has worked a great hardship among the German people. Old folks who had saved up forty or fifty thousand marks for their old age and who were able to live from the income from this amount before the war now find that their fortune is worth only a few hundred dollars and are forced to hard labor to earn their food. One old man whom I treated to a ham sandwich and a cup of coffee had not had a bite of meat since the opening of the war."

HELICOPTER BUILT IN AMERICA FLIES

170 Horse Power Plane Rises Vertically at Dayton for Brief Period in Test Flight.

Dayton, O., Jan. 13.—The helicopter which has been in process of construction at McCook field since May, 1921, under the direction of Dr. George De Bothezat, flies. This startling announcement was made officially at McCook field late today.

It was further announced that to Major T. H. Bane, commandant of the field, who has since retired, goes the honor of having piloted the first helicopter built and tested in America.

The machine rose to a height of six feet and remained in the air for one minute and forty seconds. Experimental work will continue and the scientists at the field declare the initial test proves the new principle is practical. Much of the development work was conducted in secret. Some of it was done under an armed guard and nothing permitted to leak out in the way of information.

How closely the secret was guarded is demonstrated by the announcement made today of the first test conducted December 18th. The De Bothezat is driven by a 170 horse power motor and rises vertically from the ground.

Let no American state turn up its nose at Louisiana. A dreadful thing has just happened in that commonwealth, but not more dreadful than has happened repeatedly in each of the other 47 states, and not more dreadful than will happen in each one of them in the future. That's the hard part of it.

Public Sales!

I will serve lunch at public sales. Make dates with Col. W. R. Young and notify me and I will be there. Call Murray phone 1712. I will pay for the call.

Oscar Nailer, Murray, Nebraska

NOTICE--GRAIN MUST BE CASH

No offense to anybody, but all grain must be cash from the Farmers Elevator Co., at Murray, Nebraska. A. GANSMER, Manager.

Patrons can aid us in giving better news service by phoning us all the important happenings.

QUESTION OF SELLING STATE LANDS AGAIN UP

Old Issue, Often Debated, is Before Legislature—Million and a Half Acres at Stake.

Senator Sturdevant of Holt county is said to have fallen heir to the bill for the sale of state school lands. He has introduced such a bill at this session. It was one his democratic predecessor, John Robinson of Joy, Holt county, labored for in past sessions. The bill offered by Sturdevant has some conditions surrounding the proposed sale, but the main question is whether or not the state shall keep or sell its lands.

Mr. Sturdevant proposes to sell to the highest bidder, but he would limit the sale of farm or hay land to 320 acres and 640 acres of grazing land to any person. This condition is not considered important because it is recognized that the state cannot prevent the accumulation of land by any individual in any amount if he goes about it in the right way after the land is contracted for or sold by the state.

His bill also fixes \$7 an acre as the minimum price. It was not generally known, but the constitutional convention cut out the minimum price of state land, and the amendment was adopted by a vote of the people. It was stricken out when Junkin's amendment requiring all state land to be sold at public auction if it is to be sold, was passed.

State Land Withdrawn

The legislature of 1897 withdrew all state land from sale. That act still stands, but it does not affect sale contracts then in existence. There is still 196,869 acres of state lands under sale contract. The policy of the state board of educational lands and funds in extending sale contracts when this is deemed necessary, has kept many sale contracts alive. Such contracts draw 5 per cent on the principal.

The legislature of 1921 passed an act to sell isolated and small irregular tracts of state lands, but went no further. Land Commissioner Dan Swanson reports only a few small tracts sold. He has made no special effort to sell these small tracts, because he considers the market price of land too low at this time. "This is not the time to sell state lands," said Commissioner Swanson when informed of the provisions of Senator Sturdevant's bill. This bill would become effective July 1, 1923, if it passes.

OBREGON ORDERS PRIEST EXPELLED FOR BREAKING LAW

Action is Regarded as Move Against Alleged Roman Catholic Aggressiveness in Mexico.

Mexico City, Jan. 14.—The executive order issued Saturday night directing the expulsion from Mexico within three days of Monsignor Ernesto Filippi, the apostolic delegate to Mexico, for participating in religious ceremonies contrary to federal law, was interpreted in many quarters here today as President Obregon's first important move against alleged Catholic aggressiveness.

The instructions contained in Article 33 of the constitution are to be applied to Monsignor Filippi, and he must leave the republic within 72 hours. The officials at Guanajuato described the apostolic delegate as having been the head of huge outdoor services near Silao on the occasion of the dedication of a monument to Christ last Thursday. Although President Obregon on Saturday told the newspaper correspondents that expulsion of the delegate was possible, it was not believed the drastic order would be issued. However, the constitution is specific in its prohibition of open air religious processions or services. The president's order of expulsion is declared to be supported by the members of the cabinet.

Laws Are Liberal

Senor de la Huerta, minister of the treasury, said that Mexico's laws were liberal as regards religion and that their violation could not be overlooked by the government.

Churchmen in Mexico City insist that there was no intentional violation or any attempt to contravene the Mexican laws on the part of Monsignor Filippi. They say the ceremonies near Silao were held in private ground and for private purposes. On the other hand, the laying of the cornerstone for the monument is held by the government as having been a direct and definite violation of the federal laws. Inasmuch as Monsignor Filippi is an Italian, he and all other foreign clergymen connected with the ceremonies are to be expelled as pernicious foreigners.

Hervey E. Smith and wife of Omaha were guests here over night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Westcott, departing this morning for Weeping Water where they will spend a short time.

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Murray State Bank

MURRAY -- NEBRASKA

Earl Troop was delivering some stock via truck to the South Omaha stock yards last Tuesday.

W. I. Hutchison, from near Rock Bluffs was delivering corn at the Murray elevator last Tuesday.

Rube Eaton and family from east of Union, were visiting and looking after business in Murray last Tuesday.

Joseph Cook was visiting with friends and looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth last Saturday.

Baake and Wood of the Murray garage were looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth on last Friday.

Frank W. Elliott with his oil wagon, was a visitor in and west of Murray, where he was dispensing gasoline and oil.

Henry C. Long and Geo. E. Nickles were called to Omaha last Monday to look after some business matters for the day.

Roy Howard was looking after some business matters at Myrnard on last Tuesday morning, making the trip via his auto.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Baake were looking after some business matters in Omaha last Tuesday, making the trip in their auto.

T. J. Brendel was looking after some business matters in Union on last Saturday, and called on Rev. W. A. Taylor where there.

L. W. Nelson from south of Plattsmouth was called to Murray on last Tuesday to look after some business matters for a short time.

George E. Nickles and H. C. Long were called to Plattsmouth last Saturday to look after some business matters for a short time.

Mrs. Frank Hogue, who has been ill for the past few weeks, is reported as being greatly improved and still making good gains.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Birkshire, of near Myrnard, have been having two very sick babies, but at this time they are reported as being better.

The little one of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard, which has been so sick for some time is now reported as being on the mend and is much better.

C. W. Gilmore is having a sale of his effects and will move to Nebraska City in the near future, where he will make his home in the future.

Dr. J. W. Brendel of Avoca was a caller in Murray last Tuesday, and was a guest with his mother for dinner, making a most pleasant visit.

C. R. Troop was looking after some business matters in Murray last Saturday and also was in attendance at the board of directors' meeting.

Miss Mary and Lois Graham, daughters of Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Graham, spent a very pleasant afternoon and evening last Friday with Mrs. Addie Stokes.

Miss Etta Nickles and brother, Lee Nickles were visiting for the day last Sunday with friends at and near Union, making the trip in the car of Miss Etta Nickles.

Sheriff C. D. Quinton was looking after some business matters in Murray last Tuesday morning and his

Good Cow for Sale

I have a good fresh milk cow for sale. Call Wm. Nickles, Murray telephone No. 1811.

A Very Successful Year

The Farmers Elevator company at the meeting of the board of directors last Saturday selected A. Gansmer as manager for another year. Mr. Gansmer, who has been with the company just one year, has made a success, notwithstanding the loss to this portion of the country of their corn crop by reason of the hail storm. The business has shown a very satisfactory profit and the customary dividend was declared.

MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST

Given Under Direction of Plattsmouth City Schools.

- 1—Humoresque.....Dvorak
- 2—Surprise Symphony.....Haydn
- 3—Toreador Song (Carmen).....Bizet
- 4—Anitra's Dance.....Grieg
- 5—Hall of the Mountain King.....Grieg
- 6—Hark, Hark, the Lark.....Schubert
- 7—Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2.....Liszt
- 8—Barcarolle (Tales of Hoffman).....Offenbach
- 9—From the Land of the Sky.....Cadman
- 10—Narcissus.....Eubelbert Nevin
- 11—Indian Lament.....Dvorak
- 12—Spring Song.....Mendelssohn
- 13—The Erikonig.....Schubert

No. 12.—This is a song of eternal youth. A beautiful, buoyant melody that stirs every heart to action. Mendelssohn was born in 1809 and died in 1847. Of Jewish descent but he was baptized and educated a Protestant. Unlike most musicians, he did not have poverty to contend with. His father was a wealthy banker and his mother a talented woman who taught him his first music lessons. His masterpiece is the oratorio "Elijah." He wrote many beautiful instrumental compositions known as "Songs Without Words."

Brought up with nothing but the beautiful all about him, his music portrays nothing but the beautiful. No. 13.—This is an example of an art song. An art song is one in which the poetry and the music is inseparably wedded. This was Schubert's first published work. Written at the age of 18 and was completed in one day. It depicts three characters, the father, child and the Erl King (Death).

The English translation of the poem by Goethe follows:
Who rideth so late thru windy night
It is the father, he holds his child.
And close the boy nestles within his arm.
He holds him tightly, he holds him warm.
"My son, why in terror do you shrink and hide?"
"O father, see next us the Erl King doth ride.
The Erl King dreads with crown and robe."
"My son, 'Tis but the mist of a cloud."
"This lovely child, come go with me,
Such merry plays I'll play with thee.
Many gay blossoms are blooming there,
My mother has many gold robes to wear."
"My father, my father, didst you not hear?
What the Erl King whispers so soft in my ear?"
"Be quiet, my child, do not mind,
'Tis but the dead leaves stirred by the wind."
"Come, lovely boy, wilt go with me?
My daughters fair shall wait on thee,
My daughters lead in the revels each night.
There is dancing and singing and laughter bright."
"My father, my father, Oh, see'st thou not,
The Erl King's daughter in yonder dim spot?"
"My son, my son, I know and I say,
'Tis only the olden willows so grey."
"I love thee so, thou must come with me now,
Thou must know to my will thou shalt bow."
"My father, my father, Oh hold fast me so,
The Erl King will drag me away from you."
The father is troubled, he rides now wild,
And holds close in his arms the shuddering child.
He reaches the house with doubt and dread,
But in his arms the child lies dead.
This is sung by Mme. Schumann-Heink. Notice how she changes her voice for the different characters.

Will Feed Much Cattle

During last week, J. W. Philpot, who has an excellent farm west of Murray, received from South Omaha, some five cars of cattle, which he is putting on feed at the farm. Mr. Philpot believes in feeding and has selected his feeders with care and should make good on his venture.

Celebrates 77th Birthday

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Saturday Bargains!

For Saturday shoppers we are placing on sale needful merchandise at greatly reduced prices. It will be most profitable to take advantage of these offerings.

- 48-lb. sack Plansifter flour.....\$1.69
- 11 pounds pure granulated sugar.....1.00
- Bulk California seedless raisins, 2 lbs. for......35
- Large size new crop prunes, 5 lbs. for......89
- Blue Rose rice, clean white stock, 3 lbs. for......25
- Maple Leaf kraut, large size cans......15
- Country style lye hominy, large cans......10
- Glidden brand sugar corn, solid pack, 2 cans......25
- Pint cans Maple flavor Karo syrup......10
- Palm Olive or Creme Oil soap, 3 bars for......25
- Swift Pride white laundry soap, 6 bars for......25
- Monteco brand sliced white peaches, 3 cans.....1.00
- Governor brand apricots, per can......25
- Gallon cans pineapple, each......75
- Gallon cans peaches, each......75
- Gallon cans solid pack loganberries, each......90

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- Belfast brand sheets, wide him, 81x90, each.....\$1.48
- Turkish towels, size 18x36, a big value, each......25
- Cotton toweling, 17-inch, very absorbent. Yd......15
- Ladies Jersey gloves, fleece lined, snap fasteners......25
- Children's black ribbed hose, 6 to 8 1/2. Saturday......15

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- Wool and cotton mixed. Blue and tan plaid. Size 66x80. Sale price Saturday.....\$5.95
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Murray, Nebraska.

Winter Bargains!

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