

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE JOURNAL.

Herman Luetchens was delivering wheat to the elevator at Wabash on last Thursday.

Miss Margaret Tool was a weekend visitor at home from the University last Sunday.

P. H. Dehning and sons, Will and Harry, are hauling wheat to the Wabash elevator at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Witt were visiting with friends and relatives in Omaha on last Saturday and Sunday.

Wm. Reuther has been having a round with the tonsillitis and at this time has slightly the best of the disease.

Emil Kuehn was at the W. A. Schewe home last Thursday and as they were butchering Emil had one dressed for his use.

Herbert Piestine, the manager of the Farmers elevator at Murdock was looking after business at Omaha last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. John Schull departed on last Wednesday evening for Ong, where she goes to visit her daughter, Mrs. Glen Bosworth and family.

John Miller, who has been working at a meat market in Ashland for some time, completed his work and returned to Murdock last Wednesday evening.

Miss Lillian Schroeder and a school girl friend, both of Lincoln, arrived in Murdock Thursday to visit for the week end with Mrs. Alice Gustin of Wabash.

A. H. Classon, who has been working at the home of Leo Rikkl for some time past was visiting friends and looking after business in Omaha the last part of last week.

Miss Jessie Melvin has been very sick during the past week, and while all medical skill and the best nursing have been given her, she still remains in a serious condition.

Henry Heinemann and wife were visiting at the home of Wm. Rikkl last Wednesday and while there assisted in the dressing of a number of hogs for next summer's meat.

Marvin Sutton has been nursing one of his thumbs which he unfortunately got mashed while at his work. The member however is getting along very nicely at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Stock and Mrs. Gust Ruge were visiting and also looking after some business matters in Lincoln last week, they returning home on the noon train last Thursday.

Henry Schleuter was delivering the 2,000 bushels of wheat he sold last week to the Farmers elevator. He received \$1.80 per bushel for the grain, which looks like a pretty good price just now.

W. R. Swarts and wife with the children arrived last Wednesday afternoon and are visiting for a short time at the home of their son, Wayne Swarts, who is living on the Herman Bornemeier place.

Louis Dehning and wife who have been long in the western portion of the state, are visiting here and will move to near Enid, Oklahoma, where they have bought a farm and will expect to move there soon.

Both Get Radios
Among those to get new radios are Messrs. Henry Oeblerking and Martin Bornemeier. They both purchased Radiolas, getting them of W. P. Meyer and are sure well pleased with their new acquisition. They bring in the music, lectures, concerts, religious services, weather reports, markets, etc.

Many Attend Funeral
The remains of the late Mrs. W. H. Rush, who passed away last week at her late home in Hartland, Tex., arrived in Lincoln Saturday afternoon, by her daughter Jessie and the funeral was held from the chappelle of the undertaker on Sunday afternoon, the pastor of the Grace Methodist church officiating. Many from Murdock were in attendance and among whom were Messrs. and Mrs. James John Amwert, Ed Rosenow, Miss Vida Everett, J. E. McHugh, H. W. Tool, E. W. Thimgan and E. M. Shatto. The pallbearers, who were from Murdock were E. W. Thimgan, John Amwert, E. M. Shatto, Ed Bronkow, J. E. McHugh and H. W. Tool. Mr. Rush and the daughters, Verma and Mrs. Brittain were so broken up over the loss of the wife and mother that they could not accompany the remains back to the funeral. In fact the shock of grief was so great that Mrs. Brittain had not gained consciousness on Sunday, her mother's death occurring on the Wednesday before.

Making It Safe
The town board of Murdock are looking after the welfare of the citizens in the passage of an ordinance carrying with it a \$100 fine for the

Will Visit in Los Angeles
Harold W. Tool was a visitor in Lincoln last Wednesday evening, where he went for rehearsal with the Shriners' Saxophone orchestra or band, which contains some twenty-two persons, all saxophonists, and who are preparing to go to Los Angeles, where the Shriners' convales will be held during the first and second weeks in June and where the Lincoln band will help to furnish the music.

Had a Good Sale
Henry P. Dehning and sons had a nice day and a large crowd at their sale last Wednesday as well as a very good sale. The returns aggregated as much as they expected and they were very well pleased with the result. Will and Harry Dehning will move to the western part of the state in the near future and the place will be vacated. Following the vacation of the farm, Gust Wendt, who has purchased it will farm it and Albert Glaubitz will live thereon.

Mrs. Thimgan Very Sick
Last Monday morning when Mrs. Herman Gakemeier went to call her mother, Mrs. Sarah Thimgan, who makes her home with her daughter, she was found in an unconscious condition. The physician pronounced it a stroke of paralysis and from which Mrs. Thimgan has not as yet rallied. All care possible has been given Grandma as well as the best medical treatment; still she remains in about the same condition.

Murdock Gets Two
Last Sunday the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kupke was made happy by the arrival of one of the dearest little blue eyed babies imaginable. The mother and little Miss are getting along fine. The following day (Monday) a young American of the masculine gender arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stocks. Everything lovely and the two grandfathers, Fred Stock and H. R. Smith, are all smiles.

Undergoes Operation
Mrs. Diller Utt, who has been suffering from appendicitis for some time, underwent an operation for relief last Monday and is getting along nicely. Mrs. George Utt is at Lincoln to assist in her care.

Hears Brother Dies
Mrs. Dots Buskirk received word that her brother, John Munger, 56 years of age, of Grinnell, Iowa, had suddenly died, not saying the cause. Mrs. Buskirk immediately departed for Iowa to be present at the funeral of her brother.

Evangelical Church Services
Services at Louisville church at 9:20 a. m.
Bible school at both Louisville and Murdock churches at 10 a. m.
Services in English, 11 to 11:30, and services in German, 11:30 to 12, at Murdock church. Young Peoples' meeting at 7 p. m. and evening preaching services at 7:30.

Money to Loan on Farms
Farm loan applications for March 1st closing. Lowest rates of interest. See O. J. Potkast at the Farmers & Merchants Bank, Murdock, Neb. 119-1td

FEEL LOSS FROM WINTER'S STORM
Telephone Companies May Consider Insurance Against Such Losses Their Annual Convention

Deep cuts made into telephone revenues from sleet storms and the necessity for sleet insurance are expected to be discussed and action taken at the twenty-first annual convention of the Nebraska Telephone association which will meet in Lincoln February 17, 18 and 19. The sessions will be held at the Lincoln hotel.

Among the speakers from other states are: F. B. MacKinnon, Chicago, president, and C. C. Deering, Des Moines, secretary of the United States Independent Telephone association; Miss Anna Barnes, Des Moines, traveling chief operator of the Iowa Independent Telephone association, and J. C. Crowley, St. Paul, Minn., secretary of the Minnesota Telephone association. Dan Durham of the Northwestern Bell Telephone company; E. H. Duckingham, its tax commissioner both of Omaha, are down for addresses.

There are 209 telephone companies in the state, and approximately 200 delegates or nearly 100 per cent of the representation are forecasted to be here. The total value of all telephone property in Nebraska is estimated at \$34,000,000. There are 246,000 subscribers. Omaha leads with 52,000 and Lincoln is second with 22,000.

NEW DIPHTHERIA PATIENT REPORTED AT NOME, ALASKA
Nome, Alaska, Feb. 12.—A serious case of diphtheria was reported here today after an epidemic which started the middle of January and took six lives, had been pronounced under control.

Dr. Curtis Welch, in charge here for the United States public health service, had agreed with the Nome board of health that quarantine should be lifted February 20. The last previous case was reported one week ago today.

The new patient is Bob Wolf, a bachelor, who lived in a cabin with Oscar Peterson. Dr. Welch expressed fear that a number of cases might be found among persons living in cabins and seeking to avoid being under quarantine for a month.

James Persinger of Omaha, who has been visiting with relatives and friends, returned this morning to the metropolis.

Entertained Kensington
On last Thursday, Lincoln's birthday, Mrs. O. J. Potkast entertained the R. N. A. Kensington at her home in Murdock. A large number of the members of the club were present and enjoyed the excellent program. The delightful social hour, was made more enjoyable by the excellent luncheon which was served by the genial hostess.

Are Testing Spelling
The Murdock schools are having spelling tests to select two spellers to go to the spelling contest which is to be held at Plattsmouth in the near future for the purpose of ascertaining the best spellers in the county. To add interest to the contest sides have been chosen in the local schools and the winning side are to be served with a supper by the losers about the first of March.

Celebrate Birthday
The birthday of Mrs. Jess Landholm fell on last Tuesday and it was appropriately celebrated at their home in Elmwood. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kruser and Floyd Hite of Murdock were in attendance they remaining for over night and returning home the following day. A most pleasant time was had.

Enthusiastic comment is heard on the plans for our new community building.

"Every member get a member," is the slogan for the last half of February. Our post is almost over the top now and a little hustling will put us in the 100 per cent class.

Watch for this column each Saturday. It will contain news of interest to every Legion member.

HOWELL ASKS PROBE OF RAILROAD MERGER
Wants Facts on Nickel Plate Proposal "Before It Is Too Late."

Washington, Feb. 12.—Senate investigation of the Nickel Plate railroad merger being negotiated by the Van Sweringen interests was sought today in a resolution offered by Senator Howell, republican, Nebraska.

The commission's approval of the Nickel Plate merger as such has not yet been sought directly by the Van Sweringens, although it has laid before that agency indirectly an explanation of its proposal.

Charging the consolidation already approved by the commission "leave no doubt" that it is "unwilling or unable" to protect public interest, Senator Howell proposed that the committee make a thorough investigation "in order that congress may take whatever action seems necessary."

"I want the facts before it is too late to act," he asserted. "Under terms of the transportation act of 1920, and in accordance with the policy which has been strongly supported by President Coolidge, as it was by President Harding, the railroads of the country are now embarking upon a series of huge consolidations and mergers without precedent in the nation's history."

"We are not only establishing a new policy, in direct opposition to the traditional policy proclaimed in the Sherman anti-trust law, of permitting consolidation of competing lines, but we are authorizing this policy of government sanctioned consolidations to be applied to all the railroad mileage of the country without any knowledge of what is involved."

Kearney School Contract Is Let at \$160,743.
Kearney, Neb. Feb. 12.—Walter Knutzen & Son, Kearney, were awarded the general contract for the new junior high school building. The bid which with 23 others, was submitted to the board of education Tuesday, was about \$15,000 lower than the architects for the building, Davis & Wilson of Lincoln, had expected to receive, and \$45,000 lower than the high bid. The contract was let at \$160,743.

Bonds for the school building were issued at \$250,000.

The new building will contain 20 classrooms, a library and study room, a luncheon, an auditorium seating about 11,000 people, a state gymnasium for athletic contests, and a girls' gymnasium. Erection of the new schoolhouse will be on the central campus.

The heating and plumbing contract will be let as soon as bids can be secured, after advertising.

NEW YORK SCULPTRESS DIES OF PNEUMONIA
New York, Feb. 12.—Mrs. Clio Hinton Bracken, sculptress, died today of pneumonia at her home in Washington Square. She was 55 years old and the widow of William B. Bracken, a lawyer, to whom she was married in 1900, a year after she obtained a divorce from the late James G. Huneker, music critic.

Mrs. Bracken at the age of 20 won a \$10,000 prize for her statue of General Fremont in Montana.

LEGION NEWS!

A column appearing in the Daily Journal on Saturdays

Legionaires: Keep in touch with your post meetings and activities through this column which will be published in Saturday issues of the Daily Journal.

Memberships are coming in slowly. What's the matter?

The Finance committee will have its plans worked out in the near future. It takes time to get lined up for so momentous an undertaking.

A photograph from the artist's sketch of the finished building, as well as blue prints of the exterior and interior arrangements are now on display in the Nebraska Gas & Electric company window.

No meetings of the post or executive committee are scheduled for the coming week. Meetings of the special Finance committee will be called by the chairman and individual members of the committee notified thereof.

After being referred around the adjutant is now on the trail of the Head Squeeze of the "40 and 8" in Nebraska and hopes to have the application for charter here in a short time.

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Through all of his steps upward the great rail splitter never lost the human touch and was responsive to the voice of the humblest as well as the nation and to no section was it more severe than to the south, as it removed the sad faced, gentle friend from the seat of power and allowed the torch of the reconstruction by force to be laid at the breast of the south, from which Lincoln had sprung and for which he had many tender memories.

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COOLIDGE WANTS TO HAVE HOUSE REPAIRED

Washington, Feb. 13.—Request was sent to the house today by President Coolidge for an appropriation for repair work on the White House roof and upper story.

Warning was issued two years ago by the superintendent of federal buildings and grounds in Washington that the upper story, or attic section of the White House had developed into a fire trap and had made the mansion unsafe because of settling of the ancient timbers with an accompanying strain on electric wiring and plumbing.

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Near Beatrice the water was reported to be running two feet deep over the highway. Harvey Taylor, a farmer living near the Beatrice bottoms, moved his family and stock when the water got up to the buildings on the farm.

COUNTY ATTORNEY SICK

County Attorney W. G. Kieck is confined to his home today as the result of a severe attack of tonsillitis with which he was taken down on Wednesday evening and which has since kept him confined to his home. Mr. Kieck however hopes to soon have the unpleasant malady in hand so that he can return to the job at the court house and dispense justice with his usual vigor.

Get Ready for Spring!

Winter has her back bone broken. Yes, some more cold weather will come. But it won't be long till you'll hear the "call of the road" and then you'll want the car to work its best—attune with the springtime surroundings. Let us do your overhauling now and there will be nothing to mar your pleasure when the first nice day comes along. And say, how about that farming machinery you will need the coming year, as well as the repairs for that you have? Remember we can serve you well.

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