

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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W. F. Schleifert, last week, got his oats seeded and they should be in good time.

E. P. Stewart, sheriff of Cass county, was an official visitor in Murdock on last Wednesday evening.

William Lau from near Manley was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday and was hauling corn to the market here.

Jess Landholm was a business visitor in Plattsmouth last Thursday, driving over to look after some business there.

Oscar Gopen and Andrew Snyder of Plattsmouth, were looking after some business matters in Murdock on Thursday of last week.

Miss Irene McDonald, who has been at the state university during the past year was a visitor at home for the Easter vacation and returned to her studies last week.

Henry Backemeyer, Edward Gustorf and Simon Brockhage, all were driving and delivering their corn to the Murdock elevators on last Wednesday and Thursday.

Last Friday Albert Schroeder and

There were from the state university to spend the Easter holidays at the Baumgartner home, Master Walter Baumgartner and Miss Hildegaard Baumgartner, when they both enjoyed the short vacation very much.

W. G. Kleck, county attorney, was called to Murdock on last Thursday for consultation with a citizen here who was of the opinion that the law had been violated. Just what will be done in the case is not as yet determined.

C. W. Morgan of McCook and two children, Gwendolyn and Adair, arrived in Murdock last Friday for an extended visit with the mother of Mrs. Morgan and her brother, Henry Amgwert, as well as the many friends here.

Mrs. H. Tool was visiting with friends and looking after some shopping in Omaha last Thursday which left Herold in charge of the lumber yard and also the children at the Kroh Hotel.

Nels Peterson just recently purchased himself a Buick six touring car which he will use for his transportation from the farm and which will make him a good means of getting about. He got the car from E. W. Thimgan.

A. J. Bauers was looking after some business in Weeping Water on last Thursday afternoon and also was visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ray Bordin. Mr. Bauers was also accompanied by the good wife who visited there also.

The Shriners' band of Lincoln have arranged to go to Plattsmouth in the near future where they will give a concert for the folks who are making their home at that institution. This is an excellent act on the part of this band, and will be greatly appreciated by the folks there.

On last Thursday W. T. Weddell received an electric pump which he is having installed at his home for the purpose of having a supply of water whenever needed and which is a good idea. The matter of having water at all times and just when wanted is one agitating many people.

Walter Thimgan, who is one of the substantial farmers living north of Murdock, was looking after some business matters in town on last Thursday afternoon and incidentally remarked that he was getting in his oats. By the way there are many farmers in this section who are planting their oats.

A. C. Depner, who has, for the past three years, been in the west, where he has been working at his trade as a carpenter and builder, returned from his recent home at Sacramento, Cal., on last Wednesday evening and will make his home here for the present. Mr. Depner says that times are rather quiet there at this time.

E. S. Tutt, who was for a number of years located in the mercantile business at Murray, but who has been making his home in Florida during the past winter and where he was in business, was a visitor in Murdock on last Thursday and was the guest of his friends, O. E. McDonald, Henry A. Guthmann, Jerry McHugh and others.

Kindness Highly Appreciated.

We are truly thankful for the kindness extended towards us when Mrs. Stauss was ill and had to undergo an operation at the hospital, for the flowers sent and for the kind words and cards and letters. This demonstration of friendship made our grief and sorrow the easier to bear and we pray that you, our friends may be spared the like trials. Again thanking you all we are, Rev. and Mrs. Stauss.

City and School Election.

The eventful day has come and gone, with the people well pleased with the result for it is a reflection of the will of the people. Of course it could not be elected, but we knew the whoopee was elected that the affairs of the city and school would be well looked after. The result of the election show the following officers named: Town board, Henry Reickmann, and Harold W. Tool, the board of education being Oscar C. Zink, Fred Storckner and August Ruge.

Daddy Long-Legs.

The senior class play was given on both last Thursday and Friday evenings and the house was crowded on both evenings, and the well pleased audience were loud in their manifestations of the pleasure at the well enacted playlet. It was evident that the play was well given when on both occasions the house was filled. The following is a cast of the characters and the synopsis of the acts: Jervis Pendleton, Carl Baumgartner, James McBride, Bryan McDonald, Cyrus Wykoff, Lavell Swarts, Abner Parsons, Louis Wendt, Griggs, Meredith Weddell, Walters, Millard Schewe; Judy Abbott, Ruth Baur; Miss Pritchard, Marvel Amgwert; Mrs. Pendleton, Marie Tonack; Julia Pendleton, Mary Isabel Tool; Sally McBride, Katherine Neitzel; Mrs. Semple, Alma Scheel; Mrs. Lippert, Alma Scheel; Carrie, Frances Thiel. The orphans were: Sadie, Kate, Harriette, Lawton, Gladys, Jeanette Guthmann; Loretta, Winifred Lawton; Mamie, Eleanor Wutschneck; Freddie Perkins, Lelior Swarts; Carrie, Dorothy Gakemeier. The synopsis of the scenes are as follows: Act 1: The dining room of the John Grier home on Trustee's day. Act 2: Judy's college study; afternoon of May, one year later. Act 3: The sitting room at Lock Willow Farm; summer; three year later. Act 5:

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF MURDOCK of Murdock, Nebr.

Charter No. 678 in the State of Nebraska at the close of business March 29, 1926.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$229,499.47
Overdrafts	717.82
Bonds, securities, judgments and claims (exclusive of cash reserve)	2,145.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	5,675.00
Bankers' conservation fund	619.79
Due from National and State banks	\$ 24,810.22
Checks and items of exchange	220.92
Cash in bank	2,168.37
TOTAL	\$275,256.60

LIABILITIES

Capital stock	\$ 20,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits (Net)	751.06
Individual deposits	1,100.00
subject to check	\$ 88,618.52
Time certificates of deposit	157,923.09
Saving deposits	\$ 89.11
Cashier's checks outstanding	375.00
Due to National and State banks	none
Re-discounts	none
Bills payable	none
Depositor's guaranty fund	1,728.82
TOTAL	\$275,256.60

State of Nebraska ss.

County of Cass ss.

I, H. A. Guthmann, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is a true and correct copy of the report made to the Department of Trade and Commerce.

H. A. GUTHMANN, Cashier.

HENRY A. TOOL, Director.

KENNETH A. TOOL, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of April, 1926.

JERRY E. McHUGH, Notary Public.

(My commission expires Mar. 25, 1927.)

his mother, Mrs. Charles Schroeder, were over to Plattsmouth last Friday, where a hearing was being held on the Schroeder estate.

Homer H. Lawton was a visitor in South Bend and thereabouts last Thursday afternoon where he went to interview the fish which are at this time about getting ripe.

Frank Roschow was out to near Alvo to where William Westfall lives on last Thursday for a load of oats which he was purchasing for seeding purposes and he is getting his cats in.

W. E. Palmeter was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday, having recently gotten moved to Elmwood to the farm east of Murdock where they will make their home on the farm.

Will T. Weddell was a visitor in Ashland on last Thursday morning where he was called to look after some matters of business pertaining to the settlement of his brother's estate.

Insure your crops against the hazards of hail for 3/4%. No assessments. Losses paid in cash immediately after proof of loss is furnished.—O. J. Pothast, Murdock, Neb.

Charles Zaar, who is attending the state university, was a visitor at the home of his parents for the past few days and on Thursday of last week returned to his studies at the state capital city.

John Barton and wife the former an attorney of Omaha, were spending the Easter at the home of their friends Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Pothast of Murdock, where all enjoyed the occasion very much.

T. M. Patterson of Plattsmouth was a visitor in Murdock last Thursday and was looking after the matter of soliciting insurance, he being agent for a Banker's life of Des Moines which is a good company.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK of Murdock, Nebr.

Charter No. 1526 in the State of Nebraska at the close of business March 29, 1926.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$129,882.02
Overdrafts	268.11
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,600.00
Bankers' conservation fund	257.62
Due from National and State banks	\$ 15,483.65
Cash in bank	1,960.42
TOTAL	\$156,831.86

LIABILITIES

Capital stock	\$ 16,000.00
Surplus fund	740.00
Undivided profits (Net)	517.94
Individual deposits	1,100.00
subject to check	\$ 41,907.03
Time certificates of deposit	98,708.90
Cashier's checks outstanding	492.25
Due to National and State banks	129,019.18
Re-discounts	none
Bills payable	none
Depositor's guaranty fund	254.74
TOTAL	\$156,831.86

State of Nebraska ss.

County of Cass ss.

I, O. J. Pothast, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is a true and correct copy of the report made to the Department of Trade and Commerce.

O. J. POTHAST, Cashier.

E. L. POTHAST, Director.

L. NEITZEL, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of April, 1926.

JERRY E. McHUGH, Notary Public.

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Seventy-Five Million Cost of Dry New York

U. S. District Attorney Buckner Tells Senate Hearing of Gigantic Machinery Needed to Enforce.

Washington, April 9.—Prohibition cannot be enforced under the present system in New York state except at the staggering cost of \$75,000,000 annually for establishment and maintenance of additional enforcement machinery, United States District Attorney Emory C. Buckner testified before the senatorial "wet and dry" hearing Thursday.

Closing two days of amazing testimony in which he bare the trail of graft in the wake of prohibition and revealed the huge extent to which the illicit liquor traffic has grown, Mr. Buckner advanced these remedies for the New York situation in particular and the nation in general:

1. Abolition of jury trials for petty violators of the liquor laws.
2. Modification of the Volstead act to permit the states to fix their own alcoholic content for "intoxicating" liquor.

3. Higher salaries for prohibition agents.

State Co-Operation Necessary.

"You must have a partnership between the government and the states really to enforce this law," he declared.

"New York won't come into partnership, and consequently it is rational to ask congress to modify the law so that states can fix their own alcoholic content under the 18th amendment."

"I would dangle that bait before the eyes of New York state to get its cooperation in enforcing the law."

If the present system of giving petty offenders a trial by jury is continued, the services of at least 85 federal courts and 150 additional federal judges will be required, in addition to new courts, 100 additional marshals and clerks, and "thousands" of dry agents, Buckner told the committee.

"But this is mere carfare compared to the profits and volume of business done by the bootlegging industry," he added.

Even with jury trials abolished, 30 additional judges will be required in New York state, 17 of them in the southern district. The total cost would be \$17,000,000, of which \$7,000,000 would be for his district, he said.

Agents' Pay Hike Urged.

Urging increased pay for dry agents, Mr. Buckner declared that it is impossible for them to live on their present salary of \$2,000 per year.

Mr. Buckner rapped the practice of pleading guilty to conviction, classifying pleas of guilty as convictions, and then pointing to the number of convictions as an indication that the Volstead act is being rigidly enforced.

"A plea of guilty and a fine is not a conviction from the standpoint of a prosecutor," he continued. "I have collected \$25,000 in fines and I don't point to it with pride. I am ashamed of it. I am much more proud of the 150 men I have put in jail."

"I don't want any of the lawbreaker's dirty money. A prosecutor should want a man's incarceration for breaking the law."

By request of Chairman Means, who said he was "astounded" at the witness' assertion Wednesday that 60,000,000 gallons of alcohol are diverted to the bootleg traffic annually, Mr. Buckner explained how he arrived at the figures.

Jail Terms Needed.

Referring again to the legal problems of enforcement, Mr. Buckner declared that this business of having enforcement pay its way is a very bad thought.

"I'll prosecute the pickpocket law in New York and make it pay," he observed. "I read that prohibition is paying its way. That's a great mistake. Secretar Mellon ought to collect the nation's revenues and the Department of Justice ought to put men in jail."

Mr. Buckner explained his practice of accepting guilty pleas and imposing fines for liquor violations as one of "sheer necessity."

"Otherwise I'd be six years in prosecuting these cases alone," he said.

The only way to enforce the law at present, he went on, is have more efficient agents, more judges to send violators to jail, and then more jails to be built.

EDUCATING HUBBY FAILS, SAYS WIFE

Chicago, April 8.—It does not pay to educate a husband, says Mrs. Cecile Amoros Rhorer, who filed suit Wednesday for divorce, Mrs. Rhorer, who is the daughter of famed mural painter, charges cruelty.

"He was just a butcher boy when I married him in April, 1923," she said. He was earning \$20 a week. I paid all the bills, taught him art and helped him set up his Michigan avenue interior decorating shop.

"Now his business has succeeded and he has forgotten me."
Among the charges against the husband, Leroy Russell Rhorer, are wrenching her arm, pinching her, and choking and shaking her.

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Stephens Backs Claim of Brookhart to Seat

Finally Is Forced to Appeal from Frequent Interruptions of Speech.

Washington, April 7.—Senate debate on the Iowa senatorial contest got its second wind today with no indications of an early end.

The entire day was taken up by Senator Stephens, (dem. Miss.), speaking in support of Senator Brookhart's claim to his seat over the challenge of Daniel F. Steck, (dem.) He was interrupted frequently from both sides of the chamber, and finally was forced to appeal to senators to stop interrupting, as he had grown weary.

He assailed the methods adopted by the senate elections sub-committee in conducting the recount, charging they had refused to investigate discrepancies, and had not properly handled the ballots. On the recount of machine ballots which had been held under seal by court orders, the Mississippi senator said Brookhart had gained 778 votes, bring his plurality up to 1,595. But the recount of paper ballots which had been "thrown around in a loose and careless manner," he said, "showed continued gains for Steck until the sub-committee held that he had been elected."

Urging the senate to abide by the Iowa election law, Senator Stephens declared that it plainly gave Brookhart 1,244 votes, on which the voter had marked the straight republican ticket, and also had put a mark in front of Steck's name. He declared the Iowa supreme court twice had held the ballots so marked should be counted as straight ticket.

Senator Ashurst, (dem., Ariz.), asserted that the committee's majority report recommending for Steck asked the senate to "guess the man out of the senate and guess another man in," while Senator Reed, (dem., Mo.), said that it is indefensible to talk about trampling under foot "the laws of a state and treating with contempt the will of the voters."

The majority report was defended by Senator George, (dem., Ga.), a member of the sub-committee, who declared the discrepancies were not investigated because the official representatives of both Brookhart and Steck had reached a mutual agreement on the results.

Commenting on the future financial outlook for American railroads, Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific system, says:

"The net earnings upon actual value in railroad investments have not yet approximated the fair return contemplated in the Transportation act. Certain regions notably the west, are still far behind in that respect, and are now applicants for consideration. 'The mills of the gods grind slowly,' and this has its counterpart in administrative machinery. The fundamental facts are, however, that the return, starting from the year 1920 with almost a minus quantity, has slowly but surely progressed toward the 'fair return' fixed by the commission, that investment in railroad securities is coming back into its own, and that while it will never again present the speculative appeal afforded by the industrials, it should and can be the proper investment for sav-

ings; and that this is being more and more accomplished, is demonstrated by the increasing number of smaller investors both in stocks and bonds. To my mind the future is hopeful in all these respects. A sympathetic appreciation by the public will not alone suffice; it has to be translated into action. But we will not have a wholly satisfactory condition until a dependable return is realized."

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STATUS OF RAILROAD EARNINGS

Lincoln, April 8.—The Lincoln city council, according to the statement of its members Wednesday, probably will take no immediate action toward ratifying the action of the voters of University Place Tuesday in annexing that suburb to Lincoln. A recount of votes shows annexation carried by a majority of 549.

The sentiment of the Lincoln councilmen is that action be deferred until next fall, after the electors have voted at the August state primary on the proposed charter amendment increasing the amount of money the city may spend for its own support and putting the limit on a mill basis. If the voters of Lincoln pass unfavorably on the amendment annexation may be deferred, it was said.

UNSALARIED WEED AND BUG EXTERMINATORS

No farmer should object to pheasants on his farm. The birds feed mostly on insects and weed seeds. A recent careful analysis of the crop of a pheasant shot in an Oregon wheat field showed insects, a fat slug, weed seed and not a single grain of wheat.

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SOUTH BEND

Ashland Gazette

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Graham drove to Beatrice Sunday.

Wm. Winget, Wm. Luddy and C. R. Combs were delivering corn to the Weaver elevator last week.

Mrs. A. J. Conner departed for Kansas City, Mo., Sunday afternoon taking a train from Ashland.

Glenn Weaver drove to Lincoln Saturday evening taking his sister, Mrs. L. B. Luddy to that city to take a train from her home in Minnare, Nebr.

Tuesday was an exciting day in South Bend, city election being held on that day in the M. W. A. hall for the purpose of electing a mayor and two councilmen on the town board, the chief bone of contention being the mayorship. We will not be able to get the results of the election in this issue of the Gazette as it will no doubt require several days to count the votes. The betting this morning was 5 to 7 in favor of the present incumbent, W. J. O'Brien, because of the fact that his administration has been "clear cut" and progressive and also because he is known to control a "well oiled" political machine. However, the "dope" bucket can be upset in an election as well as a foot ball game and our next mayor will be known only when the last vote is counted.

Next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock Chancellor Schreckengast of Wesleyan University, will occupy the pulpit here in South Bend and it will be well worth your time to come out and hear this man's message as he is recognized as one of the country's leading theologians and also a very able speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brown and Mrs. L. B. Luckey drove to Alvo Friday.

Mr. Jesse Hill, of Omaha formerly of South Bend was calling on friends here Sunday morning.

Mrs. Charles Brown returned from Omaha Sunday, where she has been the past two weeks helping care for her mother who was accidentally burned with hot water while working around the house. She is again able to get around although the burns have not entirely healed.

L. V. Murphy drove to Lincoln Monday.

LINCOLN DEFERRING ANNEXATION MOVE

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