

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

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With the reopening of the Murdock schools last week the members of the basketball team again began their practice.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kruger were visiting for the day last Sunday with friends and relatives at Omaha, they driving over in a car.

Will Dieckman will farm the Carl Rissman place the coming summer and Mr. Rissman will move to near Liberty, to make his home.

Albert Bauer and Lee Tyler of Greenwood were in Murdock, on last Wednesday, coming over to purchase some winter clothing from G. Bauer.

E. W. Thimgan sold a tractor to the Kleiser brothers over near South Bend and also sold a Fordson tractor to Mr. W. O. Schewe, during the past week.

A. H. Ward and S. P. Lies were looking after some business matters in Omaha on Monday of last week, they driving over in the car of Mr. Ward.

On last Saturday the Ladies Aid society held a bake and food sale at the Murdock Mercantile company store and did a very nice business and a profit for the church.

M. G. Keedy, the Missouri Pacific agent at Elmwood accompanied by the good wife were over on last Wednesday evening visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward.

Albert Zetrot and son, Herman were visiting in Plattsmouth on last Monday, they driving over to the county seat to look after some matters of business for a short time.

After the Murdock schools being closed for some two weeks on account of scarlet fever, they were opened again on last Monday, and it is hoped that the fever has been stamped out.

John W. Kruger who has been assisting in the picking of corn at the home of Ed Brunkow, completed the work late last week and he and Mr. Brunkow are pleased that the work is done.

Robert McDonald has been doing a nice business in the matter of trapping, he having captured some seven-eighths skunks, which will also lessen the liability of these animals visiting the chicken roosts.

Sure there was joy at the home of Tony King and wife during the early portion of last week when a little

girl arrived via the stork route, and with everybody doing nicely and the parents very happy.

C. I. Long completed his picking of his corn and in fact most people are done or getting along that way very nicely at the present, and it will be but a short time until it will be out of style to pick corn.

John Angwert is making good progress on the new home of August Ruge with the painting, and when the carpenters are through the painting will be but a short distance behind the other work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Swarts of near Elmwood and Mrs. Henry Gakemeier departed for California, where they will look over the country for a time, they being members of the Henry and Sol Field Excursion.

The family of Roy Gorthey was released from quarantine late last week and hereafter Mr. Gorthey can return home as he has been quarantined away from home as well as they at home, on account of the scarlet fever.

E. W. Thimgan was over to near Plattsmouth during the past week where he secured a very fine bull, which W. O. Schewe sold to Conrad Baumgartner and which this gentleman is adding to his already fine herd.

John Gakemeier and W. Pahl, the latter from near Elmwood returned from their trip to California, where they were visiting for the past few weeks, on last Sunday evening and Mr. Gakemeier is very much enthused over the wonderful country which is in the west.

John Eppings was over to Plattsmouth last week and brought the mother of Mrs. Eppings home with them and she will remain here where the daughter can care for her. Mrs. March, the mother, is very ill and it is hoped that the change will assist in restoring her health.

W. R. Stewart of Alvo was in Murdock for the past week sinking a well on the new property which W. H. Rush has recently purchased from John Angwert, and which had no well. This will materially add to the value of the property and convenience of that portion of the city.

W. H. Rush is doing some interior decorating at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carnele near South Bend, and when he is through with enambling the home it will surely present a very fine appearance as very harmonious colors are being blended in the color scheme of the home.

The day before the corn picking at Fred Cortes, Frank Rosenow and Will Dieckman took the corn elevator which is the property of Mr. Dieckmann to the Cordes place, and put it in shape for use the day fol-

lowing. Then Mr. Rosenow also repaired the crib for the reception of the corn.

Henry Heinemann who is a rustler to work, has just completed the painting of the house and other buildings at the home of Edward Gultstorff and had the premises looking very fine. With the completion of the work at Mr. Gultstorff's Mr. Heinemann went to assist in the construction of the barn of Wm. Heter, Mathew and Victor Thimgan, who have been constructing a garage for H. A. Guthmann, have about gotten the structure completed, and which is making an excellent place for the keeping of Henry's car, for it is arranged so that it can be heated, and so one can work comfortably in the building in the coldest of weather. Messrs. Thimgan will now assist in the construction of a barn of Wm. Heter.

Visited in Omaha. Last Sunday morning L. Neitzel hopped into his car and was off for Omaha like a shot, where he attended services at the Kountz Memorial church of that place, where he listened to a discourse on Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and was well pleased by the excellent talk which was given, and which was shown by many excellent references from the scriptures.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Brakes were clamped down by administration leaders today in an effort to prevent congress from overrunning what the treasury regards as the safety line in the question of tax reduction.

At the capitol, Representative Tilson, the republican house leader, backed up the treasury recommendation for a cut not in excess of 225 million dollars, and at the department itself, Secretary Mellon reiterated that the treasury figure represented the maximum slice that could be effected with safety.

Tilson and the secretary both contended it would be dangerous if congress exceeded the limit proposed by the treasury and favored by President Coolidge.

FOR SALE. White Wayandotte cockrels, Martin-Fisher strains. Also a few pullets for sale. Lola Oldham, Route No. 1, Mynard, Neb.

Charles McGuire was among the visitors in Omaha today where he was called to look after some matters of business in that city.

State Law is Now a Bar to Tax Litigation

Federal Court Takes Jurisdiction of Railroad Tax Cases in Spite of Provisions of State Law.

The federal court at Omaha, with Judges Munger and Woodrough sitting, has disregarded the provisions of the Prince law passed by the last legislature, after much laborious patching and mending, and which was intended to prevent the railroads dissatisfied with taxation values, appealing to federal court. It provided for direct appeals to the state supreme court, and was intended to limit the right of appeal to that jurisdiction.

The matter came before the court on an application of the Burlington to be allowed to pay 58 per cent of the amount of taxes to the various political subdivisions and allow them to litigate the remainder. The Rock Island was present with a similar application, in which it fixed 51 per cent as its idea of a proper amount. The remainder of the taxes, the plan was, are to be litigated.

The two judges thought the percentages too low, and fixed 87.35 per cent for the Burlington and 84 per cent for the Rock Island. Burlington taxes total about two millions a year and under the order it will pay \$1,675,000 within fifteen days, leaving about \$240,000 to be litigated. The corresponding figure for the Rock Island is \$150,000. These cases will not be referred at once to a master in chancery to take testimony as was done in all previous tax cases, because reports of the three masters who have heard the other appeals are soon to be filed, and it is thought their percentages can be applied to the later appeals if they find the roads have been overvalued.

Judge Munger said that the Prince law was no obstacle to the federal court issuing a temporary injunction against the state proceeding to collect the full amount of taxes it claims to be due. He added that he doubted whether the supreme could uphold the constitutionality of the Prince law, which puts non-judicial duties on the state supreme court.

Byron Clark, Burlington counsel, says the Prince law failed to bring

about the results it contemplated. He added:

"There has been no arrival at a basis which both sides would recognize as being fair for adjustment of all cases," he said. "We sought to enjoy the collection because the state board of equalization declined to adopt legal methods for finding the values of railroad properties in Nebraska. That is, they failed to follow rules for ascertaining value for tax purposes recognized and fixed by federal courts.

"We had hoped that before the suit was filed some decision would be made in the 1922 or 1923 cases, with a basis both sides would recognize as being fair for all other cases. There has been no decision, through no fault of anyone. This made it necessary for us to file this suit to hold the subject in its present condition. The assessment for 1927 exceeds by a considerable amount the basis on which taxes were paid pending final decision. We trust decision in one of the suits will end this litigation."

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HOWELL PRESAGES NORRIS

Washington, Dec. 1.—Declaring Nebraska had accepted President Coolidge's do not choose statement as meaning that he intends to leave the white house, Senator Howell said today the state would send a delegation to the republican national convention next year pledged to support Senator Norris.

Senator Howell, who called at the white house, said Norris was very strong in his home state and would have no difficulty in securing the delegation.

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Lady with child of eight years desires position as housekeeper, farm preferred. Can take full charge of home. Address Box 742, Plattsmouth. References exchanged. d5-trw

Burkett Says Code System is a Sad Failure

Former Senator May Run for Governor to Have Law Repealed

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 30.—Repeal of the state code law is still a vital issue in the minds of the people of Nebraska, E. J. Burkett of Lincoln former United States senator, said today.

"I said a number of years ago that I was out of politics and expected to stay out," Burkett declared, "but the way I feel about this proposition is not if some republican does not come out for governor who will voice the demand of the taxpayers for relief from the code system I have a good notion to file myself and give the republican voters opportunity to express their real sentiment in regard to it.

"It seems to me that the time has come when the republican party in Nebraska, which enacted this cumbersome system, should courageously admit its mistake and take the initiative in correcting it," Mr. Burkett said.

In criticizing the code system, the ex-senator declared "It is too expensive and too unwieldy. Furthermore it shifts the responsibility from duly elected officers, chosen by the people to conduct the states business who ought to be able to look after it.

"The results of code administration have not been what was claimed when the law was passed creating it. There has been no apparent gain in efficiency; and on the other hand a bureaucracy has been established in the various departments of government which is altogether undesirable. It has proven a very costly experiment without material benefit.

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

A program and plate supper will be held at the Pawnee school, Dist. No. 43, three miles north of Murdock, Friday evening, Dec. 9th. The public is cordially invited to attend. ELSIE DEHNING, Teacher.

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

A wide range of prices are represented in the Christmas card line at the Bates Book & Gift shop. Bring in your plate or have the cards printed with your name. d5-daw

WOULD END FACTIONALISM

Omaha, Nov. 30.—William J. Ritchie, jr., Omaha, candidate for election as democratic national committeeman, points out in a statement to Nebraska newspapers his views in connection with the organization of his party. Bickering between party factions is condemned roundly by Mr. Ritchie as taking away party discipline and prestige. There is too much dictation within the party and not enough attention given to younger men of the party, Mr. Ritchie declares. Personalities must be forgotten, he insists, if the party is to prosper.

"It has come to my attention from several sources that a certain gentleman at the present time residing in Lincoln, has been telling his friends that he is credulous enough to believe that I am merely a stalling horse for one of the candidates in the race for one of the candidates in the race for democratic national committeeman. Mr. Ritchie says "Such a statement is as absurd as the leap the aforesaid gentleman is attempting to make in espousing the candidate in whose interest he is circulating this story.

"I am in this race to win if I can by fair and truthful means and the fact that I am not out maligning my opponents and give credit where credit is due does not mean that I do not desire the office to which I aspire. I am particularly desirous in making my campaign to avoid as far as possible all personalities because I hope to be representative of all the democrats of the state whether they support me or not."

RESIGNS BUREAU POSITION

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Resignation of Dr. C. W. Larson, chief of the bureau of dairy industry in the United States department of agriculture, was made known today at the annual meeting of the American Dairy federation.

Dr. Larson will be associated with the National Dairy council in Chicago. The federation considered the resignation of Dr. Larson so important that a committee was appointed to make recommendations to President Coolidge and Secretary of Agriculture William M. Jardine for filling the vacancy. The committee named was Charles L. Hill, of Sarnia, Wis.; C. O. Ewing, of Louisville, Ky.; and A. J. Glover, of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

GOLDEN ROD STUDY CLUB

The regular meeting of the Golden Rod Study club will be held on Thursday, December 8th, at the home of Mrs. B. W. Livingston, with Miss Grace Livingston and Mrs. Myron Wiles assisting. Subject, "Keeping the Confidence of Children." Leaders, Mrs. Ed Spangler, Mrs. Charles Jean and Mrs. Ida Cole. d5-daw

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10 Pounds for	5 Lbs. for	\$1.79		On the request of many of our patrons this Sale will be continued this week										Large Cans	KIDNEY BEANS
59c	39c					Extra Fine Early Ohio Potatoes at the car		85c				9c	9c		
PRUNES	Pink Salmon	Men's Rockford SOCKS	Men's Dress SOCKS	Red-Blue HANDKERCHIEFS	GALLON FRUITS	Good Canvas GLOVES	Men's Flannel SHIRTS	Children's Stockings	MILK! MILK!						
5 Pounds for	3 cans, 49c Mustard Sardines 9½ can	9c	8c	4c	Crushed Pineapple65c Peaches, gallon39c Loganberries, gal.59c Pears, gallon.49c	9c	89c	12c	Wilson brand, 6 cans59c Carnation, 6 cans59c Eagle brand, per can19c						
49c															
Good Parlor BROOMS	Chile Beans	Men's 220 Denim Coveralls	Men's Dress PANTS	Boys' Longies	MEN'S 1-Buckle Overshoes	Children's Wool MITTENS	Ladies' All Wool GLOVES	Children's Wool CAPS	WATCH DOG LYE						
35c	9c per lb. Pinto Beans 9c per lb.	\$2.39	\$1.95	\$1.39	\$1.79	23c	95c	39c	3 cans 25c						
RICE	APPLE BUTTER	WORK SHOES	Boys' Heavy Overalls	Boys' Shirts	Men's 220 Denim Overalls	Men's Silk-Wool SOCKS	Men's All Wool LUMBER JACKS	FANCY PEAS							
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25c	19c														
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Quart Jar	Per Box	95c	19c	\$3.45	Calf or Kid Leather Goodyear Welt	9c	\$1.95	(Heavy Syrup) Pears, No. 2½ can . . . ALL FIVE CANS Cherries, No. 2½ size . . . Plums, No. 2½ size . . . Blackberries, No. 2 . . . Peaches, No. 2½ size . . . \$1.00							
19c															
PEANUT BUTTER	RAISINS	Childrens Sweaters	CHILDREN'S FOUR BUCKLE OVERSHOES	CHILDREN'S PURE ALL WOOL SWEATERS	MEN'S Moleskin or Heavy Pants	LADIES' FINE KNIT ALL WOOL SWEATERS	SOUPS								
5 lb. pail . . .89c Quart Jar . . .45c	2 lb. pkg. . .19c Per lb.15c	\$1.29	Sizes up to 10½	A Bargain at	All Sizes	\$2.89	\$3.89	All Flavors at 9c							
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