

MURDOCK DEPARTMENT.

PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE JOURNAL.

August Ruge and Daniel Schlaphoff were visitors in the county seat last Friday and while there were callers at the Journal office.

Roy Steinkamp was over to Murdock looking after some business matters for a short time, driving over from his home near Manley.

Miss Eva Sorick, of Lincoln, arrived in Murdock on last Saturday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Homer Lawton and family for a number of days.

W. T. Weddell has been very busy with the receiving and shipping of corn from the elevator during the past week or more, but by dint of hard work got through all right.

Frank Hempeke was over to University Place on last Saturday night, where he officiated as best man at the wedding of Miss Alice Fairfield of Alvo and Henry Fischer, of Stratton, Illinois.

Wm. Rueter and family, living south of Murdock, are now enjoying the use of one of the splendid new Pontiac cars which Mr. Rueter purchased recently. They are liking the new car fine.

Mrs. Chester Moomey, who has been visiting for some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. and Mrs. Homer Hess, of Seibert, Colo., and where all enjoyed the visit very much, arrived home on last Monday evening.

Elmer Miller and A. H. Ward were over to Lincoln on last Wednesday, securing some repairs for the repairing of the electric light plant at the Otto Miller home. During their absence, S. P. Lise was looking after the garage for Mr. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Neitzel were over to Lincoln last Wednesday, where they had their pictures taken, which are to be greetings of February 17th, when they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Mrs. O. J. Hitchcock.

A. J. Tool was called to Omaha on last Wednesday and was accompanied by Mrs. Tool, who looking after some business matters for the day and the store was looked after by Douglas during their absence, who did well in looking after the business which came to the store.

We received the wrong name last week when we were informed of the sale of the farm of Fred Deickman, which went to Alvin Bornmeier instead of Alvin Neitzel. However, the farm is a good one and either one might be well pleased at being the possessor of such a farm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shulke, of near Greenwood, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Heier for the day last Sunday, and while they do not live so many miles apart and the ladies are sisters, they have been so busy living that they have not seen each other for nearly two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kruse, the former a brother of Mrs. W. T. Weddell, who have been visiting for some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Neitzel, stopped on their way home for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Weddell and after having enjoyed the visit here, continued on to their home at LeSueur, Minn.

Chester Moomey, better known as "Dad" Moomey, who received the serious injury to his eye some time ago, was able to return to his work as foreman of the section crew on last Wednesday, and says he thinks he will make it all right now, though his eye is still tender and not in anywhere near the condition it was before he received the injury.

Because of the winning of a hard fought basketball game, which was won by the members of the High school team of the section crew on last Tuesday, at which all enjoyed the occasion very much.

On last Wednesday, E. W. Thimman was a visitor in Omaha, where he took a load of hogs for Herman Kuppe in the morning, and was over to Ferdinand Reihman's during the afternoon, where he was looking after some repairs on a gas engine that had concluded it would have to have some attention before it would do its quota of pumping water for the stock. However, Ed got the engine in good humor.

Abdulla Hamilton, formerly of near South Bend, but who has been making his home near Burchard, where he has been farming on a place of H. A. Guthmann, was a visitor for a few days in and near Murdock, and while returning one night from a visit over at Lincoln, found that two cars could, if they did not care for results, occupy the same space at the same time. The cars did not look very good, nor were the occupants of the machines in the best of shape as a result of the encounter.

Having decided to handle only the Estate Healtrola. You can make a big saving on the Queen Anne and Globe Parlor heater. Buy one or both at your own price at A. J. Tools, 330-25w.

Buy a New Car

On last Friday Carl Rissman was over to Plattsmouth to look after some business at the court house and also to purchase a new Chevrolet sedan from the firm of Smith & Berger, of that place. Mr. Rissman is well pleased with his new car, which is one of the new 1928 model Landau Sedans, and the last word when it comes to service and comfort.

Something New Under the Sun
Boy, page the guy who said there's nothing new under the sun. Tell him about the "Auto" Dance at Plattsmouth Wednesday night (Feb. 8).

Highway signs, markers, bill boards, filling stations, etc. Also a real honest-to-goodness "rube" cop, with a sure-enough "stop and go" signal. Pat Kroh's Peony Park orchestra to speed up "traffic" on the "highways" and over \$100 worth of car accessories given away free to purchasers of dance tickets. No raise in the admission price—Dancers, \$1; Spectators, 35c; Unaccompanied ladies, 10c. All ladies with escort, free. See ad on back page of this issue.

FARMERS ATTENTION

Sweet clover seed \$6.00 per bushel, alfalfa seed from \$14.50 to \$21.00 at the Farmers Elevator. This is for March delivery and you had better get your orders in early. Farmer's Elevator, Murdock Nebraska. 25w

Lights Did Not Function

When returning from a meeting which was held at the Calihan church on last Sunday, it being dark, the lights on the car which was being driven by L. Neitzel, failed to function and not being able to see the road and the car going down grade, precipitated Mr. Neitzel at the side of the road with the car badly damaged and Mr. Neitzel somewhat shaken up from the sudden stopping of the car. Both are in good condition again, however.

Hears Father Died

Grandfather Lamb, who has been making his home at Fairbury for many years has been quite ill at a hospital in Lincoln for the past few weeks, and where his son Bryan Lamb, superintendent of the Murdock schools, visited him frequently, going up to see his father again last Saturday, passed away at the hospital early Wednesday morning, at the age of 93 years. The remains were taken back to Fairbury for interment. On receiving information of the passing of his father, Prof. Lamb left immediately for his home to assist in the stress which the passing of this venerable Nebraskan has caused. We did not learn of the arrangement for the burial of Mr. Lamb, and will give a fuller report of the life of this excellent man in another issue.

Entertained Friends at Dinner

On Wednesday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Guthmann, of Murdock, entertained at their home for the evening, and a six o'clock dinner, their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Reese Hastain, of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. Hastain are long time friends of Mr. and Mrs. Guthmann, and the evening was most pleasantly enjoyed by the host and hostess and their guests.

John W. Kruger Poorly

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kruger returned last week from a visit of two weeks at the homes of their parents and with a brother who also resides there, and where all enjoyed a most delightful visit. On returning, Mr. Kruger was taken with an attack of bronchitis, which has kept this gentleman at home and on his cot, a greater portion of the past few days.

Former Citizen Dies in South

Wm. Rodenberg, who for many years resided in the vicinity of Murdock, and who a number of years ago went to Oklahoma to reside, and where he has been engaged in farming, died at his late home on last Sunday. His two daughters, Mesdames Wm. Knaup and August Klemme, have been with the father in his illness for the past nearly a month, and was with him at the time of his passing.

The funeral was held on last Monday and was attended by Mesdames Knaup and Klemme, they returning home on Tuesday of last week. The daughters are staying for a while to assist in the adjustment of the business incident to the passing of the father. A more detailed account of the life and activities of this excellent man will be given in another issue.

Celebrate Wedding Anniversary

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Panska, on Sunday, January 29, was celebrated the passing of the 45th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bauer, which was attended by the wedding party, the immediate family at home and the family of their daughter, Mrs. Daniel Panska. A most pleasant time was had, and the remembrance of the forty-five years of happy life, in the work that has come to them to help make the state and community a better place in which to live and to rear a family of children who shall carry on the work which it has been their good fortune to have so nobly begun, furnished pleasant reminiscences in itself, and coupled with the cordiality of the day made the occasion one that will not soon be forgotten. The couple who have thus far carried on so nobly the work of being excellent citizens are thankful for the many blessings which have come to them during these happy years.

Wolf Hunt a Success

Frank Rosenow is to be congratulated on the success which was had at the wolf hunt on last Saturday. Some five hundred men in all participated in the round up. There were three wolves enclosed in the thirty-six square miles which was surrounded by men. There were many rabbits killed and three wolves, which were drawn to the center of the area when the hunters closed in on them. The cleaning and combing of the territory was evidence that there are but few wolves in the county. To all of the five hundred people who participated

in the hunt, Mr. Rosenow extends thanks, and from the excellent time which all had in the hunt, it is evident that they were well paid for their half day's sport.

Omaha Firm to Built State Capitol Tower

Peter Kiewit's Sons Are Successful Bidders, as Is Omaha Steel Works.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 2.—The general contract for constructing the tower of the state capitol building was awarded to Peter Kiewit's Sons of Omaha, by the capitol commission Thursday evening, after a deliberation that lasted two and one-half hours.

The successful bid was \$1,049,000, while the next lowest bid by J. H. Wiese Contracting company of Omaha, builder of the first and second sections of the structure, was \$1,062,000.

Other contracts also were awarded. The Omaha Steel Works' bid of 222 thousand dollars on structural steel was taken. Kiewit's Sons tied with a separate bid on steel.

Omahan Awarded Plumbing
B. Grunwald of Omaha, whose bid was \$40,750, was awarded the contract for plumbing for the tower. Newberg & Bookstrom of Lincoln were awarded a contract for heating and ventilating equipment at \$39,043. This firm and Grunwald were successful bidders on the first and second sections.

Bids on elevators and electric work were deferred for further consideration.

Bids on marble wainscoting for the corridors for the first and second floors of the present structure were rejected. Three bids on the wainscoting were practically the same, at a figure approximating 49 thousand dollars.

Secretary Cochran said the matter of union labor was not discussed Thursday by the commission. The commission's specifications provide, however, that contractors shall give the preference to Nebraska labor. At a meeting of the commission Tuesday, following the opening of bids, Peter Kiewit stated that his firm operates an open shop and Mr. Wiese stated that he had employed union labor on the building.

Capital Costs Mount.
The commission's records show that the first and second sections of the capitol, now nearly completed, will cost \$6,536,631. The bids indicate that the tower will cost \$1,440,000. The senate wing will be contracted for later.

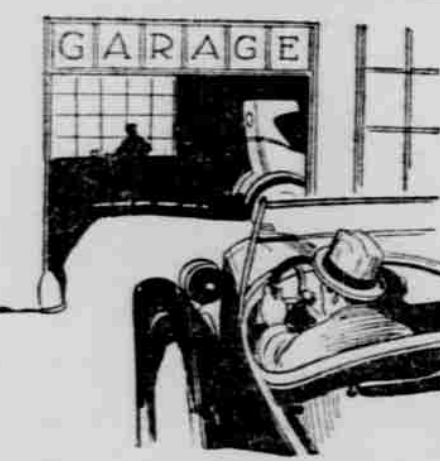
Construction of the central tower of the Nebraska capitol will run the cost of that structure, still uncompleted and without setting that is planned for it, above eight million dollars, virtually exhausting the fund provided by the legislature for the entire edifice and its surroundings and luxuries.—World-Herald.

FASCISTS LIMIT SUFFRAGE

Rome, Feb. 3.—(Friday)—The grand council of the fascist party under the presidency of Premier Mussolini early today adopted the parliamentary reform plan evolved last fall restricting elections to one ticket and suffrage to members of the fascist guild.

The fascist grand council approved limitation of suffrage and parties last November, but the reform as instituted then bore evidence of being a temporary measure. Apparently this morning's action, the climax of a meeting, makes permanent provision for the suppression of universal suffrage in Italy.

The comic valentine that always bring a lot of fun are now on display at the Bates Book & Gift shop. Call and secure one now. All prices.



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PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction at the Seybolt farm, one mile west and three-quarters of a mile north of Murray, on—

Tuesday, Feb. 14

starting at 10:00 o'clock a. m., with lunch served at noon by the Ladies Aid, the following described property, to-wit:

Ten Head Horses and Mules

One bay horse, nine years old, wt. 1,600; one brown mare, 7 years old, wt. 1,620; one gray horse, 12 years old, wt. 1,400; one black horse, 12 years old, wt. 1,500; one team of bay geldings, smooth mouth, wt. 3,000; one span of mules, jack and jenny, smooth mouth, wt. 2,200; one span of jack mules, smooth mouth, wt. 2,350.

Four milk cows, two giving milk now.

Farm Machinery, etc.

One John Deere binder, 7-ft.; one Deering mower, 5-ft.; one Case 2-row machine; one John Deere 2-row machine; one John Deere cultivator; two L-I-C cultivators; one Case gang plow, 14-inch; one Keystone side-delivery rake; two 3-section harrows; one 2-section harrow; one disc harrow, 18; one John Deere disk, 16; one Charter Oak wagon with triple bed; one wagon and box; one Newton wagon; one truck wagon and rack; one flat-bottom wagon; one feed grinder; one power jack; one wood saw; one 3-horse engine; one 3-bottom tractor plow, 14-inch; two John Deere wide-tread listers; one hand corn sheller with pulley; one Primrose cream separator; four sets 1 1/2-inch harness; one stock saddle, good as new; one power sausage mill; one Trusty incubator, 110-egg; one post drill; one force.

Household Goods

One base burner; one range; one heating stove; one library table; six dining chairs; two rockers; one dresser; two bedsteads and springs; one dining table; two wardrobes and numerous other articles.

Terms of Sale

All sums of \$10 and under, cash. On sums over \$10, a credit of six months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note drawing eight per cent interest from date. No property to be removed from the premises until settled for.

W. L. Seybolt and Knight, Owners.

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Coddling Moth Serious Menace

Apple Growers in Southeast Nebraska Face Heavy Loss From Pest.

Lincoln—A man who was formerly engaged in apple growing in Nebraska and later tried the same business in Colorado, says that coddling moth and other pests can only be controlled by state-wide action. Individual efforts will not check these pests unless generally adopted, he says, and Nebraska apple growers must have legislation which will protect them.

"I left the business a few years ago," he says. "Orchardists had given up the fight because of the tremendous expense of spraying and the ever-increasing number of wormy apples. Pears were gradually going bad, despite determined infestation to all the others, no maturing moth. I was in the territory last fall and found that it is steadily, rather rapidly—and surely—going out of apple production, and some have started pulling up their pear trees."

"They have concluded in Colorado that independent efforts to control the coddling moth cannot be successful because a single poorly-kept orchard in a locality will spread infestation to all the others, on matter how well they are maintained. 'Either there must be a centralized organization empowered to take all necessary actions to curb the coddling moth, even to the point of confiscation of orchards poorly kept, or the business will ultimately perish,' a leading horticulturist told me."

"That is a gloomy picture, but I cannot see why the same situation may not ultimately develop in Nebraska," the Coloradan said.

In talking to the fruit growers of Nebraska at Organized Agriculture meeting in Lincoln recently, E. H. Hoppert, extension specialist, told them that the coddling moth is keeping abreast of the times and putting up a great scrap for his existence. If he has brains he is certainly using them to outwit men who would produce big crops of marketable apples.

Orchardists in southeastern Nebraska and the Nebraska college of agriculture have been working now for two years on experiments with spray control of this pest. These tests proved that coddling moth cannot be controlled by dusting or by spraying once her brood. They have also proved that the coddling moth is a valuable piece of equipment in any orchard, and that a definite schedule of spraying must be followed all season if the apple crop is to contain a high percentage of marketable apples.

All local news is in the Journal.

Farmers Urged to Hold Production to Demand

Outlook for Crops Favorable, but Price Fixed by Domestic Demand—Livestock Better.

The salient features of the national Agricultural Outlook of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, that are of vital interest and concern to Nebraska farmers are released below, thru the local office, the state and federal Division of Agriculture statistics.

"Some improvement in agriculture is expected this year if farmers avoid expansion of production and continue to balance production with demand. The domestic demand should be as good or better than the past year, while the foreign demand and purchasing power is no better because the competition is greater."

The agricultural credit situation has improved and interest rates are showing a further decline. The farm labor supply will be larger if anything. Farm wages and prices of farm machinery are not likely to change but building materials when purchased in quantities are expected to be lower.

Crop Situation

The world wheat crop will probably be large again if average or better yields are obtained. Unless there is a heavy winter-kill of wheat, any material increase in spring wheat will tend to further increase the world supply and reduce prices. Flax can be increased profitably to replace spring grains.

Corn acreage will probably show little change. With average yields a crop equal to that of 1927 may be expected and with the more geographical distribution of the crop, prices are more likely to approach the average of the 1926 crop than those which have prevailed to date for the 1927 crop.

Prospects for other small grains appear less favorable. Oats are likely to meet a less favorable market since present prices have been affected by yields below average for the past two years. Barley is unlikely to bring as high prices as in 1927, when there was a shortage of feed grains in Europe.

There is a large carry-over of hay and with decreased hay consumption, animals, it appears that even with yields below average this year, the crop will exceed normal requirements. The adjustment of this unbalanced situation should be in the direction of fewer acres of feed crops rather than more livestock.

Potato growers in northeastern and north central states are planning substantial increases in acreage. If such intentions are carried out, and western growers do not decrease their acreage more than planned, there is little probability of returns from potatoes equal to those of the past three years.

Fruit production has reached a point where it is difficult to make satisfactory prices when weather conditions are favorable for good yields. Fruit plantings should be influenced by long time prospects and loss of temporary conditions. However, commercial apple production will continue to increase for some time and there is nothing in the apple outlook to unduly discourage commercial growers who are favorably located and who produce high quality at a low cost. Increased grape acreage seems inadvisable.

The outlook for alfalfa seed from northern and northwestern states and for red clover seed appears favorable, but the sweet clover seed outlook is not so good. An increased acreage of bean seems inadvisable. Prospects point to a continued large world production of sugar at present price levels.

The livestock situation seems more favorable. Beef cattle for slaughter and stockers and feeders will average higher prices this year than last, although the peak prices of last year may not be reached. Market supplies of cattle in 1928 will probably be 6 to 10% smaller.

Hog prices seem likely to show some strengthening, but no very material change beyond the usual seasonal fluctuations until next fall or winter, when market supplies will probably be affected by the curtailment of production resulting from present unsatisfactory price situation. Some improvements in domestic demand for pork is anticipated, but export demand during the greater part of 1928 promises to be even lower than in 1927.

The dairy industry appears to be in fully as strong a position as a year ago, with indications of only moderate expansion in production. Domestic demand is likely to be maintained during the coming year and consumption is likely to continue to increase faster than production so that the increasing foreign supplies will be further drawn upon to supply domestic production. This seems a very desirable time for saving the better dairy calves so as to permit culling the herds closely before a material decline from the present high slaughter value of the old cows occurs.

Poultry producers have favorable prospects of a higher level of prices for both dressed and live poultry at least during the first half of the year because of lighter supplies in storage and prospective favorable demand. The low storage holdings of eggs and favorable outcome of the 1927 storage season with the number of layers practically unchanged should result in higher egg prices during the coming year.

Sheep continue to increase and the demand for mutton is not likely to improve sufficiently to offset the prospective increase. Outlook for wool is favorable with light wool stocks

New and Used Furniture!

The new Bed Room Furniture in 3 and 4-piece sets now costs only \$59.50 to \$99.50; Living Room Suites, \$79.50 to \$159.50 and 8-piece Dining Room Suites in walnut, \$79.50 and up. Kitchen Furnishings and all Household Goods at prices never before equaled in price and quality combined. Let us show you what we can save you.

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\$10.00 Mattress, full size, all new material	\$ 6.95
12.50 Mattress, layer cotton, fancy tick	8.95
16.50 Felt Mattress for	12.50
30.00 High grade Special Felt Mattress	19.50

Trade in some of your old and mis-matched pieces as part payment on new. This is the year the great drive is on for better and more careful furnishing of homes. Ask for booklet on

Proper Home Furnishing

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\$135 Copper Clad Range, \$55.00; one Majestic Range, \$10.00; two small Cook Stoves, \$7.50 and \$10.00; four Heating Stoves, \$4.50 to \$10.00; two Kitchen Cabinets, \$7.50 and \$10.00; three Oil Stoves, \$5.00 to \$7.50; 15 Refrigerators, \$5.00 to \$20.00 each; three Dining Room Tables, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00; Kitchen Chairs and Dining Room Chairs, 85c to \$1.75; large Rockers, \$2.50 to \$9.50; Beds, \$1.00 to \$5.00; Bed Springs, \$1.00 to \$4.50; Sanitary Cots, \$2.00 to \$3.50; one Double Tub Power Washing Machine, \$25.00; one Electric Washer, \$30.00; five Library Tables, some like new, \$2.50 to \$7.50; Dressers, \$4.50 to \$10.00; one Davenport Bed, newly upholstered in the best jacquard, \$25.00; two flat-top Writing Desks, \$7.50 and \$10.00; one 5-section Book Case, \$15.00; other Book Cases, \$3.50 and \$5.00 each. Many other articles space forbids listing in this ad.

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ASK CONTEMPT DISMISSAL

Washington, Feb. 1.—Contending that the government had failed to prove a single allegation in its criminal contempt actions against Harry F. Sinclair, William J. Burns and their four associates, defense counsel today asked Justice Frederick L. Siddons in the supreme court of the District of Columbia to dismiss the case.

The defense move followed the court's refusal to strike from the records the testimony of William J. McMullin, the government's star witness. McMullin, who, while acting as a Burns detective in shadowing the Fall-Sinclair oil conspiracy jury, informed the government of the detective's activities, testified he prepared false charges against a juror on instructions from Burns officials. The false charges, he said, were intended as a basis of an affidavit with which it was hoped to bring about mistrial of the oil case if it appeared Sinclair was in danger of conviction. In permitting the testimony to remain in the record Justice Siddons said he would not rule it out at "this time," but would consider it for what it was worth, making it clear that his action was not final.

GOLDEN ROD STUDY CLUB NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Golden Rod Study club will be held Feb. 9th at the home of Mrs. Edd Spangler, with Ida Cole and Mrs. Guy White assistant hostesses. Leaders, Mrs. Roy Cole, Mrs. Elbert Wilkes and Mrs. Lincoln Huffer.

The Dennison line offers you year-round entertainment goods. Picnics, lawn parties and outdoor events can be supplied as well as interior decorations. Bates Book and Gift Shop

PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned will offer for sale at Public Auction on my place, the old A. W. Smith place, one-quarter mile east of the Oak Hill cemetery, Plattsmouth, on—

Saturday, Feb. 11

Commencing at 1:30

O'Clock Sharp

the following property— One lumber wagon; one truck with hay rack; one independent manure spreader; one Emerson mower; one 14-ft. rake; one disk harrow; one Janesville riding lister; one Avery corn planter, 160 rods wide; one 6-shovel cultivator; one disk cultivator; one Badger cultivator; one walking cultivator; one John Deere 1-row go-devil; one 3-section harrow; one riding plow; one set of single harness; one set of light harness and various small articles not mentioned in the ad.

NOTE—All the above machinery is in good condition.

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