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E. M. Jumper and wife of Ashland were visiting with friends in Murdock for a short time on Wednesday of last week.

We have a nice lot of Started Chicks and also Baby Chicks priced right.—The Lesley Hatchery, Greenwood, Nebr.

Mesdames H. W. Tool and O. C. Zink were the hostesses at the Order of Eastern Star gathering last week and were assisted by Mesdames E. V. McDonald and Henry A. Tool.

Bryan McDonald was a visitor in Omaha on last Monday driving and going via the Louisville-Manley gravel road, and where he went to look after some business matters for a short time.

Lacey McDonald and son, John both have been very poorly during the past week, Lacey was so ill that it was necessary for Frank Roseow to look after the carrying of the mail during the past week.

Rev. Klein, pastor of the Evangelical church at Elmwood, was over from his town and brought with him a number of the ladies of the Order of Eastern Star, who attended the meeting last Wednesday.

Wm. Mann, who some two weeks since moved from the town where he has resided for so many years to the new home which he has recently purchased at the cement works, is liking the living in town very well.

W. M. O'Brien, better known as Billie, and wife of South Bend, were visiting and looking after some business matters in Murdock on last Wednesday afternoon, they driving over from the river town in their car.

Ralph Dorr and the good wife from between Wabash and Elmwood were in Murdock on last Wednesday, Mrs. Dorr attending the meeting of the Order of Eastern Star and during the time Ralph looking after some business matters.

Louis Bornhoefer has been quite ill at his home east of Murdock for the past two weeks and has been kept in his bed for the greater part of the time. His many friends are hoping that he may soon be in his former good health again.

W. C. Atchison and sister Miss Ella, were visiting in Murdock for the afternoon on last Wednesday and while Miss Ella, who is a member of the Order of Eastern Star was attending their gathering. Will was visiting with his friends in the city.

House Catches Afire.  
Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. John Scheel were over to Omaha where they went to visit at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hart, and while there the Hart home caught on fire, burning the roof, and also causing much damage from water. While there they also received a message from Denver announcing the death of Ralph Rodgers, their little grandson. The little fellow was but two months of age, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rodgers, the latter being formerly Miss Clara Scheel, formerly of Murdock. The sympathies of the many friends here go out to this family in their sorrow.

For Sale.  
English White Leghorn hatching eggs, 8c per doz. above market price.—F. G. Brunkow, Wabash, Neb. 123-31mp.

Enjoyed Excellent Time.  
Mrs. H. W. Tool at her home in Murdock on last Wednesday afternoon entertained the members of the Order of Eastern Star of Elmwood of which the ladies here are members. A large number of the members of Elmwood were here to enjoy the meeting. Mrs. Tool was assisted in the entertaining by Mesdames Henry A. Tool and Harry V. McDonald, both of whom are members of the order. A very fine program was carried out and the ladies here served delicious refreshments which enhanced the occasion.

Will Install Gas Tank.  
The U. S. Oil Works with which Mr. A. W. Ward is connected in a business way and whose product he handles so successfully, with the coming of spring, that there may be a supply of the high-test gas here all the time, will install a new tank. At is now Mr. Ward has to make repeated trips to Omaha to secure the gas. He was over on last Wednesday for a load of the red gas.

Entertained at Bridge.  
Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Lee were the charming host and hostesses at a bridge party which was given by them to a number of their friends on Friday of last week. There were some sixteen guests at the delightful affair and all enjoyed the occasion.

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very much, the winner of the first prize being Mrs. Lacey McDonald. The game and the pleasure of the gathering was of such great interest that it was continued until a very late hour, such was the interest of the game. All in departing extended thanks for the very enjoyable evening and announced the wish that the time might not be long until they should be able to enjoy another such gathering at this hospitable home.

Friendly Acts Appreciated.  
We desire to announce our thanks to the many kind friends who in any way ministered in any way at the time of the last illness and death of our beloved husband and father, George Utt. We thank those who sang at the funeral, for the beautiful floral offerings, token of love and respect for Mr. Utt.—Mrs. Mary Utt, Son and Granddaughter.

Please Come Settle.  
All knowing themselves to be indebted to the late George Utt, will please call and settle the account as I am in need of the money at this time and will truly appreciate an early settlement.—Mrs. Mary Utt, Murdock.

Notice of District Caucuses.  
For nominating of candidates for school board:  
The legal voters of School District C-7, Cass county, Nebraska, are hereby notified that a caucus will be held at the school house on March 20th, 1931, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. for nominating candidates and the (4) receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed upon a separate printed ballot, as provided by law at the regular village election to be held on the first Tuesday in April, 1931.

Order by the district board the 10th day of March, 1931.  
AUGUST RUGE,  
Secretary.

Parables of Jesus—IV  
Growth of Seed—Mark 4:26-29.  
Our attention in this parable is drawn, not so much to the secret invisible energy of the seed, or divine word, as to the earth into which the seed falls, i. e. the moral and spiritual nature of man. The seed of christianity will grow, because the soil into which it will fall is suitable to nourish. Tertullian says: "The human soul is naturally christian, and christianity is natural religion." Christianity can therefore propagate itself without human effort and often does so. Verse 26 illustrates the Kingdom of God in its external aspects; Verse 27 in its secret development; men often lose sight of this fact, that there is a seed time and a harvest time, and there is a time for growth, when men sleep, i. e. they do not see where they wait patiently for the seed to mature into ripe grain.

Here is a lesson for the church to learn. Many churches set a time for a revival, or ingathering of grain, regardless of the condition of the church. The evangelist is engaged for so many money for many days work, usually ten days, (why ten days?) he is expected to perform the miracle of gathering in converts, when nobody can see where they are to come from. There is no ripening grain in sight; but the church expects the harvest, because they pay a man to perform the impossible, and the disappointment is great, when no converts are made.

This parable teaches us, that when "a man" has sown the seed, in well prepared soil, having performed his duty faithfully, to give the seed a chance to develop, he must not force the increase and not to force the sickle to cut the grain, until it is ripe. If the minister has done his part, he is to go and pursue his ordinary employment without due anxiety. Visible results may be slow, but the seed is sure to grow, because the soul of man is especially fitted by God to receive it. Christ does not, however, discourage due pastoral care. Though the earth brings forth "of herself," this does not exclude due cultivation, and rain from heaven and sunshine. In these so-called, arranged revival meetings, is much unripe fruit gathered, converts acclaimed, that never repented, were not regenerated, have not the witness of the Spirit, hence they have no life in them, and seldom are found in the prayer service and Sunday worship; they cannot pray in public, because they never learned, they cannot testify, because they have no experience.

The master tells us here, the natural ways of the Kingdom of God, but man tries to carry on in his own way, whenever it suits him, and then tries to compel God to bend to man's will. That is why so many efforts are fruitless. If the church through its ministry will do her part faithfully in preparing the soil, then sow the seed with tears, then they shall reap with joy. Ps. 125:3. The harvest is an earthly harvest. It is gathered in christian lands, when a faithful pastor after long waiting gathers in a harvest of true penitents and genuine servants of Christ. It is gathered in heathen lands, when the hindrances of the Gospel are at last removed, and the people ask for baptism.

"The sown in tears thro weary years,  
The seed will surely live;  
The great cost, it is not lost  
For God will fruitage give."  
Next week, "Grain of Mustard Seed."

L. NEITZEL.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jahrig and son, Paul, departed on the early Burlington train today for Omaha where they spent the day visiting with friends and looking after some matters of business.

## Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Skyles Observe 60th Anniversary

Enjoy the Passing of Their Wedding Anniversary at Murdock Home.

On February 17th Mr. and Mrs. George Skyles celebrated very quietly at their home in Murdock the passing of their sixtieth wedding anniversary, they being married at Fort Madison, Iowa, on February 17th, 1871, the year that the cow kicked over the lamp in Chicago, while observing to the postoffice and to the conventional black. The groom was born April 15th, 1844, while the bride was born June 21, 1852. They were both born at Fort Madison, Iowa, where they resided for a number of years following the wedding.

They came west to reside many years ago and have made the very best of citizens for Nebraska, Cass county and Murdock for over a third of a century. While they are advanced in years they are enjoying life to the fullest extent, and George can be seen going down to the city every day to the postoffice and to look after such business as the home may require in the purchase of supplies. They enjoy the love, honor and respect of hosts of friends in Murdock and elsewhere. The Journal, with these friends extend congratulations to this excellent couple and the best Americans, and hope they may be blessed with many more years of happy wedded life.

Et Elmwood in 1890.  
From Leader-Echo.  
G. V. Pickwell expects to have some very early spring chickens for the market as he has some 200 now.

Sam Cox attended the Republican County Convention at Weeping Water Saturday.

G. E. Buehl was elected delegate to the state convention and Peter Evland to the congressional convention from Elmwood precinct last Saturday.

Louis Roettger has purchased the two lots just east of the residence property of S. D. Ellis, and will erect a house there in the coming summer.

Ed Burdick bought the interest of Frank Paddieford in the restaurant on Wednesday. Frank expects to commence work in the Bank of Elmwood before long.

George Williams returned last Friday morning from his trip to Oklahoma and Kansas. He purchased eighty acres of land near Waverly, Kansas, and will move to that state.

Horton & Sutherland sold an Aero-motor windmill to Harry Thomas on Monday. They also put up one for James Miller one day last week.

A. C. Wright returned Saturday from Washington for a few days visit. He expects to move his family to that place by May 10th. Alfred looks well and happy and enjoys very much his work in Washington.

Good Morning, Mayor McCraig: "Here's wishing you a successful administration of the city's affairs during the coming year."

Fred Cox graduated from the Omaha Business College, which he had been attending last Friday.

H. G. Beardslee, Lou Langhorst, Dr. Stockert, George Carahan, Wm. Dr. Ed Earnest, W. E. Rosencrans, Si Mairs, George Dunkle and Matt Miles drove to Louisville Monday evening to attend K. of P. Lodge. The Louisville boys invited the Elmwood boys over. A fine banquet was served and all had a fine time.

Ed and John Burdick departed Sunday in a covered wagon for Oklahoma, where they will hunt a new location. Ed will move his family to that state as soon as he finds a suitable location.

Phlander Williams was in town on Wednesday, looking for a residence property to purchase or rent as he contemplates moving to town before long. He purchased a property here in town.

Mrs. A. McFall went to Lincoln Monday to attend the commencement exercises of the Lincoln School of Oratory, from which her daughter, Bertha graduated.

C. L. Bailey and wife returned the latter part of the week from Beaver Crossings from their visit with relatives.

FAVOR COLLEGE MERGER PLAN  
York, March 12.—Merger of the United Brethren church college at Kansas City, Kas., with York college into one school to be located in York was favored Friday by an educational commission investigating the proposal following a two-day meeting here.

The commission will meet here again in 10 days and it may announce a definite ruling at that time.

York college's debt is one proposed merger, the commission believing the debt should be liquidated before a merger is attempted.

The church's national conference in Dayton, Ohio, several months ago announced its desire to make stronger through fewer denominational schools.

The commission is headed by Bishop A. B. Statton of Kansas City.

## Louisville Chamber of Commerce Formed

Succeeds the Old Commercial Club that Has Been Inactive—Much Interest in New Project

Let's say good bye to the old and welcome to the new. The old Louisville Commercial club after so many years' service to the public has dwindled away and is now at rest. Its service to the town in years gone by will not soon be forgotten. Like so many once flourishing enterprises, however, it had been inactive for some time and it seemed impossible to revive it.

Appreciating the need of some kind of an organization that would keep abreast of the times and boost for growing Louisville there was organized in Louisville a Chamber of Commerce on Thursday night of last week with officers as follows:

W. H. Joern, president; Alex Geist, vice president; W. E. Diers, secretary-treasurer.

Membership committees were appointed and it is said that they will show at their next meeting the largest membership of any like organization ever. The next meeting will be held on Friday evening, March 20th, at 8 o'clock.

It will be noticed that the officers of the new organization are young men. This is a sign of progress when the younger men of the town become interested in civic affairs and it will be to the interest of everyone who wishes to see Louisville flourish to unite with the Chamber of Commerce and give the boys their support.—Louisville Courier.

FARMERS UNION MEETS  
The Farmers Union of Cass county met in the Community Building at Elmwood, Monday night for their quarterly meeting. Quite a large number of farmers attended, even though the roads were almost impassable.

The meeting was called to order by the County President, A. J. Roelofs.

A short program was given consisting of community singing led by Mrs. Wm. Strabel, with Lizzie Schaefer at the piano.

Henry Nozby, with Capwell of Fairview Local gave several readings in his most pleasing manner.

They were entertained by a short play entitled, "Squaring it with the Boss," given by Mont Hope Local, under the direction of Mrs. Wm. Strabel, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Those taking part in the play were: Miss Lizzie Schaefer, Henry Schaefer, Mrs. Watson Jones, Mrs. Herbert Oehlerking, Donald Fredenberg and Oral Kuehn. They are certainly to be commended.

The speaker of the evening, Mr. Henry Nozby of Omaha, was next introduced. He gave a very interesting and worthwhile talk to the farmers, in which he pointed out the value of Farmers Union Co-operatives.

Following his talk a short business meeting was held, after which each one was invited to partake of the refreshments served by the Farmers Union Elevator and Oil Associations.

Each one enjoyed themselves and visited among their neighbors, their only regret that they didn't meet often in such a manner and acquaint themselves with their neighbors and solve their problems.

WORSE THAN WAR!  
During 18 months of the World War, 50,510 members of the American Expeditionary Force were killed in action or died of wounds.

According to a survey by the Department of Justice, 59,990 people were killed in automobile accidents in this country.

There could be no better illustration of the seriousness of the automobile accident situation.

According to a survey by the Travelers Insurance Company, the leading cause of accidents in 1930 was failure to give right of way, which accounted for 15 per cent of deaths and 31.5 per cent of injuries. Second was excessive speed, which was responsible for 21 per cent of all accidents, and third, driving on the wrong side of the road, which totaled 16 per cent.

Higher speed is a natural result of improved roads and cars. But the other two primary causes of accidents—which together accounted for 27 per cent of deaths and 47.7 per cent of injuries—amount to simple ignorance, recklessness or carelessness. They show improper training on the part of the motorist, coupled with inadequate enforcement of traffic laws. That such accidents could be at least partially curbed by example of modernized traffic codes, is well within the limits of plausibility.

Every year complete and detailed resumes of the previous year's accident record are prepared. Study of them should show what enforcement is needed, that can be applied. A few states, in a period of rising hazards, have managed to appreciably decrease accidents within their borders. All other states can do the same.

A scientist—they are all scientists when they make fool remarks—says that in 50 years kissing will be obsolete. That may be why so many are trying to accumulate a supply ahead of the abolition of the ceremony.



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## Grain Stocks Above the Five Year Average

Corn Is Only Grain Showing Reduction, With 45 Percent of Last Year's Crop on Hand

Stocks of all kinds of grain except oats are above last year and all are above the five year average, according to the state and federal division of agricultural statistics. Stocks of all grain crops for the country as a whole are above last year and the five year average except corn, which is considerably below last year and the average. After the recent snowfall, the wheat crop is in a promising condition.

Corn stocks are estimated at 45 percent of last year's crop, or 106,065,000 bushels as compared with 98,852,000 bushels a year ago and the five year average of 94,474,000 bushels. The five year average of stocks of corn is 34 percent. The 1930 crop was above the average production and feeding operations are about the usual. Wet weather delayed husking in western Nebraska last fall and low prices discouraged selling.

It is estimated that 20 percent of the corn crop has or will be shipped out, or a total of 68,352,000 bushels. The five year average shipment is 26 percent. Last year, 30 percent or 71,323,000 bushels were shipped out. The percent of corn of merchantable quality is estimated at 92 percent as compared to 91 percent a year ago.

There are 13,219,000 bushels of wheat on hand as compared to 11,311,000 bushels on hand a year ago and the five year average of 9,337,000 bushels. The five year average of wheat stocks is 23 percent of the crop. Sixty-nine percent of the crop, or 65,500,000 bushels will be shipped out as compared to the five year average shipment of 80 percent. A considerable quantity of wheat has been fed to livestock during the fall and winter.

From present indications, it appears that wheat has come thru the winter with little if any loss. Recent precipitation has been a great benefit in supplying top soil moisture, and increasing the reserve subsoil moisture supply. Wheat is well along for the season.

Stocks of oats total 30,466,000 bushels or 33 percent of last year's crop, as compared to 33,885,000 or 41 percent of the crop on hand a year ago and the five-year average of 26,336,000 bushels. About 9 percent of the 1930 crop or 7,202,000 bushels will be shipped out as compared to 10 percent, or 16,398,000 bushels a year ago. Shipments during the past five years have averaged 13 percent of each crop.

Of the record barley crop, 27 percent of 6,029,000 bushels are on farms as compared to 5,479,000 bushels or 29 percent a year ago and the five-year average of 2,450,000 bushels. About 14 percent of the crop, or 3,126,000 bushels has or will be shipped out this season, compared to the five year average of 14 percent.

Rye stocks, with a large increase in production in 1930, are more than twice as large as the stocks of a year ago. Present stocks amount to 1,249,000 bushels as compared to 554,000 bushels a year ago and the five year average of 494,000 bushels.

THE MERRY WORKERS CLUB  
Met March 4th with Mrs. Allie Leonard. The meeting was in the nature of an all day meeting, the ladies entertaining their husbands. Each lady brought a covered dish for luncheon which was served at the noon hour, after which the lesson was given by our leader, Mrs. Margaret Vallery.

"Planning the built-in cabinet" was the subject of the lesson. Noble Kiser gave a very interesting talk on the building of houses, after which Rev. McKelvie gave a very fine talk on the heating of homes.

The men busied themselves making pot lid holders, while the ladies practiced songs for their contest. Eight members were present and twenty visitors.

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## WILL ADDRESS MEETING HERE

J. W. Brinton, of Washington, D. C., authority on Co-operative marketing, is to pay a visit to this city on March 19th, to address a meeting on this subject. Mr. Brinton is a well known authority on this subject and will appear to discuss the matter before the local people. He is not connected with the federal farm board or any governmental authority.

Mr. Brinton is to speak at the public library auditorium at 5 o'clock on next Thursday evening.

The meeting will be free and all who can are urged to be in attendance at the library and to hear this important phase of a present day problem discussed.

WOODCOCK SIGNS UP GREGG  
Prohibition Director Woodcock has closed a contract with Prof. F. M. Gregg of Nebraska Wesleyan university to conduct a series of lectures at Washington on law enforcement during the week June 8 to 15. Professor Gregg announced Friday evening.

Fourteen lectures will be delivered, seven on psychology in relation to law enforcement and seven on the art of teaching, Mr. Gregg said. Those attending the lectures will be district superintendents working under Director Woodcock and they in turn will instruct workers under them. Professor Gregg is head of the psychology department of Nebraska Wesleyan.

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BAD MEN PUT TO WORK  
McAlester, Okl.—Oklahoma's bad men are coming out of "solitary." Under a policy of B. F. Van Dyke, who left a country law office to become warden, such notorious bandits as Matt and George Kinoy, young bank robber-killers and Ray Terrell, bank looter are being given employment at the state penitentiary.

Van Dyke recently began clearing solitary cells in which forty convicts were kept when he took charge. The Kinemess and Terrell had been "in the hole" since they tried to escape shortly after their incarceration several years ago.

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