

MURDOCK ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kuehn were visiting and looking after some business matters at Nebraska City on Wednesday of last week.

Sheriff E. W. Thimman was a visitor in Murdock on last Thursday, looking after some official business and also as a caller on a number of his friends here.

Morgan Shatto, who discontinued selling the Trunkenholz gasoline and other products, is soon to have Standard Oil company pumps installed and will handle their products in the future.

Henry Carsten, manager of the Farmers Grain company elevator, was a visitor with his mother at their home in Havelock last Sunday. He found his mother suffering from an attack of lumbago.

John Bornemeier was shelling and delivering corn on last Thursday to the Farmers elevator at Murdock, in this manner getting the grain out of the way before the rush of other farm work envelopes him.

John Scheel and the good wife were over to Plattsmouth on last Wednesday, called there to look after some business matters for a short time and also visiting with some of their friends while in the city.

Miss Martha Thell, who is one of the very best of nurses, has been over to the home of Miss Maggie Stokes some few miles southeast of Elmwood, where she has been caring for Miss Stokes for some time, she being very ill.

Messrs. Henry A. Tool, Julius A. Reinke and Herman R. Schmidt were over to Plattsmouth, where they went to attend the republican county convention as well as looking after some business matters while there. From Plattsmouth they drove on to Omaha, where they also transacted business before returning home.

Eddie Craig received a letter from his son, Jack Craig, who is in the U. S. navy and was stationed at San Francisco at the time of writing to his father. Jack expressed himself as liking the navy life first rate. He also sent best wishes to his friends here and wished to be remembered to all his former associates.

In order to cultivate the friendship of whatever fish may be in the Platte river, A. J. Tool and Lacey McDonald were over last Thursday afternoon. Notwithstanding the fact that they made some advances toward becoming better acquainted, the fish were very shy and no strong friendships were formed. The cool weather has not been conducive to good fishing, but the boys will not be frustrated in their plans and will return again some day. "Better luck next time" is all we can say.

Hatching Eggs for Sale
We have the Jersey White Giants, an extra fine chicken. These we are offering at \$5 per hundred. Address Mrs. A. D. Zaar, South Bend, for reservations. a11-51 M p.

Had Excellent Meeting
The Ladies Aid society of the Murdock church were enjoying a very fine meeting and also doing some very good work on Thursday evening of last week, and were entertained by Mrs. Long, who served a very delightful luncheon, and where a very pleasing program was had. The ladies also enjoyed the social hour, which is always one of the main features of their meetings.

Mrs. George Utt Very Poorly
Mrs. George Utt, who has been very poorly for some time, being troubled with gall stones, was in a very critical condition a great deal of last week. Her condition was so serious that her son, Diller Utt and wife were called, and remained at her bedside for a number of days. Her many friends are hoping that she may improve and soon be able to be up and about again.

Showing Improvement
Fred Stock, Sr., president of the Farmers Elevator company, of Murdock, has been kept to his home the past few weeks with a very severe attack of lumbago, which has kept him so he could not get out of the house, and as Uncle Fred says, "so he could not be still, either." He is some better at this time, however, and is able to be up a part of the time, but can do no work as yet.

Richard Eppings Some Better
Richard Eppings, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Eppings, was taken suddenly ill Monday night with acute appendicitis, and upon examination Tuesday morning by Dr. L. D. Lee, was taken immediately to Lincoln, where he was placed in the Lincoln general hospital and underwent an operation immediately. He

has since been showing improvement and is getting along fully as well as could be hoped for. His mother has visited him every day and his father every night and the pleasing reports they bring back of his continued improvement are most gratifying to the many friends of this bright young lad.

Cemetery Meeting May 2nd
There will be a meeting of the members of the Wabash Cemetery association at the office of the Farmers Grain company, of Wabash, at two in the afternoon on May 2nd, when they will look after the business that has accumulated during the past year and also the election of officers of the association. All who are in any manner interested in the association are urged to be in attendance.

L. Neitzel Tells of Early Days
Fifty years ago, this month, we came to Nebraska. Our first home was half way between Ashland and Wahoo; the place was called "Milton Post Office," four miles south of the present town of Ithaca. Perry and Johnson ran a stage line between Ashland and Wahoo. We soon had the post office in our home. Our salary was all the cancellation, which amounted to as much as \$1 and over per month, but we did not need to go to the post office for mail—the stage delivered it every day. The country then was new, the people poor, but happy and contented.

I was then in the ministry, with a salary of \$250.00 per year, to keep the family, buy books, keep up buggy and horses and pay back into the Missionary treasury the sum of \$25 (this was not obligatory; it was a volunteer contribution.) The circuit was large, reaching into three counties— all of Saunders, part of Butler and Lancaster. To reach my nine appointments, I had to travel 250 miles, making about 6,000 miles each year. Rain or shine, I never missed a service. Blizzards were frequent in winter, but they did not frighten. After two years at Milton, we were transferred to Omaha, then to Madison, next to Millford, which ended my work in the ministry—nine years in all. This month also finished our forty-first year in Murdock.

The changes in fifty years are sure very great. We had very few marked roads, only unfenced trails over the prairie. We would drive by direction or compass. Neighborliness and hospitality were a characteristic of the early settlers. Wealth brought independence and the loss of that happiness and pleasures of the occasional meetings. The friends of our first years have nearly all passed over to the other shore—very few are here. This brings a feeling of homesickness—a longing to see them. Our life in Murdock has been very pleasant. Being the first one to settle in Murdock, I have seen the town grow to its present beautiful loveliness, with its fine and comfortable homes, its wonderful trees and well kept lawns, and a happy, God-fearing and contented people. Its educational institution is the pride of its patrons. Having had a great share in starting the town, I take a great pride in stating that there is no town of its size to compare with Murdock.

Dan Skinner Passes Away
Dan Skinner, 77, who has been making his home at Chappell for a number of years and a great uncle of Mrs. Eddie Craig, passed away at his late home in the western part of the state last week. His funeral was held at Lincoln last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Craig went over to the funeral and stopped at Alvo, where they picked up Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Friend, taking them along. The funeral was held in Lincoln and interment made in the Alvo cemetery. Mr. Skinner leaves to mourn his departure Mrs. Ada Mick, of Chappell, and another sister, at Lincoln; also three sons, Delbert and Arthur Skinner, of Alvo, and Alba Skinner, of Eagle. The wife passed away some seventeen years ago and was buried in the Alvo cemetery. Mr. Skinner was born in Illinois in 1854 and came to Nebraska nearly fifty years ago.

Senior Class Sees Omaha
Last Thursday was selected by the Senior class of the Murdock high school as their "Sneak Day" and also sponsored by the superintendent and also Rev. H. R. Knosp, pastor of the Evangelical church.

The trip to Omaha was one well worth while and was greatly enjoyed by the class who will ever remember the trip as a portion of their school year which is now closing.

4-H Club Meets
Four Square club met Monday evening, April 25th. The lesson on Lamp Shade making was ably presented by the project leader, Mrs. A. J. Tool. An extra meeting for election of officers will be held Mon-

day evening, May 2nd at the Murdock school house at 7:30.

Training meeting for project leaders in this vicinity was held Friday, April 22nd, at the home of Mrs. Henry A. Tool.

Polly Sure Got a Cracker
The play of the Murdock Senior high school class was entitled "Polly Wants a Cracker" and was presented on last Thursday night to a large audience of the patrons of the school and citizens. The plot of the play was carried well and showed close study by those who took part and also very careful tutoring by their instructors. The following is the—

CAST OF CHARACTERS
Jeffery Wayne, with a terrible temper—Elmer Schlapf
Marie Pratt-Wayne, his second wife—Evelyn Kuehn
Mary Wayne, his daughter—Wilma Knosp
Thomas Livingstone Pratt, Mrs. Wayne's son—Donald Rieckman
Lucy Neville, a stranded actress—Harrington Lawton
Nora, Wayne's housekeeper—Martha Oehrling
Inspector Doran—Joe Marshall
Scene: A living room in Jeffery Wayne's home.
Act 1: An afternoon in October.
Act 2: The same. Fifteen minutes later.

PHILIPPINE BILL SET BACK

Washington.—Friends of Philippine independence showed their strength in the senate but made no progress. A motion by Chairman Bingham of the territories committee to take up the Hawes-Cutting fifteen year bill which has been substituted for the eight year independence measure passed by the house was approved 39 to 29. The bill came up, however, under a limitation of time and this period expired without even a word of debate on independence. The legislation is back on the calendar just where it was before. Because of the jammed legislative calendar in the senate and the approaching drive for adjournment, serious doubt is held by leaders whether a vote will come before the December session. Senator Copeland, an opponent of the measure, occupied the entire time of debate on it with a discussion of health problems and national parks.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.
In the matter of the estate of William D. Coleman, deceased.
Notice of Administration.
All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and testament and praying for administration upon his estate and for such other and further orders and proceedings in the premises as may be required by the statutes in such cases made and provided to the end that said estate and all things pertaining thereto may be finally settled and determined, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1932, and that if they fail to appear at said court on said 27th day of May, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., to contest the said petition, the court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to N. D. Talcott or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.
Dated this 27th day of April, A. D. 1932.
A. H. DUXBURY,
(Seal) m2-3w County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice of Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.
State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of Elta Perry Barker, deceased:
On reading the petition of Bernice Kiser, administratrix, praying a final settlement and allowance of her account filed in this court on the 25th day of April, 1932, and for final assignment of the residue of said estate and for her discharge as Administratrix thereof—

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court this 28th day of April, A. D. 1932.

A. H. DUXBURY,
(Seal) m2-3w County Judge.

Farm Prospects in the 10th District

Federal Reserve Bank Report on March Prices and Crop Conditions.

Kansas City.—The March index of farm prices, as reported by the United States department of agriculture, stood at 61 percent of the 1909-1914 average as compared to 60 percent in February. The index shows prices paid for commodities purchased by farmers at 21 percent above the 1909-1914 levels, and the relative purchasing power of the farm dollar at 51 as compared to the 1909-1914 average of 100.

A larger acreage of most spring sown crops than harvested last year is indicated by the March 1 seeding intentions of Tenth district farmers. Crop prospects in the eastern half of the district are good but the western half needs moisture. Spring work was delayed by the March storms, and farm operations are two to three weeks late and spring planting backward. Freezing temperatures necessitated some replanting of early sown oats, clover and potatoes, and reduced fruit prospects materially. Farm wages and cash rentals are materially lower than last year and there is an over supply of farm labor.

High winds and low temperatures in March, coupled with a deficiency of soil moisture in the western part of the wheat belt, reduced winter wheat prospects in this district. On the basis of the April 1 condition, Tenth district production will be 54 percent short of last year's record crop and 29 percent below the 1924-1928 average. The reduction in stocks of wheat remaining on farms in this district was somewhat greater during March than last year of the average of the past five years.

A market decrease in shipments of stocker and feeder livestock to the country, a 16 percent decrease in the number of cattle on feed in eleven corn belt states on April 1 as compared to a year ago, the unusually light movement of cattle from the southwest to northern grass, indications for a smaller spring pig crop and a smaller spring lamb crop than last year, short feed supplies in the range areas, and continued low prices for beef, pork, mutton, characterize the livestock situation.

Milk and egg production as of April 1 was estimated by the United States department of agriculture as somewhat less than a year ago. Receipts of eggs, poultry, and fresh butter, at four large consuming centers in the United States during March, were smaller than in March, 1931. April 1 United States cold storage holdings of all meats, eggs, butter, and cheese were below the five year average for that date.

MINNESOTA IS FOR HOOVER

St. Paul.—President Hoover is virtually assured of twenty-five additional delegates favorable to his nomination when Minnesota republicans meet Saturday for their second state convention to select its delegation to the Chicago convention in June. A dispute over prohibition Friday night promised the principal conflict coming before the delegates who a month ago, meeting to select candidates for state office, adopted a resolution endorsing the president's administration. At four of nine district conventions resolutions have been adopted this week urging a referendum on prohibition. Sponsors will seek to have the state adopt a similar proposal with organized "dry groups" prepared to resist.

RAYARD PAIR SENTENCED

Alliance.—Louis Rhodes, twenty-six, and Mrs. Estelle Worthington, forty-five, both of Rayard, were sentenced to eight years each in the state penitentiary by District Judge E. L. Meyer here for assault with intent to wound.

They were convicted recently of assaulting and cutting Miss Rachel Weston, fifty, proprietress of a hotel here, on the night of last Jan. 9. The pair will be started for Lincoln at once in custody of county officials for entrance in prison.

Miss Weston was beaten into unconsciousness and cut severely about the face and head by the jagged edges of a broken crockery pitcher. She had just showed Rhodes to a room, she testified.

WOMAN SEEKS IOWA OFFICE

Des Moines.—Mrs. Miriam P. Johnson, who has carried the culture of Bryn Mawr's exclusive collegiate halls to an Iowa homestead, launched a "heart to heart" appeal to the rural women of the state to place her in the state house as secretary of agriculture. Mrs. Johnson, mother of three children and wife of a farmer has, as she put it in an interview, "weathered the heart-rending tortures of agricultural reverse," and has stepped out to invade that department of state politics until now sacred to the masculine sex. No other woman has sought the agricultural portfolio in Iowa state government.

Roosevelt Has Won 267 of the 496 Delegates

Uninstructed and Unclaimed Vote Totals 112—Joseph I. France Claims 78 Delegates.

Washington, April 26.—To date the two parties have selected 966 delegates to their national conventions in June.

Of these, the republicans have chosen 470 and the democrats 496. The republican delegates are instructed, pledged and claimed as follows: Hoover, 448; Norris, 11; in doubt, 11. Out of these Joseph I. France of Maryland claims 78.

Democratic delegates are instructed, pledged and claimed as follows: Roosevelt, 267; Lewis, 58; Reed, 36; Murray, 23; uninstructed and unclaimed, 112.

Republican allocations by states are:

Hoover instructed and pledged:	
Florida	16
Georgia	16
Iowa	21
Louisiana	13
Missouri	12
New Hampshire	33
North Dakota	9x
Colorado	15
Delaware	9
South Carolina	6
Hawaii	2
Oklahoma	25
Total	200
Hoover claimed:	
Connecticut	19
Illinois	50x
Maine	13
Nebraska	17x
New York	97
North Carolina	11
Virginia	25
Wisconsin	16
Total	248
Norris pledged:	
Wisconsin, 11.	
In doubt: New Mexico, 9; North Dakota, 2x.	
x—Joseph I. France claims these.	
Democratic allocations by states and candidates are:	
Roosevelt instructed and pledged:	
Michigan	38
Nebraska	16
Georgia	28
Iowa	26
Kentucky	26
Maine	12
Minnesota	24
New Hampshire	8
New York	2
North Dakota	9
Washington	16
Wisconsin	26
Total	231
Roosevelt claimed:	
Arkansas	18
Philippines	6
Porto Rico	6
Canal Zone	6
Total	36
Lewis pledged: Illinois, 58.	
Reed instructed: Missouri, 36.	
Murray instructed and pledged: Oklahoma, 22; North Dakota, 1.	
In doubt: New York, 92; Louisiana, 20.	

Total 267
Uninstructed and unclaimed 112
Joseph I. France 78

EXTORTIONER STRIKES GIRL

Wood River.—Officers here are searching for a young man who last Friday afternoon struck Cia Burns, student at the Grand Island business college, and threatened the life of Thomas Wagoner, young farmer near here, if \$200 was not left at a road corner by that night.

The man came to the rear door at the home of Dr. R. L. Green, where Miss Burns was staying, and asked if she was Miss Burns. When she replied, she was, the man struck her on the face and pulled her hair, at the same time threatening Wagoner. The girl attempted to call Mrs. Green, but she was attending a church across the street.

GREEN SEEKS SHORTER DAY

Washington.—Increasing industrial unemployment "at the peak of the usual spring busy season" was reported by President Green of the American Federation of Labor. "This new rise is of the greatest significance," he said. "We cannot count on any improvement from industrial gain in the near future but we may be faced with a growing unemployment problem. Obviously we have yet failed to turn the tide toward economic recovery. Only by putting people back to work to create wealth and earn their livings can we put industry on a stable foundation.

"It is no longer possible to meet unemployment by relief measures alone. Cities are reporting the failure of funds. There is only one way to give men enough work to keep body and soul together and at the same time stimulate buying; divide work time among those who need work by shortening work hours."

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GERMAN VETERAN IS HOME

Berlin.—Paul Schwartz, a German army veteran, who was forgotten for twelve years during which he was a French prisoner of war at Devil's Island, came back to Germany once more to enjoy freedom. Born in Corsica of German parents, he was taken to Alsace-Lorraine by his family when still an infant, and when the war started he joined the German army, doing service until the armistice. In 1919 Schwartz went to Kiel to join his mother, who had moved there after his father died. Kiel was in French hands then and, because Schwartz had no traveling papers, he was arrested.

When it was discovered that he was a native of Corsica, the French charged him with high treason, for Corsica is French and the French law claims as citizens all children of the second generation born on national territory. Schwartz was court-martialed and sent to Devil's Island. For years he was forgotten. Then someone told the foreign office about him, and the French commuted his sentence.

TRIP TO KENTUCKY DELAYED

New York.—The American Civil Liberties Union announced that it had postponed until May 12 a trip to Kentucky to investigate conditions in coal fields there. A delegation headed by Arthur Garfield Hays, the union's lawyer, was to have left New York Thursday afternoon. The postponement was occasioned by the refusal of Federal District Judge A. M. J. Cochran to grant the delegation a hearing on Friday morning in Richmond or Marysville, Ky., on an application for a federal injunction to restrain authorities from interfering with the investigation by the union's representatives.

Judge Cochran informed the union that he would grant its delegation a hearing in London, Ky., on the morning of May 12. The delegation, which besides Hays includes Dudley Field Malone, international lawyer, probably will leave New York on May 10, the union headquarters said.

AUDIT CITY BOOKS

From Thursday's Daily
The auditors representing the Charles R. Warren Co., public accountants, of Lincoln, were here Wednesday and today making the annual audit of the books of the various city officials. It is hoped to have the audit completed by Saturday when the officers will take over their duties. The auditing is being conducted by C. R. Warren and Glenn Mooberry and who are experts in their line.

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