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Certified Seed Distributed to 4-H Members

To Be Returned After Harvest or Paid for at the Market Figure At That Time.

In an attempt to more forcefully foster the growing of certified seed crops and improved varieties, the Nebraska Crop Growers association announced distribution of small quantities of varied seeds to 4-H crop clubs in various parts of the state. Paul H. Stewart, extension agronomist at the college of agriculture and secretary of that organization, made the announcement.

Rural boys enrolled in the 4-H clubs will be given certified oats, barley, and sorghum seed by the crop growers. They will either return the same amount of seed late this summer after harvesting, or pay market value for it at that time.

The Crop Growers association orig-

inally, Stewart says, planned to put some hybrid seed corn in small quantities to the 4-H crop clubs. The demand, however, was twice as great as the supply and finally the plan had to be abandoned.

Logold oats go to 4-H clubbers in Saline, Hall, Otoe, Nemaha, Antelope and Dixon counties. Nebraska 21 cats have been allotted to Hamilton, Chase, Garden, Colfax, Custer, and Polk counties. The 4-H club boys in Hamilton, Gage, Johnson, Clay and Custer counties will get some Spartan barley seed. An allotment of Glabron barley goes to Hamilton county. Early Kalo seed will go to Saline, Hamilton, Garden, Kimball, Clay and Chase county boys while Kalo seed has been allotted to a crops club in Custer county. Atlas sorgo certified seed will be planted by 4-H clubbers in Saline, Seward, Thurston, Platte, Colfax, Washington, Nemaha, Polk and Thayer counties.

Cass county has no bonded indebtedness, as, like the state, it has paid cash for its gravel roads and other improvements. That's a mighty good policy to pursue.

Bible School Lesson Study!

Sunday, February 16th By L. Neitzel, Murdock, Neb.

"Jesus Helps a Doubter"

Luke 7:19-28.
The seventh chapter of Luke is the frame, and the verses of the lesson the picture. The background and frame bring out the beauty of the picture. First we see Jesus as the "friend in need." A Centurion, a Roman officer, a heathen, shows a remarkable faith in Christ. (All the centurions of the N. T. are spoken of in a favorable way; Luke 23:47; Acts 10:1; Acts 22:26; Acts 27:43 and this man). Jesus marveled at this man's faith, that he had in Jesus' spoken word; and that faith was honored; the sick man was healed. Jesus' own people did not show such faith.

Next we have recorded by Luke a "gem," which is worthy of claiming some of our attention. Going southwest from Capernaum about 20 miles, he comes to the little town of Nain. A great throng follows him. A sad procession is emerging from the city. A poor woman was in the very depths of dejection and misery. Sometime before she had lost her husband. For years, in all probability, she had struggled along to support her only son until he had grown to manhood and was able to provide for her support, being the mother's pride and joy. But a second, and one might say, more terrible bereavement has come to her. All the joy and hope of life is gone. She is a widow and alone. She is going to bury her only son. Death has its victory—but here is the prince of life.

The fight is on! Here they meet—life and death. The great compassion of Jesus finds expression. "Weep not," is all he can say; but it is enough.

He touched the bier—the procession stops. "Young man, I say unto thee, arise." And he that was dead sat up and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

What a glorious Christ. Always bringing joy, peace and happiness. (See the stages of raising the dead: Jairus daughter, 12 years old, from a death-bed, this young man from the bier, Lazarus from the grave). He's just the same today. Now the picture!

The greatest man ever born of woman, in doubt about the Christ? Or is it the disciples of John? Maybe both. But who would blame John when he is perplexed! Almost a year imprisoned in the castle Machabeus, condemned to idleness, that fiery nature, and here the Christ of God, to bring deliverance to those in prison; why is he not set free? Two of his disciples are sent to Jesus to bring a definite answer, to set his mind at rest. Did Jesus say: "I am the promised Messiah?" No. He invites those men to tell John what they have "seen and heard;" they are to be witnesses of his power, and that should be proof of his Messiahship. That is today the best proof of Jesus

power to save, the living witnesses; that were spiritually dead and are now alive, blind and now can see, cleansed from the leprosy of sin, were deaf and now can hear the voice of God.

The answer these disciples are to carry to John is somewhat puzzling; almost seems unfeeling, no word of sympathy or cheer; but wants John to draw his own conclusions. Christianity is doing greater things than named above; it is making men and women new creatures, the drunkard sober, the thief honest, the harlot pure; it is changing the dregs of society into good citizens and members of churches.

Now Jesus gives color to the picture. His eulogy of John may be said to be his funeral address. Verses 26-28 bring out the glorious character of John and must be given the proper study. A prophet? No, more than a prophet. He occupies a unique position, he links the "old" and the "new" together; he is the herald, the forerunner, the messenger of the "King." But for all that, filled with the Holy Spirit, before he is born, occupying such an exalted position did not experience the joy of sins forgiven. Jesus says, "the least in the Kingdom of God is greater than he."

The simple meaning of these words seems to be that, in blessings and privileges, in knowledge, in revealed hope, in conscious admission into fellowship with God, the humblest child of the new Kingdom is superior to the greatest prophet of the old.

The closing act of this chapter is the first anointing of Jesus by a woman, called a "sinner." The circumstances are as follows: A prominent Pharisee gave a banquet in honor of Jesus; and as was the custom, the house was open. Anyone could enter as a spectator. A woman who had led a life of shame, having heard Jesus preach and had her conscience awakened, took courage and entered the house, where she shed bitter tears of repentance on Jesus' feet, wiped them with her hair, kissed them and broke an alabaster box, containing precious ointment and poured it on his feet. The Pharisee observing this, disapproved of it, which Jesus noted, and taught this self-righteous man a wholesome lesson. This woman was the kind for whom he had come into the world. The contrite heart, the broken spirit need the physician; the penitent is in need of a pardon and the "sinner" needs a Savior—all this the woman was, hence she had come to the right place, and left the house a forgiven and pardoned soul. That's the old time religion—and it's good enough for me. Yes, and any one else. Her faith had saved her, and what a joyful walk home—with a new purpose in her soul—a new light on the way—a new joy and peace thrills her heart. "Thy sins are forgiven" rings in her ears. "Ring the bells of heaven, there is joy today."

Weeping Water

C. W. Everett who is employed by the Nebraska Power company, was looking after some business matters for the company at Avoca last Tuesday.

Mrs. Emma Colchester who has been very ill for several weeks still remains in bad health altho she has been showing some improvement, which it is hoped will continue.

Miss Madge Hillman is getting so she can talk once more, for she was almost speechless on account of a very severe cold which she had for a number of days, but she is better now.

John Domingo who is now well along in years has been rather poorly at his home in Weeping Water and while he still remains up and about the house, is still far from what is desired.

George W. Towle who suffered a severe sickness some weeks ago and who has been confined to his bed, still remains very poorly, altho he is slightly improved. His many friends are hoping that he may soon be better.

With storms coming on so frequently, blocking the highways Carlier Ben Olive with the assistance of Leonard Doty have been kept very busy in attempts to get to the homes of the farmers on the rural route on which Mr. Olive delivers mail.

Mrs. G. R. Binger and their son-in-law, Jack Bolz, were in Lincoln last Friday looking after some business matters as well as visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Fernbaugh, Mrs. Fernbaugh being daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Binger.

Harry A. Doty who conducts the amusement parlor, is rejoicing over the arrival of a new son, weighing nine pounds, which came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Doty last Monday evening. All are doing nicely and joy reigns supreme and none are rejoicing more than Grandfather Harry A. Doty.

No Doctor in Town.

Dr. and Mrs. L. N. Kunkel were called to Omaha on account of the death of the father of Mrs. Kunkel and at a time when the weather was so very bad and the roads blocked, which prevented the doctor returning and at the same time Dr. M. U. Thomas was called away on account of the death of his brother, Dr. W. M. Thomas at Edgar. At this time there were number of people ill. Among these were Jack Jourgensen and his two sons. Dr. Brendel of Avoca was called but the roads were such as to prevent him from getting there immediately, but got there as soon as it was possible to get the roads open. Mr. Jourgensen and sons are still very poorly.

Dr. W. M. Thomas Dies.

Dr. W. M. Thomas who has been a practitioner at Edgar for the past 22 years died at his home last Thursday, February 6th. The death came suddenly, although Dr. Thomas had not been in the best of health for some time.

Dr. Thomas leaves to mourn his passing the good wife and one daughter, making their home at Edgar; a brother, Dr. M. U. Thomas and a sister, Mrs. Winnie McCredy of Weeping Water; Dr. J. W. Thomas, a nephew, of Lincoln.

They were at the funeral services which occurred last Friday at Edgar.

Very Close Friends.

The family of Ralph Keckler of Weeping Water and that of Harry Haws who operates the elevator at Manley, are very close friends. On last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Haws were guests at the Keckler home and as they remained until rather late playing the fascinating game of pinocchle, a storm came slipping along with such violence that the roads were blocked and which remained in that condition until Tuesday evening when they were opened for the greater portion of the way to the highway No. 1 which leads to Manley. Mr. and Mrs. Haws taking a bob sled departed home where they arrived safely, leaving their auto in Weeping Water as they could not get the car through the drifts. However all enjoyed the fine visit which the storm compelled them to take.

Home From the South.

Mrs. D. C. Phillips who has been in Dunnegan, Mo., for the past ten days, called there on account of the death of her father, returned home the middle of this week, having remained for the funeral visiting with the mother who is well advanced in life.

Fifty Years in Nebraska.

M. H. Prall who has made his home in Weeping Water for the past fifteen years, left Sterling Illinois, February 22nd, 1886. He came first to Western, Nebraska and was present and assisted in the organizing of Chase county, Nebraska, where he resided

Private Money FOR Choice Farm Loans

—SEE—

Searl S. Davis

for a number of years and where for a long time he was interested in the publishing of a number of newspapers.

Roads Were Very Bad.

Otto Mogensen who resides east of Weeping Water where the snow is especially deep and almost impossible to get over came to town with a hand sled on which he loaded groceries and things needed at the home, pulling them home over the fields where the snow was not so deep. This is one of the things the people have to resort to during this time of heavy snows, intense cold and biting winds.

Weeping Water Wins Over Lincoln.

One of the high school basketball teams of Lincoln was here last week for a game of the celebrated basketball with the Weeping Water team and in which the home team won by a score of 16 to 10. The game was made the more interesting by the playing of Emsbury Reed and Rains who are counted as being very fast and good players.

FIRE PUT OUT WITH SNOW

St. Edward, Neb.—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cruise, living two miles north of here, are glad it snowed Friday night. At about 2 o'clock Saturday morning they awoke to find their home on fire. They called the St. Edward fire department but the fire truck stalled in a snowdrift on the edge of town and it took the fire boys an hour to dig it out and get it back to the station. Meanwhile Mr. and Mrs. Cruise fought the fire alone and finally put it out with snow. Considerable damage was done to the roof and ceiling.

SUFFERS BAD FIRE

From Wednesday's Daily
This morning at 2:45 fire destroyed the Marcus hotel, 6th street and Central avenue, Nebraska City. The fire originated in the basement of the hotel immediately under the rooms occupied by the Otoe county relief offices. The blaze spread rapidly and the entire interior of the building was gutted with the loss of the contents of the hotel as well as the supplies of the relief office. Estimates fix the damage at from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

WILL AID TAXPAYERS

There will be a representative of the collector of internal revenue here on February 26, 27, 28, to aid the taxpayers in preparing their returns. It is expected that he will have his office at the court house while here.

Dependable Insurance

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Water Transportation in the Middle West

Promise of Lower Rates on the Shipment of Basic Crops of the Great Middle States.

As we see the preparation of the Missouri river for navigation going forward to completion in 1937 or 1938, the people of this inland territory can hardly visualize the importance of it, and so we just wonder what it is all about. A few statistics and figures which are official facts may aid in making it more concrete and more easily understood. In 1933, freight originated and carried by the railroads on which they collected freight amounted to 693,943,000 short tons. While the same year the freight carried on the inland navigable rivers, canals, and connecting channels on which freight was collected amounted to 182,965,000 short tons. In other words, the inland waterways carried about 26% as much freight as was carried by the railroads.

Perhaps an actual example will help us to get a clearer understanding of just what it actually means. Last year the all-rail freight rate on corn from Kansas City to Chicago was 17.5 cents per 100 pounds.

The first down-stream tow on the Missouri river was a shipment of 51,000 bushels of grain from Kansas City to Chicago. The barge line freight rate on this shipment was 9.7 cents per 100 pounds, a saving of 7.8 cents per 100 pounds, or a saving of \$2,386.80 in transportation cost.

The Omaha World-Herald of January 9, 1936, says:

"A rate study indicates that when the proposed nine-foot channel of the upper Missouri is completed, it will be possible to deliver a bushel of wheat from Omaha, St. Joseph, Sioux City and other ports at a cost of about 14 cents to Liverpool, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp or Bordeaux. The shipment, made now by rail, lake and canal to New York and then abroad, costs about 25 cents.

"The wheat grown in the middle-west must reach the world market in competition with wheat from the valley of the Rio de la Plata in the Argentina. The rate for a bushel from Santa Fe on the La Plata to Liverpool and Hamburg is 15 cents. Similarly, the rate from the Danube river ports to Liverpool and Bremen is 15 cents a bushel.

"If the American wheat grower could cut 10 cents a bushel off the cost of shipping wheat to the world market, his ability to compete in that market would rise at once."

A. L. TIDD.

PUPILS MAKE LIST OF CITY IMPROVEMENTS TO SUBMIT

In co-operating with the Community Planning committee the pupils of the Plattsmouth high school met and selected what they thought would be good improvements for the city of Plattsmouth. They took considerable interest in this, realizing that they as future citizens would be the recipients of many of the benefits of these improvements.

The following is the list they submitted:

1. Graveling and paving of side streets.
2. Recreational grounds provided for the young people of the city.
3. Remodeling or removing the old buildings of the city.
4. A city gymnasium.
5. Improving the old park or building another park.
6. Bigger and better things should be done by the transient camp.
7. Reconstructing the depots.
8. A dance hall provided for the young people only.
9. A city ordinance requiring all citizens to keep their alleys clean.
10. Reconstructing of the grade school.
11. Improving the old worn sidewalks.
12. Remodeling Elks building for all high school pupils entertainment.
13. Removing the park down the middle of Main street.
14. City limits should be more enforcing.
15. Plattsmouth needs an organization such as the Y. M. C. A.
16. Improving Hotel Plattsmouth.
17. Planting of trees.
18. By making each and every business place bigger and better in order to keep our young people at home.

RETURNS FROM FUNERAL

Mrs. Frank Toman has returned from Oberlin, Kansas, where she was in attendance at the funeral of her brother, Frank Pala, of that city. Mrs. Toman herself has been ill and today was the first time that she has been able to be out to any extent.

Phone the news to No. 6.

Murray

FOR RENT: The seven room residence of Mrs. J. W. Jenkins. Inquire at Murray State Bank. 413

Earl Mrasek and Henry Vest were looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth on Tuesday.

Glen Kettlehut was driving for the writer on Tuesday of this week on our trip to Nehawka, Avoca and Weeping Water.

Henry Vest was a visitor in Nebraska City Tuesday night of last week, going down to look after some matters of business.

Oliver Lloyd, residing east of town, picked out a way to avoid the drifts and get to the highway across field, and from there was able to get to town for a bag of groceries, in which he was of need, and he was not alone in this respect, for there were many others in his class.

Rev. Loyd Shubert, pastor of the Christian church at Murray and the teacher of a rural school east of town, was one of the crew of men who shoveled the road open to the highway and also took a picture of the twenty-eight men while they were busily engaged in making the snow fly.

Van Allen, taking opportunity of the time when there was so much snow and the weather so cold that there was little or no business from the surrounding countryside, got busy and overhauled his own car, tuning it up and putting in some new parts, so it will be in shape to step out and go when spring finally arrives.

Hallis Akin, salesman for the Ford line of cars, was in Murray Tuesday of this week looking after some business matters. He reports the sale of several cars during the past few days in spite of the blocked highways and inability to do much traveling. However, spring will come (as it always has) and the buyers are looking forward to days of real pleasure with their new vehicles.

Returning to Nebraska

Mr. and Mrs. Brady Wheeler, who formerly resided a few miles north of Murray, but moved a number of years ago to South Dakota, to engage in farming a short distance from the town of Lake Andes, are soon to return to Nebraska and will locate on a farm in the vicinity of Louisville.

Urged to Run for Unicameral

George E. Nickles, who has been a member of the house in the Nebraska legislature for the past two terms, has received numerous urgings that he become a candidate for the new unicameral legislature which is to be composed of but one house. As chairman of the finance committee during the last session, Mr. Nickles helped to hold down expenditures and reduce the state tax burden. He has not arrived at any decision as yet, but in case he should decide to run, he will undoubtedly poll a large vote.

Visited in Tennessee

On Christmas day Mrs. Bertha Hicks and William Hicks, whose former home was at Jackson City, Tenn., departed for that place, and have enjoyed a visit there during the past more than a month. They were pleased to meet many of the old friends who still reside in that vicinity.

They found the weather rather cold for that climate during most of their stay, but for that matter, what part of the country hasn't had a like record? There were many nice days, however, and they thoroughly enjoyed every minute of their stay.

Men of Murray Doing Their Share

Not only did some twenty-eight of the loyal citizens of Murray jump into the matter of opening up the east road by shoveling their way out, but have since turned their attention to the west road, on which they have, however, been able to make but little headway due to the great depth of the drifts. Then, too, this road, extends west to the Elmwood corner, a distance of some 25 miles, and presents a much greater problem than the mere three-quarter of a mile stretch east of town, which they were able to clear in comparatively short time.

Robert Chapman, rural mail carrier out of Nehawka came around by Union and into Murray in an effort to get west from here and then work down south into his territory north of Nehawka, but found the roads in no better shape up this way than at home and was forced to give it up.

Will Move to Illinois

I. A. (Carl) Warlick, who has been farming the Mrs. Davis place north-west of town, has arranged to hold a public sale on Friday, February 21, disposing of his live stock, farming equipment and a portion of his household goods. The advertisement of the sale appears elsewhere in this issue.



E. J. RICHEY
Telephone 128

of the Semi-Weekly Journal.
Mr. Warlick expects to move to southern Illinois, where he will farm the coming year on a place he has there.

Everybody Wanted Bread

Last Friday when the storm closed the roads and the bread trucks were unable to make their regular trips, the lost art of baking was revived in many a home, the finished product varying all the way from flapjacks to corn bread and now and then some who baked real bread. Biscuits were in greatest favour, however, among the subterfuges. Baking bread for home consumption has become well nigh a lost art, with every town and village supplied daily with bread and pastries from the ovens of the large city bakeries.

Bruce Wells, who drives the Peter Pan delivery truck was able to get only as far as the Barrows filling station south of Plattsmouth Saturday, but with the opening up of the road was able to get to Murray Monday, and there was also bread shipped in by rail that day, so the era of biscuits came to an sudden a close as it had a start.

Literally Dug Themselves Out

With three quarters of a mile of deep snow drift shutting the hustling town of Murray off from the outside world for two days, the citizens took steps to open up the road and Monday forenoon twenty-eight persons with shovels went after the proposition of digging themselves out in real earnest. After making the snow fly throughout most of the day, they were able to get the road open for travel. Bruce Wells, with his bread truck, was the first one to get to town following the storm of Saturday.

The snow shoveling was no easy task and there was a job for all who desired to work. Practically everyone in Murray turned out to help, the group of shovelers including merchants, laborers, doctors and ministers. Those who could not get away, sent some one to work in their place and every business house in town was represented with one or more workers. They did a fine job of it and are deserving of much praise for the public spirited manner in which all responded to the need.

We saw one man who was not accustomed to handling a shovel handle and he had worn a number of painful blisters on his hands and also had his nose frosted, but was happy with the satisfaction of having done his part.

Died at Omaha Hospital

During the past month, Ed McCulloch has been seriously ill at his home in the country, growing much worse last week. With the roads so badly drifted after the blizzard of Monday, February 3rd, it was impossible to get him to a hospital and the aid of the road men and their equipment was invoked to open up the road leading to his place from the highway. Dr. R. W. Tyson then arranged transportation for the patient to Omaha, where he was placed in a hospital for treatment. On Sunday night he passed away. An account of his life will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Semi-Weekly Journal.

It was a very fine thing that the road men and other friends of Mr. McCulloch gave their time to opening up the road, the work being completed only a short time before another blizzard again drifted all the highways shut on Saturday.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our appreciation for the many kind deeds rendered during the long illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Especially do we wish to thank all who assisted in clearing the roads and cemetery of the snow on the day of the funeral.—William Sporer and Charles; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sporer and Family; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Sporer and Family.

OMAHA HOSPITAL IS SOLD

Omaha.—Trustees of Clarkson Memorial hospital here announced the purchase of Lord Lister hospital of Omaha. Possession of the building and equipment will be taken by Clarkson hospital April 1. Need for more room and greater facilities was given by the trustees for the purchase. The present Clarkson hospital will be abandoned.

"See it before you buy it."