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MURDOCK ITEMS

Meryl Schafer was compelled to miss several days of school last week on account of a severe ear infection, which followed a brief siege of influenza.

Art Loran and wife, who reside south of Elmwood, were visiting friends and looking after business matters in Murdock Wednesday afternoon of last week.

A number of officials of the Rock Island railroad were in Murdock last week inspecting the station and the right of way as well as making friends for the company.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bornemeier, who have been making their home in Weeping Water, are visiting for a couple of weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bornemeier.

George F. Wilson of Elmwood was looking after some business matters in Murdock last Wednesday afternoon, and was visiting with his friend, J. H. Buck, the blacksmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Stock have taken up housekeeping for the present in the home of Mrs. Augusta Schlaphof in Murdock. They intend to move on a farm east of town in late February.

W. O. Gillespie is making fine gains after a recent automobile accident near York, Nebraska. The injuries he received are healing nicely, so that he is able to again transport the school children by his bus.

Daniel Ruge, who spent the Christmas season with home folks, returned to Naperville, Illinois, last Monday, where he resumed his last semester's work prior to graduation next June. He has enjoyed his work at North Central college very much.

Louis Hornbeck departed last week for Rock Island, to consult with officials of the Modern Woodmen of America, before continuing on to Chickamauga, Georgia, from where he will travel over that part of the south in the interests of the M. W. A. as traveling auditor.

The relationship of Mrs. Amelia Rieckman gathered in her home on Friday evening, December 30, to celebrate the annual family gathering, which was somewhat delayed this year, because of the recent injuries she received in December. It was a happy time for all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Miller are happy over the arrival of an eight pound baby girl, who was born to them in a Lincoln hospital Wednesday evening, January 4, 1939. The mother, formerly Miss Louise Meier-Jurgen, and the baby are getting along nicely and are hoping to return home soon.

Spent New Years in Lincoln
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hornbeck of Lincoln entertained on New Years day, having as dinner guests I. G. Hornbeck and Miss Elsa Bornemeier from Murdock and a number of capital city friends.

Attended Installation
A number of Murdock ladies who are members of the Order of Eastern Star at Elmwood attended the installation ceremonies and banquet of the chapter last week.

Card of Thanks
To the many friends who aided at the time of the death of our be-

loved wife and mother, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks. We appreciate more than words can convey your thoughtful ministrations, and hope that similar trouble may never come to your home. We thank the many for their floral tributes, those who sang at the funeral and the minister who spoke words of comfort.—W. O. Gillespie and Children.

Many Relatives Die
John H. Caster, a cousin of W. T. Weddell, who has been chief surgeon for the Atchison and Santa Fe railroad at Wichita, Kansas, dropped dead last week. Edward Weddell, age 53, a nephew of W. T. Weddell, who has been a station agent for the Santa Fe since 1905 also died last week and was buried at Baxter Springs, Kansas, his home. These two deaths, coming close together add to the sorrow of our townsman whose brother J. C. Weddell passed away about three weeks ago at his home at Ashland.

New Years Party
A happy New Years party was held at the L. Neitzel home, those present including Fred Lowe and family, of Hyannis, Neb., the A. J. Neitzel family and O. J. Hitchcocks of Havelock, all having dinner and supper and enjoying themselves visiting and playing games.

Visited with Friends Here
Rev. Fred Martin, a former pastor of the Callahan church in years gone by, but now located at Manhattan, Canada, departed last week for Colorado, after spending some ten days visiting old friends here. After a visit in Colorado, he will go to California, before returning to his home in Canada.

Purchased Residence Property
C. A. Besack, of Omaha, last week purchased the former Herman R. Schmidt residence property from the Heme Owners Loan Corporation. Mr. and Mrs. Besack, who are well known in Murdock, expect to occupy the property they have acquired and will move here at once. It is a well built residence and will make them an excellent home.

Taken to Omaha Hospital
Mrs. Julius Reinke, of Murdock was taken to an Omaha hospital last Saturday, where she has been during the past week under observation and treatment. Her condition has been very serious but it is hoped that with the best of treatment and nursing she will recover and be able to return home in due time.

Died Suddenly in Iowa
James Woodard, a well known telephone engineer of many years experience, who was the first manager of the exchange in Murdock when it was under the Plattsmouth Telephone company, died suddenly last Tuesday at his home in Council Bluffs, Iowa, being 74 years of age. He retired from active work some time ago, receiving a life pension from the Northwestern Bell company, by which he was employed for many years. And although not actively employed, his advice and suggestions were often asked and made use of in the solving of telephone problems, as he was considered an expert.

Community Building Fails
The proposition for a community building, like the school boy's dream, goes glimmering through the vale of glory that were (to be.) When the votes were counted last Friday, it showed the proposition defeated. The vote was 60 for, 61 against, the needed 73 votes not materializing.

Able to be Up and Around
Mrs. Amalia Rieckman, who had the misfortune of falling in her kitchen before the Christmas season, is up and around again after spend-

ing ten days in bed and suffering a good deal of pain. Fortunately, no bones were broken. Even though grandma has been careful in going about the home during the past year, accidents sometimes happen. The many friends rejoice in her rapid recovery at this time.

Celebrated Birthday
A happy evening was spent by ten young couples at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Schlaphof last Tuesday to help John celebrate his birthday. A fine prepared evening of entertainment was enjoyed and a delicious luncheon was served by the hosts. It was a delightful evening of fun and fellowship and the guests wished Mr. Schlaphof many happy returns of the day.

Honored Newlyweds
Mr. and Mrs. Matt Thimgan entertained fifty guests in their home Sunday evening, January 1, 1939, in honor of the recent marriage of their son Victor to Miss Edna E. McCrory of Murdock. A fine two-course dinner was served at 6:00 o'clock and the guests enjoyed themselves immensely on this happy occasion.

The newly wedded couple, born in this community and reared in the schools here, are well known to their many friends. The bride taught school near Murdock for five years and until recently has been engaged in work in Lincoln. The groom is engaged in the carpenter's trade with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Thimgan intend to reside in Murdock for the present, where their friends wish them success and happiness.

Missionary Society Elects
At the annual all-day meeting of the Missionary Society held in December at the home of Mrs. Alvin Bornemeier, officers were elected for the year 1939, as follows:

Mrs. William Rikli, president; Mrs. Harold Lutheins, vice president; Mrs. Albert Bornemeier, recording secretary; Mrs. William Eisele, corresponding secretary; Mrs. August Ruge, treasurer; Mrs. Alvin Bornemeier, superintendent of Y. P. M. C.; Mrs. Herbert Oehlerking, superintendent of the Mission Band; Mrs. Ferdinand Rieckman, assistant superintendent of the Mission Band, and Mrs. L. B. Gorthey, superintendent of the Little Heralds.

The society is a very active organization of the church and accomplishes much good each year.

Thimgan-McCrory Wedding
New Year's eve, December 31, 1938, the immediate families and friends of Miss Edna McCrory and Mr. Victor Thimgan, gathered at 8:00 o'clock, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ivy McCrory, to witness the wedding ceremony of their daughter.

Mr. Emil Miller, accompanied by his relatives present for Christmas dinner at the S. C. Boyles home and then went to Plattsmouth to visit their daughter, Mrs. Roy Cole and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Keefe were present for the church services Sunday and had the opportunity of meeting a good many of their old friends.

Entertains Aid Society
Mrs. Arthur Dinges, who was assisted by Mesdames Carl Rosenow, Orville Buehler and Talbert Edwards, entertained the members of the Aid Society at the home of Mrs. Dinges Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Frank Taylor had charge of devotions.

A large crowd was present to enjoy a pleasant and profitable afternoon.

Mrs. Lyle Miller turned over very nearly \$19.00 profit from magazines.

The hostesses served delicious sandwiches and coffee at the close of the meeting.

Charles Clinton Bucknell
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He leaves to mourn his departure, his wife and companion with whom he has traveled down the pathway of life, sharing each other's sorrows and joys, the bitter and the sweet.

Seven children greeted their home, Clarence of Alvo; Mrs. Jessie Muench, of Alvo; Mrs. Grace Linch, of Sioux City, Iowa; Raymond, Clifford and Mrs. Bertha Skinner, all of Spirit Lake, Idaho, and one sister of Spokane, Washington.

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For the past several years, Mr. Bucknell has lived at Spirit Lake, Idaho, where he departed this life.

The body was brought to Alvo for burial. Services were held at the Methodist church at 2:00 o'clock last Tuesday, with Rev. John Hammel officiating.

Alvo News

(Editor's Note—Persons having news items for the Alvo department should phone same to our Alvo correspondent, Mrs. Glenn Dimmitt before Friday, as present mail conditions require mailing of her news letter at 3:30 Friday morning in order to reach us in time for publication in Monday's paper.)

J. B. Elliott, Jr., has torn down the blacksmith building which he recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock were dinner guests at the Loren Mickle home at Denton Sunday.

Warren Hammel, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, spent Sunday with his parents.

Harry Weichel has been moving the office building that he recently purchased in town, to his farm.

Mrs. A. B. Stroemer and Mrs. Bornemeier went to Lincoln Wednesday afternoon after being informed of Mrs. Brobst's death.

The Bridge club met for a one o'clock luncheon Thursday noon at the home of Mrs. S. C. Jordan. The ladies enjoyed a pleasant afternoon.

Walt Vincent, the custodian for the school building, has been on the sick list this week. Part of the time, Walt was unable to be on duty, but is reported to be feeling some better at this writing.

Mark Nickel, who has been at Savannah, Missouri, for some time taking treatments, has not been able to return home as yet. He had expected to be home for Christmas but was unable to do so.

Mrs. Charles Edwards was in Lincoln part of last week visiting her son, Edgar and family. The Edgar Edwards family came down from Lincoln Saturday evening and remained to visit relatives until Sunday evening.

The Alvo fire department was called to the Raymond Eveland farm west of Alvo last Monday, where a large barn and other buildings were destroyed. A great number of Alvo people were present to watch and assist at the fire.

The young folks who were home from college for their Christmas vacation, returned to resume their respective studies the fore part of the week. Victor and Iris Miller, Katherine, Edward and Margaret Stroemer returned to the University of Nebraska; Grace Muenchau to the Peru State Teachers' college; Ruth Ann Ganz to the Stephens college at Columbia, Missouri. A number of other students from here spent most of their vacation in the cities where they are attending school.

Former Residents Visit Here
Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Keefe of Glenwood, Iowa, former Alvo people, came to Alvo Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Boyles and the Ganz family over the week end before returning to their home after a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Keefe were among the relatives present for Christmas dinner at the S. C. Boyles home and then went to Plattsmouth to visit their daughter, Mrs. Roy Cole and family.

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Former Resident Dies
The people of this community were shocked Wednesday afternoon when they learned of the death of a former Alvo resident, Mrs. Andrew Brobst. Mrs. Brobst died at her home in College View Wednesday noon. Friends were unaware of her serious condition. Death came as a result of a goitre that she had been troubled with for many years. To mourn her passing are her husband, Andrew, two sons, John of Norfolk and Daniel, who is at home, a daughter, Maurine, who is also at home, two sisters of Lincoln and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at a capital city mortuary Friday morning at ten o'clock.

The Brobst family resided in Alvo for several years before moving to Lincoln. The M. E. parsonage was formerly their home.

Mr. Brobst was engaged in the carpenter business. Mrs. Brobst was active in social circles.

LAST WEEK'S ALVO LETTER
(Delayed mail service brought us last week's Alvo news letter too late for publication in prior issues of Journal, and the same are printed below—Ed.)

This cold weather has made the ice skaters happy, as they were able to get out for some plain and fancy skating, the pond having been put in fine shape early last autumn. (The joy proved short lived however, as still warmer weather has followed that few days cold spell, until even the frost is all out of the ground.)

Ruth Ann Ganz, who is a student at Stephens college, Columbia, Mo., has been spending her Christmas vacation with her parents.

The Jerold Rueber family spent Christmas day with Mr. Rueber's folks at Elmwood.

A. B. Stroemer was on the sick list last week. For a few days he was unable to carry the mail. Roy Coatman, the substitute carrier, was on duty during Mr. Stroemer's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Copple and son, Lee, spent Monday with the Ray Norris family near Weeping Water.

Miss Alice Taylor, who has been at Onawa, Iowa, for nearly two years, came Christmas eve to spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nickel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Mickle and son, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gerbeling and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Miller and son and Jesse Hardnock and son Forrest were guests at the S. C. Hardnock home Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dickerson and family of Lincoln were in attendance at the Christmas eve program at the church, spending that night and Christmas day at the Charles Godby home.

Mrs. Frank Taylor accompanied the Rehmeier family to Omaha Tuesday, where they visited at the Adolf Mogensen home. Fred and Frank Rehmeier remained for a longer visit. They returned home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cook, of Camp Point, near Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Williams of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. George Bornemeier and daughter were Christmas day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook. Mr. and Mrs. Williams left Sunday evening for Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cook left Monday.

Mrs. Verna Boyles left for Lincoln Thursday after visiting for a few days at the S. C. Boyles home.

Allen Tintman and Don Davis were among those who were working hard to sell as many tickets as possible for the Firemen's benefit party that will take place this week end at the school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Randal Maves of Lincoln were over night guests at the Elmer Klyver home Christmas eve.

Mrs. Dora Anderson, Miss May Anderson, Mrs. Emery Osenbaugh and son Dickie, all of Lincoln were Thursday afternoon callers at the home of Mrs. Elmer Klyver. Mrs. Osenbaugh and Miss May Anderson also called on Mrs. Ed Schuelke in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Williams were Saturday evening dinner guests at

DOING HER BIT FOR BUTTER



Jackie Banning is doing her bit to reduce the nation's huge butter surplus and so are many grocers throughout the nation. The supply of butter in the United States in the month of December was shown to be 210,000,000 pounds—more than sixty million pounds above normal, presenting one of the major problems for 1939. The necessity of relieving the situation has become more apparent with each passing day and dairy farmers and creameries everywhere in the United States are displaying a keen interest in sales campaigns because of the influence the huge surplus of storage butter stocks can exert on the existing price structure. CASCO butter is made in Cass county from cream supplied by Cass county farmers. Your purchase of Casco will help create a better home market for cream.

the Elmer Klyver home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herman and children of near Eagle were afternoon callers at the George Fifer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Klyver spent Thursday evening at the George Fifer home.

Allen Tintman spent his Christmas vacation with his folks.

Warren Hammel, son of Rev. and Mrs. Hamel spent Christmas vacation with his parents. Warren is a student at the University of Nebraska.

Edwin Muenchau is doing the chores at the Ronald Hall home near Waverly, while they are visiting at Rock, Kansas.

Mrs. Raymond Hiers and little daughter is visiting at the Arthur Klyver home in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock spent Thursday at the Orville Gerbeling home near Murdock. Gwendolyn, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gerbeling, is ill with pleurisy. They found the little girl feeling quite ill.

Hony Miller spent Christmas day with his daughter, Mrs. Harriet Lovett, of Lincoln. He returned home Monday. He then went to Elmwood where he has been staying with his daughter, Mrs. John Woods and husband. Mrs. Woods has been ill for two or three weeks and he has been assisting her with her work.

Ralph Dreamer has been on the sick list the past week. He has been suffering from quinsy and has been confined to his bed.

Swanberg-Cook Nuptials
The charming home wedding of Miss Darlene Swanberg, of Kingsley, Iowa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Swanberg, and Wesley Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook of this community was a pleasant event of the holiday season Saturday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents.

The beautiful candlelight service was used and the ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor.

The bride and groom were attended by Mrs. Roger Williams of Chicago, a sister of the groom, and Mr. John Swanberg a brother of the bride.

The bride who was given away in marriage by her father, was attired in a beautiful velvet gown, wore a corsage of roses and carried a prayer book. The groom wore the usual dark suit.

Mrs. Olson, of Omaha, an aunt of the bride sang two songs preceding the ceremony, being accompanied on the violin by her son, a cousin of the bride.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home.

Over forty relatives were present at the wedding.

Death of Former Citizen
Charles C. Bucknell, who has been making his home at Burlington, Colorado, with a daughter, for several years, but formerly resided here, passed away last week and the remains were brought to Alvo for bur-

ial. His death occurred on Saturday, December 24, and the funeral was held on Tuesday. Mr. Bucknell leaves to mourn his departure four children, as follows: Clarence Bucknell, who resides north of Elmwood; George Bucknell of Sheldon, Missouri; Mrs. Louis Skinner and Mrs. Muenchau, with whom he had been making his home.

Entertains Club
Mrs. Arthur Dinges was hostess to the Alvo Woman's Reading club Thursday afternoon at her home.

Mrs. Dorothy and Charles Edwards had charge of a most interesting program.

Very delicious refreshments were served at the close of the pleasant afternoon.

Christmas Message from President
Fred Rehmeier, who has quite a hobby for letter writing, had apparently ran out of folks to write to (according to his analysis of his own situation) and went to his mother for suggestions as to whom he might send another letter with Christmas greetings. She replied: "Well, Fred, you haven't written the president yet."

Taking his mother's suggestion seriously, he proceeded to write President Roosevelt a friendly message and Christmas greeting and mailed it, never really expecting an answer. But, on December 20, Fred was surprised and much pleased to receive the following reply written on White House stationery:

Washington, D. C.
December 16, 1938.

My Dear Fred:

Your friendly little letter of December 11 pleased the president ever so much and he has asked me to thank you for it. He appreciates your Holiday Greetings and hopes you will have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,
M. A. LE HAND,
Private Sec'y of President.

Fred Rehmeier,
Alvo, Nebraska.

Fred is delighted at having received a reply to his letter and took the communication to school for the teacher and the pupils of his room to have the pleasure of seeing and reading the letter.

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