

MURDOCK ITEMS

The Ladies Aid of the Murdock church were guests at the home of Mrs. Leo Rikli one day last week.

Mrs. Margaret (Grandma) Rikli has been under the weather during the past week, but is now reported as somewhat improved.

Martin Bohlsen and family, of Omaha, were guests over the week end at the home of Mrs. Bohlsen's parents, C. H. Kupke and wife.

Oris Cook, who has been residing in the residence property of the late Fred Dieckman, moved last week to the rental house of Henry A. Tool.

The new Cass county sheriff, Joe Mrasek, and his deputy, Emery Doody, were in Murdock a short time last Monday looking after business.

Miss Elsa Bornemeier was visiting friends and looking after business matters in Lincoln on Wednesday of last week, making the trip via the Rock Island.

E. D. Friend, of near Alvo, came over last Wednesday and spent the rest of the week at the home of his daughter, and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Craig.

Ed Ganaway was visiting with his daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robson of Lincoln over the week end, returning in time to look after his business Monday morning.

Neighbors of Fred Cordes got together last week and assisted him with the job of moving, as the Cordes family will make their home near South Bend this coming year.

Mrs. Charles Marshall, who has been here on a visit from her home in the west, is reported considerably improved at the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln, where she was taken recently for treatment.

Troy Davis of Weeping Water was a visitor in Murdock one evening last week, when he made an address on the workings of the PWA and the WPA, shedding some light on these two plans of making improvements.

Fred Prouty of near Alvo was in Murdock last Wednesday and was visiting his friends here for a time. Mr. Prouty came over to bring his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Armstrong to see the doctor, as she has been in poor health for some time.

Christian C. Murray, who resides between Murdock and Louisville was plowing Wednesday morning and doing a good job of it, as the ground was entirely free from frost. Asked what he was getting ready to plant, he said: "Corn . . . in the spring."

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Thimgan made a flying trip to central Kansas to deliver some mill work which had just been completed by Messrs. Matthew and Victor Thimgan. They were able to make the round trip in a day, although it was late at night when they got home.

Friends received the sad news of the passing of A. E. Frasher, a former citizen of Murdock, at his home in Los Angeles, December 27, 1938. His wife and son Walter survive him. The last years of his active life were spent in the Y. M. C. A., from which he was retired on pension.

Ray Gamlin has now brought a total of 800 feeder pigs into Nebraska, from the vicinity of Aurora, Arkansas, to which place he has been making regular trips with a double-deck truck. Most of them have been sold to farmers of this community, but last week he took part of his load to College View, where a community sale was in progress and the young porkers brought very good prices.

Basketball Results

There were three basketball games played on the local floor last Tuesday evening. The Murdock high school band played between the games, while the players were on the floor warming up. The Murdock first school team won over Union by a score of 56 to 29, and the second team also won from Union's second team, 24 to 22. An alumni game between alumnus of the Nehawka and Murdock schools was won by the Nehawka group by a score of 21 to 19. The games were closely contested and kept the audience in suspense as first one team and then the other would forge ahead.

Getting Ready for Garden

Vernon Schewe, who resides in Murdock plowed his lot one day last week. The ground worked very nice, being entirely free from frost. We believe he will wait for some time, however, before starting planting operations.

Make Clothing for Mission

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Murdock Evangelical church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Otto Miller last week, where they engaged in making baby clothes for their mission in Kentucky known as the Red Bird Mission, which administers relief to deserving folks living in the hills surrounding Beverly, Kentucky, where the mission is located. A number of garments were completed and a box of supplies will be sent to the mission in the near future.

Missed Their Fellow Member

When the Ladies Aid of the Murdock Evangelical church met last week at the home of Mrs. Leo Rikli, one of their long-time earnest workers was absent. Mrs. Margaret Gillespie, who suffered fatal injuries in an auto wreck just before Christmas. The places she leaves in the various activities of the church will be hard to fill and the entire community misses her greatly.

Lived on One Farm 25 Years

Fred Cordes, who has resided on a farm east of Murdock owned by Gust Ruge, for the past twenty-five years, is moving to a farm near South Bend known as the W. D. Hill estate farm. Mr. Cordes is a hard and faithful worker and in the years when weather conditions were favorable no one raised better crops than he. All wish him well in his new location.

John Schlappoff will move onto the farm vacated by Mr. Cordes.

Becomes Citizen of Murdock

C. A. Besack and wife, who have resided in Omaha for a number of years, recently purchased the former residence property of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schmidt and last week moved to Murdock to reside. They are having water installed and the house made modern in every way. This is one of the better residence properties in Murdock and will provide them with an excellent home.

Mrs. Harry Gillespie Improving

W. O. Gillespie and A. H. Ward drove to York last week to see Mrs. Harry McDonald, who is still in the hospital as result of an auto collision just before Christmas. While still in a cast, she seems to be making fair progress toward recovery. As soon as she is able to be moved, she will be taken to the home of her brother, Gayle McDonald at Hampton, where the surroundings will be more pleasant for her than at the hospital.

Heavy Snow at Hyannis

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lowe and the kiddies who spent the holiday season in Murdock as guests at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Neitzel and L. Neitzel, returned to their home near Hyannis, Nebraska, last week. They found the roads excellent until near Hyannis, when they ran into considerable snow, and on arrival there found the snow drifted so badly they had to remain in town several days before they could get out to the ranch.

Bagged Three Coyotes

In a wolf hunt covering a wide area south of Ashland, west of South Bend and northwest of Murdock recently three coyotes were bagged, one each by Don Richman, Heng Smith and Walter Neuman. The hunters sighted a red fox but were not able to get close enough to get a shot at it. Another hunt is to be staged between Greenwood and Ashland in the hopes of bagging more of these pests that have been reported as making repeated raids on the chicken yards and other small livestock.

Resume Produce Business

While George Miller and family were away visiting for the past three months or more, Mrs. Bryan McDonald has had charge of the produce business conducted by Mr. Miller, but upon the return of the Millers last week he has resumed conduct of the business. Mrs. McDonald gave the best of service during the time she was in charge of the business.

Heavy Rain in Northern Iowa

Rev. F. C. Weber, pastor of the Callahan church, took his two sons to LeMars, Iowa, to resume their school work at the Western Union college after a holiday visit at home. Starting out from Murdock in a light sprinkle of rain they drove through rain all the way to LeMars, with the rainfall exceptionally heavy near Sioux City. Further east the rain turned to snow.

Rebuilding Farm Buildings

Frank A. Melvin, the contractor and builder, has been engaged to have charge of the work of rebuilding the group of farm buildings on the G. R. Eveland farm west of Elmwood that were destroyed in the fire a couple of weeks ago and has a force of workmen busily engaged

Half Pint Skater



Six-year-old Irene Dare, world's youngest figure skater, soon to appear in "Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates," under the banner of Principal Productions. She was seen in "Breaking the Ice" with Bobby Green.

in the work. The lost buildings included a large barn, cattle sheds, a hog house, a granery and corn crib and will take some time and much material to rebuild.

Morgan Shatto Very Poorly

Morgan Shatto, who has been residing alone in one of his pieces of property in the south part of town, has been rather poorly and with his advanced age is unable to care for himself. He prefers to remain at home, however, and make the best of the situation, and numerous friends have visited him regularly and looked after his welfare while he is unable to get around. Mr. Shatto has made his home in Murdock for many years and is acquainted with nearly everyone in the community.

4-Square Club Meets

There were a few absentees at the special meeting of our club January 9th, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Zabel.

Our reading leader, Mrs. A. J. Tool, had a surprise for us as Mrs. Wes Matzke, a guest, gave a most interesting account of her personal correspondence with a daughter of Anton Lang, which has continued for the past eight years. To hear so intimately of the presentation of the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany, from the family who have been connected in this work for so many years was a privilege.

Another part on our program which we consider vital and important was the presentation by Miss Izetta Brugh, one of our teachers, of the magazines used for the grade children. Those presented were: Children Activities, Jack and Jill, Wee Wisdom, Child Life, St. Nicholas and Play Mate. This gave opportunity for parents to look them over and make comparisons to select those best suited to their needs.

Miss Verna Lane, teacher in our High school, gave a resume of Frank Arnold's article, "Nebraska, the White Spot," which appeared in a recent issue of The American. In the near future Miss Lane will bring to our club something about the "smudges" upon that white spot.

Mrs. E. M. Miller reviewed Jack London's book, "The White Silence," which all enjoyed. After each book review given we realize more fully the pleasure reading can give us, and recognize that in taking a rocking-chair tour of the frozen north (where none of us may be able to see or go) provides the means of raising the curtain on a stage of entertainment without paying admission charges.

Last, but not least, our song leader, Mrs. H. A. Schwab, lead us in singing many of our songs. The charm of music was so evident we felt the time was all too short. It is necessary to say that all present felt our evening with Mrs. Zabel was very well spent.

Our guests were Mrs. C. A. Besack, Miss Lydia Streich of the Good Luck club, and our special guest, Mrs. Wes Matzke.

Our regular club meeting will be held in the school house January 20, at 1:30 p. m. This is an open meeting for both men and women. Nebraska people and situations are to be pictured in an interesting film strip. This is an opportunity which no club member nor her husband should miss.—Club Reporter.

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AVOCA NEWS

Monte Lum was a brief business visitor in Syracuse last Monday.

Supt. Softlye and wife visited over the week end at the home of friends in Lincoln.

Fred Lenhardt was shelling and delivering his last year corn crop to the Marquardt elevator.

Carl Lenhardt is the owner of a new Ford V-8 which he purchased through John Marquardt.

John Maseman was in Weeping Water Tuesday, where he went to have some dental work done.

County Commissioner Ray E. Norris was called to Plattsmouth last Tuesday to look after business matters for the county.

Carl Tefft purchased the garage at the home of Mrs. Mary Harmon in town and is moving the same to his home across the fields.

A farmer near Wabash was out in the field plowing three days last week, using a tractor and three bottom plow. The ground worked very nicely.

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational church of Avoca were meeting last Tuesday afternoon at the basement of the church. Hostesses were Mesdames Baier and Stutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Garnet, who are members of the Christian church choir at Plattsmouth and Buff Harmon of Weeping Water comprised a trio that sang at the funeral of the late Mrs. Lucy Jane Johnson.

B. C. Marquardt and John Marquardt were at Talmage last Tuesday, where they went to attend a meeting of the stockholders of the bank at that place, which is owned principally by Mr. Marquardt.

John McFadden and wife, former residents of Avoca, who have lived in Lincoln for a number of years, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Lucy Jane Johnson here last Tuesday and took advantage of their visit here by transacting business and renewing acquaintance with a number of their old friends.

Make Trip to California

John Hansen was secured to drive a car to California for Verne Shumacher, a gift to the young man from his father. He was accompanied on the trip by William Wolfe and wife, who expect to visit their son, Floyd Wolfe, who resides in San Francisco.

Will Not Farm Coming Year

John Marquardt, who was engaged in farming last year, has disposed of his equipment as well as the lease on the place, including some 80 acres of fall wheat, to F. E. Carter, who takes it over and will occupy and farm the place.

Annual Meeting of Church

The annual meeting of the Congregational church of Avoca was well attended last Sunday. The regular services, Bible school and morning worship were held, followed by a basket dinner. There were about as many present for this feature as the church could well hold, proving the popularity of these all day meetings of the congregation with time out at the noon hour for lunch. Most encouraging reports of all phases of the church work were heard.

Funeral of Mrs. Johnson

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Lucy Jane Johnson, widow of Samuel Johnson, who passed away at the family home here fourteen years ago, were held Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Johnson continued to reside here for ten years after the death of her husband, moving to Lincoln some four years ago, where she passed away early last week.

Following the service held at the Christian church in Lincoln, the funeral cortege came to Avoca for a second service at the Congregational church here and burial in the Avoca cemetery. Rev. B. F. Parnell officiated at the services here.

The deceased lady, whose maiden name was Lucy Jane Wright, was united in marriage to Samuel Johnson many years ago and they made their home in Avoca during the lifetime of her husband. Later, as stated above, she remained here for nearly ten years before moving to Lincoln to reside. Now she has come "back home" to rest peacefully beside the remains of her husband.

TO JAIL FOR DOG

PASADENA, Cal. (UP)—R. E. McGuire has thrown some doubt on the assumption that a dog is capable of more affection for his master than the master for the dog. In any event, McGuire went to jail for the dog. Fined \$10 or one day in jail for allowing his pet to run at large. McGuire chose the jail sentence.

ALVO

Albert Bornemeier helped Harold Nickel put a roof on the crib last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Groves and James Groves of York were Alvo visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Boyles Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell were calling on friends in Alvo Tuesday and looking after some business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McKay, of near Palmyra were visitors at the George Fifer home on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Skinner, of Lincoln, were in Alvo Saturday looking after some business and calling on friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kitzel and Mrs. Clyde Johnson accompanied Mrs. Hindbaugh to Savannah, Missouri, Monday. They all returned Monday evening.

Mr. Mark Nickel, who had been at Savannah, Missouri, for treatments for nearly six weeks, returned home Friday evening. He is getting along just fine.

The M. E. church choir which is directed by Don Davis, met for practice at the Homer Cook home with Walter Keller Wednesday evening. After practice, the young folks enjoyed a social hour.

Taylor-Yanak Nuptials

Miss Alice Taylor, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor became the bride of Mr. Anton Yanak, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Yanak, of Onawa, Iowa. The wedding occurred January 3.

Mrs. Yanak is a graduate of the Alvo consolidated school. She has been working at Onawa for nearly two years.

The young couple will reside on a farm near Onawa. Friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Entertains Club

Mrs. John Banning was hostess to the Alvo Woman's Reading club on Thursday afternoon.

Oris Perkins, representing the Nebraska Society for Crippled Children of Omaha was a guest speaker at this meeting. He told of the work of the society and its benefit toward the welfare of society. The message was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mesdames Simon Rehmier, Carl Rosenow and Miss Rose O'Donnell, Mrs. Banning's sister, were guests. Very delicious refreshments were served to climax the pleasant afternoon.

Entertains Club

Mrs. Stella Weichel was hostess to the Mothers' and Daughters' Council Friday afternoon at her home. The business meeting was in charge of the president, Mrs. Ellis Mickle.

Mrs. Harry Weichel had charge of the program, which was a letter from a relative or friend from some far away place. A number of letters were read, which proved very interesting.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

In Hospital

Mrs. Charles Marshall, a former Alvo resident and teacher of the third and fourth grades, is recovering from an appendectomy at the Bryan Memorial hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall live at Grant, Nebraska.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Marshall will be able to leave the hospital in about a week.

Alvo Girl is Married

Miss Doris Kinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Kinney, became the bride of Mr. John Hergenrader, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hergenrader, at a quiet ceremony performed Thursday evening at 9:00 o'clock at the parsonage of Rev. F. L. Rodenbeck, of Lincoln.

The bride, who wore a street dress of wine with black accessories, was attended by Miss Evelyn Egley. Mr. Hergenrader was attended by a brother of the bride, Mr. Merle Kinney.

Mr. Hergenrader is a graduate of the Alvo consolidated school and has attended the University of Nebraska. The couple will live in Lincoln, as Mr. Hergenrader is employed with the Beatrice Creamery company of that city.

The bride has a host of friends from this community who extend congratulations and best wishes for a happy married life.

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Elmwood News

Ben Plymale of Ashland was looking after business matters in Elmwood last Tuesday afternoon and was meeting his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Mullen and Dan Williams and wife of Alvo were looking after business in Elmwood on last Tuesday afternoon and as well were consulting their family physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Schlichtemeier were pleased last Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schlichtemeier, parents of Ronald, came from their home near Murray to spend the day with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Nelson, who have been living in the George Winkler place, moved last week to the Wm. Hottle property where they have rented five acres and will engage in poultry raising.

Henry Crozier and Knude Jensen, both of Weeping Water, were looking after business matters in Elmwood Tuesday afternoon of this week and enjoyed meeting many of their friends while here.

Ralph Gamble left early this week for Portland, Oregon, where he will spend the winter with relatives and if the climate and opportunities appeal to him strongly enough, he will remain and make his future home in the land of the "Big Red Apple."

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. West were guests at the home of their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greene. The evening was very pleasantly spent with social conversation and games of which Chinese Checkers were the most popular. The ladies seemed to have the best of it.

Hostess at Luncheon

Alpha Sigma Phi mothers met with Mrs. Bess Streeter Aldrich for one o'clock luncheon Tuesday, January 10. Twenty-two members were present, including a number from Lincoln and other places who were former residents of Elmwood. The hostess served a most delicious lunch.

Farmers Union Hold Party

A local Farmers Union from the country held their annual party the latter part of last week. There were games of all kinds for the kiddies as well as the grown-ups and an excellent time was had by all. Oysters were served. No one need say that the membership and their guests do not know how to spend an evening with pleasure and profit, for they sure do.

Eveland Farm a Busy Place

The Raymond Eveland farm, scene of a destructive fire last week, is being restored by the rebuilding of the buildings that were destroyed in the fire. A large crew of workmen have been busy and lumber and building materials are being hauled there for use in carrying on the work. Frank A. Melvin, Murdock contractor and builder, is in charge of the rebuilding program. The first to receive the attention of the workers has been the cattle sheds, so they can be gotten in under shelter should had weather come suddenly. Then will follow, as rapidly as possible, the corn crib and other buildings.

Rev. Weber Visits Here

Business called Rev. F. C. Weber, pastor of the Callahan church, here for a short time and after concluding the business he enjoyed meeting many of his friends. Rev. Weber has just returned from LeMars, Iowa, where he went to take his two sons, Milton and Marion back to resume their studies at Western Union college after spending the mid-winter vacation at home. Rev. Weber tells of running into a veritable flood between Sioux City and LeMars, and as well, much snow not far away. The weather prognostication induced him to hurry home again.

Funeral of Young Man

Funeral services for Max Hollenbeck, whose tragic death occurred last week, were held Tuesday at the Methodist church in Elmwood. Rev. Homer Fintell, pastor of the church, conducted the service. The deceased young man was a member of that church. He was 21 years old and an exemplary and well liked young man. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hollenbeck, who resided in Elmwood, but continued to conduct the farm a short distance from town and it was there that the young man met his death last Sunday.

Burial was in the Elmwood cemetery.

Odd Fellows Install Officers

Last Monday evening the I. O. O. F. held their regular meeting and followed that with the installation of their newly elected and appointed

Greenwood

Mrs. N. A. Kirk has been very poorly the past week.

Miss Aurel Cope of Weeping Water called on Lucille Kelly Monday evening.

Paul Buckingham had a public sale Saturday at the farm south of Greenwood.

Aaron Wright is laid up with a painful limb. Everyone wishes him better health.

Mrs. Elsie Peters was on the sick list the past week, but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Lyle Anderson and son of Omaha spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rouse.

Miss Aurel Cope spent Monday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cope.

The Cemetery association will meet Wednesday, January 25, with Mrs. Minnie Elwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Seihjost of Murdock spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Elva Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Shepler, of Springfield spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howard.

Misses Dolly Lockhard and Irene Kelly of Lincoln spent the week-end at the Paul Kelly home.

Mrs. Williams has been on the sick list the past week. Everyone wishes her a speedy recovery.

The Dorcas Society will meet at the church Friday with Mrs. John Mick and Mrs. Joe Brown entertaining.

Little Jeanine Fisher of Ashland spent the past week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Richards.

Mrs. Charles Marcotte of Lincoln spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. Fannie Sayles. Mr. Marcotte was also a supper guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Casey were in Arkansas the past week visiting Mr. Casey's mother. The children stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fisher.

The Ladies Card club met Thursday with Mrs. Marie Holt for a most delicious one o'clock luncheon. Their next meeting will be with Mrs. Alice Lemons.

Mrs. Dewey Headley entertained the basketball boys at her home Friday evening after the game in Ashland. Chili was enjoyed and appreciated by the boys.

The Brotherhood met at the M. E. church Thursday evening with their families. Rev. Bennet of Ashland presented moving pictures of Palestine, which was enjoyed by the good attendance.

A group of young folks of Elmwood and Mrs. Robert Acton and Mrs. Stark pleasantly surprised Miss Elva Coleman Tuesday evening. They were former pupils of Miss Coleman. We are all glad to hear that she is some better.

O. E. S. Kensington

The Eastern Star Kensington met at the home of Mrs. John Lambert Wednesday with Mrs. Margaret Howard assisting. Seventeen members were present. Games were played and a tasty lunch was enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mable Weitzel and Mrs. June Mathis on February 8.

Losers Entertain Winners

The Blues and the Reds proved good mixers at the party held at the Christian church Thursday night as a climax to the recent contest which was won by the Blue side. The program was presented by the Red side, after which games and contests were enjoyed by everyone. At the close of the party about 70 were seated in the dining room, where a delicious lunch, consisting of cake, fruit salad and coffee was served. The tables were beautifully decorated in blue.

Benediction was given by Rev. Williams. Mrs. Mable Boucher, on behalf of the guests, expressed their thanks to the Reds for the lovely evening of splendid entertainment.

Officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of the Noble Grand, Fred Backemeier, who has been in Colorado, being there at the time of his election, and, according to reported to remain there for some time. The former Noble Grand, Kenneth West, continues to officiate in that capacity until Mr. Backemeier's return from the west. Minton V. Wood was installed as vice grand; Chris Backemeier as secretary and Earl Elliott as treasurer.

We are advised that under the by-laws of the organization last year's Noble Grand will continue to officiate for three weeks, and it by that time the newly elected N. G. has not presented himself for installation, a special election is to be held and another Noble Grand elected to take the office.

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