

MURRAY

By Journal Field Representative

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Merritt visited friends in Plattsburgh last Saturday evening.

Major Isaac Hall was looking after business matters in Plattsburgh Monday morning.

Earl Merritt, the barber has re-papered his barber shop which has added much to the attractiveness of the shop.

Mrs. Georgie Creamer, who resides southeast of Murray, was a business visitor in Plattsburgh last Saturday.

Orville Noell was having his butchering done last week before spring comes and there will be plenty of other work to do.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hobscheidt were attending the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rose at Coleridge last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Tutt were visitors in Plattsburgh last Sunday, guests of Lee Nickles and his sister, Miss Etta for the afternoon and evening.

Sunday guests at the Lloyd Lewis home were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Merritt and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lewis. Mrs. Merritt and Wayne are sister and brother of Lloyd.

Two different groups of friends of Mrs. J. W. De Les Dernier gathered to help her speed a quilt through the frames, one coming on Wednesday and the other on Thursday.

Charles Sais, who has been ill at his home in Murray for some time, is still confined to his bed most of the time and is being cared for by his brother, John Sais.

George Kaffenberger, who lives west of Plattsburgh, was down for a visit at the home of his son, whom he has been assisting with the sawing of the summer wood supply.

Edward Austin, who has been residing in Murray, has completed the picking of corn which kept him busy for quite some time, and has accepted employment in Plattsburgh at the Ptak tavern.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Noell of Louisville were Sunday guests here at the home of the parents of Mrs. Noell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Scotten. While here, they were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Noell.

Mrs. W. O. Troop was a visitor in Plattsburgh last Saturday, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCarthy, who have been making a home for two of Mrs. Troop's grandchildren, Misses Phyllis and Annette, daughters of George Troop.

Robert Geary will move to the farm where James Christwiser has been farming and will farm there the coming summer. The father, Clarence D. Geary, has disposed of his farming equipment and will depart in the near future for Pennsylvania, where he will visit for a time with a sister.

Mrs. Esther Rhoden has accepted a position as teacher in the Murray schools to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of one of the teachers there. This required her resigning from a teaching position at the Mt. Hope rural school. Mrs. Trively has been secured as the teacher at Mt. Hope, District No. 60.

William Sporer writes from Florida, saying he is having a fine time in the south, with mild weather. He stated he would soon be at Palm Beach and then move on northward along the Atlantic coast to Wash-

ington and New York. From there he will turn westward, coming home by way of Chicago and Omaha.

Mrs. George (Mary May) Troop, who has been with her husband in the west, returned during the past week and has resumed the operation of her beauty parlor in Plattsburgh. Her husband has accepted a better position elsewhere.

March 1st—Moving Time

Jesse Adams has moved to a farm near Plattsburgh where John Kaufmann has been residing. Raymond Lancaster has moved onto the farm the Adams family vacated.

Harvey Gregg and sister Miss Adie have moved onto the Mrs. Mary Mast farm. Mr. and Mrs. James Christwiser are occupying the place they vacated.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lewis, who have been living on the Edward P. Lutz farm southeast of Murray, near the Lewiston Community Center, recently moved to the Mrs. Jarvis Lancaster farm, where they will reside during the coming year. J. D. Lewis and E. M. Godwin, the fathers of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are living with them and helping a bit with the work.

Entertained Social Club

Mrs. W. O. Troop was hostess at a meeting of the Pleasant Hill social club Wednesday last week, when all enjoyed a most delightful afternoon. The ladies have been in the notion of selecting a name for their club, but have not done so as yet.

Has Serious Attack

James Latta, who has not been in the best of health for some time, although able to get about, had a serious attack of heart trouble last Sunday, falling down near the steps to the Murray State Bank, and was taken home by Dr. R. W. Tyson and Ben Noell.

Attended Ground Breaking

Elbert Kell, John Frans and Philip Kell were at Fort Crook Monday forenoon, where they attended the ground-breaking ceremony precedent to the start of construction work on the large bomber assembly plant that

is to be built there and operated by the Glenn L. Martin company. Although the weather was severe, a large crowd was present for the ceremonies.

From Fort Crook, they continued on to Millard, where they attended a sale.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rose, who reside at Coleridge, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last Friday, February 27, and held open house for members of the family to the number of nearly forty. A very delightful dinner was served.

One hundred and fifty of their friends and neighbors also called to pay their respects to this excellent couple who have journeyed through life together.

Mesdames John Hobscheidt, L. M. McVey and Roy Gregg are sisters of Mrs. Rose and were present at the celebration.

Greetings and best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Rose for many more happy anniversaries.

Murray Home Study Club

The February meeting of the club was held with Mrs. Neil Stewart for a 12:30 covered dish luncheon which was enjoyed by all members present.

The business meeting was called to order and opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison.

The song of the month, "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" and "My Nebraska" were sung in unison.

Sixteen members answered roll call with an interesting discussion on the subject assigned to them. One visitor was present.

The leader, Mrs. Delbert Todd, gave an interesting discussion on the subject, "The Interesting Triangle—Parents, Teacher and Children."

Mrs. Long gave the parents' view of the triangle; Margaret Todd the children's view and Mrs. John Paris the teacher's ideas.

Mrs. Fred Druecker read sketches of "Have Our Schools Gone Fanciful?" The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Fred Druecker on March 20. Election of officers will be held at this meeting.

Bible School Lesson Study!

Sunday, March 9th

By L. Neitzel, Murdock, Neb.

"Christ Rejected"

Luke 20:9-20.

We are nearing the closing scenes in the life of our Lord, and the nearer we come, the clearer looms up the tragedy as Jesus sees and portrays it. Only a few days more and the curtain will rise on the greatest drama the world has ever seen.

It is the last day of His teaching, and the last warning to his sworn enemies. Jesus gives here a graphic description of the origin or the beginning of the planting of God's vineyard.

Fifteen hundred years before the time of Christ, God brought a plant from Ur in Chaldea (Abraham); 215 years later it was transplanted into Egypt and there in 215 years it had grown to 2,500,000 souls, whom Moses led out of Egypt. In the Sinai wilderness, God put a hedge around his vineyard (the law). According to Matthew God built a tower (government) and then let it out to husbandmen (leaders, priests, teachers).

When Moses and Joshua passed away the judges led the people who took care of the vineyard. At their demand, God gave them a king. But in all those years (over 1,000) the vineyard did not produce what could reasonably be expected. Hear the complaint of God: "What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? Wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes" etc. (Isaiah 5:4-8—Please read in its entirety).

All along it was the infancy of man—men learn slow—the teaching and revelations finally stopped, the owner went away a long time, giving the nation time to work out their destiny. But God sent from time to time servants to look for fruit, in right living, to find a God-fearing people, a witnessing people for God's bounty showered upon them. How did they receive the prophets? And how were they treated? Look at Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, etc., and then see Hebrew 11.

Then God sent his only Son, and how was he treated? The leaders, as shepherds, had failed in their ministry; here Ezekiel 34 should be brought into the lesson.

Listen to the reasoning of the leaders of Israel in the parable. They thought if they killed Jesus, the heir, they would perpetuate themselves in office. Men may propose, but God will dispose. God's purpose

no man will thwart. Each and every one will be consumed in his own good time.

Did God fulfill judgment? The student should read Josephus on the destruction of Jerusalem 40 years later. The world has not seen such a calamity as befell that city. It is simply indescribable. Every word Jesus spoke in prophecy came true. The rains of today are witnesses to the fact. God is not mocked.

Will mankind of today take a warning of the example of the Jewish nation?

The vineyard is now in other hands. The apostles and their successors are the ordained keepers.

Well, the beginning was good. See Acts 2:46-47. And it continued that way for several hundred years. Under bitter persecutions the vineyard produced wonderfully; martyrs fell by the thousands and their blood fertilized the field, causing the harvest to be abundant.

Then came dissensions and many schisms and strife from within, and it seemed like a drought had struck the vineyard, and fruit was scarce. Then God sent evangelists, men of unusual power, and stirred up the soil and much fruit resulted from their labors. Another decline has set in and it seems spirituality is at a low ebb.

It is difficult to give the cause or causes for it. The casual observer finds that there is not discipline used any more. Church members can not be distinguished from non-members. This laxity brings a disregard of all authority, and finally the ministry is afraid to call members to order. Another cause is in the preaching of today. The God of Love is stressed, and the justice of God neglected; that has produced a shallow Christianity; such preaching does not produce a deep conviction of sin, hence no repentance and consequently no forgiveness and joy and peace in the soul. So there is only a nominal Christian who has no power—one who does not attend prayer-meetings to renew his strength.

Who is to blame for prevailing conditions? The shepherd or leaders. God can do no more; here is the Word, the Holy Spirit, all the means of grace—and a complacent, lethargic church much like that of Laodicea—lifeless, useless, impotent—and a dying world in sin around us. God expects fruit from his vineyard. We do not reject Christ, but we neglect him, which is just as criminal.

UNION ITEMS

By Journal Field Representative

George Clark left on Tuesday, March 4, to report for duty in the U. S. army.

Mrs. Clara Towne, who is at the Nebraska City hospital, is reported very poorly.

Miss Dorothy Applegate has been confined at home the past week with a very severe earache.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Banning were here from Lincoln Saturday looking after business matters and visiting friends.

Mrs. Ralph Opp entertained her bridge club at the Opp home Friday of last week. A most enjoyable time is reported.

A. L. Becker and his handy man, Jack Francis, were dressing a yearling steer this week, sparing some for the neighbors.

C. E. Morris and family were at Ashland last Sunday, where they were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Morris.

Mrs. A. L. Becker and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Opp were looking after business matters in Nebraska City last Saturday night.

A. L. Becker and Henry H. Becker and wife were at Nebraska City last Friday, where they attended the funeral of the late John Kropp.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Porter were in Plattsburgh last Sunday, where they visited friends and attended services at the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Yonker of Los Angeles are expected in Union within the next few weeks and will visit relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Clara Towne, who has been ill for several weeks, was taken to the hospital at Nebraska City, where she will receive treatment for ten days or so.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kaura of Omaha were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karnopp. Mrs. Karnopp is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kaura.

Rev. J. T. Sawyer, pastor of the Union Methodist church, was the principal speaker at a district meeting which was held last Sunday at Weeping Water.

Miss Norma Ervin, who has been suffering from an infected finger, went to Nehawka Thursday evening and had the member taken care of by Dr. Andersen.

M. R. Bennett of Paul, Nebraska, arrived in Union last Saturday and is working on the Missouri Pacific section. He has been employed in like work at Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Griffin and daughter were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sudduth living west of Murray on a farm. All were raised in the same neighborhood in Missouri.

A. M. McCarroll has been confined to his home and bed the past week. During his absence, Mrs. McCarroll has been having added responsibility in looking after business at the store.

Emmett Morton and family departed Saturday for their new home near Humeston, Iowa. Miss Dorothy was given a handkerchief shower on Wednesday by a number of her girl friends at school.

C. F. Harris was able to make a business trip to Plattsburgh last Saturday. This is his first time to get very far from home since he suffered such severe injuries by being run over by a bull.

Glen Custard, the Omar man in this district, had a wreck in Myrard Monday forenoon while on duty. Details of the accident have not been learned, other than that the bread truck was badly damaged.

Attended Radio Meet

Victor Clarence and family were at Craig, Mo., Sunday, where they attended a convention of amateur radio operators in this part of the country. Besides talking shop, these technicians of the airways enjoyed a banquet and other entertainment.

Suffering from Pneumonia

Elnor Witherow recently had a spell of influenza, from which he seemingly recovered and returned to work, but suffered a relapse which has developed into pneumonia and the fore part of the week he was reported seriously ill with the latter malady.

Woman's Club Meeting

The Union Woman's club met on Tuesday afternoon of this week with Mrs. Ivan Balfour. As the assistant hostess, Mrs. Olney Easter was ill, and Mrs. Bettie Easter very graciously substituted for her. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Rhin, and as it was time for election of officers that was very quietly attended to before the afternoon program.

The newly elected officers are: Mrs. Ivan Balfour, president; Mrs.

Alice Rathe, vice president; Mrs. Nettie Mougey, secretary, and Mrs. Minnie Comer, treasurer.

Mrs. Ruth James as leader had provided an interesting program, part of which was some special music. Mrs. Nettie Mougey sang a very appropriate song for the world's present chaotic state, "The World is Waiting for the Sunlight," with Mrs. Jessie Upton at the piano.

The high-light of the afternoon's program was a book review by Mrs. Horton, of Elmwood. The book "From Many Lands," by Louis Adamic, was unusual and interesting throughout, as Mrs. Horton very able and pleasantly unfolded the story, or stories of the characters who came to America from many lands.

Mrs. Horton coming to the club, supposedly as a stranger to all the members, was surprised to find that she and the hostess, Mrs. Balfour, had met before, which made her coming doubly welcome.

As Mrs. James had given the club rhymster, Mrs. Fannie Eikenbary, a tip as to the title of the book to be reviewed, Mrs. Eikenbary concluded in her response to roll call, to incorporate its title in a speculative rhyme as to what book it would be. Her rhythmic response follows:

A book review we have in store Of modern, or of ancient lore. Which shall it be? We'll wait and see. A book review our minds to goad Perhaps along "Tobacco Road" Or "Grapes of Wrath," which stretches so the moral code But rhymes so easily with "Jodi" Two books which test the censor's skill To keep the good—discard the ill And yet eliminate no thrill. "Escape,"

Which tells a woman prisoner's tragic fate; Intrigue of nations which would tend "Good Neighbor" policies to end.

In movies there is much ado Over "All this and Heaven, too," Interpreted by Chas. Boyer—Should give us pause—perhaps dismay.

Or Wright's kind "Shepherd of the Hills" In days long past gave youth its thrills. And "Back Streets," with its sordid strife Helps youth to lead a saner life.

"Gone with the Wind," if it should be Would hold us here till '43. The "Tree of Liberty" I fear Would lead us thru another year. But we shall patiently wait and see— "Cheers for Miss Bishop" it may be.

Alert today we stand With speculative minds and outstretched hands To welcome those who come to us "From Other Lands."

Besides the usual membership, quite a number of invited guests were present. A very delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

Helped Their Co-Worker Demos Althusen, the third trick operator for the Missouri Pacific, was confined to his bed the latter part of the week and as it was not easy to get someone to take his place, Ralph Opp the agent and C. H. Whitworth the other operator each, took a part of his trick, making them twelve hours apiece each of the days he was off duty. He was able to return to work at midnight Sunday night.

Enjoying Furlough at Home Donald Hoback, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hoback, who has been at Hamilton Field, San Francisco, in the air service, had planned to come to Union on a thirty day furlough in April, but was selected by the colonel as his private chauffeur and so found he would be unable to get off at the time anticipated, but would be able to get fifteen days' leave at once. So, without stopping to write, he hurried on home and will be able to spend nearly half as much time here as originally planned. He is visiting his parents, C. W. Hoback and wife, his brother Ivan and his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

This is a Good World Last Saturday as we were hastening homeward from a day out in the county, a tire blew out as we were near the Pollard brothers' farm west of Union, so we pulled in and left the car there, hitchhiking home. A ride to Union was promptly provided by A. W. Carr, and we rode on into Plattsburgh with George A. Stites. Purchasing a tire, we started out on Sunday while the weather was nice (and luckily so for the next day was plenty cold). W. H. Porter and wife

picked us up and not content with getting us to Union, Mr. Porter also drove us to the Pollard farm and even offered his service in getting the tire mounted. It being dinner time, we urged him to return home. Hall Pollard assisted in getting the car ready for the trip home.

We wish to thank the different gentlemen named for your kind assistance.

Nehawka

By Journal Field Representative

Herman Smith and son Teddy were business visitors in Plattsburgh on Monday.

Edward Knabe and Roy Payne made a business trip to Nebraska City one day last week.

John Hobscheidt of near Murray was looking after some business at the Hansen garage here one day last week.

Wm. Jourgesen, who has been farming east of Nehawka has moved to town and will make his home here for the present.

Instructor Lloyd Sudecka of the Nehawka schools took a few hours off Monday and drove to Weeping Water, where he had a couple of teeth extracted.

When the Missouri Pacific railroad was built into Nehawka, Gayle Stabler was the first agent for the company here. He married Miss Sallie Pollard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Pollard.

Thomas Akin and some friends from Plattsburgh went to Fort Crook last Saturday in search of employment, but found little encouragement, as there was nothing being done at that time except one truck hauling lumber for the erection of some small temporary buildings.

Death of John Kropp

Funeral services for the late John Kropp were held last Friday at Nebraska City and were attended by a considerable number of Nehawka people, among them Andrew Sturm, who was a distant relative of the deceased man. A number of other relatives reside here, as well as at Union and Wyoming.

Progressive Party Nominees

At the town caucus held recently by the Progressive party, Grover Hoback, Charles Hall and William Obernault were named as candidates for the village board. So far no other nominations have been made or petitions filed.

Buried at Mt. Pleasant

Ed Baldwin, an early day agent for the Missouri Pacific and business man here, died at his home at Fairbury last week. Funeral services were held in Lincoln on Friday and interment was in the Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

For a time Mr. Baldwin was engaged in business with the late Walker Bates in the room where Matt Akin now conducts his cafe. Later the family left Nehawka and were located in various places. In the more recent years, he has resided at Fairbury.

Mrs. Baldwin was a sister of Mrs. Ruth Pollard and aunt of Merritt and Hall Pollard.

The Pollard brothers and their families and mother were in attendance at the funeral in Lincoln.

Death of Mrs. C. W. Pittman

Regina Frances Haas, daughter of Susan and George Haas, was born July 25, 1857, near Woodstock, Va., and departed this life February 19, 1941, at her home near Medford, Oklahoma, at the age of 83 years, 6 months and 24 days. At the age of one year, she moved with her parents to Corydon, Indiana. At the age of 14 she was united with the U. B. church.

In 1877 she was married to Chas. W. Pittman. To this union were born ten children, four having preceded her in death. Two daughters, Mrs. Ollie Osterloh of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Mrs. Margie Waldo, of Nehawka, Nebraska, and four sons, George, of York, Nebraska; Farley and Andrew, of Medford, and Herschel of the home.

Early in their married life they moved to Nebraska and later moved to Medford, where they have made their home.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, Charles W. Pittman, the children named above, a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives, friends and neighbors.

Those from Nehawka who attended the funeral of Mrs. Pittman in the south were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Waldo and daughter Miss Verna and Mrs. Joshua Sutphan. The Waldos returned home recently, while Mrs. Sutphan arrived home Monday of this week.

Weeping Water

By Journal Field Representative

Tony Sudduth was in Omaha last Monday with a load of produce, and brought home with him a supply of feeds.

Carl Hansen of over near Wabash was looking after some business matters in Weeping Water Tuesday of this week.

Arthur Berthold was taken with a serious attack of influenza and was kept to his bed for several days, but is now feeling better.

G. R. Binger was looking after business in Omaha last Thursday, and reports much activity in the neighborhood of Fort Crook.

Guy Hopkins and Mrs. Ben Rich traded homes some time ago and have just got their moving done from the old to the new homes. Both are very well satisfied.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sudduth were called to Omaha to look after some business matters and stopped for a short time to visit with Randall York in Plattsburgh.

Wm. Bornemeier of between Elmwood and Alvo, was a visitor in Weeping Water Tuesday of this week and was looking after business and visiting with friends.

Wally C. Johnson and his girl friend, of Friend, while on their way to Omaha to visit friends and look after some business matters, stopped in Weeping Water to visit Wally's mother, Mrs. Ellen Johnson.

Homer Abrams, the harness maker, during the preparations for the spring work, (there are some who still have horses) is working for Lawrence Askew, as work in the harness line is very good just now.

Mrs. Henry Calkins was hostess to the Hide-a-Wee club members at her home last Monday, when the members and visitors were very pleasantly entertained with a very appropriate program and a delightful luncheon. Mrs. John Albert of near Cedar Creek was present and enjoyed the hospitality of the club.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Little and daughter, Mrs. Leonard Klemme, who departed for Dunegan, Fair Play and Stockton, Mo., their former home, about ten days ago, returned to Weeping Water and Elmwood, respectively after having visited at the old home of the boy and girlhood days. They enjoyed meeting many of the old school mates and friends.

Home From Arkansas

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Jewell, who have been in the south for a number of weeks where they visited at the home of friends and looked after business while there returned home last Saturday night.

New Home Completed

The new home which Mr. and Mrs. John Bolz have had under construction the past few months, has been completed and they have moved into the house, which is a most modernly appointed, comfortable home. Mrs. Bolz, who is a beauty operator has a special room equipped for her business.

Writes from Camp Robinson

Ralph Binger, who is at Camp Robinson, writes the parents here telling of enjoying the camp life and getting acquainted with army technique, and says that in a week or ten days he will be assigned to other duties where he will be stationed permanently and as soon as he knows more fully will advise the parents.

Ed Steinkamp Says

That a recent interpretation of the income tax law is that if you don't pay the tax you go to jail and if you do you go on relief. You can take your choice.

Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Berthold report the birth of a baby girl, with the little lady and her mother doing very nicely.

No Names Given in This.

A very loyal couple, man and wife, lived in perfect accord, but the wife had some trouble with her teeth and had to have a couple of them extracted. The husband accompanied her in order to encourage her during the ordeal. With the modern day of extraction, injection of a deanser, she got through the extracting and stood the pain very well. They left the dental office, the husband taking hold of the arm of the wife, whom he had witnessed bleeding very much, and as they were crossing the street to the auto, he grasped the arm of the wife more tightly, but things went black before him and he tottered and dropped on the street. A number of friends picked him up and placed him in the car, where he was able to sit up. But the wife had to drive the car home. Poor hubby, the sight of blood was too much for him.

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