

Alvo Department

Fred Hoffman is shipping straw to Omaha, where he has been selling the same to A. A. Nixon & Co., of that place.

Phillip Coatman, who is attending the Wesleyan university, was home for Thanksgiving and enjoyed the visit very much.

Earl Bennett has moved to Elmwood, where he will make his home in the future, he having secured a place in the city to live and employment there also.

Wm. Foreman of Raymond was a visitor in Alvo on Wednesday of last week and was looking after some business matters as well as visiting with friends in the lively little city.

Mrs. M. O. Wood was able to be out and down town last Wednesday and stated that she had not been feeling very well of late, but was glad she could get out on that day, it being nice.

Chris Elkman, who has been rustling to get his corn all picked, has about gotten one-half of it out, and while working in the west ground sprained his back and had to take a rest for a few days.

Paul Coatman, during the time that his uncle, R. M. Coatman, is serving on the jury at Plattsmouth, is assisting in the store, as Mr. Skinner cannot be at the store only a portion of the time.

Mrs. R. L. Parmenter was staying for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Sheesley, during the time their daughter was away on a short visit, Mrs. Parmenter assisting Mrs. Sheesley with the household work.

W. W. Coatman and Wm. Bornemeier were on the market in Omaha last Tuesday with hogs, the porkers being taken to the big city by John E. Skinner of the Coatman-Skinner truck line, he making two trips in one day.

Mrs. Mary Skinner has not been feeling very well for the past week and has been suffering from an attack of acute indigestion, which was quite painful and which her many friends are hoping she will soon overcome and be in her usual good health again.

S. C. Boyles and wife and C. D. Ganz and wife were enjoying the day Thanksgiving by visiting at Lincoln, where they were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Skyles, of that place where they all enjoyed the Thanksgiving season and where the truly Thanksgiving spirit prevailed.

Mrs. John Murty entertained the Missionary society of the Methodist church at her home last Wednesday afternoon, the ladies doing a great amount of work as well as enjoying a most pleasant afternoon and partaking of the most delightful luncheon which was served by this estimable lady.

Roy M. Coatman and Harry Appleman were spending last week mostly in Plattsmouth, where they have been helping to solve some knotty problems in the district court, and they will also have to return as there were some which they had not gotten to. They are jurors in the district court and were kept pretty busy.

Charles T. Foreman entertained at his home for Thanksgiving day and had with him his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Greer, who have been visiting here for some time and who are making their home at this time at their ranch home in Elberta, Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Prouty were also guests at this hospitable home.

A number of American Legion boys from here who are members of the Lincoln post were over to the capital city last Monday evening for the meeting which chanced to be the election of officers and in which the boys from here participated. Those to attend the meeting were R. L. Parmenter, Art Dinges, Sam Jordan and C. F. Ganz.

Elmer Rosenow, who has been with the John Woods market for some time, making a valuable assistant at that place, has accepted a position with the L. F. Langhorst Poultry company, of Elmwood, and is working there. Mr. Rosenow, and we are sure will make good in his new location and Mr. Langhorst is indeed fortunate in that he was able to secure this sterling young man.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stroumer were entertaining for dinner at their home on Thanksgiving day and had for dinner the day as their guests the parents of Mrs. Stroumer, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Brown of Wash. (This John Brown is not the one who figured in history as the man of Harpers Ferry, but the one who runs the Farmers' elevator at Wash.). They all enjoyed the occasion very much and had more to eat than they could get away with.

The mayor of Alvo and his accomplished wife entertained for dinner as well as the day at their home on

Thanksgiving day and had for their guests, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Dinges, of Paymra, as well as a sister of Mr. Dinges, Virginia, who makes her home at Bennett. Art and Abie had been tramping over the wooded tract near the home of Jesse Hardnock, when they ran across a sure enough raccoon, which they captured and which put them in a peculiar position. They found a way of eating his "coonship," but the hide which is valuable, they cannot sell. They have a hunting license and are allowed to kill the animal for the meat, but cannot dispose of the hide. Well the laws are peculiar, anyway.

Enjoyed the Meeting
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Godbey entertained at their home on last Thursday for their friends and relatives and had for the occasion a most sumptuous dinner which was most thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Mr. Godbey is a very accomplished cook as well as she and Charles being adepts at the art of entertaining, they made the occasion one of much pleasure for the guests who were Viola Campbell, a sister of Mrs. Godbey, who is visiting here from her home at Sac City, Iowa; Messrs. and Mesdames H. A. Weese and Edward Casey, of Lincoln; Eddie Craig and wife; E. D. Friend and wife; A. J. Friend and family and F. E. Dickerson and family of Alvo.

Did Not Come Back
It has often been said that the "cat came back," and this is generally the case. From out of the ether came the report that a cat which had attempted to cross the streets of Alvo had sank from exhaustion before it had made the opposite side, and died. The telephone rang in the office of the city mayor, and someone from somewhere called his attention to the incident, but mostly illustrating the extreme condition of the thoughtless, which should be remedied. The thing which is interesting is the putting in condition and hard surfacing of the road from the school house and cemetery on "O" street, to the turn of the D. L. D., which is a stretch of eleven miles and were it put in good condition, would greatly effect the whole surrounding country as it would afford an outlet to market which is now sometimes very bad. The hard surfacing of what is known as Nebraska No. 1, from Murray to the present end of the gravel two miles north of Elmwood, and the extension of the road from the corner southwest of Murdock on west into Waverly would give the western portion of Cass county a network of good roads that would be easily accessible to nearly every farmer. And it can be done, with a little effort.

Card of Thanks
We wish to thank all those who so kindly helped us during the death and burial of our dear mother and sister, and also to wish to thank the singers as they sang the songs so beautifully and also for the beautiful floral offerings.—The children, and grandchildren and sisters, Misses Ella and Lilly Bates.

Doing Good Work
The Mothers and Daughters' council met with Mrs. Arthur Skinner, November 12th, with a large crowd in spite of the bad roads. Eleven ladies engaged Dan Williams' dray to take them out.
The club is taking up the Home Project work under the Nebraska Extension Service and much interest is being manifested, with Mrs. Timblin and Mrs. Vicken directing the work. The topic for the day was, "Making the Living Room Attractive." We each arranged our living room as we thought it should be.
Draperies were then discussed and samples of materials shown as well as colors, after which the club adjourned to partake of a fine lunch served by the hostess. The lights were on when we reached home, but we are all well and spent a most pleasant and profitable afternoon.
—Mrs. John Murty, Reporter.

Alvo School Notes
The Freshman class of the High school had a debate in the English class on Tuesday morning. The question was, "Resolved that slang is useful and should be considered proper." The judges gave the decision to the affirmative side. Miss Mielenz judged. The debaters were as follows: Pearl Coatman, Lester Robertson and John Brobst, affirmative; Sterling Sheesley, Robert Meyers and Eleanor Hensley, negative.

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—W. G. DAVIS, Secretary.
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Poultry Wanted!

Direct from Farmers

Wednesday, Dec. 1st
Plattsmouth, Nebraska

A car load of live poultry wanted to be delivered at poultry car near the Burlington freight house, Plattsmouth, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 1, one day only, for which we will pay the following—

Cash Prices

Hens, per lb.	21c
Springs, per lb.	19c
Old Roosters, per lb.	10c
Young Fat Turkeys, per lb.	30c
Old Tom Turkeys, per lb.	25c
Live New Zealand Red Rabbits	15c
Live Belgian Hares, per lb.	15c
Ducks, per lb.	16c
Geese, per lb.	15c

Leghorn Poultry, 5c lb. less

Farmers, Notice!
Our prices are based on carload shipments and the highest you will find anywhere. Bring us your poultry Wednesday, December 1st.
We have been coming to Plattsmouth a long time and our reputation for fair dealing and top prices is well known.

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New Engraved Christmas Cards

The remembrance of refinement and good taste for the friends that wish to carry a yuletide message. The Bates Book & Gift Shop has a very large and beautiful line of these cards in many handsome and artistic designs and which are now awaiting your inspection.
Those who wish to have their names engraved on the cards are urged to place their orders now that the cards may be prepared in time for the Christmas season.
Inspection of the fine line of Christmas cards is convincing, this is the largest and best line at the most reasonable of prices that has been offered in this city.

SHOE CLIPPED OFF, BUT FOOT UNINJURED

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 26.—John Langen today was thankful that his shoes were several sizes too large for him.
When a locomotive wheel ran over Langen's foot in railroad yards here today the toe of his left shoe was clipped off, but Langen's toes were untouched. He was bruised, however, when the locomotive knocked him down.

Ice Skating May be One of Winter Time Attractions

Secretary of Chamber of Commerce Finds Much Encouragement for the Move.

Spent Thanksgiving at the county farm. Was impressed with the immaculate condition of this place, and the evidences of the kind and loving treatment accorded the inmates by the management.
One dear old lady, totally deaf, has been in that home for twenty-five years. Our good citizens ought to call out there often; see how well it is being run, and throw some sunlight and cheer about for these unfortunate of God's children who have slipped in the struggle of life.

There has been a great deal of complaint reached this office yesterday regarding the deep ruts near Orenopolis, which was called to the attention of Mr. Douglas, who promised to take action at once to remedy this as far as possible. We have found Mr. Douglas glad and willing to operate with this office in matters of this kind, which is very gratifying. The snow, thawing, and freezing now, have made an unusually hard problem to meet.

Various members of the Chamber of Commerce committees appointed are calling at this office and assuring us of their desire to get into the harness, and buckle down to work. This is the spirit that will ultimately bring results.

One of this city's hard workers in civic matters, and a dyed-in-wool booster, L. O. Minto, assures us of the co-operation of the water company in the matter of furnishing water at cost for a skating rink. Mayor Johnson in talking this matter over feels it can be worked out—things are progressing and the "groove hangs high." Patience, Altona, patience!

The matter of taking things for granted is a poor policy. If you look over daily papers from other cities about the size of Plattsmouth, you'll congratulate yourself on having such a paper to speak for Plattsmouth. We are proud to distribute it far and wide as an advertisement of our city. There is much free space given to civic activities, our clubs, our churches, that calls for thanks. The best thanks to give is to subscribe to the greatest booster Plattsmouth possesses—its daily paper.

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We find some grocers here who are handling exclusively Plattsmouth bread. They have been run out of business. Showing their loyalty and devotion to Plattsmouth's progress in an efficient and practical way.

The Legion at their meeting Tuesday night voted to join the Chamber of Commerce. Now we're like Dickie's character Barkus—"willing." We're expecting hourly notice from the K of C, Masons, Odd Fellows, Woodmen, Elks, W. O. W. churches, Eagles city council, some more such joyful news!

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Tornado's Death List in Six States Increased to 80

Greatest Damage Wrought at Heber Springs, Arkansas, Where 26 People Are Dead.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 26.—Groping through a tangled mass of debris left in the wake of a wind storm which swept in from the northwest Thursday, six southern and southwestern states tonight counted a toll of 80 dead and approximately two hundred injured. Property damage was estimated at hundreds of thousands of dollars.

After snaking its way through the Ozark mountains, the storm struck with its greatest fury near the Ozark foothills late yesterday and swirled through them to Heber Springs, Ark. Then it twisted across into Missouri with the proportions of a midfall tornado, dipped into half a dozen Arkansas counties and into Louisiana, whence it veered to the east, into Mississippi and then into Tennessee and Alabama.

In Texas the disturbance whipped up a sand storm which took one life and caused extensive property damage about Lubbeck county.
Half of Town in Ruins.
Heber Springs suffered most. Half of the town was left in ruins and about the town 21 persons were killed and 50 injured. Quitman, Greenbrier, Gay, Pearson, Wilburn, Enders and Tyler, suburbs of Heber Springs, were among the villages which paid in life and property the storm's price.
Brandsville, Competition and Big Piney bore the brunt of the wind's whirl into Missouri, while in Arkansas, Conway, Grant, Cleburne, Jackson, Jefferson and Yell counties paid a death toll.

The oil and gas fields in Claiborne and Morehouse parishes and farming sections about Mer Rouge and Haynesville were hardest hit in Louisiana. In Mississippi plantations were damaged near Marks, in Quitman county.
Early today the storm passed into Tennessee and disappeared after causing minor property damage about the town of Smyrna.
The known loss of life in Arkansas tonight had mounted to a total of 46, more than half of these at Heber Springs, and the injured more than one hundred.

Ten Dead at Moscow.
Ten were dead and 40 injured at Moscow in Jefferson county, Conway county reported eight dead at Opelousa, Choctaw and Macedonia. Two were killed near New port and one man was crushed to death at Sheridan. Other counties reported property damage and injuries but no loss of life. The estimated number of persons injured at Moscow mostly are negroes.
Eleven were killed and the same number injured about Mer Rouge and five killed and 15 injured near Haynesville, where 50 oil derricks were wrecked and the camp of the Roxana Oil company was wrecked.
In Alabama the tornado swept the vicinity of Zion church near Winfield, demolishing more than 20 homes and tearing barns, plank from plank. Three persons were killed and many slightly injured when a storm swept a strip of land about half a mile wide and four miles long.
All residents turned to relief work, many of the families having lost all their possessions in the gale. No attempt has been made to estimate the loss in buildings, homes, crops, cattle and foodstuffs tonight.

In Missouri three were killed at Brandsville and one at Competition. Approximately 70 were injured in these places.
Damage Is Surveyed.
Ten negro tenant farmers were killed and 13 injured on plantations near Marks, Miss. Several substantial buildings were destroyed and gins damaged on the plantations of C. D. Spith of Memphis, former president of the Piggly Wiggly corporation; the Green River Lumber company, J. A. Cook and P. M. Sellin. Relief measures have been undertaken by the American Red Cross and surveys are being made tonight to determine the amount of aid needed from state sources. C. W. Jackson was sent today from the St. Louis headquarters of the Red Cross to establish a relief base at West Plains, Mo., and R. M. Reddick was dispatched on a similar mission to Heber Springs.
Governor Tom J. Terrill of Arkansas tonight awaited reports from national guard officers sent into the storm-swept area to determine immediate needs in men and money to meet the situation. Newspapers of the state made ready to act on petitions from citizens of Heber Springs to conduct campaigns for relief funds.

"THREE LEGS," WOLF, KILLED
Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 26.—"Three Legs," a giant wolf with only three legs which had terrorized farmers in northwestern Minnesota for several years is dead. His carcass was exhibited here Wednesday by Fred L. Darrow, of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, who shot the animal.
"Three Legs" won his name two years ago when he was caught in a trap. He broke the chain, chewed off the imprisoned leg and escaped.
Scores of sheep and calves and uncounted chickens were killed by "Three Legs." County organizations and individuals offered rewards totaling \$300 for his capture.
"Three Legs" measured seven feet from tip to tip and had a four-inch foot print.

A writer says that twenty years ago it would have been utterly impossible for women to play the part they play in politics today. Naturally, twenty years ago it would have been impossible for a hobbler-skier woman to straddle even the thickest issue.

PHONE for FOOD.

FLOUR—Frost King, 48-lb. bag \$2.09
SUGAR—10 lbs. for .69
ENGLISH WALNUTS—3 lbs. 1.00
MIXED NUTS—4 lbs. for .95
PINK SALMON—Tall cans, 2 for .35
PEANUTS—Salted, per lb. .25
SOAP—Creme Oil, 3 bars for .23
MINCE MEAT—2 pkgs. for .25

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Marriages and Divorces in U. S. for Year 1925

Nebraska Showed Gain in Marriages of 91 Per Cent as Result of Law Change.

Washington, November 25, 1926.—The Department of Commerce announces that, according to the returns received, there were 1,181,838 marriages performed in the United States during the year 1925, as compared with 1,178,318 in 1924. These figures represent an increase of 3,520 marriages, or 0.3 per cent. The relative increase, however, was somewhat less than the estimated increase in the population, which amounted to 1.5 per cent.

During the year 1925 there were 175,495 divorces granted in the United States, as compared with 170,952 in 1924, representing an increase of 4,543, or 2.7 per cent.
The estimated population of the United States on July 1, 1925 was 115,378,094, and on July 1, 1924, 113,727,432. On the basis of these estimates the number of marriages per 1,000 of the population was 10.2 in 1925, as against 10.4 in 1924; and the number of divorces per 1,000 of the population was 1.52 in 1925, as against 1.50 in 1924.

While the net increase in the number of marriages performed in the country as a whole was only 3 per cent, the relative change in the different states ranged from a decrease of 13.5 per cent in Georgia to an increase of 35.4 per cent in Florida and an increase of 91 per cent in Nebraska.

Other states showing considerable decreases in the number of marriages were Iowa, with a decrease of 11.8 per cent; Wyoming with a decrease of 10.8 per cent; Michigan, with a decrease of 7.1 per cent; and Idaho with a decrease of 5.3 per cent. Other states showing large increases include North Dakota, with an increase of 18.1 per cent; South Carolina, with an increase of 5.9 per cent.
The rate of 10.2 marriages per 1,000 of the population for the United States as a whole represents an average of rates in the individual states ranging from 5.0 in Delaware and 5.7 in Wisconsin to 16.3 in Maryland and 19.9 in Florida. In general the changes in the number of marriages per 1,000 of the population, as shown in the table on page 2, form a more satisfactory index of the trend with regard to marriage in the several states that do the absolute figures or the numbers of marriages, because they take account of differences in the rate of increase in the general population. The reader who wishes to make an intensive study of the subject is therefore referred to this table.

The net increase of 2.7 per cent in the number of divorces granted in the United States during the year 1925, as compared with the year 1924, is the net resultant of changes

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in the various states ranging from decreases of 29.5 per cent in Nebraska and 23.1 per cent in Rhode Island to increases of 22.9 per cent in Utah and 21.1 per cent in Florida.
Other states showing considerable decreases in the number of divorces were Massachusetts, with a decrease of 12.2 per cent; Louisiana, with a decrease of 8 per cent; California, with a decrease of 5.5 per cent; and Minnesota, with a decrease of 4.6 per cent. Other states showing considerable increases include New Jersey, with an increase of 16.9 per cent; Delaware, with an increase of 16.9 per cent; Wyoming, with an increase of 16.6 per cent; North Dakota, with an increase of 16.4 per cent; and Mississippi, with an increase of 16 per cent.
The average rate of 1.52 divorces per 1,000 of the population, which is shown for the United States as a whole, likewise represents an average of rates in the individual states ranging from 0.41 in New York to 0.65 in New Jersey to 13.98 in Nevada and 2.34 in Oregon.

PETROLEUM AND PETTICOATS

A prominent oil man, in discussing the future of the petroleum industry, says:
"No matter how earnestly we may desire, we cannot recover and utilize a greater supply of petroleum than exists."
"The miser, hoarding his gold, may fall upon the day when it will have lost its value."
"Tomorrow may not need our petroleum; and if it does, it may discover that it has more than it needs. Our duty, in the light of our present knowledge and understanding is to use it with reason and moderation, to apply the most effective methods of recovery, refinement and utilization, and to avoid parsimony that by paralyzing effort and preventing progress, might easily produce disastrous consequences."

"A few years ago cotton was woven into cotton fabrics. Then fashion insisted on silks—and so today cotton and wool pulp are combined and woven into the superior product of rayon, or artificial silk."
"Likewise, a little while ago, the most important petroleum product was kerosene."
"Precisely as new fashions enabled the women to get more dresses per bale of cotton, so new mechanical methods have enabled the motor cars to get more miles per gallon of gas. Styles have changed, that's all, in motors and in petticoats. But can anybody imagine law and regulation bringing such revolutions into the textile and petroleum industries? Nothing on earth except the untrammeled working of taste, inventiveness, ingenuity and free economic forces could have made these things possible."

Bess Streeter Aldrich's newest at the Bates Book & Gift Shop. Call story, "The Cutters" is now on sale early and secure your copy of this popular novel.

Dance Wednesday Nite

—December 1st, 1926—
Peterson Hall, Murray, Neb.
GRADVILLE ORCHESTRA
A good time assured to all that attend. All the latest and old style dances.
OSCAR NAILOR, Manager

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