

# Alvo News

Little Mary Creamer, residing on a farm between Alvo and Murdock, is staying at the home of Grandfather and Grandmother C. W. Jewell at present.

J. C. Dreamer, of Elmwood, was a visitor in Alvo on last Wednesday afternoon and was looking after some business matters here as well as visiting with his many friends.

Uncle William Yeager, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks, has been showing some improvement of late, as he was able to be up and about the home, which is much better than having to remain in his bed all the time.

Uncle J. H. Welchel, who has been very poorly recently and has been kept to his bed a portion of the time, is at this time reported as being some better and is able to be out again. It is hoped by his many friends that he will continue to improve.

Mrs. F. E. Marler, of Oakland, California, who is visiting here at this time at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. W. Jewell, is enjoying the visit here very much and is also liking our country, which she well may, especially at this time of the year.

Simon Rehmeier and Soren Petersen were over to Omaha last Monday night, where they went to enjoy the show at the Ak-Sar-Ben and they sure had a fine time as the management of this enterprise are putting forth every effort to please their visitors and thoroughly advertise the city of Omaha.

### Ready for School Opening

The full number of the faculty of the Alvo schools have been secured and all is in readiness for the opening of the school year on September 4th, about a month hence. The roster of teachers is as follows: Superintendent Robert A. Quick, Ernest F. Garr, St. Edwards; Lillian Whitmore, Wayne; Ruth M. Brehm, Palmyra; Theresa Reynolds, Seward; and Eleanor W. Filley, Diller.

### Has Two Cars Now

Simon Rehmeier traded his car, which he has been using for some time, in on another new car, a Ford V-8. He has also acquired by purchase the small car which has been the property of Carl Rosenow, and which he will use for running about when he does not desire to use the new one. Thus he is well supplied with cars.

### Visiting in the East

Having been kept pretty closely at the store, Ivan Barkhurst concluded he would take a short vacation and see how some portions of the country were getting on and visit some of the relatives and friends whom he had not seen for some time and so a week ago departed for Detroit, at which place some of the relatives reside. On his way, he stopped off to view the Century of Progress exposition at Chicago, and was observing how the last hundred years have advanced arts and sciences as well as other things along other lines. Ivan has enjoyed the trip very much and the visit with relatives.

### Country Home Burned

On last Saturday night, near the midnight hour, the home where Herbert Carnes resides, located about five miles northwest of Alvo, was found to be on fire and the flames spread so rapidly that there was no opportunity to save any portion of the household effects. It was with some difficulty that the family were able to make their escape with any portion of their wearing apparel. Word was not received in town until after the structure had been consumed. It is reported there was some insurance on the house, but none on the household effects.

### Elmwood Takes Ball Game

When the national game of baseball was demonstrated in Alvo last Friday, the visiting team from Elmwood was able to clip the wings of the home town team by a score of 7 to 5. Many witnessed the game and were pleased with the very fine playing which both teams did.

### Alvo Wins Kittenball Game

The kittenball team of Alvo was able to win from the Murdock team, that came over to try for the honors. The Murdock team proved that it could play the game, but failed to tally enough scores to win over Alvo, and went home defeated, by a 7 to 5 score. The game was very interesting and a number of fine plays were made.

### Given a Surprise Marathon

Miss Francis Anne Edwards, who departed on last Friday evening with a number of other young women for the west on an outing, was surprised by some thirty of the young people

of Alvo and vicinity with a going-away party, which was a splendid affair and which was enjoyed by all those who were fortunate enough to be able to be present at the evening's gathering. They played games and enjoyed themselves as young folks bent on having a good time can. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served before the time came for departure and all joined in wishing Miss Francis a most enjoyable trip and outing in the west.

### Seeing the West

A party of five young women, four from here and one from Greenwood, left last Friday for the west, making the trip by themselves and headed for the mountain country, where they expect to have a most enjoyable time, securing some fish, and possibly a buffalo or a grizzly. Members of the party include Thelma Lesley, Greenwood, Francis Anne Edwards, Dorothy Petersen, Muriel Vickers and Bernice Vickers, of Alvo.

### Visited Shenandoah Sunday

A number of the people of Alvo and vicinity were over to the Henry Field town on last Sunday, where they enjoyed the trip and the opportunity of seeing one of the snappiest towns in southwestern Iowa. On the return of the visitors, Miss Dorothea Coatman, who has been spending some time there with her sister, Miss Doris, and Edna Schulke, who remained for a longer outing.

### Visiting at Sioux City

Last Wednesday P. J. Lynch and daughter, Miss Alla, who is spending her vacation at home, departed for Sioux City where they will spend some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Verle Lynch who is son of P. J. Lynch and a teacher in the schools of the Iowa city. Mr. Lynch and daughter were taken to Ashland by Art Dingus to catch the bus for Sioux City on their departure.

## Americans Make Important Discoveries

### Pottery from Nine Towns Will Aid in Helping Establish Character of Early Civilizations.

Istanbul.—Tons of pottery, dating through all the ages of pottery-making man, are part of the "finds" of American excavators as they close their second season of digging through the nine cities of Troy.

The pottery pieces dug up by the University of Cincinnati's expedition do literally amount to tons, says Carl Biegen, co-director with William T. Semple of the Trojan expedition.

These and other finds which 100 Turkish workmen, supervised by sixteen staff members, dug out with hand trowels from the layers of the nine dead cities, are claimed to be of vast importance in helping to establish the character of the civilization of each layer.

Schliemann and Dorpfeld established the stratification of the nine cities on the basis of architectural evidence. The present American expedition, the first since the World War to obtain the Turkish government's permission for excavating the city made famous by Homer, is producing other evidence, such as pottery, small marble figures, idols, household ware, which they are correlating with the architectural evidence of the German excavators, and which will make possible the dating of the successive nine cities.

The work this year has been chiefly in the first, fifth, sixth and seventh strata. In the first stratum, where the expedition has dug down to virgin soil, are remains of a civilization that dates conjecturally back to 3500 B. C.

### PADDLE THRU FUSILLADE

Omaha.—The report of two Omaha men that they were under "heavy fire" last Sunday while floating down the Platte river in a canoe near the national guard range near Ashland, is being investigated by Brig. Gen. Amos Thomas of Omaha. The men, O. D. Denison and C. W. Detrick, said they abandoned their canoe and sought safety on shore. They attracted the attention of a guard officer, who halted the fire so they could get their canoe. But before they could get out of range again, bullets were whistling over their heads and spouting water around them, they said. Company L of Omaha, commanded by Capt. Alfred Thomson, was on the range Sunday, said General Thomas.

Mrs. H. F. Hendricks of Omaha, was here over Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hendricks and many of the old friends.

## Interpretation of Wage and Hour Code Agreements

### Government Gives Explanation of Various Phases of Proposed National Recovery Code

Washington, July 28.—The text of the official interpretation of President Roosevelt's general agreement with employers to raise wages and shorten hours of employes follows:

Interpretation of questions that have arisen in paragraph seven. The paragraph and the interpretation follow in order:

(7) Not to reduce the compensation for employment now in agreement. Minimum wages hereby agreed to (notwithstanding that the hours worked in such employment may be hereby reduced) and to increase the pay for such employment by an equitable readjustment of all pay schedules.

Paragraph 7 means first, that compensation of employes above the minimum wage group (whether now fixed by the hour, day, week or otherwise) SHALL NOT BE REDUCED, either to compensate the employer for increases that he may be required to make in the minimum wage group in order to comply with the agreement, or to turn this re-employment into a mere share-the-work movement without a resulting increase of total purchasing power. This first provision of paragraph 7 is a general statement of what shall not be done.

The rest of paragraph 7 is a particular statement of what SHALL be done, which is that rates of pay for employes above the minimum wage group shall be increased by "equitable adjustments." No hard and fast rule can be laid down for such readjustments, because the variations in rates of pay and hours of work would make the application of any formula unjust in thousands of cases. We present, however, the following examples of the need for and methods of such readjustments:

Example 1. Employes now working forty hours per week in factories. When hours are reduced to thirty-five, the present rate per hour if increased one-seventh would provide the same compensation for a normal week's work as before.

Example 2. Employes now working sixty hours per week in factories. When hours are reduced to thirty-five, a rate per hour if increased one-seventh might be insufficient to provide proper compensation. But to increase the rate by five-sevenths. In order to provide the same compensation for thirty-five hours as previously earned in sixty, might impose an inequitable burden on the employer.

The sixty hour week might have been in effect because of a rush of business, although a forty-hour week might have been normal practice at the same hourly wage. Seasonal or temporary increases in hours now in effect, or recent increases in wages, are proper factors to be taken into consideration in making equitable readjustments.

The policy governing the readjustment of wages of all employes in what may be termed the higher wage groups requires, not a fixed rule, but "equitable readjustment" in view of long standing differentials in pay schedules, with due regard for the fact that payrolls are being heavily increased, and that employes will receive benefits from shorter hours, from the re-employment of workers, and from stabilized employment which may increase their yearly earnings.

The foregoing examples indicate the necessity of dealing with this problem of "equitable readjustment" on the higher rates of pay, on the basis of consideration of the varying circumstances and conditions of the thousands of enterprises and employments involved.

Any attempt to define a national standard would be productive of widespread injustice.

The national recovery administration will, thru local agencies, observe carefully the manner in which employers comply with their agreement to make "equitable readjustments," and will take from time to time and announce from Washington such action as may be necessary to correct clear cases of unfairness and to aid conscientious employers in carrying out in good faith the terms of the agreement.

When an employer signs an agreement and certifies his compliance and also joins in the submission of a code of fair competition before Sept. 1, 1933, his determination of what are "equitable readjustments" should be accepted, at least prior to Sept. 1, as a prima facie compliance with his agreement, pending action by N. R. A. upon the code submitted, or any other action by N. R. A. taken to insure proper interpretations or applications of agreements.

This will afford N. R. A. an opportunity to survey the general results of the re-employment program and to iron out difficulties and misunderstandings over agreements that are of a substantial character.

### Interpretation of Section 14

(14) It is agreed that any person who wishes to do his part in the president's re-employment drive by signing this agreement, but who asserts that some particular provision hereof, because of peculiar circumstances, would create great and unavoidable hardship, may obtain the benefits hereof by signing this agreement and pending its effect and, then, in a petition approved by a representative trade association of his industry or other representative organization designated by N. R. A. may apply for a stay of such provision pending a summary investigation by N. R. A. If he agrees in such application to abide by the decision of such investigation, this agreement is entered into pursuant to Section 4 (A) of the National Industrial Recovery Act, and subject to all the terms and conditions required by Sections 4(A) and 10 (B) of that act.

A person who believes that some particular provision in the agreement, because of peculiar circumstances, would create great and unavoidable hardship, should prepare a petition to

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N. R. A. asking for a stay of this provision as to him. He should then submit this petition to the trade association of his industry, or if there is none, to the local chamber of commerce or similar representative organization designated by N. R. A., for its approval.

The written approval of the trade association, or such other organization, will be accepted by N. R. A. as the basis for a temporary stay, without further investigation, pending decision by N. R. A.

The petition must contain a promise to abide by N. R. A.'s decision, so that if N. R. A. decides against the petitioner, he will give effect to the provision which was stayed from the date of the decision of N. R. A.

The petition and approval of the trade association or other organization as prescribed above, should be forwarded to N. R. A. in Washington, and the employer's signed copy of the president's employment agreement should be sent to the district office of the department of commerce. After complying with these requirements, the employer will be entitled to receive and display the blue eagle by delivering his certificate of compliance to his postoffice.

Paragraph 14 is NOT intended to provide for gross exceptions, but only to meet cases of individual hardship.

### Interpretation No. 3 (Concerning Code of Compliance)

It is expected that all employers desiring to co-operate with the president's recovery program will sign the agreements promptly and mail them in. It is recognized, however, that it will be physically impossible in many instances to adjust employment conditions and to hire the necessary additional personnel in order to comply with the agreement on Aug. 1. For that reason provision has been made for issuing the blue eagle only upon the filing of a certificate of compliance. It should be possible in most cases to make the necessary adjustments and file a certificate of compliance within the first week of August, and such action taken as promptly as possible, will be regarded as carrying out the agreement in good faith.

The next interpretation covered Section 13, which follows:

(13) This agreement shall cease upon approval by the president of a code to which the undersigned is subject; or, if the N. R. A. so elects, upon submission of a code to which the undersigned is subject, and of any of its provisions for any of the terms of this agreement.

All employers are expected to sign the agreement, whether codes have been submitted to the N. R. A. or not (unless such codes have already been approved). But after the president has approved a code, or after the N. R. A. has approved of the substitution of the provisions of a code for agreements in the trade or industry covered, conformity with that code provisions by an employer will be regarded as compliance with his individual agreement.

### Interpretation of Section 9

(9) Not to increase the price of any merchandise sold after the date hereof over the price of July 1, 1933, by more than is necessary by actual increases in production, replacement, or inventory costs of merchandise, or by taxes or other costs resulting from action taken conscientiously by the agricultural adjustment act, since July 1, 1933, and in setting such price increases to give full weight to probable increases in sales volume and to refrain from taking profiteering advantage of the consuming public.

Where the July 1, 1933, price was a distress price, the employer signing the agreement may take his cost price on that date as the base for such increase in selling price as is permitted by paragraph No. 9.

### Interpretation No. 6 (Concerning Employments Covered by the Agreement)

The following groups of employment are not intended to be covered by the president's re-employment agreement:

- 1—Professional occupations.
- 2—Employes of federal, state and local governments, and other public institutions and agencies.
- 3—Agricultural labor.
- 4—Domestic servants.
- 5—Persons buying goods and selling them independently or persons selling solely on commission, provided, however, that persons regularly employed to sell on commission, with a base salary or guaranteed compensation, shall within the requirements of the agreement.

### HERE FROM LINCOLN

Mrs. J. P. Falter, long time resident of this city, who is now making her home with a daughter at Lincoln, is here to enjoy a visit with the old friends. Mrs. Falter is at the home of her sister, Mrs. P. H. Meisinger and is able to meet a large number of the old friends whom she has known in the many long years of residence here.

## MURDOCK ITEMS

Henry A. Tool and wife were visiting in Omaha one day last week, he being called there to look after some business matters as well.

Fred Stock was a visitor in Omaha last week, having some cattle on the South Omaha stock market that came near topping the market in quality and price.

Mr. and Mrs. George Work, of Omaha, accompanied by the kiddies, were visiting here Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tool, parents of Mrs. Work.

Carroll D. Quinton, of Lincoln, a former Cass county sheriff for a number of years, was a visitor here for a short time on last Wednesday, meeting with the friends here.

Fred Stock has been somewhat under the weather for some time, but is feeling greatly improved of late and is able to get about and look after the work on the farm.

Lawrence Race was a visitor in Plattsmouth for a short time Thursday of last week, where he was called to look after some business matters connected with the sale of Chevrolet cars and trucks.

Mrs. J. J. Martin and daughter, Miss Clara, of Cedar Bluffs, were visiting with the former's sister, Mrs. L. Neitzel and husband here for over the week end, coming Friday and enjoying a visit until Sunday.

L. Neitzel and G. Bauer were over to University Place on last Thursday afternoon and evening, where they were meeting with the assembly which was holding its annual session there. A large crowd was in attendance.

The members of the Ladies Aid of the Murdock church were meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Neitzel on last Thursday, where they were looking after the work of the society and planning for future work in their line, and were very pleasantly entertained by the genial hostess, Mrs. Neitzel.

### Concert August First

Remember the band concert which is being given by the Weeping Water band in Murdock on Tuesday evening, August 1st. This will be an especially worth while concert and all should be on hand to enjoy it.

### Enjoyed Lawn Fete

A number of the people of Murdock and especially those interested in the very fascinating game of golf, were over to Ashland, where a lawn fete was given on Tuesday by the Ashland Golf club, which has a number of members living in Murdock. Among those attending from Murdock were Lacey McDonald and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Tool and O. E. Bradford and wife. All enjoyed the occasion very much.

### Chickens Wanted—Call Us

We want to buy one thousand spring chickens and five hundred hens by Friday of this week. Good prices paid.

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### Enjoyed Swimming Party

A merry party of the young people of Murdock, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Bradford, Miss Blanche Elchoff, Irene Weddell, Mrs. H. A. Tool and a number of others were over to Graham's mill, north of Nebraska City, where a splendid natural swimming pool exists, and where besides enjoying a fine swim, they were given instruction in life saving and proper swimming strokes by a representative of the American Red Cross from St. Louis. All enjoyed the trip and were greatly benefited by the instruction in life saving and swimming demonstrated by the Red Cross representative.

### Fishing at Fremont

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McDonald were spending a week at the fishing grounds on the Platte river and in the adjacent lakes that are numerous, near Fremont, and where the fishing is fine. On last Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Lacey McDonald were over and visited the young people at their camp, as well as enjoying a brief period at fishing.

### Enjoyed Birthday Passing

Russell Gorthey, ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gorthey, celebrated at the country home of his parents on last Saturday, the passing of his tenth birthday anniversary, with some twenty-two of his young friends present and you may be sure they had a good time with their games and the very fine luncheon that Mrs. Gorthey served the hustling youngsters.

### Wins Swimming Contest

Burton Amgwert, formerly of Murdock, where he was born and grew to a sturdy youth, now residing with

his parents in Lincoln, where he is still in school, being but 16 years of age, entered the swimming contest at Council Bluffs last week, conducted by the A. A. U., and despite his youth, was able to lower the record that had previously been established, of 1 minute, 27.8 seconds, and which was held by a man from Omaha during the past three years, comprising the life of the A. A. U.

In the contest this year, Burton was able to cut the time to 1 minute, 18.6 seconds, winning over all contestants and setting up a new record. He stopped off here for a visit with his friends and relatives while en route back to his home in Lincoln, and enjoyed his brief stay here very much.

## Report I. Shuler to Head Omaha Loan Branch

### I. J. Dunn Is Slated for Counsel at Omaha—Charles Smrha Is State Manager.

It was reported authoritatively in Washington yesterday that I. Shuler would be manager and I. J. Dunn counsel for the Omaha branch of the Nebraska Home Owners' Loan corporation.

Congressman E. R. Burke supported Shuler, but had recommended Ralph Coad for the legal post. Dunn is regarded generally as a Bryan man, thereby splitting the patronage between Burke and the governor.

Shuler, former Omaha realtor, is now county purchasing agent.

Charles Smrha of Milligan is the state manager.

Salaries for Nebraska were approved at Washington yesterday.

The salary setup accepted is: State office, Grand Island, manager (Smrha), \$5,000; assistant manager, \$3,250; counsel, \$3,600; appraiser, \$2,400; manager's secretary, \$1,500; filing clerk, \$1,200; two application assistants, \$900 each. Omaha and Lincoln (each), district manager, \$4,000; counsel, \$3,000; appraiser, \$3,000; two secretaries, \$1,200 each; two application assistants, \$900 each.

Norfolk—Same as Omaha and Lincoln, except that manager will be paid \$3,000 and appraiser \$2,500.

Scottsbluff, district manager and appraiser (one man), \$3,000; counsel, \$2,400; two stenographers, \$900 each.

### LOWER FREIGHT RATES

Washington.—The interstate commerce commission authorized railroads in Montana to lower freight rates on lime rock, groceries and general store supplies, coal and arsenic plant residue.

## An Oklahoman Wants No More Deep Sea Angling

### Rep. McClintic, the "Old Bullhead" Surprised on the Ocean.

Washington. — Representative James V. McClintic, Oklahoma democrat, is one fisherman who was glad the fish got away—leaving him free to get home safely from his first taste of deep-sea angling.

McClintic tried his baiting hand in Chesapeake Bay over the weekend, catching a 15-mile ride and two ducks in tow of his catch.

As witnesses, he had along A. V. Dalrymple, the prohibition director, Fred W. Johnson, commissioner of the land office, and several other friends.

The fish got free, McClintic said with a sigh of relief and a glance toward his line-burned hands, adding with deep feeling:

"I'm through with deep-sea fishing. An old bullhead and sun perch man, with a reputation for veracity, ought never to have taken it up in the first place."

Floating peacefully along the bay, McClintic hooked his whopper. Its identity has yet to be determined but the fish was believed to be a shark. Here is how McClintic tells the rest of the story:

"You know the way we pull them out back in Oklahoma—one jerk and the fish sails over your head into the bushes. I jerked and my own heels, instead of a fish, went over my head.

"Before I could get back on my feet, we were under way, speedboat and all, headed for the Atlantic ocean and points east."

Twice the fish yanked McClintic out of the boat to which he clung with one hand—the other holding the fishing rod—while companions dragged him back in.

McClintic estimated he owned the fish for fifteen miles—mor or less and not counting the zigzags—while he put its length at eighteen feet and Dalrymple placed the weight at 700 pounds.

After two hours and a half of towing and battling, McClintic got away when the fish broke the line.

### HAS NEW TRUCK

The Red & White store of this city, of which C. H. Martin is the owner, has a fine new snappy truck that will be used in their delivery work in the future. The truck is one of the new Ford V-8 type and was prepared for Mr. Martin at the plant of the company at Kansas City. The truck was brought here by Robert Hartford.

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