

## Roosevelt Lifts Veterans' Cuts; Orders Increase

Hospitalization Rules Liberalized to Permit Non-Service Cases—Other Changes.

Washington, Jan. 19.—President Roosevelt today authorized an increase of \$21,092,205 in veterans' allowances.

He ordered the liberalization of the economy act upon receiving a report of a study made by Director Hines of the veterans' bureau and Director Douglas of the budget.

In announcing the liberalization, however, President Roosevelt made it clear that he expected this to be the extent of changes in the veterans' regulations at this time. The order is regarded as a compromise which might end some of the agitation for enactment of the American Legion program at a cost of eight million dollars a year.

The main increase results from liberalization of the eligibility rules for hospital treatment in non-service connected cases so as to provide this treatment in cases of emergency or extensive medical and surgical care.

**Pension Rates Up.**  
The order increases the rates of pension for war veterans suffering with service connected disabilities from \$50 to one hundred dollars a month for total disability, and proportionate increases for such veterans suffering with less than total disabilities.

Burial and funeral allowances for deceased war veterans is increased from \$75 to one hundred dollars.

The order grants a pension of \$15 a month to Spanish-American war veterans who served 90 days or more and were honorably discharged. The same allowance is given to Spanish-American veterans who served less than 90 days and were discharged for disability incurred in line of duty in the service and who are 50 per cent or more disabled without regard to the service origin of the condition or the age of the veterans.

**Other Rates Restored.**  
War veterans suffering with permanent and total disabilities not the result of their misconduct or not shown to have been incurred in any period of military or naval service are no longer required to prove a minimum of 90 days' service, providing they were discharged on account of disability incurred in line of duty in order to draw a pension of \$30 a month.

Previous rates of pension to certain widows of deceased regular army officers and enlisted men who died of disabilities in line of duty are restored.

## Alvo News

Henry L. Clapp, one of the corn sealers, was looking after some business matters in Alvo on last Wednesday.

John Lonen, of Palmyra, was a visitor in Alvo on last Wednesday, looking after some business matters there for a short time.

W. H. Warner was shelling corn for Elmer Bennett on Thursday of last week, which Mr. Bennett was delivering to the Rehmeier elevator.

Mrs. C. T. Edwards was vaccinated last week for the prevention of small pox, thinking it better to take the serum in order to mitigate the disease should she be exposed.

E. L. Nelson was a visitor in Lincoln on last Thursday, where he went to secure goods for the store and as well to deliver some produce which had accumulated in the course of business.

Charles Roelofz was delivering a large quantity of ear corn to the Rehmeier elevator for the Miller Cereal company during the past week, being assisted in the work by a number of his neighbors.

Turner McKinnon was a visitor in Waverly on last Wednesday afternoon, attending the sale which was held there and at which the effects of the late Oscar Bates, who recently died at the U. S. Veterans' hospital, were disposed of.

Eugene Barkhurst was a business visitor in Lincoln on last Wednesday, driving over in his auto to look after some matters of importance and on his return brought with him an invoice of groceries and other goods for the store here.

**Oscar Bates Dies at Hospital**  
Oscar Bates, who has been farming a short distance northwest of Alvo, was taken ill some two weeks ago, and being a veteran of the World war, was taken to the U. S. Veterans' hospital on the O street road east of Lincoln for treatment. Although everything possible was done for him, he continued to fail and passed away there early last week. The remains were sent to his former home in Missouri for burial. On last Wednesday the personal effects of Mr. Bates were sold at the community sale held at Waverly and the proceeds turned to the proper hands. His portion of the crop is yet to be disposed of.

**New Business House**  
On last Saturday, Elmer Rosenow opened a grocery and market in the same room as the postoffice occupies. The room has been refurnished and repainted, modern shelving and fixtures installed and other improvements made to take care of the new business. A new General Electric refrigerator has been installed by Albert E. Barber, of Louisville, a representative of the Nebraska Power company. It has a capacity of thirteen and a half feet and will care for all the perishable goods which Mr. Rosenow may carry. With Mrs. Rosenow in charge of the postoffice business and Mr. Rosenow looking after supplying the community with foodstuffs, etc., it would seem that this place of business will be very popular. Mr. Rosenow does not need any introduction to the people of Alvo and vicinity, as he was born here and grew to manhood here and enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him. The Journal wishes him success in his new field of endeavor.

**Woman's Club Met Wednesday**  
The Alvo Woman's club met last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Copple, where they were entertained by Mrs. Copple and where they enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon and also a delightful luncheon which was served at the conclusion of a very worth-while program.

**Former Alvo Youth Killed**  
Claude Johnson, age 21, a former Alvo boy and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, who moved from Alvo to Iowa several years ago, was struck and killed by a Burlington motor train at a crossing, while he was riding in a bread truck. The driver of the truck was badly injured as was also the engineer of the train. When word was received of the accident, Carl and August Johnson, of Alvo, and Simon Johnson, of Lincoln, all uncles of the young man, departed for Clarinda, Iowa, where he had resided with his parents. The remains were brought to Alvo, where funeral services were held and interment made.

The deceased young man will be remembered by many of the people of Alvo and vicinity, as he attended school here when a boy.

**Killed in Iowa.**  
The people of Alvo community were shocked to hear of the tragic death of Claude Johnson of Clarinda, Ia.,

last Wednesday. He was riding with a friend in a truck and a train hit the truck at a crossing killing Claude instantly.

Services were held in Clarinda on Thursday morning and the body brought to Alvo for interment Thursday afternoon.

Claude was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, and was born and raised on a farm west of Alvo.

He has a host of friends and relatives to mourn his passing.

## Care is Needed to Avoid Loss Thru Mistakes

College of Agriculture Advises Farmers Against Giving up Corn and Hogs Altogether.

With community meetings under the federal corn-hog reduction program under way in many Nebraska counties, farmers have been told that the contract to be offered them later does not require that signers raise any corn or hogs in 1934. However, they must continue to farm the land signed up and cannot quit farming and draw benefit payments for corn and hog reduction.

Administrators at the agricultural college do not believe that any farmers will go completely out of corn or hogs, even if the contracts permit them to do so. They may need the acreage or hog numbers for a base in signing up future contracts.

A retiring hog producer, one who will not farm at all in 1934, can assign his hog base to a beginner starting to farm in 1934. The new man must live in the same county and must farm as large a farm as the retiring producer farmed in 1932-33. Neither the retiring producer or the new man gets benefit payments on the hog base, but the new producer can raise up to 75 per cent of his assigned base and then take advantage of the corn part of the contract.

The man who started farming for the first time in 1933 may use the one year for his hog base. If he farmed before but had hogs only one year of 1932-33, he must divide his number of hogs by two to get his base.

**How to Use Land.**  
Regarding the corn part of the contract, administrators say land taken out of corn under the contract cannot be used to produce a crop to be marketed either directly or indirectly, nor can feed be grown on the land if it is used instead of feed that would be grown on other land.

If, for example, a farmer plants the land taken out of corn to grass or clover and then uses the pasture for cattle or hogs, he is marketing the pasture indirectly thru livestock and breaking his agreement. If he pastures his work horses on the grass or clover, the horses will not be eating grass, hay or grain produced on other land. The farmer would therefore be relieving other land for the production of other feed or grains either on his own farm or some other farm. He would be breaking his contract.

Nebraska corn-hog administrators cannot see how farmers can get around these two provisions which have provoked many questions at county and community meetings. For all practical purposes, the land taken out of corn is out of production for the 1934 harvest.

Many farmers regard the corn benefit payments as cash rent for the land taken out of corn. They would not think of renting some of their land to an individual for cash and then raising a crop on the land. They want the land taken out of corn to be out of production for the year. They believe that is the spirit of the corn-hog reduction plan.

These farmers intend to seed the land to clover, alfalfa, permanent pasture, plant some trees, fallow some to kill weeds or store up moisture, and in other ways to put the land into good shape to produce a crop in 1935. They will use benefit payments to pay the taxes and interest and help keep up expenses.

## HARRIMAN IS CALLED SANE

Dr. Menas S. Gregory, chief of the psychiatric division of Bellevue hospital, testified the banker was mentally competent to stand trial on an indictment charging him with looting accounts of depositors in the defunct Harriman National Bank and New York.—Joseph W. Harriman, the banker, was called sane by an alienist testifying in federal court. Trust company. Harriman, the alienist said, is not insane, has a good memory, and can concentrate, and his conversation is "coherent, logical and to the point." But Dr. Gregory went on to say that physically there would be grave danger in submitting him to the ordeal of a trial.

## MURDOCK ITEMS

Bert L. Philpit, of Weeping Water, who sells mineral feeds, was looking after some business matters in Murdock on last Wednesday.

Dr. L. D. Lee was a professional visitor in Lincoln on last Tuesday, accompanying Mrs. Henry Heinmann to the hospital, where she underwent an operation.

Mrs. A. J. Tool was visiting at Omaha for the greater portion of the past week, being a guest at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Work, where she enjoyed the stay very much.

Henry A. Tool and daughter, Mrs. O. E. Bradford, were over to Lincoln last Wednesday, where they were looking after some business matters for a short time, they driving over to the big town in their auto.

I. G. Hornbeck was a business visitor in Plattsmouth on last Tuesday, and while there met with many of his warm friends in the county seat. Among them were C. E. Ledgway, W. G. Kieck and D. O. Dwyer.

Mrs. Henry Schleuter and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gortney were in Lincoln on last Monday, where they were visiting the patients in the hospital there from Murdock. Mesdames Weddell, Schlaphoff and Heinemann.

Ferdinand Brunkow was a visitor in Weeping Water on last Tuesday, where he was attending the corner-hog meeting which was held there. There were also many others from this vicinity at the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kuehn were in Lincoln early last week, where they were looking after some business matters and also visited with their friends, Mesdames Henry Heinemann, Weddell and Dan Schlaphoff, finding them all feeling better.

Mrs. Albert Bauer went to Plattsmouth on last Wednesday, where she is visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Ripple, and where she was joined on Thursday by Mr. Bauer, when he and Thomas Christian went to look after some business.

Mrs. W. O. Gillespie, who was visiting for some time at the home of her son, Harry Gillespie, at North Loup, where Harry is manager of the telephone exchange, returned home on last Saturday, being brought home by her son, Harry Gillespie, who also visited here for a few days.

## Murdock Needs a Bank

With the business interests of this community, including the large farming territory tributary to the town, it looks like there is great need of a bank in Murdock. It also looks like it would be more desirable to get the present bank in condition to merit the new federal guaranty provisions than to attempt the organizing of a new bank outright. Let us hope that some arrangement can be perfected to get the present bank out of the rut and operating one hundred per cent once more. All those interested in the advancement of Murdock and vicinity should get behind this move, for if it is not done we may have to go a long time without having the conveniences of banking facilities available. Think it over, and be ready to boost in every way possible toward attaining the desired end.

## At Hospital Now

Mrs. Dan Schlaphoff, who has been troubled for some time with a colic, was taken to the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln, where she remained for observation and treatment and should it be deemed best, will undergo an operation for the restoration of her health.

## Mrs. Weddell Much Better

Mrs. W. T. Weddell, who was operated on at the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln two weeks ago, is reported as getting along very nicely and is expected to return home some time this week. This is good news to her many friends here. She has written that she will attend the next meeting of the Royal Neighbors of America lodge.

## Underwent Serious Operation

Mrs. Henry Heinemann, who was so seriously injured when a car struck the one in which she was riding, and who was in the hospital for a number of weeks and has since been in bed at home for nearly two months, was taken to the Bryan hospital at Lincoln last Monday, where on Tuesday she underwent an operation and it was reported Wednesday she had rallied nicely.

## Merle Gillespie at Hospital

Merle Gillespie, who has been in poor health for some time, went to Omaha and entered the Clarkson hospital, where he underwent an operation for the restoration of his health. On last Wednesday the wife and mother, Mesdames Merle and W. O. Gillespie, were over to see the patient, who was doing nicely. The ladies

were taken to Omaha by A. H. Jacobson.

## Some Ancient Bibles

Mr. G. Bauer has in his possession three aged Bibles, all printed in German, the oldest being printed in Germany in the year 1583—just three hundred and fifty years ago. The other two were published in America, one being 75 years old and the other 50 years old.

## Four Square Club Meets

The Four Square club met on January 15th at the home of Mrs. Arthur Tool.

The topic, "Happy Homes—Gift Edged Investments" was discussed and the project leaders demonstrated games and songs to be played in the home or at social functions. Also the idea of each member taking his or her part in the activities of the community was stressed.

The bulletin given each member contains many games and suggestions for parties and for everyday play in the home. There were thirty members present.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. V. McDonald, on February 12, 1934.—Reporter.

## CUBAN JOY HAS DRAWBACKS

Havana.—Altho lacking in military activity, the accession of Colonel Mendieta to the Cuban presidency was not quite bloodless. So great was the joy of manifestants, ceaselessly firing pistols and rifles into the air, that ten persons were wounded accidentally.

## CWA Material Placed Upon a Restricted Basis

Federal Agent Haynes Has Instructions to Buy No More Without Specific Approval.

Federal Agent Haynes, representing the CWA in Nebraska, upon receipt of a message from Washington to "buy no more material and make no commitments for the purchase of more material without specific approval from Washington," sent a message to each county director of CWA work informing them of the text of the message, and asked them to submit statements to Engineer Jones of the state highway department of the amount of obligations and amounts needed to complete projects.

Haynes said he had no further information except what was in the message sent to him. Press reports said the states are asked to submit to Washington reports of the amounts they have spent for materials, obligations incurred and amounts needed to complete projects, and that there is a possibility of the stoppage of CWA work Feb. 10 because funds are running low. The accounting is said to show that payrolls can be met up to Feb. 10 on the present appropriations but that additional appropriations by congress will be needed to extend beyond Feb. 10 and that the president will soon seek such

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appropriations.

A desire not to overspend available funds is said to have caused the "taking of stock" of the CWA work now in progress. Originally it had been intended that this work was to end Feb. 15, but many connected with it have contended that it would be continued after that date in some form or other. Ten percent of CWA allotments has been the limit for use in buying materials for projects. Many projects call for no funds for materials.

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