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## Alvo News

The Timblin family have purchased a new truck.

Mrs. S. C. Boyles has been ill during the past week. Friends hope that she will be better soon.

Carl D. Ganz's father, Mrs. Charles Ganz of Dunbar was a guest over the week end at the Ganz home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock and Henry Miller went to Plattsmouth Wednesday, where they visited relatives.

Miss Bobbie Ganz, a student at the University of Nebraska, and a niece of Carl D. Ganz spent the week end at the Carl D. Ganz home.

Mrs. Buehler's father and mother of Crab Orchard visited over Saturday and Sunday, December 18 and 19, at the Orville Buehler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Johnson and baby drove to Beatrice to spend Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gerbeling. They returned home late Sunday evening.

Miss Alice Taylor, who has been working at Onawa, Iowa, came home Thursday to spend Christmas with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor and family.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock drove to Beatrice Sunday to visit with their daughter, Mrs. Orville Gerbeling and family. Mr. Gerbeling has been employed in a grocery store there during the past month.

Supt. and Mrs. Orville Buehler drove to Liberty Thursday evening, where they enjoyed a Christmas dinner with Supt. Buehler's folks. On Christmas night they went to Crab Orchard to spend a few days with Mrs. Buehler's folks.

### Won Hard Fought Game

The local basketball team played against Greenwood at Greenwood on Tuesday evening.

Both teams played a hard fought game and at the end of regular play the score was tied. Desiring to break the tie, they continued play for another quarter, and the final score was 24 to 22 in favor of Greenwood.

### Undeclared Team

The Alvo second basketball team thus far is undefeated. They have won five games in succession this season, and have been doing some very good playing.

The first team is also coming to the front and show improved form with each succeeding game, but have not been so successful in winning as the second team.

### School Presents Christmas Program

Grades 1 to 8 under the direction of Miss Sitzer, Miss Kroll and Miss Ross, the three grade teachers presented a cantata "Waiting for Santa Claus," which proved to be very entertaining throughout the entire evening.

The program opened with the singing of Christmas carols by the Glee club. This program was featured in connection with the P. T. A.

At the close of the program Old Santa Claus put in his usual appearance and passed out sacks of candy and nuts to the children. The P. T. A. furnished the treat.

Epworth Leaguers Go Caroling  
Epworth League members went several places about town Wednesday evening singing Christmas carols and spreading a bit of Christmas cheer.

### Christmas Program at Church

The church school sponsored a very fine Christmas program Sunday evening, which they presented at the church before a large audience.

The program consisted of recitations, songs and a pantomime. The stage was decorated with two

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prettily decorated Christmas trees.

At the close of the program, Santa Claus passed out sacks of candy and popcorn for the children. The treat was furnished by the Sunday school.

Archie Miller's Sunday school class had charge of securing and decorating the Christmas trees.

### Schools Close with Parties

School closed Thursday afternoon for Christmas vacation after the grade rooms and the high school had each enjoyed delightful Christmas parties.

The children exchanged gifts and each were presented with Christmas treats by the faculty members.

The teachers left Thursday evening for their various homes for the Christmas vacation.

### Club Members Have Xmas Party

The Mothers and Daughters' Council enjoyed a most delightful Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Mabel Winn Friday afternoon.

Mrs. S. C. Hardnock had charge of a Christmas program which included several entertaining numbers. Under a beautifully decorated Christmas tree presents were spread out in imposing array for everyone present.

A two course luncheon was served by the hostess, which included sandwiches, candlestick salad, waters, ice cream, coffee and mints.

Mrs. Elmer Klyver, Frank Taylor and Dave Campbell were guests. Only two club members were absent.

The afternoon was a most pleasant one for all present.

### CLAIM G. O. P. GAINS

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 23 (UP)—John D. M. Hamilton, chairman of the republican national committee said today that the party was making heavy gains in mid-western majority campaigns because the voters were blaming the democrats for "lawless labor disorders."

He said the election of republican mayors was a prelude to a republican victory in the national elections in 1938 and 1940.

In the last elections, the republicans elected mayor after mayor in the industrial sections of the mid-west which have experienced sit-downs and other lawless labor disorders," he said.

"The republicans were opposed by democrats of excellent standing but the voters felt that the democrats were responsible for the lawlessness."

"We are now again in a crisis and only an administration that stands for law and order can pull the country out of the rut."

Hamilton said the public was dissatisfied with the democratic attitude in regard to John L. Lewis and his CIO. Hamilton came here to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Mary Hamilton who died December 4. Services were delayed until his arrival.

### SEEK NECKING DOLL

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 23 (UP)—A 12-year-old girl stumped clerks in a department store here when she asked for "a red hot mamma necking doll."

"The dolls," she explained "are girl dolls but when you squeeze them they say 'Oh boy'."

The department store could not fill the order.

### REMOVE JAP GOODS

PITTSBURG, Calif., Dec. 23 (UP)—Local department stores removed Japanese manufactured goods from shelves today after labor unions declared a boycott on Japanese materials and threatened to institute picket lines.

**YANKEE** **\$1.50**  
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## MURDOCK ITEMS

Steve Leis has been painting his car, greatly improving its appearance.

W. O. Gillespie and wife and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward were shopping in Lincoln Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Corbin of Avoca were Christmas day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dean in Murdock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Zabel had as guests on Sunday, Robert Emmons, father of Mrs. Zabel, and Fred Traup and family, of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McDonald and the children were in Plattsmouth on Christmas day, being guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thimman.

S. P. Lies and H. H. Lawton have been chopping wood and hauling the same to their respective homes in a trailer which they have attached to their car.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester and his brother and deputy, Cass Sylvester, were in Murdock last Wednesday on business, going from here to Elmwood, where they also had business to look after.

Paul Schewe and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Adaman, the latter of Louisville, were visitors in Lincoln last Wednesday, doing some holiday shopping there.

Miss Vola Everett who was a guest of friends in Murdock, departed last week for Elliott, Iowa, at which place she spent Christmas with her father.

W. H. Zabel and daughter, Arlene, were in Lincoln Wednesday of last week, where they secured a load of goods for the store and also did some Christmas shopping.

James Mills and family, Albert Theil and family and Henry Heineman and wife were among those from here who did pre-Christmas shopping in Lincoln last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Craig visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shelton at Eagle yesterday, where they celebrated the Christmas season together although a day late.

Edwin McHugh, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, came home early last week for the holiday vacation and is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Una McHugh.

Mrs. M. Sorich, mother of Mrs. Homer Lawton, accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Eva and Ruth Sorich, were Christmas day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawton.

Miss Leita McCrorey, who is engaged in teaching at Scottsbluff, together with the folks from South Bend, spent Christmas at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McCrorey.

Leo Rikli and wife entertained on Christmas day, besides the members of their immediate family, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jahnson, parents of Mrs. Rikli, and Mrs. Arthur Rikli, mother of Mr. Rikli.

Otto Miller and Ed Rau shelled and delivered corn to the Murdock elevator during the past week. A good many of the farmers have been taking advantage of the good weather to get their shelling done.

Mrs. Bertha Zabel, mother of W. H. Zabel, who resides at College View, passed through Murdock last Wednesday en route to Davenport, Iowa, where she spent Christmas at the home of her son Harry Zabel and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Gillespie entertained relatives on Christmas day. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Merle Gillespie of Murdock, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gillespie of North Loup and Mrs. William McNamara, Jr., of Casper, Wyoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rosenow entertained his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rosenow and family, yesterday, as well as other relatives. The Sunday date was chosen so that all could be present at their respective homes on Christmas day.

Nelawka Played Here  
The Nelawka high school's first and second basketball teams played here one night last week. Murdock won the first game by a score of 42 to 24, but lost the second game to the visitors, 27 to 23.

Enjoyed Family Dinner  
LeRoy Gorthey and family had as

## THE CHRISTMAS GUEST

By CLARENCE HAWKES  
The Blind Poet of Hadley, Massachusetts  
(Written for the United Press)

He came and stood before the great front door,  
In angry words they bade him go away,  
He passed from sight, they saw his form no more,  
For they were busy, as 'twas Christmas Day,  
At eve he sought another door instead,  
And asked the servants for a bit of bread.

Most graciously they bade him come inside,  
And spread a goodly meal of bread and meat,  
And as he ate appraisingly they eyed  
His face and form, e'en to his hands and feet,  
They knew not whom they entertained that night,  
His voice was kind, his face was full of light.

"This is a goodly house," he said, "and fair,  
Yet something lacks of kindness and joy."  
"It is the very dungeon of despair,"  
A servant said, "and all its gold alloy,  
For love's not here, but arrogance and pride,  
Where love is lost there's nothing else beside."

"'Tis so," he said, "I know such people well,  
In days of old they called them Pharisees;  
Of all their pomp and power they love to tell—  
I saw them oft across the seven seas,  
A blessing on this house I freely give,  
May they forget their gold and learn to live."

While he spoke, the room was full of light,  
And in each heart there came a wondrous peace,  
These servants poor had fed the Lord that night,  
And he had caused their doubts and fears to cease,  
Thus oft He seeks in vain the palace door,  
But sups in humble homes where men adore.

Christmas day guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jones, of Weeping Water, The ladies are sisters, Miss Dorothy Goerthey, who is attending school at Peru, and her school chum were also present to help enliven the occasion. A sumptuous Christmas dinner was served.

engaged in farming near Fullerton since they left Murdock.

**School Program**  
The eighth grade of the Murdock schools had a very entertaining Christmas program to mark the close of school for the Christmas vacation, which was held at the school gym on Thursday evening. A number of the parents were present for the entertainment. Besides the program there was a Christmas tree and a visit from Santa Claus.

**Church Program Friday**  
The Evangelical church of Murdock gave a very interesting program in commemoration of the Christmas season on Friday evening at the church in Murdock. There was a large attendance and a very worth while entertainment provided. A beautifully decorated Christmas tree and treats for the kiddies of the Bible school and church added to the pleasure of everyone.

**Remains Very Poorly**  
Mrs. Bessie Hite, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, remains in about the same condition and but slight hope is entertained that she will recover.

**Children Home for Christmas**  
Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Baumgartner have been greatly pleased to have their children present with them for the Christmas season at their farm home north of town. Dr. Carl Baumgartner of Valentine and Dr. W. J. Baumgartner and their families and Miss Hildegard Baumgartner, who is a teacher in the schools at Malvern, Iowa, were all here, and a most pleasant family reunion was enjoyed.

**Barged Two Coyotes**  
James Mills, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mill, recently was able to catch two coyotes in a steel trap which he set along a fence line with no bait but in the path the beasts would be apt to follow. They were caught about a week apart. One of the animals was quite young and the other appeared to be several years old.

**Swastika Club Meets.**  
The Swastika club met with Mrs. Carl Meierjürgen with fourteen members present and Mrs. Arthur Lindell as a new member. The collection was read and the Christmas song for the month was sung. The lesson on "Lecture Hours," was given. Cookie and candy receipts were tried and sampled, which were very good. The club will meet January 19th at the home of Mrs. Weber.—Reporter.

**Visiting in Los Angeles**  
Emil Kuehn and wife, of Fullerton are now in Los Angeles, where they expect to spend the winter. Recently their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keller, arrived in Fullerton from the coast. Mrs. Keller remaining there with her parents while her husband went to Detroit to secure a new automobile, which he planned to drive through to the coast. On his way back, he picked up his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Kuehn who accompanied them to the west. Mr. and Mrs. Kuehn have been

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## Wabash News

John Woods and Guy Hinds were in Lincoln Tuesday of last week, where they had business matters to look after.

Ole Olsen is opening a new stone quarry on the land of Fred Rehrmeier between Weeping Water and Wabash, the operation of which will give employment to a considerable number of men.

The Wabash elevator has been receiving a goodly amount of new corn. Some of the grain has been trucked to points further west, but there still remained a considerable amount to be shipped to market, and several cars have already been loaded out.

**Roses in December**  
A bunch of roses came through the mail to Miss Myrtle Woods, rural mail carrier, from Portland, Oregon. She placed them in a bowl of water, which refreshed them and brought back their fragrance and beauty, they being admired by all who came to the store.

**Working in the North**  
Robert Barden, who has been visiting in Wabash for the past month or more, departed last week for Porter, Minn., where he will resume work on a farm for the same man he was employed by before coming here to visit. He drove from here to Porter, which is not far from Minneapolis, in one day, and immediately began work.

**Guests Christmas Day**  
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hinds entertained members of the family at their home on Christmas day. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Copple and son, of Alvo, and the family of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Norris. A fine family dinner was enjoyed by everyone present.

**Happy Family Reunion**  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Gerbeling entertained at their home on Sunday in honor of the Christmas season. Those present included Orvil Gerbeling, of Beatrice, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bauers and son of Waverly, the family of Ralph Gerbeling of Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCoy of Beatrice. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Beesley, who came early last week, also remained for the holiday gathering. Mr. Beesley went to Louisville Wednesday evening to referee a basketball game.

**Schools Enjoying Vacation**  
The Wabash schools are enjoying a ten day vacation over Christmas and New Years. Last Friday at the school house a Christmas program was rendered and there was a Christmas tree and gifts for everyone. School will reopen on Monday, January 3rd.

**Road Being Surfaced**  
Crushed rock is being hauled from the Arthur Wiles farm and spread from the intersection two miles north of Elmwood west to Alvo, a distance of five miles. Due to the bad bridge that crosses the railroad and the Weeping Water creek southwest of Wabash (where the Sattler car was wrecked a month ago) the rock is being hauled thru Wabash, making an increased distance of two miles for the loaded trucks. Returning empty, they come that way, but approach the bridge with utmost care and precaution. So far, there has been no further accident at that point.

It will take some time to complete the job, but when finished there will be an all-weather road running east out of Alvo to connect with the gravel north of Elmwood.

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## Festive Board Again in Debt to Goose City

Watertown, Wis., Provides Principal Markets With Tidbits—Use Force Feeding Method.

WATERTOWN, Wis. (UP)—This "Goose City" has done its bit to make Christmas merrier. Shipments of fat geese, arriving here from neighboring farms, have been sent to markets throughout the country. Prepared by a special forced feeding method, brought to this city by early German immigrants, the birds sometimes weigh as much as 38 or 40 pounds.

Orders were received from the usual eastern markets, O. C. Wertheim, one of the leading commission men here, said. In addition, many of the fowl will find their way to the festive boards of Hollywood movie stars, for west coast orders have increased over previous years.

The fancy fowl cost the consumer about \$1 a pound. The meat itself is not eaten, for the forced feeding makes it overly fat. The liver is the principal product of the process. It becomes exceptionally large and is used in making pate de foies gras which will grace the menus of leading hotels at Christmas time.

The skin of the birds, too, is edible, it being the main item in a dish that includes toasting. The only other part of the birds that is eaten is the fat or lard, which is rated as a special delicacy.

The birds which are selected for the fattening process are separated from the rest of the flock soon after hatching. They are placed in separate stalls which restrict their movements. They are fed every few hours. During the last few weeks before the killing, the birds are forced to "eat" a special noodle. This is forced into their crops every few hours day and night.

Production of the fatted fowl runs high among the farmers of this vicinity, some raising as many as 30 to 100 birds a year. William Schmidt, Johnson Creek farmer, was crowned the "goose king" last year following the death of Fred Albrecht, who had held the title for many years. Albrecht's flocks numbered more than 100 birds a year for many years past.

**INSURGENTS REINFORCED**  
BURGOS, Spain, Dec. 23 (UP)—Insurgent headquarters announced today that important reinforcements were being hurried to Teruel from the northeast with the hope of soon relieving the garrison there. The announcement said the garrison was sufficiently provisioned to recede indefinitely.

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