

ALVO DEPARTMENT

Mrs. C. F. Rosenow and nephew Doc Mick, were in Lincoln Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Allen of Fairbury, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Taylor came in Sunday from Caldwell, Kansas, to visit relatives a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Toland returned to Havelock Sunday evening after visiting a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Keefer and son, Don, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cashner, at their home in University Place.

On Friday night the seventh and eighth grades gave a party for their teacher, Miss Anderson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hardwick. Games were played and dainty refreshments were served. All report a very delightful evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Keefer entertained the Alvo school faculty consisting of the following eight teachers: Supt. J. W. Kinsinger, Principal Miss Souzey, Assistant Principal Miss Rachel Stander, Miss Reeves, Miss Anderson, Miss Marie Stroemer, Miss Fern Dimmitt and Mrs. John Foreman and Mr. Foreman at supper Monday evening.

Miss Aurel Foreman spent the week end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Braun were Lincoln visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Timblin were in Lincoln Wednesday afternoon.

The mothers council met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. R. Jordan.

John Skinner and J. A. Shaffer autoed to Lincoln Wednesday afternoon.

The Royal Neighbors camp met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Sam Hardnock.

Little Richard N. Foreman is suffering with the measles at his home in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foreman returned Sunday from a two weeks' visit in Colorado.

The womens reading club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Alfred Stroemer.

G. P. Foreman and S. C. Boyles, were delegates to the democratic state convention in Omaha.

Mrs. G. P. Foreman and son Charles and Miss Dorothy McKinnon autoed to Lincoln Saturday afternoon.

Miss Frances Campbell and Miss Ethel Hunter of South Bend, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schaffer Saturday evening.

C. D. Ganz attended the republican state convention at Lincoln Tuesday, as delegate. C. C. Bucknell and Dr. L. Muir also attended.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday evening by Rev. E. A. Knight at the M. E. church. The graduating class consists of eight girls and three boys.

Mrs. Robert Dimmock and little son of Waverly, visited her sister, Mrs. A. I. Bird and family, Wednesday and Thursday, and attended commencement exercises Wednesday evening.

Joe Armstrong was in Lincoln Friday.

Ed Casey autoed down from Lincoln Friday.

John Parsek came in Thursday from Denver, Colorado.

Bert Kitzel has sold his Dodge car and is sporting around in a new Ford.

Herbert Moore was in Lincoln Thursday attending the Mason lodge.

Mrs. Wm. Yaeger and daughter, Mrs. George Braun, were in Lincoln Thursday.

Mrs. Elmer Barrett of Havelock came down Wednesday to attend commencement exercises.

The hail storm Wednesday evening did considerable damage to wheat and alfalfa southwest of Alvo.

John Skinner and sister, Mrs. E. D. Friend, left Thursday night for Sterling, Colorado, to visit their sister, Mrs. Nettie Park, who is quite ill.

These from Alvo attending the Weeping Water junior class play Friday night were the Misses Carrie Peterson, Agnes Peterson, Mildred Godbey, Blanche Moore, and Messrs. Harold Meikinson, Edgar, Floyd, Dickerson and Elmer Rosenow.

Miss Marguerite Riser of Council Bluffs, Ia., is visiting Miss Blanche Moore this week, and will attend commencement exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Boyles entertained at dinner Sunday, Miss Anderson, Supt. J. W. Kinsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Dale S. Boyles and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ganz and son.

The third annual commencement exercises of the Alvo consolidated school, were held Wednesday evening, May 19th, 1920, at the high school auditorium.

The eleven graduates in the class of 1920 are Carrie M. Peterson, Blanche E. Moore, Ivan L. Armstrong, Jessie A. Bucknell, Francis Opal Cook, Floyd E. Dickerson, Florence A. Taylor, Myrtle B. Hurlbut, R. Wesley Bird, Mary Mildred Knight, Hazel E. Deles Donley.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Curvey returned home Thursday evening from California where they spent the past six months. They drove out spending two weeks on the way and on account of rains they were three weeks and one day on the road home.

While in California they autoed up to Coalinga, where they visited a nephew of Mr. Curvey and also visited Mrs. I. J. Jamison and sons, formerly of Alvo at Porterville, also H. S. Ough and son, Milla S. Ough, father and brother of Mrs. J. A. Shaffer and several former Alvoites in Los Angeles.

The Orpheum entertainment Saturday night at the high school auditorium by the Alpha Chi Sorority of the State University was given for the benefit of the French Orphan fund. The Misses Clara Wilson, instructor, Clara Dickerson, Marie Prouty, Doris Arnold, Genevieve Hall and Lois Melton, students, took part in the entertainment. Miss Wilson and Miss Melton were guests of Miss Clara Dickerson while here and Misses Hall and Miss Arnold were entertained by Mrs. Dale S. Boyles Saturday night. Miss Hall spent Sunday with her uncle George Hall, and Miss Arnold was dinner guest Sunday at the L. Lauritsen home.

Will Help Credit Credit will be helped through the reduction of indebtedness, resulting from the disposal of merchandise in price-cutting sales, a financial authority said tonight.

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CUT PRICE WAVE SWEEPS OVER NATION

DEPARTMENT STORES IN CITIES SLASHING COST OF CLOTHING TO CONSUMERS.

Chicago, May 19.—The wave of price cutting in wearing apparel continued today to sweep the country, merchants in many cities and towns announcing reductions in men's and women's clothing, shoes, hats and other articles. While some merchants said the reductions could not be maintained after present stocks were exhausted, others declared the price cuts were the logical outcome of breaks in the eastern market, a backward season and large stocks on hand.

Owners of department stores in scores of cities today announced a price reduction in men's and women's apparel, ranging from 20 to 50 per cent, while in some places shoes and other articles were sold at reduced prices.

While the movement, which assumed nation-wide proportions yesterday, continued to spread, banking interests in New York today extended their campaign of deflation of credits and high commodity prices, carrying out their pledges to the federal reserve board.

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CANNING SEASON IS NEAR; SUGAR GOES UP

American Refining Company Boosts Price Another Cent a Pound, Effective Immediately.

New York, May 20.—An increase of one cent a pound in the price of sugar, making the new basic price 21½ cents per pound, today was announced by the American Sugar Refining company. The increase became effective today. The national preserver and fruit products association announced here today that its members will stay out of the sugar market until the price of sugar come down from its present high level. The association claims to represent 85 per cent of the manufacturers of the country who make jams, jellies and preserves.

"The so-called shortage of sugar does not exist," read a statement by Marcus Blakemore president of the association, who has investigated the available supplies with the help of the department of justice and representatives of the refining industry. "Present prices represent pure inflation, caused thru hoarding by sugar speculators."

He said that with the sugar that has already been received in this country and the amounts contracted for and available on the Cuban market an excess of more than 500,000 tons over last years total consumption is in sight. It is the hope of the association, Mr. Blakemore said to start a nation-wide movement among manufacturers using sugar and also among the housewives of the country aimed at the present high prices.

"If the housewives want to help, they should begin by using up the small supplies of 25 to 100 pounds, which most of them have stored away," he said. "As soon as the dealers see that buying has ceased, prices will tumble and the enormous stocks now stored in the warehouses and freight cars will become available at reasonable figures."

"Foreign countries which never before shipped sugar to the United States, are now invading the American market, content to deprive themselves of their normal supply in order to profit by the high prices this country is willing to pay."

Washington, May 20.—Inability of Attorney General Palmer to attend a conference, scheduled for today, between representatives of sugar importers and the department of justice, caused a postponement until tomorrow. Officials refused to disclose the object of the conference, except to say it "means as much to the sugar men as to the government."

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URNS DOWN PROFFER OF POSTMASTERSHIP

G. H. Wood, Cashier of Home State Bank, Louisville, Decides Not to Return to Montana.

George Wood, cashier of the Home State bank of Louisville, has decided to refuse the postmastership of the town of Malta, Montana, which was recently tendered him by President Wilson and will remain in his home town.

Mr. Wood has lived in Montana several years, where he formed a great many fast friendships and had passed the civil service examination for postmaster of that place before he was offered the position of cashier of the Home State bank to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of his brother, C. E. Wood, who moved to Peetz, Colorado, to fill a similar position.

Mr. Wood moved back to Louisville a few weeks ago at considerable trouble and expense and had sold most of his household goods out there and already purchased new furniture here. So, despite the fact that the postmastership paid a salary of \$2,700 per year, he was reluctant to make another change. The bank did not want to lose him and made him a flattering offer with a substantial raise of salary and he immediately returned his commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood's many friends will be pleased to know that they are to remain in town and no doubt Mr. Wood will purchase a home here in the near future. At present, they are living in the C. E. Wood home on Cherry Hill, Louisville Courier.

About Digestion

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Frank Detlef was a passenger this morning for Omaha to spend the day with Mrs. Detlef at the Immanuel hospital, where she is now recovering from her recent operation.

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Damming (not damning) the River!

If you wanted to stop the Missouri river, it would be useless to try damming it, either at Omaha or Plattsmouth. The only way you could stop it would be to head it off at its source and all its tributaries likewise.

It's just about as useless to attempt to dam the river of high prices at this end. The only place to stop high prices is at the source where they originate. If you dam the Missouri at Plattsmouth, it simply piles the water up and makes that much more trouble.

Trying to hold back the current of high prices at this end simply does the same thing. Just stop a minute and think how unreasonable it is. Would you expect the groceryman to sell all the sugar he had in stock at 30% off? That would benefit the few people who bought this sugar, but how would it cure the evil when that same groceryman must go right into the market and pay more at wholesale than he just sold it for at retail? Can he afford to sell this new sugar same as he did the other? If not, then he hasn't stopped the high prices.

It's exactly the same proposition with clothing. A so-called 30% reduction on retail stocks won't stem the tide so long as the manufacturers and wholesalers are still raising their prices. To make their factories look reasonable, these sale pirates claim they can replace their stocks for less. This is absolutely not so, at the present writing, in regard to cotton or woolen fabrics. It is true in regard to silks and silks only, but silks are a small part of a clothing stock.

There have been no signs or even hints of any reduction in cotton or woolen goods. Just as soon as there is any break in the cotton or woolen wholesale market and we can replace our stocks for less, we shall certainly be glad to give you the benefit and offer our goods at a corresponding reduction. But, until that time it is suicidal and preposterous to advertise something we cannot do. If we could resort to city methods, or if our goods were marked high enough, we might offer 30% reduction now, but we are not doing business that way. Remember as has been said, that "30% off means that much put on somewhere" under present market conditions.

We are just as anxious as anybody that prices should come down to a reasonable basis. They are too high—they are so high that they increase our difficulties and decrease our profits. We are hoping they do come down and just as soon as they do come down at the source we shall reduce them here.

There are always some things in every stock that by reason of change of style, or broken lots, or discontinued lines, or early purchase, can be sold at discount prices, and these specials we shall continue to feature as in the past, but to offer a flat cut of 30% from our present prices on our entire stock, would simply put us out of business, or any other merchant who sells goods as uniformly close as we are doing.

Think this over carefully and if you see any other way out of it, we would be glad to have you come and point it out to us.

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