

Alvo Department

Mrs. C. R. Jordan has been enjoying a visit from her niece, Mrs. Brothitt, for the past week.

John Morris shelled and delivered corn last Friday at the Rehmeier elevator, notwithstanding the very poor roads.

Henry S. Ough and R. L. Parmenter and wife and their little baby were visiting at the home of Mrs. Ruth Adams at Lincoln on last Friday.

Dan Willis was harrowing the roads and streets in town last Saturday, while John Skinner, with the truck, was doing the same service in the country.

The basketball team of Alvo played with the team from Palmyra at the latter place on last Friday with the results that the Palmyra team won over the ball-tossers of Alvo by a score of 23 to 7.

J. W. Banning was looking after some business matters at Lincoln last Saturday afternoon, and was accompanied to the capital city by Mrs. Banning, where they were also visiting with friends for a short time.

The basketball team of Alvo met the team of Boone at Bethany, last Saturday when they tried out the game on its merits, it being about halfway between the two towns. Who won we do not know, but we are sure they had a good game.

C. W. Hoffman had a sale of fine hogs last week, they being sold at auction and many of them sold as high as sixty dollars. They being of the celebrated Poland-China breed, and of good size, they were considered as going at a very reasonable price.

S. C. Boyles, C. D. Ganz, W. W. Coatman and Charles Godbey were in attendance at the good roads meeting which was held at the city of Elmwood on last Friday evening, and much discussion was had, there being representatives from all over the county.

Uncle P. J. Linn, who has been so badly afflicted with rheumatism for so long, has thrown away his cane and is getting about without it at this time. He has had quite a tussle with the rheumatism and neuritis, but seems to be knocking them both out at this time.

Mrs. Dora Anderson, living west of Alvo, was shelling and delivering corn to the Rehmeier elevator in Alvo last Saturday, but on account of the very bad roads there would be a lot of corn delivered at the city of Alvo, and when the roads are better the same will be brought in.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Boyles entertained a number of their friends at a most enjoyable event at 500 last Tuesday at their home just south of Alvo. The evening was most delightful, fully spent at the tables and the honors were about evenly divided. Following the season at the cards, Mrs. Boyles and her daughter, Mrs. C. D. Ganz, served dainty refreshments which added to the enjoyment of the occasion. There were present for the occasion Messrs. and Mesdames Herman L. Bornemeier, C. D. Ganz, Simon Rehmeier, Harry Appleman, A. B. Stromer, Andy Brobst and J. W. Banning.

Enjoy Evening at 500.

Last Friday at the home of Simon Rehmeier and wife were met a number of the citizens of Alvo, who came together to enjoy the evening and they surely did spend a most splendid evening. The passing hours were spent at the fascinating game of five hundred and all played a good game which made the occasion most interesting. There were present for the occasion Messrs. and Mesdames Herman L. Bornemeier, John W. Banning, S. C. Boyles, C. D. Ganz, A. B. Stromer, R. M. Coatman, Andy Brobst and Harry Appleman.

Taking Great Interest in Roads.

There is much interest being taken by the citizens and people along the road for the graveling of the road from the cemetery south of Alvo on the "O" street road through Alvo and to intersect the D. L. D. highway seven miles north of town. This would allow an outlet and make a good road for the large amount of traffic which goes that way to Omaha and the people of Alvo claim that there is an average of twenty truck loads of stock that goes over this line in a day.

George E. Clark Dies.

George E. Clark, eldest son of Fred H. and Zella E. Clark, was born near Hubbard, Nebraska, January 12, 1883, and died at his home in University Place January 29, 1926, aged 43 years, and 17 days.

At the age of 17 he moved with his parents to Phillips county, Kas., where he grew to manhood, thence to Republican City, Neb., then in 1914 after having served some time in the railway service in Montana, he re-

turned to the parental home at Alvo. Six years ago they then moved to University Place where they still reside.

"Happy" as he was known to his friends, was as light hearted and care-free as the name signified, always trying to lend a helping hand and to cheer a sad discouraged soul to happiness. He was also very energetic and trustworthy, having held a position with Stacy Bros., at Lincoln until his ill health rendered him unable to carry on the duties of his position. He was a member of the Aerie No. 147, Fraternal Order of Eagles, of Lincoln, of which he was a diligent untiring worker and always holding one of the respective offices until his indisposition of the past few months.

He was well known and as well liked, his friends being numbered only by his acquaintances. His death was due to an injury he received resulting in several operations by some of the best surgeons, but to no avail.

He leaves to mourn his departure an aged father and mother, three sisters, Mrs. Ina Gleason of Guide Rock, Mrs. Faye Nichols of Republican City, and Mrs. Clara Collins of Colby, Kas., two brothers, Leon F. of University Place and Ray D. of Alvo, four nieces and four nephews and other relatives and a host of friends, who extend their sympathy at this hour of bereavement.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the kindness and sympathy of our many friends during our recent bereavement and for the beautiful floral offerings.—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gleason, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Collins, Lee Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray D. Clark.

Live Stock in State Shows a Sharp Decrease

Prices Are Higher on Cattle in the State, the Report of the State Department Shows.

There are 9,921,000 head of livestock on farms, valued at \$255,468,600, as compared to 9,056,000 head a year ago valued at \$240,451,000 says the annual livestock report of the state and federal division of agricultural statistics.

The total number of cattle is 3,248,000 head as compared to 3,314,000 head a year ago. The average value of all classes and ages is \$36.21 against \$32.90 a year ago, and the total value \$117,610,000 against \$109,021,000 last year. There are less cattle on grain feed and the marketings of grass fat cattle last year a year ago due to more favorable prices. Breeding stock has been maintained and the present decrease in numbers does not indicate decreased production.

The total number of milk cows and heifers two years and over is 625,000 head, the same as a year ago. The average value is \$58 against \$54 a year ago, and the total value \$34,250,000 as compared to \$33,750,000 a year ago. The number of heifers between one and two years of age being kept for milk is 121,000 head as compared to 124,000 head a year ago. The estimate of swine of all ages is 4,050,000 head as compared to 4,818,000 head a year ago. The total value is \$69,660,000 against \$63,595,000 a year ago, and the average value \$17.20 against \$13.20 last year. The December pig survey indicated a slightly larger production this year.

Sheep total 775,000 head as compared to 840,000 head a year ago, the decrease being due to a smaller number on feed. The number of native breeding sheep approximates 140,000 head. The average value of sheep is \$10.90 against \$10.50 a year ago, the total value being \$8,448,000 as compared to \$8,837,000 last year.

Horses show a further decrease, the total being 823,000 head as compared to 863,000 head a year ago. The average value is \$61 against \$58 a year ago, and the total value is \$50,813,000 as compared to \$50,054,000 last year. This is the lowest number on hand for more than two decades.

The total number of mules is 115,000 head as compared to 121,000 head a year ago. The average value is \$78 against \$74 last year, and the total value \$8,937,000 as compared to \$8,931,000 a year ago.

Business forms of all kinds printed at the Journal office.

SCHAFFER SALE CHANGED

The big sale that was to be held by the Schaffer Brothers, well known stockmen of the county, at the home of Otto Schaffer, will instead be held at the Philip Schaffer home in the same neighborhood on Thursday, February 11th. The change in place of sale is made owing to the sickness in the family of Otto Schaffer.

The Schaffer Brothers are offering 45 head of Duroc bred sows and gilts and as well 27 head of mules.

This the twelfth annual sale of the Schaffer Brothers and will attract the hog and stock breeders for many miles around to it as the Schaffer Bros. have the reputation of being among the leading breeders and stock raisers in the state.

REX YOUNG'S SALE DATES

"Good morning Rex! Still busy I suppose?" Yes, on the go every day. I will show you my date book, for February and a part of March.

- 9—Louis Cornell, Wahoo.
- 10—Herman Karspeck, Avoca.
- 11—Schaffer Bros., Pure Bred hog sale and 27 head of good mules.
- 12—Harry Nelson, Murray.
- 13—M. E. Chamberlin, Cedar Creek.
- 14—W. S. Ely, North Platte, Neb.
- 15—Chas. Owen Grant.
- 16—M. Burkey, Grant.
- 17—Earl Fletcher, Wahoo, 250 head of pure bred Spotted sows and gilts, all bred and 100 stock hogs. Sold in heated sale pavilion at Wahoo, all hogs delivered up to 20 miles, if you buy a truck load.
- 18—George Ohm, Ashland.
- 19—W. R. Suprunay, Oke.
- 20—J. H. Ruhnman, Union.
- 21—Harry Abker, Syracuse.
- 22—Lee Nickles, Murray.
- 23—Chas. McCarthy, Nehawka.
- 24—Sale on the Pollock place.
- 25—Sam Hackenberg, Plattsmouth.

- 2—Jake Hansen, Big Spring, Neb.
 - 3—F. E. Anderson, Brule.
 - 4—M. B. Thompson, Imperial.
 - 5—D. H. Anderson, Yonango.
 - 6—Warren Wiley, Venango, Neb.
 - 11—Elmer Kent, Imperial.
 - 16—Frank Baldwin, Imperial.
 - 17—Will Hanks, Holyoke, Colo.
- The last three are all pure bred sow sales.

Valentine day will be next Sunday. Secure your valentines now at the Bates Book and Gift shop. They are a real revelation to the buying public. Call or send your mail order at once while the selections are still large and unbroken.

PUBLIC AUCTION

As I recently purchased the hardware business in Murray, I will dispose of my farming equipment and live stock at public auction at the farm located 1 mile west and 4 miles north of Nehawka and 6 miles west and 1 1/4 miles south of Murray, on—

Friday, Febr. 12

commencing at 10:30 o'clock a. m., with lunch served by the Ladies Aid of Murray, the following property:

9 Head of Horses
One brown mare, 6 years old, wt. 1680; one black gelding, 6 years old, wt. 1720; one bay gelding, 7 years old, wt. 1600; one span of black mules, Jack and Molly, coming 5 years old, wt. 2580; one sorrel mare, 12 years old, wt. 1370; one brown mare coming 11 years old, wt. 1490; one sorrel colt, coming 2 years old, wt. 970; one sorrel mare coming 3 years old, wt. 1340.

Cattle and Hogs
Three good milk cows, one will be fresh in March; two good calves. A few hogs, both large and small.

Farm Machinery, Etc.
One wagon like new; one wagon in good shape; one hay rack, light bottom and steel truck; one old hay rack; old wagon gear; spring wagon; two buggies; Moline walking lister; Moline 12-inch plow; two Moline 14-inch plows; John Deere walking cultivator; Jenny Lind walking cultivator; Badger riding cultivator; International riding cultivator in good shape; 2-row machine 3-section harrow with 2 and 3 section hitch; Sterling 16-16 disc, good; riding lister with float drill attachment; 2-row stalk cutter, good as new; 1-row stalk cutter; press drill; 7-hole corn sheller; good 5-foot McCormick self dump rake; 7-foot McCormick binder, like new; good Sandwich hay loader, like new; 12-inch gang plow; International engine on good truck; International manure spreader, like new; 7-foot disc; Deere Masseur corn planter; 80 rods wire; C. B. & O. corn planter; bob sled; one set 1 1/2 and two sets 1 1/2-inch work harness; set chain harness; set light harness; Sipes hog oiler, oils the little as well as the big; scoop end gates and throw boards to fit each wagon; fly nets; collars and pads; 75-bushel hog feeder; several gas and oil barrels, one mounted on wheels; log chains; block and tackle; wire stretchers; rope; axes; saws; set 3-horse wagon double trees, new; grind stone and other useful articles in good shape; one No. 12 De Laval cream separator, like new; 4-hole laundry stove; burner oil stove; 6-hole Jewell range; power washer and many other small articles.

Terms of Sale
Six months time at 8 per cent interest on approved notes. No property to be removed until settled for.

B. H. Nelson, Owner.
REX YOUNG, Auctioneer.
MURRAY STATE BANK, Clerk.

-REGULAR-DANCE!

Come and have a royal good time.

WEDNESDAY, February 10th

Ruby Orchestra Music?
Peterson Hall, Murray, Neb.

MANLEY NEWS ITEMS

While Rudolph Bergman was away last Saturday Joseph Wolpert was looking after the store and post office.

August Stander was called to Elmwood last Saturday to look after some business matters, making the trip in his auto.

James O'Leary and wife were visiting in Omaha last Monday and Tuesday returning home on Tuesday evening.

Donald Snell and Miss Rena Christenson of Weeping Water were visiting at the home of Herman Rauth last Saturday evening.

Frank Stander of Omaha was looking after some business matters in and about Manley for a number of days during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Carper of Lincoln were visiting for a few days during the past week at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Edward Murphy and family.

Rudolph Bergman was at Omaha last Saturday and was accompanied by Mrs. Bergman they looking after the purchase of goods, making the trip in their auto.

An invitation dance was given at the Manley hall last Wednesday evening at which there was a goodly crowd and an excellent time was enjoyed by all present.

August Stander was looking after some matters of business in Plattsmouth last Thursday driving over in his car for the day, and was accompanied by his son, John Stander.

Reports are that a mule with which Otto Schaffer was working kicked him very severely, just to what extent he was injured we were not able to learn, but are hoping he will soon be well again.

Oscar Dowler who will operate the road maintaining machinery for the county out of Manley this summer, moved from Weeping Water to the house which was formerly occupied by Louis Krecklow.

Last Saturday Joseph Rauth and Lyle Bouton were over to Plattsmouth where they were looking after some business and secured a license for the operation of an auto which has just been purchased by Lyle.

Joseph and Herman Rauth were at Pilger and at the home of the sister of the latter, Mrs. James Tighe who is very seriously ill at her home a few miles south of town. They returned home last Friday evening.

Mrs. William Kennedy of near Elmwood was a visitor at the home of Mrs. William Otte, and was accompanied by her son, Michael, they coming over to attend the funeral of the late Miss Mary Kehne, which occurred during the early days of last week.

Surprise Their Friend.
A number of friends of Mrs. Frank Taylor and their lady a surprise on last Saturday afternoon it being her birthday. They gave this excellent woman a very pleasant afternoon, and left some remembrances of the occasion which will keep fresh in her memory the pleasant occasion.

HAS THE CROCKERY
The west window of the H. M. Soennichen grocery, just west of the Journal building, presents to the seeker after crockery a real treat as there is every article that the fancy can imagine on display in this window from the old time crockery churns down to the most up to the minute articles of household use made of the very best lines of crockery. You miss something if you fail to look over the crockery.

ENJOYS FINE TIME
From Friday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary of the St. Luke's Episcopal church were most delightfully entertained at the Rectory, the guests of Father and Mrs. George D. Pierce. The ladies enjoyed the study period in the discussion of "Brazil." Father Pierce being the leader of the meeting and offering some interesting views on the great southern American country. Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans also gave a very interesting report of the recent council of the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese held at the Trinity church in Omaha and which gave a clear insight into the work of the council and church.

At a suitable hour Mrs. Pierce, assisted by Mrs. J. S. Linvings, served very dainty and delicious refreshments that were very much enjoyed by all of the members of the party.

Novelties in the Valentine line at the Bates Book and Gift Shop. The very large stock and the array of prices makes it possible for everyone to enjoy this buying opportunity. Send in your mail orders at once and they will receive prompt attention.

Miss Eva Bintner accompanied by her friend, Miss Mary Shea, both teachers in the public school of Schuyler, came down Saturday evening and spent a very pleasant time here at the home of the relatives of Miss Bintner.

Fancy Dennison crepe paper napkins in staple and special designs can be purchased at the Bates Book and Gift Shop. When entertaining look these lines over for decorations.

T B Eradication Brings a Profit to the Farmers

Protection Made by Inspections Gives Results in Premiums to Stock Shippers.

It will be of interest to those who have questioned the payment of premiums on swine from Nebraska, originating in counties certified as modified tuberculosis-free areas, to have certain information that has come to the attention of the Nebraska Bureau of Animal Industry. The report made is not complete as to the entire amount of premium that has been paid to the owners of swine from these counties, but the statement is correct insofar as it covers this subject. There are six counties in Nebraska at the present time which have been certified as modified tuberculosis-free areas by the United States and the Nebraska Bureau of Animal Industry. These counties are: Murray, Butte, Putler, Cass, Gage, Polk and Taylor.

The packers at the market centers agreed shortly after the work for the eradication of tuberculosis from cattle was established under the county area plan that they would pay a premium of 10c per cwt. on swine bred and fed in counties that would be established as modified tuberculosis-free areas. This certification requires that all herds of breeding cattle be tuberculin tested, and when the testing of all cattle in a county shows that not more than one-half of one per cent of the cattle tested are affected with tuberculosis the county may be certified.

The summary that has been made shows that on 17,957 swine marketed at Omaha, Kansas City and St. Joseph, a total of \$4,234.73 in premium has been paid at the rate of 10c per cwt. This is in addition to the market prices paid for the swine. A larger amount than this has been paid but the figures that are available cover only that part applying to the number herewith given. The following table summarizes the counties from which the shipments were made and the amount of premium that has been paid to the owners in these respective counties:

Counties	Hogs Sold	Premium Paid
Butte	2,030	\$ 519.90
Gage	3,891	872.23
Cass	2,149	532.62
Butt	3,775	845.91
Polk	2,119	529.75
Thayer	4,995	924.91
TOTALS	17,957	\$4,234.73

It should be appreciated in reviewing these statements that this premium is paid on the recognition by official certification that the cattle of the county are free of tuberculosis. Every county in Nebraska has the opportunity afforded these counties at the present time to receive similar benefits. There are twenty-one counties in Nebraska which have been declared by the Secretary of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture as areas for the eradication of tuberculosis. These represent more than 20% of the county units in the state, or, in other words, one out of every five counties has been established as an area.

GOLDEN RULE SCHOOLS

Some time ago the Field radio station at Shenandoah, Iowa, supplied to a large number of the counties of the states of Iowa and Nebraska, Golden Rule leaflets which were distributed among the various schools, the county superintendents looking after this work and seeing that the schools were given the full opportunity of taking up this line of work. The Golden Rule pamphlets provided that there should be more of the teachings of the golden rule among the pupils of the schools. This county has more of the Golden Rule schools than any county in the state.

Miss Alpha Peterson, county superintendent of Cass county, has received a copy of the Evening Sentinel-World of Shenandoah, which has a very interesting account of the workings of the golden rule in the schools; Miss LaVona Frans, teacher of the Maple Grove school, over in Cass county, Nebraska, and her pupils, twelve of them, sent in application to be members of the Golden Rule Circle and to become a Golden Rule school. Cass county, Nebraska, has more Golden Rule schools than any other county in the United States so far. Of course we must attribute this in part to the fact the Golden Rule leaflets were distributed over there first, by their enterprising superintendent, Miss Alpha Peterson, who always on the lookout for any idea of ways of building for better education.

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UNDERGOES OPERATION

From Saturday's Daily—
This morning at the St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha Mrs. W. A. Swatek of this city was operated upon for her very severe case of gallstones from which she has been suffering for some time past. The many friends of Mrs. Swatek are hopeful that she may soon be able to rally from the effects of the operation and return home entire relieved of her suffering and back to her normal health. Mr. Swatek and Mrs. Cyril Callina, a sister of Mrs. Swatek were at the hospital.

SEED CORN

Good A-1 white seed corn for sale. Martin Lohnes, Cedar Creek, Neb.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned will offer for sale at Public Auction at his home on the George Lohnes farm three and one-half miles southeast of Cedar Creek, nine miles west of Plattsmouth and five miles east of Louisville, commencing at 10:30 o'clock sharp, on—

Wednesday, Feb. 17

the following described property, to-wit:
Horses and Mules
One team black mares, smooth mouth, weight 2600 pounds; one black colt, 3 years old, weight 1100 pounds; one team bay mules, 3 and 4 years old, weight 2200 pounds; one sorrel mare, 10 years old, weight 1250 pounds.

Cattle and Hogs
Four good milk cows; one yearling heifer; two 2-year-old heifers, fresh soon.
Four brood sows, farrowing in March; fourteen head fall shoats, weighing 70 pounds each.

Farm Machinery, Etc.
One McCormick 8-foot binder; one McCormick mower; one Case lister; one P & O walking cultivator; one P & O 2-row cultivator; one stalk cutter; one Badger riding cultivator; one Gorum seeder; one manure spreader; one John Deere disc, good as new; one wagon, good as new; one feed grinder; one sulky plow; one gang plow; one cylinder corn sheller; one fanning mill; one 6 h. p. Fairbanks-Morse gas engine, like new; one Fordson tractor; one speed jack; one hay rack and trucks; one horse clipper; one John Deere 4-section harrow, good as new; one Schroeder corn elevator; one 30-gallon butchering kettle; one Primrose cream separator; one water tank; one cook stove; one butchering table; 10 rods poultry wire; 40 rods 26-inch woven wire; one 14-in. walking plow and various other articles.

Terms of Sale
All sums of \$10 and under, cash. On sums over \$10 a credit of six months will be given on bankable note bearing eight per cent interest from date. No property to be removed from the premises until settled for.

H. A. Larson, Owner.
CLARENCE BUSCH, Auct.
RALPH LARSON, Clerk.

PUBLIC AUCTION

I will sell at my farm home 6 miles west and 1 mile south of Murray; 6 miles east and 1 1/2 miles south of Manley; 5 miles east and 2 1/4 miles north of Weeping Water, on—

Wednesday, Feb. 17

commencing at 10:00 o'clock, sharp, with lunch on grounds by the following property, to-wit:
9 Head Horses and Mules
One team of mare mules, weight 2800; one team horse mules, weight 3000; one sorrel saddle mare, weight 1200; one black mare, weight 1300; one brown mare, weight 1500; one buckskin mare, weight 1500.

Cattle and Hogs
48 head Durham cattle, including some good milk cows, stock cattle and 1 and 2-year-old heifers.
Eight head of registered Duroc brood sows.

Farm Implements
One 2-row stalk cutter; one 16-12 new McCormick-Deering disc; one 3-section harrow; three 16-inch riding plows; two new 16-inch walking plows; one 14-inch walking plow; one J. A. Case, corn planter with 160 rods of wire; four Jenny Lind walking cultivators; two new P & O riding disc cultivators; one John Deere manure spreader; four box wagons; four hay racks and truck wagons; one Western corrugated iron roller; five sets of work harness; one feed grinder; one 1-horse corn drill; one good saddle and bridle; one grindstone; one oscillating bobbed; twelve horse collars; one 8-foot Deering binder; two Deering mowers; one McCormick hay rake; one Van Brunt wheel drill; one LaCross 1-horse drill; one spring wagon; one sausage grinder; one good square churn; one top buggy; one double carriage; one hand cornsheller; one garden plow; one stalk rake; one lister; 30 cords of wood, sawed; one wood saw; one hog scalding vat; 1500 bushels slat cribbing; one lard press.

Household Goods
One majestic steel range, 6-hole; one heating stove; some chairs, beds and other household articles.

Terms of Sale
Sums of \$10 and under, cash. Sums of over \$10, a credit of six months will be given on bankable note drawing 8 per cent interest. No property to be removed until settled for.

Bert Jameson, Owner.
COL. WM. DUNN, Auct.
THOMAS MURTEY, Clerk.

Foresee Republican Split-Up on Farm Relief

Governor McMullen Replies Indirectly to Ex-Governor McKelvie's Statement that Talk Is Bunk

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 5.—Indications here today were that the republican party in Nebraska was in the way of being split over its farm relief policy. There was universal assent to the belief that Governor McMullen and former Governor S. R. McKelvie each had a rope on either side of the "grand old party" column, and was asquiduously tugging away.

In Iowa this week Mr. McKelvie flat-footedly advanced the opinion though in somewhat indirect fashion that the McMullen "hullabaloo" about helping the farmer was nothing but "bunk." In Lincoln today Governor McMullen, although without mentioning the name of McKelvie, just as directly declared that the McKelvie speech was "hokum," and wondered what kind of self-headedness could lead a man into such a way of thinking.

Can't Figure Out Thinking.
"I can't figure out the psychology that is precedent to that kind of thinking," Governor McMullen said, throwing his hands up in the air in a gesture of "I give up."

"Why should we be so timid about trying something for the help of agriculture? Men make speeches and I get letters—from farmers, even. They weep and wail and say 'can't you see this case of a very hard hitting state? Some people will be afraid to lend their money here. Agriculture is all right.'"

"Of course, agriculture is not bankrupt, but that doesn't mean that it can't become more prosperous. The peculiar thing about all this is that the railroads can continue to go about with long faces and complain of bankruptcy, business can do it, and it's all right, it doesn't hurt the state at all, but as soon as it is pointed out that the farmer could be better off by a little help, the howl about hurting the state goes up."

The governor said he had been getting a lot of letters from Nebraska farmers written in this vein. He also indicated plainly, but without mentioning names, that he had read the McKelvie speech.

Impressed With Lowden Boom.
He indicated further that the Lowden Boom, generally conceded to be a national republican scheme to head off the president, is making a pleasant impression on him.

"I used to think Lowden was a good deal of an aristocrat," he said. "But I've changed my mind. I've talked with him, and I found that we could get along pretty easily, even discussing a little together. I've concluded that Lowden is a very capable, frank chap, and I'm sure that he believes in doing something decisive and definite for agriculture."

The rift which appears in this division of opinion on the farmer's business goes far beyond the recent Iowa conference or any of the late farm "movements" of a very weak order, a sentiment not too favorable to Governor McMullen has been growing among the wheel horses of the party. Patronage disappointments, executive delays, lack of effusive hand shaking and welcome at the governor's office have been the causes. It is not possible to walk three blocks down O street in Lincoln without coming in contact with a prominent republican who will cuss the governor and hiss through his teeth.

Speculate Over Nomination.
There have been speculations about the possibility of opposition in the coming primary, but it is generally conceded that this cannot be. In the history of the state, no governor has ever been denied a second nomination. To deny it to McMullen would be to split the party hopelessly and to leave the track clear for the democrats. The chance that Fred Johnson of Hastings might be able to swing the nomination and capture the governorship of the La Follette party has lent a ray of hope.