

Alvo News

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rosenow have purchased a new V-8 coach and are well pleased with their choice.

Simon Rehmeier was called to Lincoln last Tuesday evening to transact some business matters, driving to the capital city in his auto.

Simon Rehmeier and the family were in Weeping Water on Thursday, where they visited with relatives and friends and enjoyed the various attractions at the fair.

John Elliott was a visitor in Lincoln on last Tuesday, and was accompanied by the family, they visiting with friends while he looked after the business which called him there.

On Friday of last week Mrs. A. B. Stromer entertained the members of the Alvo Woman's Reading club, at which time they enjoyed a social hour and the excellent program that was rendered as well as the refreshments served by the hostess.

The reports are that George Curryea, who is making his home at Lincoln at this time is not feeling the best and is kept to his bed the greater part of the time. His many friends here are hoping he may soon be in his former health again.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church of Alvo were meeting at the church parlors on last Thursday and were looking after the work which comes before them and making plans for the work of the society of the church for the coming winter.

Charles F. Rosenow and brother, William F. Rosenow, departed early last week for Clay Center, Kansas, where they went to visit with their mother and other relatives in the south and also visited at Howard, Kansas. They expected to be gone about a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor were over to Weeping Water on last Wednesday afternoon, where they were looking after some shopping and as well meeting their friends at the county fair. They also visited the fair again on Friday and were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. G. Rehmeier, who visited relatives in Weeping Water.

Finds Clover Seed Fair

Billie Warner, who is a veteran thrasher, has been busy with the hulling of clover of late and reports that the seed has turned out so well that the prices have gone down, being governed by the age-old law of supply and demand. One piece which he has recently hulled turned out four bushels to the acre while the poorest did not make quite one bushel to the acre.

Will Visit in Wisconsin

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Snavely and family and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rosenow will visit at the home of Charles Snavely and wife, in Wisconsin, for a week or ten days. They left via auto late last week. The Wisconsin relatives recently visited here for a time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Snavely and now they are returning the call. They may look in on the world's fair before they return home.

Making Their Own Lake

W. H. (Billie) Warner was over to Lincoln last Friday, being accompanied by Soren Petersen. Mr. Warner went to look after some business matters connected with the filling of artificial lake which some hunters of Lincoln propose to have filled to use it for hunting purposes. Mr. Warner placed a bid on the filling of the lake, which will require five hundred hours of constant pumping with a pump throwing a stream of water one foot in diameter. Should he be awarded the job he will have to maintain a force of pumps working eight hours each and keep the pumps running during the entire twenty-four hours of each day.

The "make-your-own-lake" idea is a rather novel one and perhaps will prove all that the hunters expect it to, although it seems like a lot of work to get a hunting place.

Are Wrecking Buildings

There are a number of buildings in Alvo which have practically no commercial value and it has been deemed best to have them torn down. One of them is the shed in the rear of the building on the northwest corner of the intersection on Main street which belongs to S. C. Boyles. The removal of this structure reduces the fire hazard of all buildings situated nearby. Another is the building in which Joe Romulus resides and which was formerly occupied by Dr. L. Muir before his death.

Called Away by Sickness

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barkhurst, telling of the sister of Mrs. Barkhurst being stricken with paralysis and that her con-

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dition was very grave. Mr. and Mrs. Barkhurst immediately departed for the west, where the sister, Miss Mary Anderson resides. A brother, residing at Bushnell, was also summoned. It is hoped that Mr. and Mrs. Barkhurst will find the sister in much better condition when they arrive.

Thornbrugh Dies in a Trap Set by Missouri Police

Gun Fight Kills Suspect in Omaha Slaying—Patrol Officer Is Critically Wounded.

Hopkins, Mo. — Harold Thornbrugh, 24 year old Kansas desperado wanted for the murder of an Omaha policeman, bank robber and other crimes, was killed near here in a pistol fight with officers in which Sgt. James S. Poage, Missouri highway patrolman, was critically wounded. Thornbrugh died of a bullet wound below the heart, he was also shot in the leg.

He was trapped by state and county officers from Maryville, St. Joseph and Hopkins as he drove here presumably to obtain a general delivery letter addressed to J. L. Dennis. Officers said the letter, containing \$25, was sent by his father, who lives near Quenemo, Kas.

Thornbrugh's brother, Cecil, accused with him in the shooting of Otto Peterson, Omaha special policeman, was captured at Juenamo Sunday Sept. 3, after he was wounded with a shotgun by the father of his estranged bride, Will McCormick of Prescott, Kas.

Thornbrugh was shot either by Poage, who fired a riot gun after having been wounded by Thornbrugh, or by Paul Inman, driver of the highway patrol car from St. Joseph, who was armed with a pistol. Poage was wounded in the head and hospital attaches at Maryville said the charge from Thornbrugh's gun had seared the brain tissue.

With the two highway patrolmen were Sheriff Wallace, Deputy Growney, Constable Dougan and Will Trullinger, deputized by Wallace Thursday, all from Maryville, and Art Bonar, city marshal of Hopkins.

Coming into town, Thornbrugh spied the state patrol car waiting for him. He sped away in his sedan and was overtaken about a half mile north of here. Thornbrugh tried to crowd the first pursuit car off the road but was forced into the ditch himself. He opened fire, wounding Poage. Poage returned the fire and Inman followed suit.

Thornbrugh and his brother, Cecil, in addition to the slaying of Peterson, were sought for mail robbery and bank holdups in Le Loup, Harris and Prescott, Kas., and motor car thefts.

Both brothers were wounded recently after Cecil was shot thru a shoulder and one arm when he went to the home of his bride, Esther McCormick, 17, with threats against his father-in-law, Harold was shot in flight at Quenemo. A woman who said she was Barbara Schmidt, Minneapolis waitress, was arrested with Cecil Thornbrugh.

TEXAS DEATH TOLL IS 29

Brownsville, Tex.—The discovery of five more bodies had increased to twenty-nine the number of fatalities caused by a tropical hurricane which swept the lower Rio Grande valley and adjacent gulf coast last week. Four unidentified Mexicans were found crushed to death in the ruins of a shack. The body of "Uncle Jim" Summers, veteran fisherman drowned in the storm, drifted ashore at Red Fish Bay.

Flood waters which coursed down the Rio Grande after the violent wind and rainstorm still menaced the valley, but except for a break in the Willacy county floodway levee near Raymondville, the flood control works were withstanding the battering of the swollen stream.

750,000 Handed Jobs; Payrolls are Hiked in August

No Time for Celebration with Winter Just Ahead, Says Secretary of Labor.

Washington.—Labor department officials estimated an employment gain of 750,000 and an increase of 12 million dollars in factory payrolls in August over July, but Secretary Perkins cautioned that the upturn should not occasion any ballyhoo that hard times are over. "This is not the time to throw hats too high in the air," she said, and then recalled that winter was just ahead and that the months of November, December and January normally show reverses.

She said employment was still 28.4 percent and payrolls 48 percent below the normal average in 1926, and while the August figures were encouraging, "We must try soberly to reach that normal peak." She expressed hope however, that "This was the beginning of the upward spiral we have been working for" and that the increased wage earning would lead to buying of the kind that would make demands on other factories.

Payrolls were increasing faster than employment, Miss Perkins added, regarding this as indicating that "purchasing power of factory workers was being revived to some extent." Attributing some of the gains to the NRA, the labor secretary said this was not responsible for all as the first code did not begin to operate until July 15, and the figures only covered the month ending Aug. 15. She believed, however, that the increased payrolls indicated "a mass movement due to the conviction that there must be a wage earners market to build up."

August payrolls increased 11.6 percent and employment 6.4 percent over July. The payrolls, representing a gain of 55.4 percent over March, the lowest point of the depression, were the highest since December, 1931. Employment gained 29.9 percent over March and hit the highest peak since July, 1931.

The employment gain since March was placed at 2,200,000, of which 1,500,000 were factory workers. Factory payrolls increased 40 million dollars.

Of the 750,000 returned to work last month, 380,000 were estimated to have entered factories and 370,000 non-manufacturing industries.

Of the 89 manufacturing industries covered in the department's survey, 81 reported job gains and 83 payroll boosts. A total of 18,008 establishments reported 3,187,674 employes at work and payrolls of \$60,251,490 on August 15. The reporting establishments covered approximately 50 percent of the total wage earners in all manufacturing industries of the country.

Miss Perkins found most encouragement in heavy industry gains, iron and steel reporting 12.2 and 20 percent increases in employment and payrolls, respectively, machine manufacturing 10 and 10, and machine tools 17.5 and 17.

She attributed a 20 percent payroll jump in the textile industry to the NRA code and said a "general upswing" was reflected in the sixteen non-manufacturing industrial groups, particularly the retail trade, which gained 4.7 and 7.9 percent respectively, in employment and payrolls.

The beet sugar industry had the highest employment gain, 55.3 percent, among the manufacturing industries. This is primarily seasonal. The locomotive industry had a gain of 32.9 percent, and confectionery, millinery, textile machinery and typewriter industries more than 20 percent. Every state except Florida, South Carolina, Utah and Texas reported employment gains.—State Journal.

SWOLLEN STREAMS RECEDE

McCook, Neb.—Swollen streams forced to high levels by heavy rains in this section of Nebraska had receded Wednesday and no flood damage was reported, altho the Republican river overflowed its banks Tuesday and residents in the lowlands had been warned to be ready to move to higher ground.

Traffic on highway No. 183 into Kansas which had been interrupted, was resumed. High water near Trenton and Palsade washed out highways and bridges. A number of automobiles and trucks were stalled. However, roads were passable.

NAMES ENVOY TO IRISH

Washington.—President Roosevelt appointed W. W. McDowell of Montana to be inister to the Irish free state.

MURDOCK ITEMS

Mrs. Hannah McDonald was visiting at Hampton during the past week, being a guest at the home of her son, Gayle McDonald and family.

Mrs. A. J. Tool was attending the county fair last Wednesday, where she was officiating as one of the judges in the domestic department of the fair.

Rudy Iverson, of Plattsmouth, was a visitor in Murdock on Thursday of last week, looking after some business matters and consulting with Lawrence Race regarding the sale of the celebrated line of Chevrolet cars that are now leading the field.

Charles Long was attending the Cass county fair at Weeping Water during the greater part of the time the fair was on, as he was one of those who assisted in the dispensing of sweet music which added so much to the enjoyment of those in attendance.

Harold W. Tool was a visitor in Murray one day last week, where he went to secure some shingles at the Murray lumber yard, as his carload shipment from the mills in the west was delayed. Harold sure seeks to serve his trade no matter what the obstacles and he generally does it at that.

No School Last Friday

There was no school last Friday, as the schools were closed over most of the county in order that the students might attend the county fair and participate in the school parade, which was one of the very wonderful things about the fair and why not, for certainly our children are the most important thing produced in the county, far in the lead of live stock or hybrid strawberries.

Large Crowds Attend Opening

On last Saturday at the opening of the new store of Emil Kuehn, which is known as the Clover Farm store, but is withal the individual property of Mr. Kuehn, there was a large crowd of people present, not alone residents of Murdock and vicinity, but some who came from a much longer distance to reap the advantages of the low prices which the new store was able to offer. All were satisfied with the savings they were able to make. Two large baskets of groceries were given away during the day, one at four in the afternoon and the other at eight in the evening. In addition to this, free shopping bags were passed out and presents for the children.

This new mode of merchandising that is being inaugurated in Murdock has for its purpose the bringing of city store advantages to the smallest towns and villages through increased buying power of group purchases. The Clover Farm organization is one of the largest and is increasing its scope every day as more and more individual merchants take on this new merchandising plan.

Entered the State University

Douglass Tool, who for the past two years has been a student of Creighton college of Omaha, is this year entering the University of Nebraska for a term of study. He left for Lincoln last week and is now at his work as a student there. Douglass is very persistent in his application to the task of studying and being also very apt in the assimilating of the knowledge imparted by the textbooks and instructors, will make an excellent student and secure the utmost from his schooling.

Played a Stiff Game

In a kitchball game which was staged at the county fair at Weeping Water last Wednesday between the Weeping Water and Murdock teams, the contest was very spirited and required sixteen innings to determine the result. The score was 1 to 0 in favor of Weeping Water.

Exhibited Cob Cabinet

Oscar E. McDonald was at the Cass county fair all last week, where he had charge of the display of kitchen cob cabinets, which are manufactured by H. W. Tool. One of the features of his display and demonstration was the giving away of one of these cabinets at the fair, the winner being the one guessing closest to the number of cobs which the receptacle contained.

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Speedy Justice in Michigan



Convicted in record time of kidnaping and slaying Joe Nesbitt, Detroit automobile executive, Robert Frazer (left) and Robert Buffa are shown manacled as they were taken from McComb County jail to Michigan Prison to begin their life sentence. With two other men they slew Nesbitt after robbing him. There is no capital punishment in Michigan.

ANALYZE SWEEP OF REPEAL

Washington.—The movement for repeal which has swept unchecked across twenty-nine states was shown by an unofficial tabulation to have piled up a total popular vote of nearly 3 to 1 for the death of constitutional prohibition—a result now officially possible on Dec. 5. By adding in the latest tallies available from the last five states to hold elections, the popular ballot stood: For repeal, 10,766,154; against 3,578,955. With only seven more states needed to signal the passing of the amendment, at least ten more state votes are assured by Nov. 7. Should all follow the wet trend,

the focus would turn to the three states which have arranged ratifying conventions on Dec. 5—Ohio, Pennsylvania and Utah.

The last three to act officially, provided the trend continues unbroken, would officially usher out the eighteenth amendment and open the door to legal whiskies, wines and all the rest. Should one or more of these states vote against the twenty-first or repealing amendment, conventions have been set for Dec. 6, by Maine and North Carolina. The Kentucky convention meets on Dec. 15.

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