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Alvo News

W. C. Timblin and Harold spent Thursday afternoon in Weeping Water.

Miss Gladys Keller, who is working in Lincoln, spent Sunday with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dinges attended the Armistice Day program in Lincoln Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leaver and Mrs. Charles Ayres spent Tuesday afternoon shopping in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes, of Concordia, Kansas, came Saturday to visit a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Simon Rehmeier, Fred and Frank, spent Sunday afternoon in Lincoln.

W. C. Timblin called on Ben Appleman Saturday afternoon. Mr. Appleman has been ill for several weeks, but his condition is much improved.

Mrs. Carl Christensen has returned from Aurora, where she spent about three weeks with her sister while convalescing from an operation.

A number from Alvo attended the home coming day at the University of Nebraska last Saturday and saw the Cornhuskers take the Big Six title by defeating the Kansas Jayhawks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Plymouth are the proud parents of a baby daughter born to them Monday, November 11, at the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln. Mother and daughter are reported doing very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Winters and children, Mrs. George Colvin and Mr. Peterson, all of Omaha, spent Thursday at the H. M. Wyatt home. Little Patty Lou Winters remained to spend a few days with her grandparents.

Attended Soil Conservation Meeting
Elmer Bennett, Earl Fairfield and Turner McKinnon attended the Cass-Otoe county meeting at Philpot hall in Weeping Water last Tuesday, at which problems of soil erosion and conservation of the land were discussed. The government has located a CCC camp in Cass county with men available to do work in this line on the various farms where materials are provided by the land owners. The meeting included a trip to the camp and also a tour of inspection of some work of this type now under construction.

Card of Thanks
We want to thank all who so kindly helped us during the recent loss of our home. The thoughtfulness which prompted your assistance is deeply appreciated.—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson and Family.

Mothers and Daughters Council
The Mothers and Daughters Council met at the home of Mrs. L. M. Hauptman on Thursday afternoon, November 14. A large crowd attended and a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all present. A delicious lunch was provided by the hostess.

Honor Relatives at Dinner
A dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes and children, of Kansas, was held at the Joe Bird home Sunday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor and children, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Friend, Mr. and Mrs. William Kitzel and George, Mr. and Mrs. Art Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bird and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes and children.

Observe American Education Week
The Alvo schools observed American Education week, November 11 to November 17, inclusive. Many special features were presented during the week in keeping with the occasion.

The Sunday morning church hour, November 17, was given over to the school children. A talk was given by Rev. R. J. McKenzie on "Education and the Good Life."

When you are planning for the decorations for the Thanksgiving holiday party or dinner, call at the Bates Book & Stationery store where many attractive features await your inspection.

KING KORN FEED

(By the Kourt Jester)

HEAR YE, HEAR YE! All subjects of the realm.

Ye Thursday next, ye subjects of KING KORN, Harrison I, will put on ye feedbag at ye Hall of Legionnaires.

Because no more than 200 of ye multitude can be accommodated, only this number of tickets has been printed and they are now in the hands of ye committee as follows:

Sir Ralph Anderson, Baron of the BREX.

Sir Ray Misner, Duke of the Trans Mitter.

Sir Frank Bestor, Lord High Keeper of the Kash.

Sir Fred Busch, Count of Frouseau.

Sir "Mac" McKissick, Earl of Free State of K. W.

Sir Clement Woster, Duke of Florshelm.

Sir John Cloldt, Lord of Gasaoll.

Sir Howard Davis, Duke of Gladstone.

Sir Emil Wurl, Prince of Provisions.

In case that some of ye above nobles do not call on thee, procure four bottles in koin of the realm and make thee a purchase from them, as ye sellout is predicted, and ye S. R. O. sign is being dusted off.

Prince Charles of Barnard has his crusaders out amongst ye barons of the south, west and north of our citadel and they will undoubtedly take ye citadel by storm. Prince Charlie was some little put out because he could not obtain more tickets, in fact.

Sir Emil of Weyrich, Keeper of the Royal Kameras, will show to all ye nobles present, pictures in motion of ye great Karnival. These will disclose the various jousts, feats of valour and displays entered into by ye large throngs gathered to witness ye big show and festival.

Ye Legion Ladies-In-Waiting have submitted a menu that would make even the Knights of the Oblong Table throw down their swords and bucklers and ye Kommittee in general thinks this forthcoming event will be worth your while.

ENJOY AUTO SHOW

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Vallery were at Omaha Wednesday night where they attended the auto show and had the pleasure of viewing the many new 1935 models that have made the show one of the most interesting in many years. Mr. Vallery states that the crowds have been the largest in years and the greatest of interest is shown in the various makes of cars and the many new improvements that are making the coming year's cars the very last word in comfort and speed.

TRAFFIC IS HEAVY

Friday was an unusually heavy day for traffic in the late afternoon and much congestion was in evidence on Sixth street and also on the upper portion of Main street in the business section of the city. One of the great difficulties that seems to be is that of the habit of trucks stopping in the highway with parking on both sides of the street, making it very difficult for the usual flow or traffic to proceed.

UNDERGOES APPENDECTOMY

Harold Albert, one of the well known young men of this city, Friday underwent an appendectomy at the Nicholas Seun hospital at Omaha. Mr. Albert came through the operation in excellent shape and at last reports was showing the most favorable reaction. It is hoped that he may soon be able to return home and to resume his usual activities.

NOTICE

Three Spotted Poland Boars out of prize winning blood. See Leonard Keim, one mile south of Walton.

JOIN

When stark disaster comes to a community this greatest of all humanitarian agencies is first on the job. It is worthy of your support as a \$1 per year member.

Fine Record of Closing Up Bank Receiverships

Col. Phil L. Hall of Greenwood Most Successful in Securing Good Results for Depositors.

The Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, D. C. has authorized the payment of a second (final) and interest dividend to the depositors who have proven claims against the Central City National bank, Central City, Nebraska. This dividend consists of the 5 percent still due on proven claims, and interest thereon computed from date of suspension March 4, 1933 to October 31, 1935, the date of the payment of the final dividend.

Central City National Bank suspended March 4, 1933; placed in receivership November 1, 1933; 95 percent dividend paid June 12, 1934; 5 percent and interest to be paid November 18, 1935; Total dividends paid 100% and interest \$175,661.31.

This bank as well as those below were handled by Col. Phil L. Hall of Greenwood, as receiver.

Additional disbursements made to depositors under the supervision of the comptroller of the currency, since 1933, are as follows:

The National Bank of Ashland, Nebraska (insolvent). Suspended Mar. 4, 1933; Placed in receivership July 16, 1934; First dividend 70% paid while restricted; second (final) dividend 30% paid September 11, 1935; Total dividends paid 100% \$179,969.41.

The First National Bank, Adams, Nebraska (insolvent). Suspended March 4, 1933; placed in receivership September 12, 1933; dividends paid of \$2 1/2% amounting to \$106,138.23.

FRANK C. METTEER

Frank C. Metteer, 65, of 116 North E street, Lake Worth, Florida, died Saturday afternoon, November 9, at 5:20 o'clock at Good Samaritan hospital in West Palm Beach.

Mr. Metteer came to Florida from Nebraska 13 years ago. He was a member of the First Christian church in Nebraska and of the Painters Local in West Palm Beach, Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ethel M. Metteer and a step-son, Carl E. McEwen of Columbus, Ohio.

Funeral services for Mr. Metteer were held on Tuesday afternoon, November 12 at the Smith funeral home chapel at 2 o'clock. The Rev. J. A. Holtzclap, pastor of the Free Methodist church officiated. Burial was in the Woodlawn cemetery in West Palm Beach.

Mr. Metteer was a member of the Knights of the Oblong Table and was a member of the American Legion, Post 1234, in West Palm Beach.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ethel M. Metteer, and a step-son, Carl E. McEwen of Columbus, Ohio.

OBSERVE "EDUCATION WEEK"
The Education Week as observed by the schools was very successful in every respect. In the kindergarten Thursday morning every parent who has a child in this room visited the class and saw the children at their work. The mothers were very much interested in the work of the kindergarten and felt that the activities there are highly beneficial in preparing the child for his later school activities.

At Central building the upper grades were open for inspection in the afternoon. A large number of parents visited the classes in spite of the inclemency of the weather.

The high school carried on their usual Education Week program with speakers throughout the classes and assembly programs.

Visiting day in the ward schools will be arranged by the principals of these schools.

TAKES PART IN 70TH ANNIVERSARY AT FREMONT
Canon Petter 'said grace' at the luncheon and evening banquet celebrating the 70th anniversary of St. James' Episcopal church, Fremont, yesterday. He also gave a short address. Many guests were present including a former rector who is now Bishop Harry T. Moore of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Clayton and Robert D. Neely of Omaha addressed the evening dinner meeting. The road conditions between Omaha being of the very worst on account of sleet, many who were expected, failed to arrive. The meetings were held in the newly built parish house.

SPEAKS TO OMAHA WOMEN
Miss Barbara Gering, United Thankoffering treasurer of the Diocese of Nebraska addressed a large group of women at All Saints' church, Omaha, on Wednesday on the work of the 'Thankoffering' missionaries.

Community Sale

to be held at Pavilion on paved highway No. 75, 1/2 mile north of Platte river at LaPlatte, Neb., on

Thursday, Nov. 21
Starting at 12:00 Noon

Horses, Cattle, Hogs
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Rex Young.....Auctioneer
William Reynolds.....Clerk

ENTERTAINS BIRTHDAY CLUB

Wednesday evening the Gering home on North Sixth street was the scene of a most delightful and beautifully appointed dinner party at which Mrs. Mia Gering had as guests members of the Birthday club. The occasion honored the anniversary of Miss Gering as well as in greetings to Mrs. Anna Britt, of St. Louis, a former member and now a guest in the city. In serving Miss Marion Fricke assisted.

This club has had the delightful custom each year of meeting together and sharing the happiness of passing anniversaries of the members, this covering a period of several years.

The members after the enjoyment of the dinner spent the evening in visiting and renewing acquaintance with the old friend of many years standing.

Greetings were sent to the members of the club now residing at other points. Mrs. J. S. Livingston, Denver; Mrs. James H. Donnelly and Miss Julia Hermann, of Milwaukee.

Members of the club attending were Mrs. R. W. Clement, Mrs. Henry Herold, Miss Dora Fricke, Mrs. Maude Fricke, Mrs. J. A. Donelan, Misses Mia and Barbara Gering, as well as their guest, Mrs. Harold Hager of Kansas City, and Mrs. Anna Britt of St. Louis.

NAVY ON ARMY'S 29-YARD LINE
As a result of a forward pass and a couple of fake plays around right end, the Navy is now on the Army's 29-yard line, first down and ten to go. This may sound like football—and it is, with a heated contest on between the Army and the Navy to sign up Legion members for the coming year.

The forward pass was started as a lateral from Tindher to Rebal and on to Vroman with a good gain, while the plays around right end were consummated when the Navy boys signed up several Army men by using the fake signal. The next play promises to be held to line scrimmage with the "Stonewall" Army line holding like the Rock of Gibraltar. From then on, Army tactics are problematical. Perhaps they will rely on a sustained drive straight down the field, putting power behind their gains, or resort to "kicking" (commonly called punt.) At any rate, the contest, which is now in the first quarter, promises to be a real one, and the Army say they will have the game on ice before the end of the half.

Upsets, the same as in real football, may be looked for, and the apparent losers may score last minute touchdown to win.

LICENSE IS REVOKED
From Saturday's Daily:
This morning the hearing was had in the county court on the complaint filed against Hugh Stander, Jr., in which he was charged with operating while he was not properly licensed, driving a car on the highway not leading to or from his home as provided by his school driving permit. To this charge the young man entered a plea of guilty and his driver's permit was suspended for a six month period as provided by law.

The count of the information relative to driving a car at an excessive rate of speed was dismissed by County Attorney W. G. Kieck.

DEAD ANIMALS
Horses, Cattle and Hogs
We have our own plant operated at Plattsmouth. We can give you quick service.

Highest Price for Horse and Cow Hides and Pelts
FRANK CRAMER
Plattsmouth Rendering Works
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Writes About Earthquake at Helena, Mont.

Samuel Chapman, Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, Old Residents Here, Tells of Disaster.

Samuel Chapman, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Chapman, former residents here, now living at Prosser, Washington, writes the following interesting account of the earthquake at Helena, Montana, in which he was caught. He is now a student at the Intermountain college at Helena. The letter follows:

Well everything is one grand mess and everybody is under a very tense nervous strain. We have had no more major quakes since Friday night, except a few heavy quivers. The rest that come every once in a while are noticeable, but outside of rattling a window or so they are ignored. Every time that one does shoe up it reminds one and all that the earth is still in a state of unrest.

Last night I finally got some sleep but woke up three or four times when we got a heavy tremor. The night was uneventful except for the few quivers. Saturday night I worked until two for Western Union, who put up an emergency station here at the Home in the garage. Well, to tell the truth, I feel like all the rest after dark. I feel that I want to get away from the building, but it does no good. All of our major quakes have come in the night so everyone is sitting on edge and is looking for nightfall with a dread. To be so rudely awakened is no joke, let me tell you.

I has suddenly turned cold so that now there is more apprehension if a quake should come, as people will probably suffer quite a bit from cold. As luck would have it, the night was

that almost choked one. Not a sound except the building was creaking a little. Someone called out, "Anyone hurt?" No answer! The cry was repeated by several.

All this time, I was fumbling for some matches. I had the first one lit and on the floor at my feet lay a pile of brick and mortar. A portion of the wall had fallen in and was lying all over the floor. Then several lights were lit and we could see no one under the brick. Along that wall were several of the faculty and a few students who were talking when it hit. The cry, "Look out!" must have sent them away from the wall. How they got away was a miracle. It will remain unsolved for many days and even forever. I can't even find out who it was that ran at the first. No one knows a thing, it all seems like a dream now. A horrible nightmare! I found Jo and we made a bee-line for the "dorm" to see what happened to the people over there as there were several old ladies there. We were a little late, however, as some of the boys had sped there as soon as they could get out of the door; chances are they were over to the "dorm" before the last quiver died down.

We went inside with a flashlight and the building was a mess; almost two-thirds of the plaster was down and the building was full of dust. We went right to Jo's room and grabbed a few coats and covered the xylophone with a sheet to prevent at least some of the scratching, got the money and some of the valuables out, then scrambled before the small quake that followed the big one started in. We stood outside and could feel the ground rumble and quiver. Then I told Jo to wait until I came back, as I got to feeling clammy about the Home here. I hailed a car and we went down (another boy and I). We were the first ones there and Mr. Dean pulled right up behind us.

Nothing of importance had happened there, except a bunch of scared kids, a few cracks in the wall and a few things upset. There wasn't a thing moved or disturbed in my room, or even a crack.

at the Falls Saturday at noon, if possible. To date we have had over 600 separate and distinct shocks. I guess that is a record any town will find hard to beat, that is for this type of quake.

The quake hit us at 11:35 in the morning. It came without a warning, as most of them do, but this did not have any preceding shocks except one at 5:30 in the morning. The college is a ruin. More of the gym fell in and Helena hall, that is, the class rooms, is a complete ruin. There were no walls that fell in that I could find out, but the interior is a wreck. The brewery is a total wreck as well as the new million dollar high school that was just built this summer. It is a miracle that more were not killed today as almost all of the buildings that were wrecked were being repaired. There were several on the new high school when it hit. The entire back went out and flat—when I say flat, I mean flat, not twisted. There isn't a thing standing up at the back. The auditorium wall caved down and the part that holds the flies on the stage caved off. There were three working on the part when the scaffolding fell and let them down 20 feet to the roof proper. One was clear on top and when the dust cleared he was still on top. The two that fell were badly hurt but no one was killed there.

The Shrine temple was badly damaged. The roof is sagging way down. The spires on the cathedral will have to be shot down. The cathedral is an exact copy of the famous Rheims cathedral in Europe. The spires rise about 250 feet above the street and the building is a very famous one in the state of Montana. The roadhouse at the N. E. caved in and several were hurt pretty bad, but as far as I know no one was killed. I was talking to a fellow who works there and he said that they all dove under an engine when the quake hit. The Home was badly damaged but no one was hurt. Large cracks appeared in the walls and the kids began to cry. The plaster that fell was a mess.

The town is wrecked except the



Above is shown the wreckage of one of the large brick buildings in Helena, Montana, wrought by the earthquake, and described by Samuel Chapman, an eye witness to most of the devastation that occurred there around the latter part of October. Chapman is a former Cass county boy.

warm and nothing was more suited to the needs of the people of the town at that time.

There was the first tremor at 7:48 Friday night, then later on several rumbles that were barely noticeable. We went to the dance and forgot all about it. The fifth dance had finished and Jo and I had gone to the corner farthest from the door to find the next couple on the program. We found them and were standing talking to them when all at once there was a roar and the building began to perform.

It seems now as I recall, that almost everybody was paralyzed for a few seconds, then there was a general movement toward the center of the building. There was nothing said except that a few cried "earthquake" as they moved toward the door and the center of the room. When it started I turned and looked across the floor to the other side. I saw a person start for the other end of the building toward the door on the run. About 15 steps were taken when he lost balance from the rocking of the floor. Then, while all this was going on, I was watching the ceiling. The way it cut up one cannot describe. There was such a rumble, rocking, buckling, twisting, squeaking of beams that everything was hazy from it. A heavy dust arose simultaneously with the first motion of the building. It was with difficulty that anyone could stand because of the violent jerks and twists. The floor rose, dipped, twisted, then someone cried, "Look out!" At that moment, the lights went out and a heavy crash followed.

The quake left us as quickly as it came. There was silence and dust.

DANCE DRAWS BIG CROWD
The dance Wednesday night at the American Legion building drew one of the largest dance crowds that has been seen on a floor here in the past few years, joining in what was one of the most enjoyable dances.

The music for the dance was furnished by Red Perkins and his radio entertainers, one of the popular dance orchestras of the country and who deserve all of the commendation that has been given them.

In addition to the fine dance program the orchestra also featured a general entertainment program that was offered by the members of the organization and was one of the best that has been seen here in years.

Then this boy and I went uptown to his apartment. We then heard the news that a man was killed. No one was hurt in the theatres. Fire sirens were screaming and the streets were in a turmoil. Cars were very orderly and everyone was cautious. The rooming house was badly damaged and the front had great cracks. He stayed there and I went back to the college. I stayed there until almost one and we could feel the ground quiver and jerk almost steadily. This was minor, of course. We had a few major shocks, but they were very brief, and we paid no attention to them.

We left about 1:00 and went home to bed but could not sleep as my room is lower than the ground and I could hear the constant rumble and every once in a while the building would shake and then my heart tightened as I was afraid that another was coming. We have had quite a few shocks this afternoon and people are beginning to move out of town again. This is a nightly occurrence to Helena now. Everyone is jumpy. If you slam a door you want to be sure to duck, cause if you don't you'll sure catch it. The grand total to date is 327 shocks of duration of two seconds. Just had one. They feel like a jar and do not roll much. Another just now.

November 1—The quake was terrible. Today two were killed at the Kressler Brewery. They were fixing the chimney at the plant when the quake hit at 11:35 M. S. T. I was at the Presbyterian church at school when it hit. The plans were to move the school back to the college Monday. But now they are going to Great Falls. We are all supposed to report now.

BORAH IS A BIT UNCERTAIN
Washington.—Arriving in the capital after conferences with friends in Illinois and Ohio, Senator Borah parried newsmen's question as to whether he would enter some of the republican presidential primaries.

"I can't say that I won't enter them," Borah asserted. "But I do say that the primaries furnish an excellent means to show the choice of the people for candidates and there ought to be some expression from the people before the convention meets."

Republican friends with whom he conferred in Illinois and Ohio want "a little different setup" in party affairs, he said. "And there is going to be one," Borah added confidently.

frame houses. Almost all of the brick houses will have to be torn down that are not already down. There has been almost a continual quiver since the large quake. But when you are working or moving about they can't be felt. Trucks backed up to buildings unloading freight were crushed under brick that fell. Sides of houses are down, rooms exposed; you can look into the neighbor's bedroom and kitchen and see the mass of plaster and broken dishes. Water mains are broken in several places but were quickly repaired. To top it all off, the weather is about two below zero and it is snowing hard. About an inch has fallen since six p. m. and it is now 4:15 a. m. Main street is all closed off. All the National Guards are out and every patrolman in the state is in Helena to prevent pilfering. One man from Missoula counted 150 cars leaving town in sight of five miles and the same amount over to Great Falls and to Butte. Everybody is leaving who has a car.

The loss will never be found out, as so much damage is done people will never know just what the damage will be. While I have been typing this letter, I have felt only three hard shakes, but there is a continual rumble that never gets to the shaking point.

The Northern Pacific has twenty steam-heated Pullmans here to care for the homeless and the Great Northern has several trains here. Steam-heated buses are running specials to carry the town leavers. The taxis are doing a land office business. I wonder where the end will be. Another hard quake and the town won't be worth leaving. The depots of both railroads here are wrecked and every business house in town is closed.

Western Union has set up a station at the Home and I have been working here ever since. The force have all some home and I am taking care of the place in the position of night-watchman. People cannot realize just what the town is like and how badly frayed the nerves get after three major quakes and upwards of 600 minor ones. All of these have been of at least two seconds duration. None under that length of time were counted.

Daylight will soon be here—in about two hours, maybe three at the most. We will know soon how many were killed and who died during the night. This typewriter is a wreck to try to write with and also my nerves are none too stable. Every quake sends a shiver up and down the spine and you wonder if this is another heavy one coming. But I am not the only one; everyone grabs a tight grip on the chair and starts to get up, then they quit. I wish they would quit, they are getting tiresome.