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## Alvo News

### Hostess to Club

Mrs. Ben Wallace was hostess to the Woman's Reading club Thursday afternoon.

A large crowd was present. Visitors were Mesdames Sterling Coatsman, Carl Rosenow and Frank Henke.

Mrs. August Johnson had charge of an interesting program.

Mrs. Wallace served very delicious refreshments at the close of the pleasant afternoon.

### Attend Music Association

Margaret Jean Stroemer and Ruth Ann Ganz, members of the Senior class, attended the Nebraska Music Teachers' association meeting held at Lincoln Thursday. They enjoyed very much the unusual privilege of being able to hear Edwin Hughes, a famous piano artist of New York, who is president of the National Music Teachers' association.

On Saturday evening the girls will take part in the piano festival.

### Attend Apple Blossom Festival

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards drove to Union and Nebraska City last Sunday as part of the large number of people attracted there for the Apple Blossom festival. They report hundreds of cars on the highway. From there they continued on to Peru, where they visited relatives and friends. The festival was held a week early this year because of an early season.

**Sponsored Cooking Demonstration**  
J. B. Elliott, Jr., sponsored a demonstration Monday afternoon and evening at the Jordan hall.

The Monarch company demonstrated their electric stove. Several local people were fortunate in the distribution of prizes.

### Visit Friends at Denton

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Mickle and son drove to Denton Sunday morning, where they spent the day with the Loran Mickle family. They also stopped in Lincoln, where they called on Mrs. Katherine Hardnock, who is very ill at her home.

### Somewhat Improved

Mrs. Sterling Coatsman, who has been on the sick list is much improved.

Relatives have assisted Mrs. Coatsman by taking the children. Mrs. Clarence Frolich has the three girls and Mrs. Frank Taylor has the little boy, two years old.

Friends are happy to learn that Mrs. Coatsman is gaining and hope that she will soon be restored to normal health.

### S. O. S. Garden Club

The S. O. S. club members met with Mrs. Lou Herman Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Charles Edwards had charge of the business meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Glenn Dimmitt. Most of the members were present to enjoy the afternoon's activities.

Mrs. Herman Bornemeier had charge of the program on "Civic Pageantry in Flowers." Mrs. Timblin gave an interesting paper on "Washington on Parade."

Mrs. Herman, the hostess, had

some very lovely house plants which the ladies enjoyed, as well as the tulips, etc.

At the close of the afternoon, lunch was served by the hostess.

The next club meeting will be with Mrs. Vickers May 10, at which time the ladies will discuss the flower show to be held the last day of school, May 20.

### Junior-Senior Banquet

Friday evening, April 30, the Junior-Senior banquet took place at the Y. W. C. A. at Lincoln.

The banquet room was beautifully decorated in a color scheme of red and white. Beautiful red roses helped to carry out the color scheme.

A foot print to represent "one step" was used to emphasize the motto: "A Thousand Miles Begins with One Step."

The theme, "The March of Time" was cleverly and inspirationally carried out during the entire program which included:

Welcome by Toastmaster Dean Taylor.

Response by Margaret Jean Stroemer.

Reading, Miss Liddell.

Toasts by Ruth Schuelke, Doyne Skinner, Grace Muenchau and Mr. Buehler.

Clarinet Solo by Mr. Huestis.

Musical Number by the Girls Quartette.

Guests at the banquet were Delores Williams, a former classmate, who is attending the Ashland school this semester, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vincent and the entire faculty group.

The Junior class and their sponsor, Miss Shoemaker, are to be congratulated upon the fine success of the evening's activities.

### WHEAT CROP LARGE

CHICAGO, April 30 (UP)—Crop reports by Mrs. E. H. Miller and James Bennett and company today placed the 1938 winter wheat at an estimated average of 736,845,000 bushels in spite of damaging effect of out of season blizzards and sleet storms early in April.

Mrs. Miller estimated the crop at 718,000,000 bushels and Bennett and company, 755,190,000 bushels.

Today's estimate by Mrs. Miller and Bennett showed an increase of 19, bushels over the April 1 estimate of 717,000,000.

The Bennett estimate of today held about steady with their report of 30 days ago but Mrs. Miller's present forecast showed an increase of 26, 500,000 bushels in her expectation of the American crop.

Both reports pointed out that while damage may run high in Texas, Oklahoma and parts of Kansas, excellent conditions in most other sections of the wheat belt in the past month will make up for deficits in the south-west.

### FORM DAIRY ASSOCIATION

LINCOLN, April 30 (UP)—Fourteen Tekamah, Nebraska farm youths today held the first loans ever granted by the farm security administration and establishment of a cooperative dairy improvement association.

Regional director Cal A. Ward of the farm security administration said loans to the group aggregated \$2,500 ranging from \$65 to \$275.

"It is, I believe, the first time federal funds have been made available to boys to purchase foundation dairy stock purely on character basis" Ward said.

The individual loans to extend four years are made to the youths through their fathers to comply with regulations. A similar unit has been formed at Marysville, Kan.

## European Drouth May Prove Barrier to War Threat

Some Cases the Worst in 150 Years. Drouth May Make Necessary the Diversion of Funds for Arms

LONDON, April 30 (UP)—A widespread European spring drought, in some cases the worst in 150 years may stop Europe from a drift toward what many people regard as inevitable war, economists said today.

Economists here and in Geneva headquarters of the League of Nations, said that disaster to wheat crops and grass lands in the next few weeks might force diversion of money being spent on armaments to purchase foodstuff.

The opinion of a German military authority that "you may be able to end a war on bread cards but you can't start a war on them" was cited in support of the argument that drought might prove the deciding factor against a European war even if diplomacy failed.

A European-wide canvass showed that drought so far had hit chiefly Great Britain, France, Switzerland, central Europe, the Balkan nations north Italy and Morocco. The Netherlands, Belgium, Scandinavia, and North Germany were comparatively unaffected thus far.

One government economic expert here expressed belief that an even greater crisis might arise in some countries such as Germany which already experienced recurrent shortages of fats if continued lack of rains caused drying up of pastures and famine in cattle foods.

### WOULD DENY REQUEST

LINCOLN, April 30 (UP)—The attorney general today asked the supreme court to deny Lieutenant Governor Walter Jurgensen's request for a further (30) day extension of time to file an appeal brief because Jurgensen's counsel allegedly made no effort to expedite preparation of a bill of exceptions.

Assistant Attorney General Francis V. Robinson stated in an affidavit that attorneys for Jurgensen failed to ask district Judge E. B. Chappell, who tried Jurgensen's embezzlement case in lower court, to permit the official court reporter to get a substitute and permit completion of the bill of exceptions at once.

Robinson said the bill could have been prepared in 27 days. Attorney Richard F. Stout has said it is necessary they have a transcript in order to prepare his appeal brief, the assistant attorney general denied Stout's contention that the case could not be heard by the high court before it recesses in June. Robinson said if the supreme court will require submission of the appeal brief by May 9, the case can be heard the week of June 6.

### WILL REHEAR DAMAGE SUIT

LINCOLN, April 30 (UP)—The supreme court today announced it will rehear the \$35,000 damage action brought by Lloyd E. Peterson, Nebraska City attorney against the Brinn-Jensen company of Omaha.

The high court decided previously that Peterson failed to show the company was responsible for the actions of J. R. Porter as an employee who was driving the car that collided with Peterson's machine. Oral arguments will be heard the week of May 6.

The tribunal denied a rehearing sought by supervisors of drainage district No. 1 of Richardson county against James P. Mooney and other land owners in which the court ruled a drainage outlet must be constructed before the district may dissolve.

### FINE FORMER INMATES OF MEN'S REFORMATORY

LINCOLN, April 29 (UP)—Harold Peters, 39 and Leo Smith, 33, were fined \$10 and costs in municipal court yesterday for a visit to the state men's reformatory Wednesday night.

Superintendent H. W. Jespersen said Peters, a former inmate demanded food, clothing and shoes.

### OIL GUSHER HOPE FADES

NORTH PLATTE, April 30 (UP)—Visions of oil gushers dotting western Nebraska went glimmering today.

A few weeks ago a well had been sunk about 12 miles northwest of here and wild rumors circulated that oil indications were noted at the 3,000-foot depth.

Today Isaac Wall, head driller for Helmerich and Payne, said the well had turned out to be a dry hole. Granite was struck at 3,830 feet. Wall declared that nothing had been gained except "a lot of valuable information."

The derrick is being dismantled and all oil workmen have left the scene. No further activity in this region is expected.

## Film Actress Prefers Charges Against Director

Mary Eloise Spann, Once Called the "Sweetheart of Republican Party" Asks \$5,000,000 Damages.

HOLLYWOOD, April 30 (UP)—Mary Eloise Spann, actress who said she once was called the "sweetheart of the republican party," charged today in a \$5,000,000 suit that she was lured into an apartment and attacked by a Hollywood film director.

The director, according to her suit, was Milton Beecher, 32, who is in charge of the music for pictures at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio. The pretty 21-year-old blonde, charged that Beecher took her to his apartment on the pretext of giving her a movie voice test.

Miss Spann's suit was for the largest sum ever asked in a Hollywood assault case. In addition to Beecher, she named as defendants the studio and 59 unidentified "John Does" on the theory that there was joint responsibility because of the film test angle.

Miss Spann is an actress and dancer who appeared in "The Great Ziegfeld," "Ah Wilderness," and "Damsel in Distress." She said she sang before a group of senators and congressmen in Washington, D. C., two years ago as "the sweetheart of the republican party." Her lawyer said she was "discovered" in Indiana and brought to Hollywood by Buddy Rogers, husband of Mary Pickford.

Her complaint said the alleged assault occurred on Aug. 26, 1936. Miss Spann, who lives in Hollywood with her mother, said:

"He called for me at my home and told me I was wanted for an audition. I went with him to his apartment where the audition was supposed to be held. He offered me a drink. After that I felt drowsy. Afterwards, he warned me not to say anything."

Beecher denied her charges. "The whole thing is ridiculous," he said. "However, I have absolutely no comment to make at this time."

### CANDIDATES MAKE FILING

LINCOLN, April 30 (UP)—E. E. Jackman, Grant banker and Irvin Lechlitter of Auburn filed today as candidates for congress.

Jackman filed as a candidate for the republican nomination in the fourth district. Lechlitter, who is employed in the congressional law library at Washington, but maintains his legal residence at Auburn seeks the democratic nomination in the first district.

Another candidate to file was Arnold J. Lillie for the unicameral legislature from the third district, comprising Cass and Sarpy counties.

### HOLD SUSPECT

VALENCIENNES, France, April 30 (UP)—An unidentified man, said by police to be a German, was arrested in the Magret fortifications zone today after a mysterious series of forest fires which had damaged several fortification emplacements. Police said that the arrested man was carrying papers indicating that he used several aliases. He was unable, they said, to explain his presence in the fortified zone.

### MEN SLOWER DRIVERS

BOSTON (UP)—Men drive more slowly than women, according to a Boston University survey. The poll, conducted among men and women students, showed the men's average speed was 37 miles an hour. The women averaged 39 miles an hour.

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## Plan Cut for Farm Program Administration

Budget to Be Slashed From \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 by Reduction in Personnel.

WASHINGTON, April 30 (UP)—The agricultural adjustment administration planned to slash administrative expense today to meet limitations of the new farm program.

Officials said that the 1939 fiscal year budget for administration would be cut between \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

The savings will be affected partially through a reduced personnel.

During the first nine months of this year the AAA spent \$14,958,740 for administration, exclusive of county committee costs estimated at approximately \$20,000,000. Total expenses for the full year will be nearly \$40,000,000.

The new farm program limits administrative expense in Washington to 1 per cent and in the field to 2 per cent of the total appropriation of \$485,000,000 for next year. No limitation is placed on county committee expenses.

The law means, officials said, that the Washington AAA office must get along next year on \$4,850,000 compared with \$6,205,103 spent during the first nine months of this year.

Expenses of the 43 state offices must be held to \$9,700,000 compared with \$8,752,637 up to April 1 of this fiscal year. State offices employ 854 full time workers and about 3,000 part time workers.

### WPA WORKERS VOTE AS PLEASE

WASHINGTON, April 29 (UP)—Works Progress Administrator Harry Hopkins, in one of his infrequent press conferences, late Thursday pledged to the workers on relief rolls that they may vote as they please without fear of losing their federal benefits.

Taking cognizance of charges in Pennsylvania and Florida that the WPA was being used for political purposes, Hopkins reiterated what he termed a long standing WPA policy that "we don't care how a WPA worker votes and he won't lose his job in any case."

"If any WPA supervisor is found guilty of intimidation of project workers or of coercion in any manner he will be fired at once," Hopkins said.

"I do not intend to tolerate any political influence in the WPA. I want to say that charges that the WPA organization is being run inefficiently and with a great deal of waste, are nuts—just plain nuts," Hopkins declared.

### WOULD IMPROVE BUILDINGS

WASHINGTON, April 30 (UP)—Public Works Administrator Harold Ickes Friday recommended that President Roosevelt's pump priming drive be broadened to provide a 10-year program for improvement of public buildings here at a cost of \$140,000,000.

Included in the proposed program was a proposed \$10,815,000 for a new war department building, \$11,525,000 for a social security board and railroad retirement board building, and \$16,800,000 for a new administration building for the navy department.

### TRACTOR DRIVER KNOWS ALL ABOUT REAL SQUEEZE

REGINA, Sask. (UP)—Verne Peterson, tractor driver for a Sturgis, Sask., lumber company, now knows what a real squeeze is.

Hauling a long train of lumber-loaded sleighs, the tractor upset on a steep hill. The lumber was spilled all over, some of it squeezing Peterson into the cab of the tractor so tightly that some of his clothing had to be ripped off before he could be extricated.

Peterson suffered no injuries.

## MANLEY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Rhoden and the children were in Elmwood last Sunday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis.

The seven months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wiles was very sick last week, requiring the attention of the family doctor. We are glad to report he is now improving.

Jean and Nancy Stander, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stander have been quite poorly during the past week, but are reported considerably better at this writing.

Gayle Flaishman and Charles Flaishman and family, all of Council Bluffs and a number of friends from Louisville were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Flaishman.

Oscar Gopen, who has resided in Plattsmouth since retiring from the farm some years ago, visited here last Wednesday and enjoyed meeting a number of old friends, among them his former school chum, Oscar McDonald.

Manley High school students and their sponsor went to the Kraft Brothers grove east of town for an evening's outing that proved most pleasant. Toasted marshmallows and Weiner sandwiches were among the items on the menu that proved popular with the hungry students after an hour or more of fun and hilarity.

### Entertained No Name Club

Mrs. Rudolph Bergman entertained the members of the No Name club at her home one evening during the past week. The time was most enjoyably spent in the playing of pinochle. Mrs. Frances Baldwin, of Weeping Water, was a guest. A delicious luncheon was served.

### Visited Here Last Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. John Palacek of Chicago, who have been visiting in Plattsmouth for a few days, accompanied by John Palacek, Sr., daughters Anna and Cecelia, and Frank Palacek, all of Plattsmouth, were guests last Sunday at the homes of Andrew V. Stander and family and John A. Stander and family.

### Entertained at Pinochle

Mrs. John A. Stander and Miss Theresa Routh were hostesses at an afternoon card party, which was given at the Manley hall last Wednesday afternoon. There was a good attendance present and a neat sum was realized to carry on the work of the Altar society. A delicious lunch followed the session at cards.

### Attended Sister's Funeral

On Saturday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. John Rohrdanz drove to Lincoln to attend the funeral of a sister of Mr. Rohrdanz, who had passed away earlier in the week. They had not known of the illness of the sister until a few days before her death, having visited at her home quite recently, when she was in good health. Friends unite in extending sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Rohrdanz at the loss of their loved one.

### Celebrated Passing Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Thorhold Hansen entertained a number of friends in honor of the eighth birthday of their daughter, Lucile. Parents of the young guests were also present and enjoyed playing pinochle, while the children amused themselves with games of various kinds. A delicious luncheon was enjoyed by all.

### DEFENDANT YAWNS SELF INTO YEAR'S JAIL TERM

SALEM, Mass. (UP)—A Negro sailor yawned himself into jail.

While being questioned in a district court regarding an alleged assault on a fellow seaman, Milton Goodwin, 32, of Norfolk, Va., yawned his answers.

The judge halted the trial because of Goodwin's indifference and sentenced him to a year in jail.

**John, Mary and Jack**  
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CHAPTER LII  
"Perhaps," said Dr. Young, "if you were one of a family of eight or ten children, you would not receive so much care and attention."  
"What a break that would be!" replied Jack as he settled his well-knit body into the dentist's chair.  
Dr. Young looked at him for a second. "Do you seriously think so, Jack?" he asked.  
"Well—" Jack hesitated—"maybe not, but being an only son isn't all it's cracked up to be. Here I am twenty-one years old today, and yet sometimes I feel as though I were an infant. At my age, I should be able to do some thinking for myself."  
"You do a great deal of thinking for yourself, Jack—much more than you realize. I suspect that it is only when your thinking or actions might be injurious that your parents interfere."

Instead of going to work with his usual alacrity, Dr. Young drew up his operating stool and sat down.  
"You know, Jack, he began, "I've known you for a long time. Twenty-one years is a long time, isn't it? In fact, I've known you for more than twenty-one years. I took care of your mother's teeth before you were born. I've watched you develop from a helpless young infant into a pretty fair specimen of manhood. You didn't just happen to be as healthy and rugged as you are today. You are the result of twenty-one years of intelligent care and attention."  
"Rearing you has been exactly like rearing a young colt. At first you were weak and helpless. Then you found your wobbly legs and you grew stronger. With your added strength, you began expanding and exploring. Sometimes your youthful explorations got you into trouble and your parents had to pick you up and set you on the right road. Other times, your explorations might have led to trouble had it not been for their watchful guidance."  
"It has been a pleasure to me to watch you develop, Jack. I've watched you grow from the helplessness of infancy into the noisy, boisterousness of boyhood. I've seen you pass from that stage into the uncertainty and bewilderment of adolescence and on into the self-assertiveness of your late teens. And now you've reached manhood. You're not a finished product yet, Jack, but you're well on your way."

"For twenty-one years, your parents have moulded and guided your physical, mental, and moral development. I have helped somewhat in that moulding. Ever since you were two and a half years old, I have cared for your teeth two and three times a year. Thanks to your parents' intelligent care, to the habits which they instilled in you, and to the help which I have been able to give, you have reached adulthood with a fine set of teeth. At least once a year since birth you have had a complete physical examination and what little medical care you needed. Your physician tells me you are in excellent physical condition. Your parents have given you a good education in a good Christian environment. From this day forward you are master of your own ship. Your parents have spent twenty-one years in the making of that ship. It is up to you to maintain and sail it efficiently and intelligently through the rough seas of life."  
(THE END)

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