

The McCook Tribune.

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RICHARD P. BLAND, the famous congressman and silver leader, passed away, Thursday morning, at his farm near Lebanon, Missouri, after an illness of some length.

COLONEL HOLLINGSWORTH of the Cambridge Clarion commiserates with Colonel Comfort apropos of that fake Boston drug concern advertisement, but "trusts that his stock of experience has been increased to an extent sufficient to counteract the expense and disappointment."

THE baby carriage trust will now catch 'em at the cradle and they will be in the hands of trusts clear through life until the coffin trust gets the dead wood on them and lands them in the grave, and then the marble-hearted tombstone trust will advertise their virtues to the world. Isn't it just awful?—Denver Post.

THERE are some Pops who evidently think that Republicans should be the exclusive recipients of distress warrants. But thanks to Treasurer Berge, who is not a respecter of persons or politics, either, there is no distinction made and delinquent Pops have to come up to the captain's office and square up just like the rest of the dear people. Even Pop editors have to pay, occasionally, Brother Chadderdon.

REV. MR. JEFFRIES, father of the big bruiser, gives expert testimony to the effect that he knew that his son would win out, because "God was on his side." Mrs. Fitzsimmons hasn't been heard from but she thinks that the Almighty ought to have been on Fitz's side. The probabilities are, however, that the Almighty had nothing to do with the brutal and disgusting affair, and that if he had any spare time to devote from more serious business, he would have both of them on the public stone pile trying to earn an honest living.

THE cyclone which devastated New Richmond, Wisconsin, Monday evening, was one of the most destructive to life and property in the history of this country. The business portion of the city (numbering about 3,000 souls) covering four squares each way of solidly built brick and stone structures, was simply wiped off the face of the earth. The deaths will reach over one hundred and the wounded twice as many more. The damage in dollars is immense. Fire added to the destruction and terror of the sad occasion, and the darkness of night made the work of assistance most difficult. The storm was of irresistible force and was felt over a large area of eastern Wisconsin, Hudson and La-Crosse also suffering.

RUSSIA has the largest percentage of births and Ireland the smallest. Which is suggestive, indeed.

THE smelter managers and employes of Colorado have failed to agree about the new eight-hour law, and 3,000 men are out of employment.

EIGHT thousand Elks expect to meet in St. Louis, next week, in annual grand lodge convention. It will be the warmest time the old town has experienced in many moons.

ANDREW CARNEGIE has expressed himself as being averse to dying rich. If he wants to drop a large roll where it will be profoundly appreciated he will find by inquiring of Coin Harvey that the national democratic campaign sack is mighty near empty.—Bix.

THE capture of Bacor, Tuesday, was only accomplished after one of the severest engagements in the war in the Philippines. The American forces lost quite heavily and only succeeded in driving the insurgents out after a desperate encounter, in which the insurgents, though under cover most of time, lost largely. Such engagements must bring to those in charge of affairs in the islands a sense of the largeness of the undertaking they have in hand and the quality of the metal of the people with whom they are fighting.

SO FAR there has not been any wholesale entering of land under the "reservoir act" in this district—perhaps 450 entries have been made in the McCook land office under the act, which was innocently enough intended to allow cattle men to construct reservoirs at which to water cattle they were moving to market or were ranging over desert land. But it now seems that under the careless provisions of the act, anybody can secure almost boundless territory, and ex-Senator W. V. Allen is leading the land-grabbers up in the Broken Bow district by taking everything in sight, much to the alarm of the natives up there. It is not the most creditable thing the senator ever has done.

DANBURY.

Mrs. W. A. DeMay, Mrs. S. Billings, Mrs. Mitchell Young and Mrs. W. Billings were visitors to the county seat, Monday, on a little shopping expedition.

Rev. E. C. Hayes of the Congregational church has recalled his resignation, and his many friends are encouraged to go onward in the good work, in the hope that much good may result from his continued efforts for the Master in this community.

Assessor M. M. Young gives the assessed valuation of real estate and personal property in Beaver precinct as follows: In Danbury—real, \$5,768; personal, \$7,859; total, \$13,627. Outside of Danbury—real, \$32,297; personal, \$10,455; total, \$42,752. Grand total of real, \$38,065; grand total of personal, \$18,314. No. of cattle, 1,200; horses, 504; hogs, 1,730.

LEBANON.

Mrs. T. J. Cress and the children are home from their trip to Lenox, Iowa.

Sixteen cars of stock, in a special train, were shipped from this point, Tuesday of last week, 15 cars to Kansas City and 1 to St. Joe. The shippers, kind and number of cars are as follows: Cattle—G. H. Johnson, 4 cars; C. E. Townsend, 2 cars; William Halsey, 2 cars; B. Lehn, 2 cars; William Powell, 1 car; A. F. Bodwell, 1 car; John Hummel, 1 car; Hogs—William Powell, A. P. Bodwell and John Hummel, 1 car each. All the shippers, together with G. W. McFee and W. F. Heckman accompanied the shipment.

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BARTLEY.

The new depot is rapidly nearing completion.

The Stars will have a "nugget social" in the hall, tonight.

Rev. Eads is at Maywood, this week, visiting his family.

Born, to Jacob Kern and wife, Tuesday morning, a fine boy.

C. Ransom returned to his home in Rushville, Iowa, Monday.

W. V. Vickrey's premises are being beautified with fresh paint.

John McClung and Mr. Byrnes of Indianola were in town, Sunday.

J. W. Wolf sojourned in the vicinity of the new court house, Thursday.

J. Fletcher was a business visitor in the seat of county affairs, Wednesday.

Frank L. Brown has engaged with George Moon in the painting business.

Miss Ella King was a pilgrim to Holdrege on matters of business, Wednesday.

Quite a number from this place are attending teachers' institute in Indianola, this week.

Miss Grace Clute and a lady friend from Arapahoe were visiting Agent Hanson and Harry Crowell, Sunday.

Sheriff Neel and Deputy Smith were in the village, Monday. He is fixing his fences for the nomination for sheriff.

The Barnett people have quite a force of men at work on their sheds here. Mr. Barnett is down from McCook superintending the job.

Assessor C. W. Hodgkin went up to McCook with his returns, last Saturday, and with Mrs. Hodgkin spent Sunday with J. H. Stephens and family at Box Elder.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown attended the I. O. O. F. memorial services in Indianola, Sunday. The doctor speaks of the memorial sermon by Rev. Badcock of McCook as being most excellent.

The rains, Monday and Tuesday evenings, were just what we needed and have made those who despaired having a crop rejoice, hoping that we will yet have plenty and to spare.

Gertie Stenner celebrated her thirteenth birthday anniversary, Monday. About thirty-five little friends visited her and left numerous tokens of esteem. All enjoyed pleasant games and a royal feast of choice delicacies.

PLEASANT RIDGE.

Corn is looking fine.

W. F. Esher's spring wheat is fine thus far.

"Monopolist" is Charlie Green's name; HE takes ALL the girls.

Mrs. W. F. Esher had home-grown green peas for dinner, Monday.

Al. Hatcher says this is a better state without any rain than any in the union.

James Harris has a field of corn that he says is "as fine as any in the county."

Children's day was observed with appropriate exercises at the sod church, Sunday.

J. M. Baldwin has been making poetry about the drought, but he says it will be just as easy to write verses about the rain.

Some people have such good memories they can remember every time it rained in '94 and every time the wind blew in '95.

We had a rain from the east and one from the west, Tuesday night. We now consider ourselves in the middle of the rain belt.

Rev. H. H. Berry preached a sermon on "Perseverance" at Vailton, Sunday afternoon, and he made the farmers feel good by saying he believed they had persevered and would be rewarded.

COLEMAN.

That rain on Tuesday night was a fine one, and helped.

J. H. McKibbin of Arkansas is visiting his cousins, John N. and Henry Smith of this precinct.

William Sharp and Frank Coleman have added cisterns to the conveniences of their homes.

J. B. Smith was in McCook, Monday, with seven loads of hogs—43 head; and he has over 40 left.

INDIANOLA.

THE COUNTY INSTITUTE.

The county institute has been largely attended, this week, and the session has been a profitable one to all. As announced, the work has been distinctively professional in character and consequently of the largest value and benefit to those who purpose to teach during the coming year.

One of the features of the week was the lecture on Wednesday evening by Charles Fordyce of Lincoln on "The Education of the Boy the Problem of the Age."

The enrollment up to Wednesday evening was as follows:

INDIANOLA—Sadie Kenyon, Frank Dolan, Claudia Hatcher, Ora Smith, Ida Canaga, Dollie Welborn, Dubbie McClung, Otis Blair, Ethel Sheridan, Bernice Barton, Lucy Peake, Nellie Elmer, Delia Andrews, May Cooper, Bertha Smith, Blanche Johnson, Lottie Royce, Bessie Endsley, Josie Proctor, Ellen Byrne, Tressa McDonnell, Mary Byrne, Susie Wallace, Clara Happersett, Stella Peake, July Sly, Jennie McClung, Anna McDonnell, Lottie Kennedy, Nettie McCool, Mrs. Amy Teel, Gertrude Teel, Holton Longnecker, Vivian Gossard, Edna Reynolds, Lena Colling, Susie Colling, Katie Veering, Alice J. Dye, Maud Allen.

McCook—Mabel Bishop, Myrtle Kennedy, Philomena Schmitz, Mabel Hartman, Eliza Johnson, Ray Gale, Roy Jacobs, Daisy Jackson, Martha Battershall, May Rittenhouse, Mary Marsh, Jennie Wootton, Grace Brinton, May Stangland, Kattie Stangland.

BARTLEY—O. Williams, Amy Daniels, Cora Daniels, Lillie Fox, Jim Finnigan, Mary Finnigan, Wm. McDowell, Perry Ginther, Kattie Ransom, J. A. Forman, H. J. Arbogast, Bessie McCollum, Lena Flint, Nessa Foutch.

DANBURY—Maggie Dolph, Inez Plumb, Guy Plumb, Ada Fair, Gertie Sewell, Louie Ruby, Maud Eno, G. F. Godown, Hattie Brown.

CAMBRIDGE—Clara Pahl, Maud Pollard, Emily Hopf, Dora Walkington, Addy Wagy, Josie Martin.

WILSONVILLE—Walter Thompson, Grace Harris.

LEBANON—Nellie Thompson, Mav Bartholomew, Flora Nichols, Hattie Weatherwax.

BOX ELDER—Florence Younger, Mary Lakin.

SETT—Ella McGraw.

OSBURN—Edward Shepherd.

Larry McEntee transacted business in the west end town, Wednesday.

W. H. Smith was the guest of his brother Isaac in the county seat, Sunday.

I. A. Sheridan spent close of last and first of this week in Lincoln on business.

I. A. Sheridan and Marion Powell both rested under the shadow of the standpipe, Wednesday.

On account of the new paint, the Congregational brethren will hold services in the Masonic hall, Sunday.

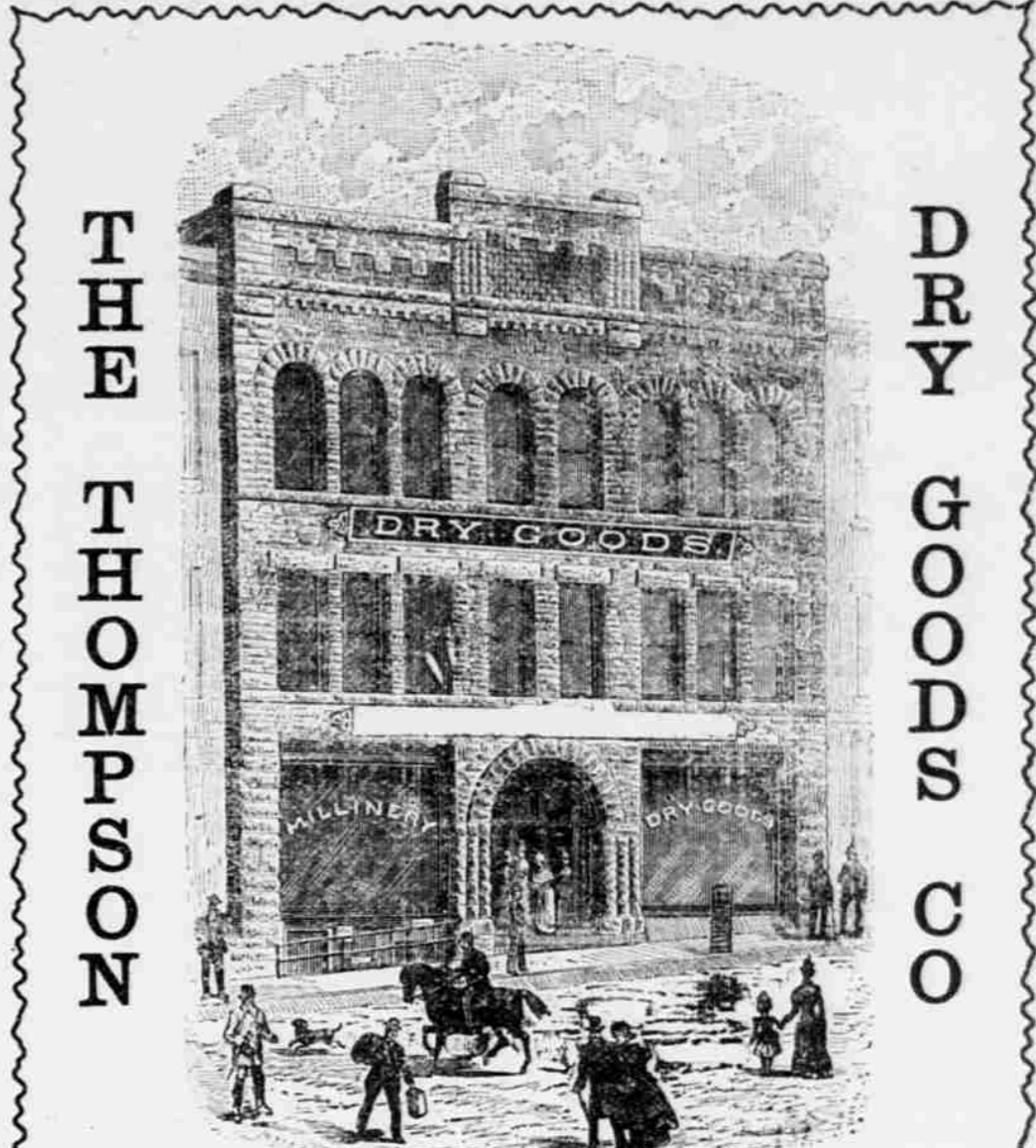
I. M. Beardslee drove up to the county's chief city, Tuesday, in the performance of some business matters.

Rev. J. A. Badcock of McCook preached the sermon at the I. O. O. F. Memorial services in the Methodist church, last Sunday. It was one of his best efforts.

D. J. Fitzgerald is feeling in fine fettle over his appointment on the board of examining barbers, which appointment carries with it a salary of \$1,300 per annum.

Colonel Cole of the Culbertson Era gives Colonel Phillips of the Reporter due notice not to monkey with the buzz-saw without due experience.

"Before it aches for a wrestle with this paper, The Indianola Reporter would do well to win at least one fall from that idiotic journalistic infant, The McCook Comfort."



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BOX ELDER.

Ira Harrison has just finished painting his new barn.

Box Elder has been visited by three good showers the past week.

John White and wife were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Osburn, last Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Greenly was quite sick the last few days, but is some better now.

Anfin Houge is right after the wolves. He has killed sixteen the last two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stephens entertained C. W. Hodgkin and wife of Bartley over Sunday.

Matt Stewart has been cradling in his wheat field the last few days. Not wheat, but weeds, he says.

Harvey Cressman has returned from the sandhills where he went to help move C. E. Brown on his cattle ranch. Charley has a fine cattle ranch, he says.

A meeting was held and it was decided to celebrate the Fourth here in the usual manner—picnic, dance, races etc. Rev. J. A. Badcock of McCook will deliver the oration.

Children's day exercises drew a large concourse of people to the church, last Sunday evening. A good many failed to gain admittance. The programme was "Religion, Morality, Patriotism and History."

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