

The McCook Tribune.

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THE TRIBUNE is the only newspaper in Redwillow county that now has a circulation exceeding one thousand a week, or whose circulation during the entire year of 1902 exceeded one thousand a week.

The relative and comparative lengths of a senator's and a congressman-elect's political poles are perhaps fairly well shown in the Fairbury postoffice matter. The senator's knocked the persimmon notwithstanding the congressman-elect lives in that burg. 'Twas a hot fight and a sudden and unexpected termination.

EDITOR WISLEY of the Culbertson Herald has scarcely been in his editorial chair long enough to warm it before he finds occasion to take a shot at McCook along the line of assumed competition over the location of the sugar-beet factory which in due course of events, if the gods be propitious, will be erected somewhere in the Republican valley. The declination of the Hitchcock county people to join in the district organization exhibited the animus of our ambitious brethren on the west, but the action of the Herald is conspicuously premature and inopportune. The location question is one of the future. Just now the important question, the practical issue, is the increasing of the sugar-beet area under the most favorable and most profitable conditions. It will be time to cross the bridge when we come to it.

A Few Burlington Statistics.

In the current issue of the Burlington folder is found a statement of the mileage of the system, correct to date. In this statement it is said that the mileage of the road is 8,431 miles, including the Q, the B. & M., the Missouri lines, the Keokuk and Western and the Burlington and Western. The statement follows:

The Burlington system comprises the following railroads:
Chicago Burlington & Quincy... 2,676.42
B. & M. R. R. in Nebraska... 4,191.75
Missouri lines... 1,085.46
Keokuk & Western R. R. 355.03
Burlington & Western Ry. 123.20

Total miles operated... 8,431.86
These lines traverse eleven of the greatest states in the union. They employ 38,000 men; own 1,275 engines, 7,520 passenger and 44,565 freight cars; operate 600 trains a day; and maintain stations at 1,300 different towns and cities. It costs \$34,000,000 a year to operate the system.

The total population of the 1,300 cities and towns located on the Burlington Route and of the 199 counties adjacent thereto, through which it runs, is 7,218,000, which is one-eleventh of the population of the United States. The increase of population during the ten years from 1890 to 1900 was 1,238,000, or 20 1/2 per cent.

From this it will be seen that the cost of operation per mile of road is \$4.031.

CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CATHOLIC—Order of services: Mass, 8 a. m. Mass and sermon, 10:30 a. m. Sunday-school, 2:30 p. m. Every Sunday. J. J. LOUGHERAN, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—St. Alban's church next Sunday, February 15, Sexagesima Sunday: Holy communion at 8 a. m. Sunday-school at 10. Prayer and sermon at 8 p. m. E. R. EARLE, Rector.

CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Sermon, "Self Mastery," 11:00 a. m. Y. P. S. C., 7:00 p. m. Sermon, "Hand Help in the Harvest Fields," 8:00 p. m. Wednesday, prayer and conference meeting.

All are made welcome.

FRANK W. DEAN, Pastor.

METHODIST—Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Epworth League at 7:00 p. m. Preaching at South McCook at 3:00 p. m. L. H. SHUMATE, Pastor.

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Lincoln Letter.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 9, 1903.

Special Correspondence.
The legislature has not been in session the past week, but the special committees for the framing of a revenue bill have been very busy, and have accomplished a great deal. The work has been divided up in sections, with three or four men to each section, and the work of each is reviewed by a committee of the whole daily. In this work it is understood that the committees have drawn upon the Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri revenue laws, and the general belief is that if they are given reasonable time a bill will be prepared which will be acceptable to a majority of the legislators, and will produce the much desired revenue for the state.

One of the important points which has come before the committee is the change in the assessor system. There seems to have been a unanimous agreement that the present system of elective precinct assessors is defective, and the cause of many of the present ills. The plan adopted by the committee is the same as that of several of the eastern states: One or more state tax commissioners, an elective county assessor in each county, and enough appointive deputies in each county to do the assessing. There is also the provision that assessors cannot do the work in the precinct where they themselves live.

The question of valuation does not seem to have yet been entirely settled. It was agreed by the committee that the present system is no system at all, and some desire to assess all property at its actual cash value. Others are of opinion that property should be listed at cash value and then assessed at a valuation of one-fourth or one-fifth, as is the practice in Iowa, Illinois and other states, absolutely fixing the fraction by law, so as to prevent gradual reduction in the rate. They hold that this would give the actual figures, and at the same time would keep the levies near what they are now, thus avoiding the tendency toward extravagance. Both ideas have adherents in the legislature, and it is probable that they will provoke considerable discussion when the bill gets into the two houses.

The disturbing question of local taxation of railroad terminals will not be handled by the revenue committees, they having decided by vote that this question should come up in connection with the bill proposing changes in the Omaha charter.

In the preparation of the new measure much care is being taken in the matters relating to the collection of taxes, and the committee is said to unanimously favor the provision for a seal for county treasurers, so that good tax deeds may be given after a reasonable length of time, instead of making it necessary to go the old circuitous and expensive way through the courts. This proposition has been up before legislatures several times before, but was never adopted.

It is evident at this time that while the committees have been industrious, working night and day on the new measure, they have not had sufficient time to complete their work, and that at least all of the present week must be allowed them in the preparation of a successful bill. There will be a tendency on part of some members of the legislature to hurry them or to show impatience because a bill has not been framed in one week, but those who find fault have little conception of the amount of work necessary, not only in the discussion of means and measures, but in the actual drafting of the bill in proper and legal language after the main points have been agreed upon. The work is being hurried as much as is consistent with safety and two or three nights the committees have been up until after midnight engaged in discussions and researches. They draw no extra pay for this week of "vacation," and the people of the state must give them full credit for industry and honesty of purpose. If the bill prepared by them passes muster, its adoption will open a new era for Nebraska.

The Easy Pill.

Dr. Witt's Little Early Risers do not gripe nor weaken the system. They cure biliousness, jaundice, constipation and inactive livers, by arousing the secretions, moving the bowels gently, yet effectively, and giving such tone and strength to the glands of the stomach, liver and bowels that the cause of the trouble is removed entirely. These famous little pills exert a decided tonic effect upon the organs involved and if their use is continued for a few days there will be no return of the trouble. L. W. McConnell, druggist.

ADDITIONAL RAILROAD NEWS.

Pay-day, Monday.

C. F. BARCOCK is in Lincoln, on business.

P. J. Yost is a new man in Walker's gang.

L. R. Allison of Walker's gang has resigned.

Way-car 29 will be out of the shop, next week.

D. F. McFarland was at this place, Wednesday.

William Unger of the rip-track is off on the sick-list.

R. G. Huffstutter is a new wiper in the roundhouse.

Fireman Mitchell was off on the sick-list, first of the week.

Emil Stamm, machinist, expects to quit the service in a week or so.

G. C. Caldwell of the roundhouse force has been transferred to Walker's gang.

C. E. Rees, machinist, will quit on Monday and expects to go to St. Louis.

Claude McKillip is on the dry-pipe work now in place of W. L. Rider, resigned.

A. L. Barnes of the storehouse clerical force is visiting the homefolks at Alma, this week.

R. B. A. went west on the new 3304, first of the week, to see what the animal could do.

H. E. Wootton of Egan's gang was off, first of the week, on account of a strained back.

J. C. Marshall returned home on No. 1, Monday, from his trip to the eastern part of the state.

Fireman A. C. Simmons returned home on 1, Monday, from his visit at Utica, New York.

Way-cars Nos. 97, 144 and 145 have been dismantled and taken out of the service, for the present.

Engine 264 will go into the shop soon for an overhauling. The 289 is about ready to go out of the shop.

Rufus Harp of the night force at the roundhouse was called to Alma, last of last week, by the death of his brother.

Hugh Holder is braking on passenger for George Willetts vice C. E. Hoffman, who has been transferred to freight service.

No. 584, one of the Hannibal and St. Joe hogs, has been in the shop and yard, part of the week, having her valves squared up.

The turret-lathe will be moved to the east end of the shop, near the tool-room, the lathe requiring more room to handle the work required of it.

Switchman Ed O'Conner has resigned from the service with the company's consent on account of the wreck at the stockyards, a week ago Saturday night. Ed Smith is on the night yard crew in his place.

On the trucks of No. 3, last Friday night, when the train reached here, were found a few remnants of the mangled remains of what had at one time been a human being. Word from Hastings announces that David W. Nicholas, an old soldier of Kenesaw, was the victim, having fallen under the train near that city, while passing from one car to another. Nicholas was intoxicated. He was on his way home to Kenesaw after an absence in Oklahoma of two years. The remains were scattered along the track for some distance, near Hastings.



Beautiful Thoughts

The sweet, pure breath of the babe is suggestive of innocence and health. A mother's yearning for children is inseparable from a love of the beautiful, and it behooves every woman to bring the sweetest and best influence to bear on the subject of her maternity.

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The Outlook Not Hopeful.

It was developed in the meeting of the Southwestern Nebraska Industrial association, last Thursday, in the report of the committee on Reservoirs and Irrigation, that under the present law this part of Nebraska cannot look for any practical or valuable relief from that law's operations. The law so relates to and affects districts uninhabited as to shut out localities now populated and improved in a measure. So here in the Republican valley, where we are trying to place on its feet an industry that will benefit all the people of the country, the farmer in particular, we need look for nothing advantageous from the operations of a law, which if properly framed would make it possible to impound the vast volume of water now running to waste in the Republican river and hold it for use in the summer months, when it would water all the farms from "Zucoth to Daradtha" and prove of inestimable value. But it is quite clear at this time that for the immediate future at least we shall have to depend upon and be content with what we can get from private capital in that direction.

River and harbor bills have been passed for the benefit of commerce ever since 1864, yet we of the west have made no complaint as we well might, and it seems to the writer that in view of what might result from the construction of proper reservoirs, we of the west have a righteous kick a-coming now.

Reservoirs have been constructed at the headwaters of the Mississippi to supply the channel in the summer months when navigation would otherwise be obstructed by shoal places. Why should it be thought strange for the government to construct reservoirs in the west for the benefit of so splendid an enterprise as sugar-beet culture especially when millions have been added to the public treasury from the very district which cannot now profit by a law which was evidently intended to meet this case?

The southland is frequently damaged by great floods and the government is constantly expending large sums of money to close crevasses made in the levees by flood water, when the construction of reservoirs in the headwaters would not only obviate much of this but would prove a positive blessing to the people of the northland.

Adequate reservoirs in the Republican and Frenchman valleys would soon develop the sugar-beet industry to gigantic proportions. We have the soil, the climate and all the other essentials. Factories are at hand awaiting our development, ready to use all the sugar-beets we can raise. It only remains for Uncle Sam to do his duty in the premises and provide us with the necessary reservoirs, and not expend in the Rocky Mountains all the money secured on the plains by the sale of public lands. Give us some of our deserts in this respect and we will soon blossom like the rose.

A Most Liberal Offer.

All our former readers should take advantage of the unprecedented clubbing offer we make, this year, which includes with this paper the Iowa Homestead, its special Farmers' Institute Editions and the Poultry Farmer. These three publications are the best in their class and should be in every farm home. To them we add, for local, county and general news our own paper, and make the price of the four one year only \$1.25. Never before was so much superior reading matter offered for so small an amount of money. The three papers named, which we club with our own, are well known throughout the west, and commend themselves to the reader's favorable attention upon mere mention. The Iowa Homestead is the great agricultural and live stock paper of the west; the Poultry Farmer is the most practical poultry paper for the farmer, while the Special Farmers' Institute editions are the most practical publications for the promotion of good farming ever published. Take advantage of this great offer as it will hold good for a short time only. Samples of these papers may be examined by calling at this office.

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