

The McCook Tribune.

TWENTY-THIRD YEAR

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 7, 1904.

NUMBER 19

Rural Free Delivery.

An item in our budget of expenses which cannot be overlooked by the voters is the money spent for rural free delivery. The importance of this to the farmer can hardly be estimated, and it may safely be said that the larger the amount of the appropriation for this purpose, the greater will be the gain, not to the farmer alone, but to the city man. The farmer's hard times have hitherto been largely due to the fact that the smaller farmers were obliged to compete with the big ranch-owners, and not infrequently could not sell their produce in the nearest city as cheaply as the city dweller could obtain it from wholesale dealers ordering their produce by the carload from a distance; while the ranch-owner has been obliged to take risks great enough to make up for his occasional large profits. Now, however, the smaller farmers are applying scientific methods to their work, and endeavoring to regain their lost markets; and in order to do this they must be able to keep in constant touch with the cities. They cannot do this so long as they are liable to a delay of from three hours to twenty-four in getting their mail. To send each day to the postoffice means great loss of time, yet most of them do it rather than risk the loss of orders, or the inconvenience which arises from delay in receiving letters. Rural free delivery means the simplifying of this whole problem, to the convenience of everybody.

West Nebraska Appointments.

Holdrege district—W. E. Hardaway, presiding elder; Alma, E. Smith; Arapahoe, L. W. Chandler; Atlanta and Loomis, R. H. Chrysler; Axtell, F. N. Hager; Bartley, F. E. Kirby; Beaver City, W. H. D. Hornaday; Benkelman, E. E. Crippen; Blomington, H. H. Meeker; Box Elder, J. A. Kerr; Cambridge, J. W. Taylor; Culbertson, M. S. Satchell; Danbury and Lebanon, J. L. Murr; Franklin and Macon, A. A. King; Haigler, to be supplied; Holdrege, M. L. Gardner; Holdrege, A. P. Deal; Huntley and Holdrege, G. E. H. Gould; Indianola, E. B. Crippen; McCook, M. B. Carman; Max, Harry Shepherd; Minden, C. C. Wilson; Norman and Lowell, G. B. Mayfield; Orleans and Stamford, B. E. Eberhart; Oxford, J. L. Mayo; Pleasant Prairie, J. E. Tirrell; Republican City, W. J. Crago; Riverport, T. W. Owen; Trenton and Stratton, Joseph Burnett; Upland and Campbell, C. A. Norlin; Wilcox and Ragan, B. Howe; Wilsonville and Hendley, C. H. Chader.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook postoffice, Oct. 5, 1904:

Baker, Mrs. Jennie	Moore, Miss Belle
Boswell, C.	Myrie, G. E.
Baker, Charles	Pohling, Ed
Hatles, Mrs. Clara	Pierce, Harry
Campbell, C.	Puecker, Mrs. Laura
Davis, F. L.	Shoemaker, Miss Annie
Ferry, W. H.	Snyder, Mrs. Maymie
Ford, Miss Eva	Thompson, Miss Susie
Gaibraith, J. S.	Thatcher, Maud W (2)
Gosh, Mrs. Lena	White, George L.
Hart, Mrs. Minnie (2)	Weber, Will
Janison, J. A.	Watties, B.
Hill, Sinclair	Wilson, L. G.
Lumpkin, Elmer	Work, George C.
Moore, Miss Edna	Whittaker, Mrs. Vic L.
Moore, Clarence R.	

When calling for these letters, please say they were advertised.
F. M. KIMMELL, Postmaster.

The Boiler Blew Up.

A few days since the boiler that supplies the steam and hot water for Frank Stillman's dipping outfit blew up and landed on in the pasture about a 1,000 feet distance. It was a new boiler. They were preparing to dip a lot of sheep. The general son of Erin who was engineering the boiler was knocked over by the explosion, but not injured severely. The "manse" doesn't know whether the makey-wrench went with the boiler or not. It was fortunate in results as the children had been playing in the immediate vicinity about that time. The engineer was within a few inches of the boiler when the accident happened.

The Delinquent Tax List.

Perhaps no more eloquent testimony can be offered as to the encouraging financial condition of the people of Red Willow county than to draw attention to the meager delinquent tax sale advertisement in this week's issue of THE TRIBUNE. It is doubtless the smallest list that has been published in the history of the county.

Grant Precinct Caucus.

The Republicans of Grant precinct will hold their caucus on Monday, October 10th, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the several precinct officers.

H. I. PETERSON, Committeeman.

Cattle at Private Sale.
Seven yearling heifers, all sired by registered Shorthorn. One heifer coming two years old, and about fourteen good milk cows.

BENJAMIN BROS., Banksville, Neb.

Underwear—buy it at DeGroff's.

Fur scarfs from \$1.00 to \$8.50 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Boys' and girls' union suits from 25c to 90c at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Young men's black melton overcoats at \$4.50 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Very good outing flannels for 6c. Better grades at 7½ and 10c at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

McCConnell's No. 13 is the remedy you need in the home for all minor injuries, pains and aches—25c.

Knipple will have a carload of New York Greening apples for sale, first of next week.

Men's wind-proof blanket-lined coats for \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$3.00 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

PERRY STONE returned, close of last week, from LeClaire, Iowa.

ROBERT SUTTON has been quite ill, this week, with an attack of appendicitis, but is improving.

A. C. MARSH of East McCook has been seriously ill, the past week, but is better at this writing.

W. L. ZINT and family arrived home, Tuesday on No. 1, from a visit in the east of a number of weeks.

MISS BESSIE BEAM arrived home, Sunday night, from her visit of a few weeks in Canyon City, Colorado.

MR. AND MRS. W. T. COLEMAN departed, Sunday, for Seattle, Washington, on a visit of two weeks to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Cochran.

H. P. SUTTON is looking just as pleasant as he can and exhibiting an angelic disposition with a beat of a boil on his face, this week.

A. L. WILLIAMS arrived, Wednesday, from Maryville, Mo., and will be the guest of his brother-in-law H. G. Phelps for two or three weeks.

MRS. MARTIN YAGER departed, Wednesday morning, for the east on important business connected with the misfortune of her brother.

ROBERT GUNN has gone to Chicago to remain until first of the year to finish his course in dentistry. Dr. Earl Vahue is in charge of his office until his return.

MRS. F. C. KORTH, who has been down from Denver for the past three weeks, guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hesterworth, left on No. 1, Tuesday, for her home in Denver.

G. G. BERRY, deputy county clerk, left last evening, on a two-weeks' vacation. He will visit the old home in Illinois and will spend some time in St. Louis seeing the fair.

MR. AND MRS. H. H. TARTSCH arrived home, Monday night, from Plattsmouth, where they were summoned, close of last week, by the precarious state of F. J. Morgan's health, which has been declining rapidly lately.

ELDER G. H. SMITH of the Seventh-Day Adventist denomination expects shortly to resume his work in the ministry up in Alberta, N. W. T., Canada, and is offering his house on north McDowell street at a bargain in order to sell it before his departure.

MR. AND MRS. BARNEY HOFER departed eastward on No. 6, Monday night. They will go to Omaha on business, thence to his old home in Illinois, taking in the St. Louis exposition on the way home, which includes a short stop in St. Joseph on business. They will be absent about two weeks. George D. Burgess is in charge of the postoffice lobby meanwhile, assisted by Lester Mitchell.

FRANK H. SPEARMAN came in from Chicago, Wednesday on No. 1, remaining here on business connected with his interests, and to greet his many McCook admirers, until Friday noon, when he continued on his journey to Denver. He will also go to Cheyenne and on west over the U. P., gathering incident, local color—material in general—for some literary work to appear in the Century in due time. The Spearman will spend the winter in California, journeying there in December.

CULBERTSON.

Prof. Moulton of York was in town, Thursday.

Miss Minnie Miller is the new clerk in Shumaker's.

Miss Lena Zastrou is clerking in M. M. Brer's hardware store.

August Hargre was a business visitor at this place, Tuesday.

Mrs. Bert Risley of Grand Island is here visiting her many friends.

M. O. Reynolds went down to Omaha Wednesday night to take in the Ak Sar-Ben.

Miss Ethel Fellows expects to leave, the latter part of the week, for Ashland, Neb.

Miss Emma Gaarder resigned her position as clerk for D. L. Shumaker, Wednesday.

Miss Louise McNeice and sister-in-law Mrs. John McNeice left for Kansas City, Mo., Monday evening, for a short visit.

A number of the young folks enjoyed themselves at a party at Ferrier's, Saturday evening, and one at Baldwin's, Tuesday evening.

Miss Alice Warren commenced a 6-months-term of school in the Barth district, Monday, and Miss Georgia Buzzell in district 75.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY ROUTE NO. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Neumann arrived from Lincoln, Tuesday, and are making the homefolks a visit.

Robert Beatty of Franklin is visiting his cousins Joseph and Nelson Downs, arriving on Tuesday of this week.

William Byfield went up to Roggen, Colorado, last Saturday, to see a bunch of 800 blackface sheep with the idea of buying them, if satisfactory.

Heads Need Not Ache.

McCConnell's Headache Capsules do cure headache. They cure sick or nervous headache. They are effective also for the aching or feverish condition that marks the advance of grippe or colds. If they fail to do as represented we will refund the money. 25c.
L. W. MCCONNELL, Druggist.

Plenty of good yard wide unbleached muslin at 5c yd. at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Note change in card of E. J. Mitchell, auctioneer, this week.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

McCook, Neb., October 4, 1904.
The board of county commissioners met in regular session. Present: J. H. Bennett, D. A. Waterman and Samuel Premer, county commissioners, C. E. Eldred, county attorney, and E. J. Wilcox, county clerk.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion C. E. Mathews was appointed justice of the peace for East Valley precinct to fill vacancy.

In the matter of road No. 381, petitioned for by T. J. Rogger and others, the board, on motion, postponed final action until next meeting.

Annual settlements of the following overseers of highways were examined, and on motion, approved, and clerk was instructed to draw certificates on road districts in payment thereof as follows:

W. S. Fitch, district No. 9, certificate No. 384	\$ 30.00
M. L. Seaton, district No. 2, certificate No. 345	26.00
The following claims were audited and allowed, and on motion, clerk was instructed to draw warrants on the county general fund in payment thereof, as follows:	
Flora B. Quick, salary 3rd quarter and office expense	\$250.56
C. E. Eldred, same	265.70
E. J. Wilcox, same	40.35
R. W. Devoe, office expense	3.50
Ben G. Gossard, same	88.91
R. B. Campbell, prof. services per contract	6.00
A. H. Miller, quarantining and fumigating house of A. E. French	10.00
McCook Republican, stationary and printing	19.25
Frank Howe, mason work on old court house	10.75
A. J. Markward, blacksmithing	4.50
Roel McDonald, same	3.10
McCook Water Works, water tax 4th qr.	15.00
McCook Electric Light Co., lights Sept.	1.25
J. S. LeHev, appraising road No. 381	4.00
Charles Weitzel, same	4.00
Vance McManigal, same	4.00
J. S. Sims, juror inquest body of Henry Schneider	1.00
H. W. Parker, same	1.00
S. Simonson, same	1.00
C. Wise, same	1.00
O. B. Woods, same	1.00
S. R. Messner, same	1.00
Mitchell Young, constable, same	1.00
Ed Stillsbauer, witness, same	3.75
J. B. Rice, same	1.00
Charles A. Gentry, same	1.00
C. W. Rogers, same	1.00
James A. Robinson, same	1.00
P. W. Nett, same	1.00
T. E. McDonald, same	1.00
E. E. Robinson, same	1.00
Herman Schneider, same	1.00
Henry Schneider, same	1.00
E. G. Caline & Co., coal for paupers	6.00
Barnett Lumber Co., same	8.50
Same	4.15
W. C. Ballard, same	8.00
Albert Guy, mdse. for paupers	31.50
J. A. Wilcox, same	38.90
Andrew Phillips, salary as janitor Aug.	25.00
Andrew Phillips, Sept. salary	25.00
H. Winnans, board and care A. Engles	17.50
Mrs. L. M. Tuttle, nursing Bell M. Tuttle	10.00
F. D. Burgess, plumbing and repairs	48.01
C. A. Gentry, repairing plows etc.	6.50
L. W. McCook, same	3.75
W. C. Ballard, lumber and plaster	17.10
J. H. Bennett, commissioner service and mileage	23.30
Samuel Premer, same	28.70
D. A. Waterman, same	31.30
And on the county bridge fund, levy of 1904, as follows:	
E. E. Caline & Co., lumber	\$125.70
Happ & Statts, same	102.37
H. W. Parker, same	23.60
Barnett Lumber Co., same	100.25
Same	43.10
W. P. Elmer, same	32.00
M. J. Miles, bridge work	8.50
Henry J. Hall, same	1.00
R. E. Hall, same	19.00
J. V. Logan, same	18.00
John Eckstedt, same	1.00
E. Podolski, same	18.10
A. W. Dutton, same	1.00
C. H. Angell, same	5.25
C. F. Waterman, same	12.00
J. A. Redfield, same	7.00
Nicholas Fossen, same	3.00
J. B. Huntwork, same	6.00
Fred Huntwork, same	6.00
H. A. Schimpf, same	5.00
Fred Burt, same	15.00
And on the county road fund, levy of 1904, as follows:	
Joseph Behnke, road work	\$ 6.00
Alva Simmerman, same	1.50
Charles Simmerman, same	1.50
John Stetler, same	1.50
Antone Stetler, same	1.50
George W. Dillon, same	6.00
George Younger, same	9.00
Fred Traplaphen, same	1.50
M. L. Scarrow, same	12.00
Hart Myers, same	15.00
Steve Fitzgibbon, same	1.50
On motion board adjourned to meet November 10, 1904.	

J. H. BENNETT, Chairman.
E. J. WILCOX, County Clerk.

Barn and Sixteen Horses Burned.

Tuesday night between 9 and 12 o'clock W. S. Hamilton's barn and contents were utterly destroyed by fire. Cause of fire unknown. Fourteen horses and two mules, 500 bushels of oats and barley, 25 tons of hay, eight sets of double-harness were burned. The barn was a new one 36x40 feet in size. A good cow-stable adjoining was also destroyed. The loss will exceed \$2,000. Insurance \$700. This is a severe blow to a heavy loss. Mr. Hamilton, who has the genuine sympathy of all. No harder working farmers than W. S. Hamilton and sons live in Nebraska. The farm is in North Perry precinct, about four miles northwest of McCook.

Republican City Caucus.

Caucus for nominating precinct officers will be held in the city hall, Friday evening, October 14th, at eight o'clock. Signed by committeemen:

A. BARNETT.
C. B. GRAY.
L. G. COLE.
C. G. COGLIZER.

Knipple will have a carload of New York Greening apples for sale, first of next week.

Men's absolutely all-wool underwear for \$1.00 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Best apron check gingham, all colors, 5c yd. at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Boys' knee-pant suits \$4.00 to 8c each at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

The Hoosier and Champion drills are the leaders.

CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ADVENT—Sabbath school at 2 p. m., preaching at 3. Prayer meeting every Tuesday evening.

ELDER G. H. SMITH, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN—Bible school, 10. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m. every Lord's Day. All are invited.

G. T. BURR, Pastor.

CATHOLIC—Order of services: Mass, 8 a. m. Mass and sermon, 10:00 a. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. Every Sunday.

J. J. LOUGHRAN, Pastor.

METHODIST—Sunday School at 10. Preaching at 11:00 and 8:00. Epworth League at 7:00. Class-meeting at 12, led by the pastor. Prayer-meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Services in South McCook, next Sunday.

M. B. CARMAN, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL—On account of absence from the city of the pastor there will not be any preaching services morning or evening for the next two Sundays. The other usual services of the church, Sunday-school, Christian Endeavor and prayer-meeting will be held as usual.

G. A. CONRAD, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Services in St. Alban's church as follows: Every Sunday in the month Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m. Morning-prayer at 11 and evening-prayer and sermon at 8. The third Sunday in the month Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. All are welcome.

E. R. EARLE, Rector.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—Sermons at 11 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. Bible school at 9:45 a. m., Junior society at 3 p. m., B. Y. P. U. at 7:45 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 8 p. m. Morning theme: "The Mission of Life." Evening theme: "The Battle of Wills."

A. B. CARSON, Pastor.

The return of Rev. Carman to this pastorate is a deserved compliment to him and a very satisfactory arrangement to his parishioners.

Rev. G. A. Conrad of the Congregational church departed, this morning, for Lincoln, to attend the state meeting of Congregationalists. From there he will proceed to Des Moines, Iowa, where the national council of the church will be held. He will briefly visit the homefolks in Iowa while in the state. No preaching services will be held in the church during the two weeks he will be absent.

INDIANOLA.
Cecil Matthews of Bartley was in town, Monday.

Mrs. N. H. Hawkins is in Omaha visiting friends.

Joy Holland has come home for a short visit with his parents.

Roy Mann went to Superior, Wednesday morning, to be gone awhile.

Floyd Welburn stopped off between trains and visited with the folks, Friday last.

Miss Etta Crippen attended the annual convention at Holdrege, last Thursday.

Arch Hatcher left, Monday evening, for St. Louis, where he will take in the sights.

Telegraph Operator L. Simmons is here again after an absence of three or four weeks.

The band boys gave a concert at the opera hall, Saturday evening. It was well attended.

Doctor Neal left, Tuesday night, for Boise City, Idaho, where he will practice his profession.

James Carmichael left, last Saturday morning for the Hot Springs, for the benefit of his health.

Mrs. Spohn went to Culbertson, Monday night. Mr. Spohn will follow with their household goods.

Rev. Crippen went down to Holdrege, Tuesday morning, to attend the yearly conference at that place.

There was no preaching at the Methodist church, Sunday, on account of the minister being away at conference.

Mr. Miller and family have arrived and will occupy the section house lately vacated by Pete Spohn, now of Culbertson.

The greatest ball game of the season was played, last Saturday afternoon, between Lebanon and Frontier. Lebanon won.

J. W. Dolan returned, Tuesday, from his trip to Iowa, where he had the pleasure of attending a reunion of his old regiment.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Uerling are enjoying a visit from their two cousins May and Maggie Uerling of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

The infant child of John Fias died, Wednesday morning. The little one had been ailing a long time and its death was not unexpected.

Bennie Thomas of Lebanon was an Indianola visitor, Monday. He was among the number that witnessed the ball game, Monday afternoon.

While playing ball with some other lads of his own size, little Joe Suter fell and broke his leg. Dr. Mackechnie reduced the fracture and the little fellow is getting along all right.

Frontier county and Lebanon crossed bats on the diamond, Monday of this week, resulting in a score of 4 to 0 in favor of Lebanon. The battery for Frontier was Teel and Powers; for Lebanon, Pendergraf and Horton.

Six big, red handkerchiefs for 25c at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Very thick, warm, wool-mixed cloth for boys' pants for 25c yard at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Night Chief Simmons is taking in the fair.

Engine No. 346 is undergoing slight repairs.

J. H. Wesner is a new number of the telegraph force.

A freight extra east and one west, yesterday afternoon.

Clarence Stokes was Hurley Dye's substitute, this week.

Conductor J. W. Line has been off duty part of the week, sick.

J. J. Laughlin has gone to Denver to spend a two-weeks' vacation.

Switchman M. G. Stephenson is visiting Oberlin relatives, this week.

Brakeman G. G. Magnuson is with the homefolks in Holdrege for a short visit.

Conductor Herman Hegenberger and family are visiting relatives in Pacific Junction, Iowa.

Conductor G. W. Bunting had Conductor W. H. Browne's car during the latter's brief layoff.

Hurley Dye and Dare Kenyon have been taking in the Ak Sar-Ben festivities, this week, Omaha.

Waycar 14234 is about ready for the road and will soon go up to Sup't McFarland on the Sterling division.

Conductor Frank Kendlen and Brakeman J. R. VanHorn are in Denver, this week, as witnesses for the company in a lawsuit.

The No. 362 is in the machinshop for crownsheet and bolts repairs. The 27 has been sent to Havelock for a new crownsheet.

No. 1 came in a double-header, yesterday, the regular P2 failing to steam. The 1751 and 17 brought her in about 1:30 minutes late.

Engineers Jack Moore and Ellis Ford have both been unfortunate with their crownsheets recently.

The 2529—a P2—has just been given three new drivingboxes. All the 3700-class grey-hounds will be renumbered into the 2500-class.

General Foreman Fuller is now located in his new office quarters and is getting everything in shipshape. He has very convenient and comfortable offices.

Conductor F. M. Washburn has Conductor Kendlen's run; Conductor R. M. Douglass has Conductor Line's car; Conductor L. M. Best has Conductor Washburn's crew.

Conductor W. H. Browne laid off, Wednesday, on account of an accident to a member of the family. A little girl swallowed a pin and a minor operation was necessary to remove it.

Dispatcher Jesse Chambers of Denver succeeds Dispatcher Ralph Cutler in the McCook office. He and his wife have gone to housekeeping in the Forbes dwelling, north Marshall street.

The carpenters shop section of roundhouse has been provided with regulation smokstacks and sills and will be used for roundhouse purposes. Quarters for the carpenters shop unannounced.

Agent Allen, late of Wauneta, went up to Benkelman, yesterday on No. 1, and was checked in as agent at that place, with the assistance of Auditor C. A. Barnard of this place, and the express auditor.

The Lincoln Evening News announces that, coming spring, the Burlington will add one-third more floor space to its Havelock shops, increase its working force 150 to 200 men etc. And maybe the brass foundry will be moved there from Platt