

MOST BRUTAL MURDER

Frank Conner Slays His Own Wife In Cold Blood.

MURDERER IN JAIL HERE

Expresses No Regret, Utters Not a Word In Extenuation of His Horrible Crime, Expects and Hopes to Be Hung.

Thursday afternoon, between four and five o'clock, Frank Conner, a farmer living about 15 miles south of this city, near the Kansas line, between Marion, Neb., and Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, shot and killed his wife. Mrs. Conner was in the act of telephoning to her mother Mrs. Lucy Rehnman, postmistress in Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, when the murderer fired two bullets into her head, firing a third bullet into the woman's head as she lay upon the floor. Two little children were the only witnesses of the terrible crime.

After committing the cowardly and cruel deed, Conner went to the nearby farm of his brother-in-law Orla L. Macey and told of the crime. The brother-in-law returned to the Conner home with him and found the report only too true. The children were taken to the Macey home, and were cared for by the murderer's sister, Mrs. Macey, while Mr. Macey started soon after with the murderer for McCook, fearing the now aroused neighbors would hang Conner.

Word was phoned to Sheriff Peterson, who with deputy Osborn and County Attorney Reeder departed at once in an auto for the scene, but met Conner in Macey's charge on the bluff south of McCook. The murderer was soon placed in the county jail at this place.

Mrs. Conner was Miss Minnie Rehnman before her marriage with Conner. It is claimed that Conner had threatened her life. However that may be he has an unsavory record, and was about a year since before the insanity board for examination. The Rehnman-Conner shooting affair of a few years since will also be recalled.

He does not deny the deed, nor does he express the slightest remorse, or give any statement in attempt at extenuation of the brutal murder. About the only feeling exhibited is for the two little ones who witnessed, though did not realize, the slaughter of their mother.

Some Staple Items.
Simpson's prints 6c, amoskeag apron gingham 6 1/2c, yard-wide muslin 5c, 9-quarter pepperell bleached sheeting best table oil cloth 15c, peerless carpet 25c, warp 22c pound, American A 2-bushel grain bags 20c, mosquito netting 5c yd, full length sleeve aprons 6c, plain band aprons 20c, solid black lawns 5c, ladies' vests 5c, boys' Sampson hose 15c a pair, men's suits \$5.00 to \$12.50, yard-wide black taffeta silk 73c, \$1.15, \$1.35, men's muleskin gloves 18c pair, 1,000 other items at actual cash prices. The Thompson D. G. Co.

A TOUCH OF PAINT
here and there where it is needed costs but a little and brightens things up wonderfully. Spring renovating time is here and during the overhauling you'll probably see many places where a little enamel, varnish or varnish stain will make great improvement. Let us supply you with materials. We have a full line of paints etc., and guarantee the goods the best obtainable. Our prices are as low as high grade goods can be sold any where.
L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Outside Ice Refrigerators.
Let us furnish you plans and specifications of the "Herrick" McCook Hardware Co.
Children's Parasols 10c to 50c at The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.

Let Us Show You
our Wall Paper before you make your purchase.
A. McMILLEN, Druggist.

RACES AT MCCOOK
July 3rd and 4th, 1908
BIG PURSES
Four Races Each Day
Arrangements are being made for Patriotic celebration July 4th

Makes Good.

What was, only a few years ago, a small wagon show, has, by the use of acute business ability and perseverance on the part of the Campbell Brothers, come now to be at the top notch of tent shows and the circus which Campbell Brothers present to the public today, takes its place as a standard circus among the best in the country.

At a great outlay of money and hard work these progressive gentlemen have been gathering together from all over the world and adding to their shows all the extra attractions that go to make up the best.

Famous acrobats, gymnasts, equilibrist, contortionists, aerial performers, dancers, fun-making clowns and sensational specialties besides the daring bareback riders and exhibitions of handsome high-spirited trained horses and trained elephants, ponies, mules and dogs go to make up an entertainment that is unequalled.

The menagerie annex contains the most complete and valuable collection of wild animals and ferocious beasts from all parts of the world.

At 10 a. m. every morning, rain or shine, takes place Campbell Brothers great sensational street parade with its hundreds of horses with glittering equipment to dazzle the eye—handsome women riders, soldiers and men of all nations, mounted and carrying the flags of their country, cages of wild animals and all interspersed with bands of catchy music. The above shows will exhibit in McCook on Thursday, April 30, rain or shine, and promise every feature as advertised both in parade and in the big shows at 2 and 8 p. m.

Citizens' Meeting.

A meeting of McCook's business men and boosters will be held in the Commercial club rooms, next Monday evening, for the purpose of inaugurating a campaign which will result in the erection of a temple-opera house. The temple board of directors and club committee will be present to place the facts and figures before the meeting. It is already established that we need the opera house. We will have the temple. Do the people of McCook want the best opera house in Western Nebraska at half price? Come to the meeting, Monday evening, and express yourself. McCook will never have a better opportunity—may not soon have as good.

We can!
Will we?

One Point of Beauty
about a woman is her waist—if purchased at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s. Our line is very choice and complete including literally dozens of beautiful designs. Elbow or three-quarter sleeves with button back; long sleeves with button front; trimmed with laces, embroideries, medallions, shirtings, tucks and plaits. Made of silk finished mulls, of persian lawns, of india linens, of figured mercerized waistics, of all-over embroideries, of nets over silk, and of silk. Prices \$1.00 to \$5.00. We expect you to see them. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.

McCook to Get a Site.
The Omnibus public building bill to be reported to the house tomorrow will carry appropriations for the erection of federal buildings at four Nebraska towns—Fairbury, Plattsmouth, Columbus and Holdrege. It will also provide for the purchase of sites for buildings at McCook and North Platte. This information was given out today by a member of the committee for publication in The State Journal.—Lincoln Journal, 24th.

Well! Well! What
do you think of it—a 14-inch Lister Lay for \$1.75, sharpened and guaranteed to fit the lister for which they are intended. Moline, Western Belle, John Deere, Canton, Morrison, Rock Island, Bradley, Brown and Case. G. W. Predmore & Sons have them in stock and can get others on short notice. Shop phone 197; residence ash 3905.

Dress Skirts
in wire voile, in batiste, in shadow striped chiffon panama, in plain panama, in mohair, blacks, browns, blues, tans, greys, and a few wines and greens. Prices \$2.00 to \$12.50. Alterations free. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.
Look! Look! Look!
and see what we have this week:
A 14-inch No. 2 Star plow or lister lay, fitted and sharpened on any plow or lister, for \$2.75.
G. W. PREDMORE & SONS.
Phone 197; residence 3905.
Majestic Ranges
have air tight ovens and are made of malleable and charcoal iron making them the longest lived range made.
McCook Hardware Co.

EASTER OBSERVANCES IN MCCOOK

Special, Elaborate and Impressive Services In All of the Churches of the City.

EASTER CANTATAS IN METHODIST AND BAPTIST

Day Characterized by Superb Weather, Large Attendance Upon the Services, Effective and Appropriate Decorations—The Details In Part.

Nature was in happy accord with the joyous heart of mankind, Sunday, and added its charm of perfect weather to the observance of the supremest festival in Christendom—Easter. At all of the churches there was a large and earnest attendance of worshippers, and the programs and orders of service were replete with interest and vitality. Special music and appropriate decorations added peculiar effectiveness to the day. In somewhat of detail follow accounts of the celebrations in the several churches of the city:

EPISCOPAL.
There were two services in Saint Alban's church, Sunday: In the morning at eleven o'clock, the rector preached to a good audience on the topic, "What Mean Ye by This Service?" Ex. 12:26. There was the celebration of the Holy Communion and special music.
At evening prayer at 7:45 the rector used John 12:24 as the basis of his sermon.
The offerings of the day amounting to \$25.00 were placed with the parish church building fund.

CONGREGATIONAL.
The morning service was usual, with the notable exception of special music by an augmented choir composed of Miss Ruth Wiebe, Mrs. Louis Sues, Mrs. C. A. Rodgers, sopranos; Miss Myrtle Meyer, Mrs. A. R. Scott, Miss Millicent Slaby, altos; Mr. H. C. Clapp, Mr. B. H. Stewart, tenors; Mr. C. A. Rodgers, Mr. F. L. Wolff, basses; which rendered two excellent anthems in addition to the customary music of the service.
The pulpit platform was appropriately decorated in white and green, ferns, potted plants, easter lilies etc.
In the evening, the children of the Sunday-school gave an Easter program of song and recitation before a full house, with pleasure and profit to all.
The morning decorations, rearranged to suit the situation, served for this occasion as well.
Following is the detailed program of the evening:

PROGRAM.
Piano selection..... Frank Barnett
Song..... School
Invocation..... Pastor
Song..... Mrs. Kimmell's class
Recitation—"Wake Up"..... Mrs. Rodgers' class
Solo..... Martha Rogers
Solo and quartet—"Why Weepst Thou"..... Martha Sues
Leta Monks, Harold Heckman, Oak Rankin
Bible reading..... Leader and school
Exercise—"Praise God"..... Mrs. Hawkes' class
Song..... School
Exercise—"The Lilies"..... Mrs. Young's class
Solo..... Nellie Schwab
Flower exercise..... Nellie Schwab
Easter promises..... Miss Slaby's class
Solo..... Velma Sutton
Recitation—"The Offerings"..... Harriet Young
Song..... Teachers
Address..... Pastor
Offering.....
Song..... School
Benediction..... Pastor

MUSIC PROGRAM.
"Kyrie Eleison," Durand.....
"Gloria in Excelsis," Durand.....
"Credo," Durand.....
Offertory anthem, "Regina Coeli," Giora.....
"Sanctus," Gounod.....
"Agnus Dei," Durand.....
Soloists—Mrs. P. F. McKenna, soprano; Miss Alice McKenna, contralto; Mr. Francis J. Colfer, tenor; Arthur V. Coupe, bass and director; Miss Millie Elbert, organist.

METHODIST.
Uncommon interest centered in the Methodist church, where the members of Saint John commandery assembled for their Easter service. The church had an overflowing audience.
The decorations of the church were appropriately in white and green, ferns, palms, Easter and calla lilies serving the purpose handsomely.
Special orders of service were printed, the chief items being as follows:

ORDER OF WORSHIP.
Organ Prelude.....
Enter Sir Knights.....
Processional, "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates," Green.....
Roll call, Sir Knights.....
Hymn, "The Voice of Triumph".....
Apostles' Creed.....
Prayer, followed by choir response.
Anthem, "Christ Is Risen," Parks.....
Responsive Scripture reading.....
"Gloria Patri".....
Scripture Lesson.....
Notices.....
Hymn, "Come, Thou Almighty King".....
Sermon, "Heaven's Easter Greeting".....
Prayer.....
Offering for Christian Missions.....
Hymn, "Crown Him".....
Doxology and benediction.....
"MESSIAH VICTORIOUS."
In the evening, a special church choir presented, under the direction of Mrs. G. H. Thomas, one of the most splendid musical events by local talent a McCook audience has had the pleasure of hearing in many years. "Messiah Victo-

From School Work to Business.

It will be a matter of surprise and regret to TRIBUTE readers to learn that Sup't G. H. Thomas of the McCook public schools will, with the present school year, retire from school work, like so many of the young and promising schoolmen of the state, and embark in business. Mr. Thomas has recently acquired an interest in the Union State Bank of Harvard, Nebraska, and at the close of his service here, this term, will enter upon active duty in the bank.

Mr. Thomas has served McCook well and faithfully for the past eight years as city superintendent of schools, and he will leave the system standing well among the best in the state of Nebraska.

The TRIBUTE voices a general regret that he is so soon to leave the ranks of Nebraska instructors where he easily stands among the best, and in particular that McCook is to lose his services in the work of education.

It only remains to be said that the hope and wish is as general that success may be his continued portion.

A Harvard dispatch gives the following information:

CHANGE IN BANK AT HARVARD.

Harvard, Neb., April 21.—Yesterday forenoon, a deal was consummated by which Peter H. Updike of Omaha, president of the Union State Bank of this city, sold his interests in the institution to Messrs. Theodore Griess, for five years past its cashier, and George H. Thomas, for eight years past city superintendent of schools at McCook. Mr. Thomas will remove here at the close of the present school year and enter upon active duty at the bank.—Lincoln Journal.

A Law Exists

compelling the purchase of men's overalls and jackets from The Thompson D. G. Co. We refer to the law of economy in force in the state of Nebraska ever since the Cavaliers of Coronado pressed its soil in 1541. What others ask you 50c to 65c for (and charge it if asked) we hand out in exchange for 39c cold cash. For 69c you get the usual 85c deal. Jackets same way. The white overalls and jackets for painters are only 39c. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash values.

Clean Up, Citizens.

All property-owners, renters and lessors are hereby notified to comply with the requirements of the city ordinance respecting the cleaning up of their properties and the alleys adjacent thereto. Let us have a prompt and thorough compliance with the law in this regard for appearance's sake and in the interest of the health of the community.
G. W. GODFREY,
Street Commissioner.

You Wear It Thirty Days

and if then dissatisfied you bring it back and we refund the money paid. We are speaking of American Beauty Corsets, the best on earth in every particular of style, quality and price, 35c to \$1.00. We are also exclusive agents for the unequalled and best known corset waists—the Ferris, for ladies, misses and children, 50c to \$1.00. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.

Boys' and Girls' Rompers 39c

of best materials and trimmed with pipings, with belts, with turkey red and indigo blue bands, made with or without elastic at the knee. A nice assortment of the most desirable ones obtainable, and only 39c. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.

Economy In Ice Consumption

is an essential requirement. This is given special attention in the Herrick refrigerators; all doors and walls packed about two inches thick with mineral wool and doors that shut air tight. Sold by McCook Hardware Co.

May Day Breakfast.

Those who attended the May-day breakfast at the Congregational church, last year, will be glad to learn that the Christian Endeavor society will serve breakfast, Saturday, May 2nd, from 6:30 to 9 a. m. Price 25 cents.

Long Gloves

from 65c to \$1.50 in black, white, brown and blue. Elbow mitts in black, white, and brown for 35c. Wrist lengths in lisle and silk in all colors. No trouble to show goods. The Thompson D. G. Co. Actual cash prices.

"They Sell Sunshine."

Yes, we have it in all colors. The best varnish stain ever made. Put some Sunshine on that old rocking chair or book case and it will look like new. For sale at Woodworth & Co.'s, Druggists.

For Comfort

you will want a gas or gasoline stove. The Quick Meal Vapor gasoline stove is the next thing to gas and you can get them in any style at the McCook Hardware Co.

Plenty of Good Pasture

for 25 or 30 head of stock during season. Good well water. Pasture can't be beat.—4 27-2ts. A. SHERA.

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Like to feel that in bringing their business to a bank they are helping to build it up; in other words, they are giving something for what they receive. We want you to feel that way toward us.

WE ARE GROWING

GROW WITH US

THE MCCOOK NATIONAL BANK

P. Walsh, C. F. Lehn,
President Vice President
C. J. O'Brien, Cashier

Stole Some Patent Medicines.

William White of East McCook acquired some patent medicines belonging to E. W. Benjamin, irregularly, recently, and on last Saturday evening, a search warrant was secured by Benjamin and search was made of the home in East McCook where White domiciles, to the end and purpose that a quantity of the goods were recovered. He was arrested and placed in durance until Monday morning, when Squire Berry heard his plea of guilty and fined him \$10.00 and costs. Mr. White is in county jail until the sum of \$7.95 has been satisfied.

Surprised Him Happily.

A jolly surprise was perpetrated on Elmer Kay, last Saturday evening, at the Commercial hotel, on the occasion of his 30th birthday. The members of the band were invited in, light refreshments were served, some toasts were uttered in happy vein, and a brief social time enjoyed. The band boys presented Elmer with a gold-headed umbrella as a token of the occasion and of their regard.

Bitten By a Small Dog.

The little girl of Mr. and Mrs. Ben King was bitten by a small black dog, last Saturday evening, on Main street, and no little excitement ensued. The little girl attempted to pet the dog when the animal jumped up and bit the child in the face, clinging to the child's face with its teeth until the horrified mother pulled them apart. After much excitement the dog was finally killed.

Farmers, Attention.

I am receiving cream for the Fairmont Creamery Co. of Crete, Neb. Bring your cream to me and I will guarantee good results. You get your checks every shipment. To those parties that are delivering cream to other creameries, if you will divide—give one-half to me—I think after a few shipments you will bring it all to me.
M. WALSH.

For Sale.

Show-cases, tables, counter, scales, and other useful articles about a store. Call and see them at the Bee Hive. The prices will be right to you.

The Cow Said

skin my milk clean on a Sharpeless separator and I will make you money. Sold by McCook Hardware Co

Successful Painting

can be done by using Lincoln A. P. Paint, and at less cost owing to its spreading capacity.
A. McMILLEN, Druggist.

"TRIP TO EUROPE."

The R. R. B. and S. C. will present the cantata, "Trip to Europe," in the Congregational church, April 28.

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office, rear Citizens bank
Phone 283