

# The McCook Tribune.

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The big dailies of Nebraska are doing a suggestive amount of irrigation booming, just no.

The Hastings Democrat is philosophical concerning the financial misfortunes of their city, quoting the comfortable assurance that "whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth."

The Republicans assert that Senator Allen was formerly a member of their fold. The Democrats agree that the robust gentleman is a simon-pure bourbon. The populists claim his unswerving fealty. So we all may be happy yet.

The crusade against cigarette smoking has spread to Arkansas. A large majority of the legislature recently voted for a bill prohibiting the sale or giving away of cigarettes within the state, and making the offense a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100.

That Warren arid land grab scheme has been checked but not destroyed. Western senators and congressmen must watch it until it is effectually buried. Should the arid lands of the great West fall into the hands of the great foreign syndicates and the cattle barons, which now are plotting for their acquirement, it would prove a blight upon the growth and prosperity of the western states.

The newspaper publishers of Hitchcock county are trying to get themselves together for the purpose of forming an association to protect their business interests. It is a sensible thing to do. Newspaper men may quarrel and fight over politics and other questions, but when it comes to matters of business policy it is the height of folly for them to pull apart. They could well nigh wear diamonds all the time if they were not such fools in a business sense.—Hayes County Republican.

DR. NORVIN GREEN, president of the Western Union Telegraph company, who died at Louisville, Ky., recently, illustrated the versatility of the American. He cut cord wood, studied and practiced medicine, did something in politics, and finally went into the telegraph business, which he aided in making one of the great interests of the world. He is a man accustomed to make a success of whatever he undertook, and was the great chief of the Western Union corporation, always ready to defend it and seldom losing a battle for it. It will not be easy to find a competent successor for such a man.

The Nebraska press association meeting at Columbus, Thursday and Friday of last week, called together about 50 members of the association. The session from a business standpoint was not all it might have been, nor what future meetings should be. Socially it was a pleasant and profitable affair. The banquet at the Meridian hotel was ample proof of the hospitable temper of the people of Columbus. The oration by Chancellor Canfield was a magnificent effort, and was most thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. Edgecombe of the Falls City Journal was made the president of the association, which will meet in Lincoln the coming year at its annual session. Mr. Davis and his contemporaries of the Columbus press have the thanks of the press gang for courtesies extended during the meeting which will be remembered among the pleasant ones in the history of the association.

### Self Destruction.

Sunday morning in the stable of his brother-in-law L. A. Hurlburt, Stewart Rider ended his existence by cutting his throat with a pocket knife, being undoubtedly insane. The unfortunate man was about thirty years of age, coming here from Fairbury, this state, but a few months since. He had made every arrangement to go to Goodland, Kansas, on Monday morning, to operate a tank line there. He was stopping at Wayson's restaurant, and during the very early morning hours exhibited signs of decided mental derangement. About three or four o'clock he left the restaurant and went to his brother-in-law's house near by, where he at first made arrangements to go to Fairbury on No. 2; but afterwards dissenting from the plan he left the house, going to the stable as future developments proved. During his brief stay at his brother-in-law's he complained that his mind was wandering, but no special attention was paid to the matter at the time. But feeling uneasy later in the morning, Mr. Hurlburt repaired to his stable, finding the dead body as stated above.

At an inquest held later by Deputy Sheriff and Acting Coroner C. F. Babcock the above facts practically were brought out, and a verdict of self-destruction was rendered by the jury.

It appears that insanity is a hereditary taint, and that other members of the Rider family have cast off the real or imaginary cares of life in the same way.

The deceased was well-to-do financially, having property to the amount of two or three thousand dollars.

The information that he was despondent over a disappointment in love is declared on authority to be without foundation.

The remains were forwarded to Fairbury, Monday morning, for burial. The relatives and friends have the sincere sympathy of all in this sad affair.

Datis Rector has commenced building a new house on his lately acquired farm near the city.

A. J. Nowlan, a traveling man, is confined to bed at the Commercial with an attack of pneumonia.

A son of Gottlieb Lundquese, a new settler, is down with an attack of pneumonia. The sick boy is about 12 years old.

The bankers, teachers and school children enjoyed a holiday, Wednesday, but the rest of the busy world worried along as usual.

St. Patrick's church choir is preparing to render Farmer's charming mass, Easter Sunday, with orchestral accompaniment. It will be quite a musical event.

General Hatfield's rendition of "Salvation's Free" is well worth the price of admission, especially when accompanied by Superintendent Campbell's high-class baritone.

W. Laverty has rented from S. M. Cochran & Co. their brick building just east of the hardware store, and on or about March 1st, will open out therein a stock of harness and saddlery.

There is a probability that McCook will have a marble yard located within her borders soon. A gentleman has been here from Illinois recently looking up a place in which to place such works, and was well pleased with the outlook.

Yesterday, J. P. Squire closed the deal for the purchase of the J. W. Palmer place on the Driftwood, embracing 520 acres, the purchase price being about \$6,500. This place but recently became the property of Frank and Egbert Everist.

John F. Helm of Red Willow has been named by the Nebraska state horticultural society to take charge of the fruit collection from this county. Every good citizen should be prompt in assisting him to secure as complete a collection as possible.

There are three important times in a man's life—when he is born, when he is married, and when he dies. But even then his personal importance is overshadowed by the curiosity to know whether he is a boy or a girl, what the bride wore, and how much he left in his will.

S. M. Cochran & Co. are making arrangements to build a large fire proof addition onto the rear of their present quarters. It will cover the width of two lots, corrugated iron being the material to be used in its construction. When completed they will have a large and complete store house for the extensive line of vehicles of all sorts they are carrying.

The present way of killing unlicensed dogs is perhaps effective, fatal in due time, but it has been repeatedly suggested to us that a better method might be pursued than shooting or clubbing to death right in the main thoroughfares of our city. Will the mayor kindly require the dog killer to remove the animals to be slain away from public sight at least.

The social held in Meeker hall, Tuesday evening, by the Y. P. S. C. E. of our city, was largely attended, and a happy time was had. The society entertained their numerous guests handsomely. An appetizing line of refreshments were served and evidently enjoyed by all. The young people are to be warmly congratulated upon the marked success of their initial social.

### Building Association Matters.

The board of directors of the building association was in regular monthly session in the city hall, Monday evening. The board organized for the ensuing year with the election of the following officers: President, Frank Harris; vice-president, U. J. Warren; treasurer, W. F. Lawson; secretary, G. W. Kaine. The directors present were J. A. Wilcox, T. B. Campbell, F. M. Kimmell, C. H. Boyle and L. W. McConnell. The available funds of the association amounting to \$4,300 were sold at one per cent premium. The instruction authorizing the secretary to receive applications for loans at one per cent premium was on motion annulled and withdrawn. The indications are that for some time at least the surplus funds of the association will be in demand and the per cent of premium will naturally be higher. The report of the committee appointed to audit the secretary's books was accepted, finding the accounts and funds correct and the affairs of the association in good shape.

At the Harris Hardware you can get a Sewing Machine a good one from \$20 to \$45 with the company's guarantee for five years.

Michal Smith, a late arrival here from Trenton, is building a house 24x24 feet, one and a half stories high, on his place near the city.

NOTICE.—Regular meeting of Degree of Honor will occur on Monday evening, February 27th. All members requested to be present.

This week J. E. Kelley purchased the half interest of C. H. Boyle in lot 10, block 9, original city of McCook. Consideration \$500.

The contract for Register Lindsay's new house has been let to Contractor Waite, and work will be commenced as soon as the weather permits.

The family of J. A. Brinton arrived from the east, last week. Mr. Brinton is the purchaser of the Dave Bryan place, a few miles west of the city.

The Ritchie brothers are having a frame house put up on the half-section recently purchased over in Driftwood precinct. Shepherd is doing the work.

McKenna sells a pure sun-cured Japan tea at 45 cents per pound. You will find it equal to what you have paid 60 cents for. Call at the C. O. D. and get a sample free.

That of Sunday morning makes the sixth suicide which has ever occurred in McCook. Few of her citizens care to leave her—especially in that unfortunate and tragic way.

Upon completion of the Workmen Temple the Odd Fellows will occupy quarters in that structure, and the Masons will thereafter be in sole possession and use of their handsome renovated hall.

Manager Frank Albrecht of the Stewart ranch, the first of the week, received from Holbrook, Furnas county, four thoroughbred Poland-China sows and two pairs of Light Brahma chickens. The pigs alone cost close to two hundred dollars.

If you want a luxury go to the C. O. D. store and get a pound of McKenna's English breakfast tea—the price? Well, the price is not higher than you pay for common Black tea. But heretofore you had to send to Denver or Hastings for a Tea like this. Try it.

Dr. Z. L. Kay, McCook's leading physician, was in the city, Monday, making the acquaintance of some of our business men. The Dr. is quite a formidable candidate for superintendent of the Hastings asylum when the governor gets ready to pick out a new man to take Dr. Johnston's place.—Hastings Democrat.

The angel of death entered the home of John Show, Monday, claiming their little daughter, that some time since drank a quantity of concentrated lye, as its victim. The remains were tenderly consigned to their resting place in Longview cemetery, Tuesday afternoon, many neighbors and friends attending the funeral. The bereaved ones have much sympathy in their sorrow.

The Masons at their regular meeting on Tuesday evening decided to make extensive improvements in the furnishings of their hall. New carpets, furniture and apparatus will be provided. The hall will be repapered, painted, decorated, and everything placed in first-class shape. It is the purpose of the order to place their hall in a convenient and attractive condition not excelled in this portion of Nebraska.

THE TRIBUNE learns that a portion of the goods recently stolen from Kapke's tailoring establishment have quite lately been found by the police under some railroad ties in the Burlington yards. We might add that the police have their eyes on certain parties, and that matters might be cleared up very materially if the rest of the stolen goods were forthwith depositing in a similar hiding place.

John F. Helm, of Red Willow, arrived home, Sunday, from the Omaha market, and reports the facts concerning the marketing of a carload of hogs. The 64 head in the shipment weighed 17,710 pounds, averaging a fraction over 276 pounds. In dollars and cents, \$1,433.58 for the carload, or a fraction less than \$22.40 per head. Mr. Helm has acquired the habit of making farming and the stock business pay good profits.

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JONAS ENGEL,  
Manager.

Small Boy—Ma, what are improper fractions.  
Small Boy's Ma—The lower halves of skirt-dancers.

Fair woman now may well beware.  
When she to conquer stoops.  
For she must bend with studied care,  
And not forget her hoops.

S. H. Colvin, this week, sold one of the Hess dwellings to Alma E. West.

Quietly but firmly are the pins being set for the coming spring election.

Contractor Shepherd has commenced the building of a dwelling for James Harris in east McCook.

M. H. Cole, one of Coleman's substantial farmers, is having a comfortable frame house built on his farm.

Work on the new residences for Register Lindsay and Reporter Gibbs is being pushed vigorously.

Frank Everist has leased the Palmer place on the Driftwood from J. P. Squire for the coming year.

A basket social will be held in the Red Willow school house on Saturday evening for charitable purposes.

Monday C. F. Babcock sold the Sam Lyons ranch of 820 acres to James and John Croker of Wilcox, this state; consideration \$10,275.

The Red Willow Sunday school is in a flourishing condition with a membership of over 60 pupils. The usual services are regularly held now.

THE TRIBUNE moves to make the re-election of Mayor Brewer unanimous, and thus settle the question. Have we a second? How many?

The city fathers met Wednesday night and adjourned until next Wednesday evening on account of the regular meeting falling on a legal holiday.

Fred Arndt of Iowa has purchased a quarter section of land near Perry, from S. H. Colvin, this week, for \$2,000. Mr. Arndt will build on and improve same, this summer.

Monday, S. H. Colvin sold S. C. King of Iowa a quarter section near Red Willow for \$1,700, and the Hiram Johnson quarter north of the city for \$1,500. Mr. King will shortly return from Iowa and build on same.

George E. Johnston has commenced the contemplated improvements on his residence property. The main building will be raised to the dignity of two stories, porches and additions will be re-arranged, and the property generally improved. It will take a month or six weeks of favorable weather to accomplish his purpose in the premises.

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