

Irrigation.

The executive committee, who have charge of the arrangements for the irrigation convention, to be held in this city on the 2d and 3d of May, meet with encouragement everywhere. The Burlington road have made a rate of one fare for the round trip on the main line, and all its branches west of Hastings and Red Cloud, in Nebraska.

The Commercial club of Omaha will send a strong delegation, including its president, W. A. L. Gibbon, Dr. George L. Miller and J. E. Riley. The committee are receiving letters of inquiry every day, from Lincoln, North Platte, Hastings, Orleans and other points in the state as to date, and the aim and purpose of the convention.

It is the purpose of the committee to make the convention a school of irrigation, to exhaustively discuss and elucidate the irrigation capabilities, requirements and methods required to develop the varied interests of this section in that direction. How to prepare the soil and plant the seed, for intensive farming, and how to apply the water to the growing crops, in order to obtain the best returns together with the yield of irrigated lands, will be among the subjects discussed and exemplified, by actual practical irrigation farmers. It is intended to discuss new methods and introduce new machinery for irrigating small valleys not under a ditch. It will be a mass convention to which every person interested in the subject, is invited. The very low fare which the Burlington management have made, make it possible for every body to attend.

J. S. LEHW, Secretary.
C. J. RYAN, Chairman.

Transferred the Funds.

The county commissioners, County Treasurer Meserve and Ex-Deputy Treasurer Hendershot were in the city, Saturday, to witness and receive the transfer of the county funds in the hands of the First National and Citizens banks to the account of the new treasurer. Which was satisfactorily performed. About thirty thousand of the county's funds being thus turned over.

Ben Horner is chief engineer of Wilcox & Son's delivery now.

Filing cases, copying books, type writer paper, carbon paper etc. at this office.

Work for the success of the irrigation convention, May 2 and 3. It is important—irrigation.

Jack Howard has opened a cigar stand etc. in the Franklin building back of DeGross's store.

Work was commenced, yesterday morning, on the culvert across Main avenue at Douglas street intersection.

"There's a balm for every ill, a towel for weeping eyes; if trade seems dull and sluggish still, get out and advertise."

One or two of our political bosses are now slightly revising former estimates of their prowess and pull. It has to be done every now and then.

Somebody said "be thankful every time a friend deserts you to strengthen yourself." What a continual thanksgiving country editors should enjoy.

The Masons have been doing some degree work, this week. On Tuesday evening in the Blue lodge the third with E. L. Laycock as victim. Thursday night the Commandery had "work in the black."

It is rumored that a new bank will be put in here, the stockholders comprising some of the most prominent men of Frontier and Furnas counties, also one or two prominent men of Iowa.—Stockville Republican.

Mrs. Predmore of McCook, is a Holbrook visitor for a few days. Mr. J. F. Madison and wife are visiting friends in McCook this week. The Gockley of McCook, was shaking hands with his many friends this week.—Holbrook Herald.

Rev. Howard MacAyeal received word this [Friday] morning that his father, Rev. Dr. MacAyeal, was dangerously ill at Denver. Dr. MacAyeal was enroute east from southern California, where he had spent the winter in search of renewed health.—Cambridge Kaleidoscope.

A letter received by a party here for a friend in McCook, states that the sports of that city have arranged for a fight on April 14, between L. Sullivan of Montana, and W. E. Anderson. A purse of \$200 and gate receipts are the stakes. He predicts that not less than \$2,000 will be bet on the fight, and that they will have a big time.—Stockville Republican.

The first of the week a brick crossing was laid over south Main avenue, from the Citizens bank corner to the Ganschow corner. The brick and labor were provided by Rooney & McAdams. We understand that the payment for the crossing is conditional upon the work being successful and satisfactory. And the success of the experiment will depend upon whether the bricks are sufficiently hard and have been properly laid. The result will be awaited with considerable interest. A good substitute for the expensive wooden crossings is certainly very desirable to the city.

The new county treasurer received for \$35,375.21, Monday, when the funds were finally turned over.

Quite a number of trees are being planted in city and country, this spring, as usual. Nothing like it.

"The Fair" now occupies the entire store room in the Babcock brick, and is increasing the stock accordingly.

The Meeker irrigation ditch is now in running order. Splendid results may be expected from the ditch which will be used more generally, this season.

The A. O. U. W. paid Mrs. Frank Albrecht \$2,000, this week. This sum will indeed come very handy to the widow and eight little children of the deceased.

W. F. Saunders of the Farmers' restaurant, this week, moved out to his farm south of the city. Mike Reisch will conduct the business at that place in the future. Success to him.

The somewhat noted case of James Harris against Rittenhouse & Boyle was taken from the court of Squire Kelley, Tuesday, to Squire Berry's jurisdiction, and will be heard on next Thursday, maybe. If another change of venue is not taken.

The Masonic bodies have leased the third floor of the Phillips-Meeker building for five years for their exclusive use; and have moved into and occupied their new quarters, this week. Their new quarters are among the finest and most convenient in western Nebraska.

The board of directors of the building association at a special meeting held on Monday evening, elected E. C. Ballew acting secretary of the association. Money may be paid to him. In the event of his absence from the city, arrangements have been made for payment of dues etc. at the First National bank, in which building he has taken quarters.

The Brisbin-Spotts feud, which has agitated East McCook somewhat, lately, had a brief inning in Squire Berry's court, Tuesday. The judge delivered a lecture full of good advice to Brisbin and his, and let them go, with the injunction to let Spotts and his property and affairs strictly alone in the future. But will they?

A neighboring paper tells of a woman who disguised herself as a man and clerked in a store for a year and applied for membership in the Knight of Pythias and was initiated. During the work of the third degree they use an India rubber rat, a celluloid snake which run by clock work inside, and which are very natural indeed. The idea is to let them run at the candidate to see if he will flinch. When the snake ran at the girl she kept her nerve all right, but when the rat tried to run up her trouser's leg, she grabbed up her imaginary skirts in both hands and jumped into a refrigerator that was standing near, which is used in the degree work, and screamed bloody murder. The girl is a member, however, and there is no help for it. The secret societies here, we understand, take precaution against the admission of women by carefully examining the feet of the applicant. If the feet are cold enough to freeze ice cream the candidate is black-balled.

A lad of about fifteen summers came down from Frontier county, last Thursday, to take the train for Red Cloud. During the day in walking over the city he made the acquaintance of three young bums, recent arrivals from Denver. They learned that the lad from the country had a little money, during their visit with him, and determined to relieve him of it. So just shortly before No. 4 arrived from the west the trio got the lad behind the depot, and the one-armed bum knocked him down with a bolt and took about \$7 in money from his pocket. One of the bums was promptly arrested, but the one-armed thug and one of his companions escaped. Cadi Berry fined the party brought before him \$5 and costs, and he has been working on the city streets, this week, to make whole his fracture of the city's law against vagrancy. The other young scamps made their way east. The lad was not badly injured, and only recovered one dollar of the money stolen. His experience was not very valuable to him, either, as he was seen on the following day, making the acquaintance of another gang of pilgrims in the city.

Push the irrigation idea. It's a winner.

Writing paper in boxes very cheap at this office.

Proceedings and settlement of the county commissioners will be found in this issue.

Reports, both private and public in character, indicate that this dry weather is generally prevalent in the west.

Parties desiring to have their barrels filled at the cemetery or their lots watered, can have same done promptly and reasonably by addressing J. B. Irwin, lock box 367.

In Hayes county, Nebraska, according to the American Newspaper Directory for 1894, now in press, the Hayes County Republican has a larger regular issue than any other paper. Advertising rates made known on application.

RELIGIOUS MATTERS.

Subjects at the Baptist church, next Sunday. Morning, "The Greatest Commandments." Evening, "Fools."

Preaching Sunday morning and evening at the Congregational church, by Rev. H. L. Preston. Evening service beginning at 8 o'clock.

There will be no Episcopal services in Masonic hall, next Sunday. Mr. Durant will be in Arapahoe. Sunday school in the morning as usual.

At the M. E. church April 15. Sunday school at 10 a. m. At 11 a. m., sermon by the pastor. Junior league at 3 p. m. At 7:30 p. m., preaching will give place to the anniversary of the McCook Epworth league. All are invited.

A. W. COFFMAN, pastor.

Ink and lead pencil tablets for sale at this office.

It cost the city about \$200 to conduct the late election.

The Red Men moved their lodge effects into the old Masonic hall, Tuesday.

Horse bills printed at this office. Good selection of cuts on hand. Rates reasonable.

The proper time to trim trees is in the fall, after the sap has returned to the roots.

Fine and complete line of calling cards at THE TRIBUNE. Also order taken for engraved cards.

We understand that R. T. Hendershot, late deputy treasurer, will enter the office of the clerk of the district court.

The initial number of the Danbury News made its appearance, last week, Al. Smith as publisher. It is quite a creditable publication.

The carpet, pictures, etc., recently placed in the Temple hall, have added largely to the comfort and appearance of one of the finest lodge rooms in Nebraska.

Sunday there was quite a fall of snow in eastern Colorado, as far east as the Nebraska line. There was a slight rain fall at Imperial, and between Hastings and Holdrege more. Nothing but wind and dust here, however.

The irrigation convention, May 2 and 3, will be what we make it. We can't afford to make it anything but the usual success. Let us work heartily to that end. Irrigation is one of the vital interests of this community.

Though the number of votes cast in McCook at the last election was not large, it exceeded those cast in York and Falls City. York cast but 532, and Falls City 511. The total vote here for mayor was 580, but there were almost 600 ballots cast.

Ira E. Crane arrived from Des Moines, Iowa, a few days since, and is arranging to open a repair shop in Predmore Bros.' building over on West Dennison street. He expects to do light repairing, such as bicycles, sewing machines, guns etc., and will doubtless find plenty of work to busy him.

The Red Willow creamery butter is making a fine reputation for itself in the Omaha and Denver markets, as well as in the home market. It is made by the separator system, and is as near absolutely pure as butter can be produced. J. F. Helm is making quite a success of this venture.

The condition of the city treasury makes economy an imperative consideration with the new administration. We hope for a thoroughly business-like management of the city's affairs, during the ensuing municipal year. It will be a relief to all, and gratifying to the taxpayers.

Yesterday was Master Walter Coffman's tenth birthday and he invited in ten young boy friends to celebrate with him the happy occasion. It is needless to state that the boys had a thoroughly delightful time, and will long remember Walter's birthday party and the happy circumstances connected with it.

The meeting of lodge number one, Star of Jupiter, last Saturday night, was a very interesting one, and was largely attended. Following the regular business and the initiation of a number of candidates, refreshments were served. The spread was excellent in quality and generous in quantity, all present, enjoying it hugely. Altogether it was a very comfortable affair. The members hope that the Alpha entertainment may be followed until the whole alphabet has been used for names.

An exchange says that newspaper subscriptions are infallible tests of men's honesty. They will sooner or later discover the man. If he is dishonest he will cheat the printer some way—say he has a receipt somewhere—or sent the money and it was lost in the mail—or he will take the paper and not pay for it on the ground that he did not subscribe for it—or move off, leaving it to come to the office he left. Thousands of professional Christians are dishonest in this particular at least, and the printer's book will tell tearful tales in the final judgment.

Orchestra Benefit.

The public school orchestra will give a concert in the assembly room at the east ward building, on the evening of Arbor day. A varied and attractive programme will be presented, and the proceeds will be devoted to paying expense of the organization.

Mr. Reizenstein having taken charge of the young musicians, their progress is assured, and the encouragement given by the public will be well applied.

The school has recently secured quite a number of new slides for the lantern.

The South McCook school has been closed, this week, on account of sickness among pupils.

Prof. Joseph Reizenstein now has the public school orchestra under his direction, and that musical organization, in which our people have always taken great pride, may be expected to undergo great improvement. The membership will be increased.

The public school orchestra will give a concert on next Monday a week in assembly room of the east ward building. The admission fee will be twenty-five cents. Tickets will be on sale at McConnell's in due time. A fine programme may confidently be expected. The orchestra will surprise you.

Programme

Of the first anniversary celebration of the McCook Epworth league, next Sunday evening, commencing at 7:30 o'clock:
Chorus..... League.
Bible reading..... League.
Song.....
Lord's prayer..... Congregation.
Remarks..... by President.
Song.....
League history..... Miss Montie Tulleys.
Song..... Eva Mitchell, Luella Thompson, Minnie Berry.
Annual reports of Vice-Presidents.....
Song.....
Recitation..... Miss Hattie Yarger.
"History of Hamburg Fire."
Recitation..... Miss Wianna Peterson.
"Vandvi's Teacher."
Song.....
Report of Treasurer.....
Recitation..... Miss Bertha Boyle.
"Soldolphon."
Recitation..... Miss Hanna Stangeland.
"Higher."
Song.....
Remarks..... by Pastor.
Song.....
"Till We Meet Again."

It is Squire Bolles now. Shake, Steve!

Literary diamonds like Paranoic Pete come too high.

Writing tablets, small blank books, memorandums etc. at this office.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ludwick, yesterday morning.

It is said that the gambling houses are again in full blast—if they were ever anything else.

A child of one of the Russians in South McCook died with diphtheria, Tuesday of this week.

The bond of the treasurer is \$80,000. Of his deputy is \$40,000. Both are said to be thoroughly good bonds.

The county seat removal case is expected to come in supreme court about the 17th of this month.

The blacksmiths are about the busiest fellows in town, keeping their anvils merrily ringing from morn till eve.

Cycling is growing in popularity in the city, and the number of wheels are increasing notwithstanding the hard times.

The Star of Jupiter people are preparing to make things move again, and are sending out more organizers into the field for the order.

The Epworth league social, Tuesday called out a good crowd and satisfactory patronage. Both of which were deserved by the league.

There will be a special meeting of the Degree of Honor in Temple hall, next Monday evening. A full attendance is desired. Mrs. A. P. Welles, Recorder.

The L. O. T. M. will entertain their husbands at a high five party in Temple hall on next Thursday evening, their regular meeting night. Refreshments will be served and a pleasant social season enjoyed no doubt.

Many small improvements are visible in the city, new fences, sidewalks etc. Besides lawns are rapidly assuming their welcome sheen of green; and trees, shrubbery and flowers will soon add their beauty of form and color to the scene.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

A. F. MOOR attended court at Benkelman, this week.

MR. FISHER, an Omaha contractor is in the city today.

J. W. SHABATA has been up the valley, this week, on business.

FRANK SELBY was registered at the Commercial house, Tuesday.

SHERIFF AND MRS. BANKS were among our visitors, yesterday.

JUDGE F. B. BRALL of Hastings was a Sunday visitor of the valley's metropolis.

A. D. KING and wife of Culbertson were among our visitors, Tuesday of this week.

MISS MAUD McMILLEN is expected home from Pennsylvania in the near future.

H. W. COLE expects to leave, tomorrow night, for Washington, D. C., on business.

JUDGE E. S. HILL of Indianola was among the visitors of the commercial centre, Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. F. H. SPEARMAN arrived home, first of the week, from their sad visit to Chicago.

ALBERT RADTKE left, this week, for Chillicothe, Missouri, where he expects to make his home in future.

C. T. BREWER returned home, Wednesday night, from Iowa, where he has been on a stock buying expedition.

JOHN STONE was down from Frontier county, Saturday, on business and to visit relatives in this vicinity.

W. F. EVERIST and his brother Austin from Whatcom, Washington, were over Saturday, from Danbury, on business.

C. T. WATSON arrived home, Tuesday night, from the east, whither he was called, last week, by the death of his father.

MISS HOLLAND arrived on Sunday night from Chicago and has taken charge of Lowman's dressmaking department.

MRS. FOLSOM canvassed the city, this week, in the interest of the Lincoln Tabitha Home, with her usual persistency and success.

T. G. REES, late of our city, has been visiting his sister in Neligh, this state. Mrs. Rees is visiting at her old York state home.

MRS. H. W. KEYES, Mrs. C. S. Quick and Miss Quick were up, Monday, from Indianola, doing some shopping with our milliners.

E. C. BALLEW and R. T. Hendershot went in to Lincoln, Tuesday night, to settle with the state treasurer for Red Willow county.

JOS. STEPHENS delivered a shipment of trees from the Crete nursery to local purchasers, this week. From here he went to Palisade.

G. W. ROPER was up from the county seat, Wednesday, on business connected with his farm interests over in Valley Grange precinct.

H. A. ROWE of the Imperial Enterprise and wife, and Cash D. Fuller, ex-clerk of Chase county, were business guests of this commercial centre, Monday evening.

ELDER MCBRIDE spoke to the people of Bartley, last night, on the merits and claims and objects of the order of the Star of Jupiter. They expect to organize a lodge at that place soon.

MRS. PETER BOYLE was the recipient, this week, of a box of fragrant flowers gathered by Mrs. J. G. Hamilton in their garden at Brookhaven, Mississippi. They report peaches etc. badly damaged by recent freezes, and are contemplating going to Denver to engage in business. If so, will make McCook a visit during the summer.

DR. B. B. DAVIS writes from Berlin, Germany, to the effect that on "last Saturday, March 24th, at 8:30 a. m., a small but vigorous son put in an appearance at this domicile. Mother and son are in excellent condition." The friends of the doctor and wife have been smoking to the health of the youthful scion of the Davis family here, this week. THE TRIBUNE congratulates. Great climate, Germany!

Register Lindsay made his debut, this week, with a handsome new carriage.

Assessor Troth is camping on the trail of the property owners, this week. Come, fess up!

The St. Charles, under the management of Mr. O'Leary, is working up quite a nice business.

Good morning, Mayor Kelley. With two such rattling fellows in the office of Mayor, McCook ought to boom.

The Baptist social at the home of Mrs. Dave Wagner, last night, was pretty well attended notwithstanding other attractions and the windy weather.

The 26th of this month will be the anniversary of Oddfellowship, and the McCook lodge is making arrangements to properly celebrate the event. There will be speaking in the afternoon, and in the evening refreshments, a general good time, and work in three degrees. The occasion will be made a notable one.

A Large Pull on the Treasury.

The municipal patriachs were in regular semi-monthly session on Wednesday evening, President of the Council Spickelmeier in the chair, and Councilmen Yarger and Steinmetz being present. Previous meeting's minutes approved.

Bills were audited and allowed as follows and warrants ordered issued on the proper funds:

F. M. Kimmell, printing	\$ 52.85
James Cain, salary March	57.00
A. E. McManigal, March salary	65.00
J. A. Brewer, salary March	50.00
W. T. Lindsay, printing	6.00
State Journal Co., poll books	9.35
Clerks and judges of election	60.00
Registration officers	108.00
H. L. Rouch, police	2.00
W. C. Bullard & Co.	6.05
J. M. Merrill, labor	1.75
McCook Electric Light Co.	132.50
Stephen Bailey, draying	1.25
T. M. Phillippi, police	2.00
Barnett Lumber Co.	3.75
Reports of H. H. Berry as cemetery superintendent and police judge were referred to finance committee.	

Petition for the construction of a culvert across Main avenue at the intersection of Douglas street was granted and same ordered put in. The purpose of this ditch is to keep a portion of the storm water from running down Main avenue and possibly flooding the cellars and basements in the lower part of the avenue.

Adjourned to Thursday evening.

Look Us Over.

I have for sale, in addition to all lots in McCook owned by the Lincoln Land Company, a number of choice residences and business lots, among others:

- No. 61—5 roomed residence on Manchester Avenue.
- No. 62—8 roomed residence on Main Avenue.
- No. 63—Two choice east front lots on Melvin street, opposite high school.
- No. 64—Small residence on McDowell street, only \$350.00, a bargain.
- No. 65—8 roomed residence on Monroe street, first class property; close in.
- No. 66—The Dr. Davis residence, corner Marshall and Dolan streets.
- No. 67—8 roomed residence corner Douglass and Monmouth streets.

All bargains. Prices and terms made known on application.

J. E. KELLEY, Office First National Bank Building, ground floor.

A Bachelor's View.

"Since the hair on top of my head is going into decline," said Al. Ebert to THE TRIBUNE man, "I have studied human nature in form of girls."

When a girl of sweet sixteen is on the street she has a cute, pert way of walking and tossing her head as though she owned the earth, and was going to the middle of the next block to get it. After she is eighteen the world she owns is about as far away as the world's fair was to the most of us, and at twenty she gives up all hopes of getting it at all. By the time she is twenty-five poor thing, she has a vague, faint suspicion that there is a great deal of insincerity in the world, and the thing for her to do is to get a position and do something useful, after a while she gets married to a man who is not the sort of a man she had dreamed of; then she concludes she will be better off in heaven."

The Home Market.

Oats	30	Wheat	35 to 45
Corn	23	Potatoes	90
Hogs	\$4.25	Hay	\$.6 to .80
Steers	\$3 to \$3.50	Cows	\$.75 to \$2.00
Butter	15	Eggs	15
Flour	80 to 1.50	Feed	70 to 80

Wyandotte Eggs for Sale.

Eggs of the celebrated S. L. Wyandotte chickens for sale—\$1 for sitting of fifteen. Six sittings for \$5. Leave orders at C. M. Noble's or THE TRIBUNE office. BENJ. BAKER.

House Cleaning.

Anything in the line of second hand goods you have for sale or trade, go to Ludwick's second hand store. Repairing in tinware done promptly. Cast off clothing bought and traded for.

Irrigated Garden Tracts.

I have for sale, on easy terms, 5 and 10 acre tracts, one mile from McCook, with permanent water rights. Just the thing for market gardening. J. E. KELLEY, Office First National Bank Building.

Farm For Sale.

North half N. E. ¼ Sec. 31, township 4, range 29; lying about four miles north of McCook, Nebraska; price \$10 per acre. Address, J. W. DOLAN, No. 43-3t. Indianola, Neb.

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