

The McCook Tribune.

THIRTEENTH YEAR.

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 8, 1894.

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The Closing Event.

The closing exercises of the graduating class of the McCook high school held in the Congregational church, last Friday evening, were if anything more engaging and interesting than those of the previous evening. There were over five hundred persons in attendance, and many failed to gain admittance at all. The favorable impression created by the programme of Thursday evening had gone abroad over the city so that the demand for seats on the concluding evening was even greater than on the opening occasion.

Everybody was at his best. The audience was more appreciative—at least more enthusiastic. The performers more composed and easy. Flowers were as numerous, and the girl graduates—and the dear boy—were never more bewitching. From the opening overture to the closing benediction there was deep attention given and distinct pleasure manifested. The programme rendered is as follows:

PROGRAMME.

Overture, "Our Forefathers' March," Boettger
M. P. S. Orchestra
Song, "Lead Kindly Light" School
Invocation, Rev. A. W. Coffman
Class History, Maud Cordeal
String Quartette, Manus
Hallie Bomgardner, Mabel Wilcox,
Eva Reizenstein, Elmer Kay
Address, Mrs. Alice K. Goudy
(Deputy State Supt. of Public Instr.)
Chorus, "Wood Bird Song" School
Awarding of Diplomas, Hon. J. P. Lindsay
Waltz, "May Flowers" Boettger
M. P. S. Orchestra
Remarks, County Superintendent
Valadictory, Hattie Yarger
Carlyle Quotations, School
Remarks, City Superintendent
Chorus "Abide With Me" School
Benediction, Rev. Frank Durant

The class history by Miss Maud Cordeal was a most interesting paper. A bit of wit, a little sarcasm, snatches of humor, fun, fact and fancy. Biography and prophecy, all cleverly worked in without imposing scaffolding or accessories.

The address by Mrs. Alice K. Goudy, deputy state superintendent of public instruction, received marked attention and approbation. An enthusiast in the educational world she infuses her hearers with her energetic, practical spirit. Results—the ability to do the right thing at the right time—is her idea of what our public schools should accomplish in the pupil.

The awarding of the diplomas was delegated by the board of education to Hon. J. P. Lindsay, who discharged the duty very neatly.

The remarks by County Superintendent Bayston were deservedly complimentary of our schools.

The valedictory by Miss Hattie Yarger, was a distinctly excellent effort, delivered without manuscript. Her advice to her class was both wise and tender. She incited her classmates to high purposes and noble deeds and promised glorious fruition.

The remarks by City Superintendent Valentine were characteristic, much of the gratifying success of the occasion and of the school year being generously credited to his associates and to the pupils themselves.

The orchestra again delighted the people with some excellent selections which were well rendered.

The string quartette was a pleasing musical feature by Hallie Bomgardner, Mabel Wilcox, Eva Reizenstein and Elmer Kay.

The benediction brought to a close a very charming and satisfactory affair throughout, one that reflected to the credit of our school system as well as to the able superintendent, his competent teacher corps, and to the ambition and application of the children.

Another school year has thus been gracefully and profitably rounded out.

The Reception.

Saturday evening the members of the eleventh grade gave a reception to the graduates and some invited friends at the east ward building. This was quite largely attended and was altogether pleasing. The orchestra and lantern were brought into requisition and they furnished a large element of entertainment besides the social chat and intercourse.

At an earlier hour a luncheon of the usual gastronomic excellence was served the graduates and a limited invited company of guests.

Try Meadow Lily at McConnell's.

Wall Paper 3 cents a roll at L. W. McConnell's.

Verlie Berry is assisting in Anderson's grocery store.

A slight frost is reported on the valley, Tuesday night.

Garden truck is in the market already from under the ditch.

Go to McConnell for Toilet Soap, Perfumes and Toilet Articles.

RELIGIOUS MATTERS.

Rev. Frank Durant arrived home from Grand Island, Tuesday.

Regular services of the Episcopal church, Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 10 in the morning.

Elder McBride will be absent, next Sunday, consequently there will be no preaching services by him in the Lutheran church, morning or evening.

Children's day exercises will be held in the South McCook school house, Sunday evening at 8 p. m. An interesting programme will be rendered by the children. All are invited.

JOHN COLEMAN, Supt.

At the M. E. church, June 10th, sermon by the pastor at the 11 a. m.; at the close of the sermon there will be held a very important meeting. The presence of each and every member is very much desired. At 8 p. m. Children's day will be observed by the Sunday school.

A. W. COFFMAN, Pastor.

Try Meadow Lily at McConnell's.

"Celerade"—a celery nerve tonic at McConnell's.

Some nice celery plants for sale at 412 Monmouth street.

The paper hangers have improved the interior of the postoffice, this week.

Carson & West save you 33 cents on the dollar. Buy your milk of them.

The grand chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, meets in Hastings, June 12th.

The local artists will play a return game with the Cambridge ball players, tomorrow.

Elder McBride contemplates moving back to this farm in Frontier county in the near future.

A fine shower prevailed in this section, Monday evening. Though not heavy—it was acceptable, very.

Homesteaders who have been granted leave of absence will have to make up lost time before making proof.

Herman Thole and rheumatism are having a wrestle, with the points in favor of the latter up to date.

The rain of Monday evening helped the race track some, but another and heavier shower will be needed to put it in the best shape.

The local rainmakers that operated last Saturday night evidently did not have the right kind of medicine. Their experiment was bootless.

County Clerk Roper proposes to do some irrigating on his own hook. He is now having a reservoir made on his farm. Pumps and power will follow.

Mr. Franklin is an enthusiastic rainmaker if he isn't in favor of irrigating ditches. So far, however, the ditch has the best of it.

Farmer King living a few miles north of the city was recently bitten by a rattlesnake and as a result has an ugly looking arm which may give him much trouble.

The work of tearing down the old wooden tank of the water works company was completed on Tuesday. We understand that the park will be still further improved, this summer.

The newly graded road leading south of the middle river bridge now needs a covering of straw or manure to give it stability and permanence. The shifting sand will never make a firm road bed.

The unpleasantness between Mr. and Mrs. John Petersen of the Union hotel has culminated in Mr. Petersen wisely determining to retire from the situation and leave Mrs. Petersen and Mr. Beggs, the bone of contention, in control.

The continued hard times is effecting the salaries of school teachers. A number of Nebraska cities have made a general reduction: Lincoln announces a cut of ten per cent., and Beatrice is thinking strongly of doing so. Such action may possibly be necessary in McCook to make both ends meet next year.

J. W. MacMahan was arrested, Sunday morning, brought before Squire Berry and fined \$5 and costs for letting some of his herd of ponies graze in the cemetery, the previous evening. He also paid \$5 the amount of damages assessed to have been caused in the cemetery. It seems that the men in charge of the herd spent Saturday night taking in the town, and during their absence the ponies strayed into the burial grounds, the gate having been left open by some visitors. They were overtaken a few miles south of the city on their way to Kansas. MacMahan promptly settled to the sum of a fraction over \$18. Visitors to the cemetery should be careful to close the gate in the future, to avoid the possibility of such unfortunate occurrences hereafter.

Another Rain Meeting

Was held in the city hall Saturday afternoon, primarily to hear the report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to secure propositions from rainmakers. The attendance was large. Letters from Beatrice, Mankato and Bellville, where the rainmakers have been operating, were read. Also propositions from Jewell and Hutchinson, the rainmakers. Jewell claims to have made 39 experiments and had no failures. He will sell county rights to use his secret for \$2,000. Hutchinson offers to produce three inches of rainfall for \$800. As to the letters received from disinterested parties, there is a difference of sentiment.

The matter was warmly discussed by a number of farmers and others present. It was finally decided to select a committee to go where the rainmakers are operating, investigate the scheme, and if they think best, make arrangements for buying a county right or a rainfall. The committee named is composed of the following gentlemen: C. J. Ryan, Joseph Menard, Sidney Dodge, W. A. Stewart, P. A. Wells and V. Franklin.

Her Suffering Ended.

Miss Jennie Wilson, who has long been a sufferer with cancer in the breast, passed away peacefully and apparently without pain, about nine o'clock last Friday evening. The remains were buried in Longview cemetery on last Saturday afternoon, Rev. P. S. Mather of Indianola conducting the services.

Virginia E. Wilson came to this portion of the country in 1884, homesteading in Hayes county. Her birthplace was Virginia, where her relatives still reside. She has been a faithful and pious member of the Methodist Episcopal church since 13 years of age. She left sufficient property to pay the expenses of her long illness and funeral, together with small bequests to each of her relatives, and \$200 to the McCook Methodist church. Peace to her ashes.

The Coming Circus.

Walt McCafferty's Great Golden Show will give two performances at McCook, Tuesday, June 12th. Knowing the wants of the amusement loving public, we have placed before them an exhibition combining under one management more novelties, more strange and death-defying acts, more new features, more and better artists than any show in America. A grand street parade at noon. Admission is 25 cents to all advertised shows. Walt McCafferty's Great Golden Show is the largest 25 cent show ever in this country. A special engagement has been made with the famous Miles Orton and family of riders and aerial artists. A big show for a small price.

A Bad Break.

Last week Charles Brown, who is employed on Scott Bennett's farm north of the city, was kicked by a horse on the leg breaking that member just below the knee. He was on horse back at the time, and the leg was badly fractured. Dismounting from his horse he laid down to await some one coming to his assistance. But he finally crawled a few rods to where his horse had grazed, mounted the animal and rode to the farm house over a mile distant. The doctor hopes to save the leg, although the bones are badly splintered, broken and mashed.

A Big Deal.

C. T. Brewer paid Hatfield & Son \$11,000 for their 200 head of fat cattle. He will ship them and a roo head more from Oberlin on next Sunday to Chicago. The shipment will make a special train of about 25 cars, one of the largest, if not the largest sent out of here this year.

A Summer School.

On Monday, June 18th, 1894, James H. Fowler will commence a summer school in the east ward building, for the benefit of pupils who are behind in their grade work and those who wish to do extra work during the summer.

Terms: 60 cents per week or, if paid in advance, \$2.00 per month.

"Celerade"—a celery nerve tonic at McConnell's.

See Cochran & Co. if you want a refrigerator cheap.

Patronize the Sunny Side Dairy of Carson & West.

Monday, C. T. Brewer bought 200 fat cattle from Hatfield & Son.

Beware of the ice water habit. Its dangerous, this hot weather.

The Sunny Side is the place to buy the best and the purest milk.

FARM LOANS.—Call and see Elmer Rowell if you want a farm loan.

As between the irrigation ditch and the rainmaker THE TRIBUNE begs lief to tie its faith onto the ditch.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

A. E. BAKER has gone to Portland, Oregon.

L. MORSE of Benkelman is a city visitor today.

MR. HOCKNELL has been visiting in Chicago all week.

BANKER PECK was down from Trenton, Monday night.

F. H. SPRARMAN was in Omaha, Monday, on business.

IKE SHERIDAN was up from Indianola, Saturday evening.

GLEN CARRUTH is employed in Denver now at the jeweler's trade.

JUDGE HILL was up from Indianola, Wednesday, on a business mission.

MRS. C. M. WILSON has moved into the McManigal house on the bottom.

SHERIFF AND MRS. BANKS circulated among their McCook friends, Saturday.

J. B. MESERVE shipped five cars of fat cattle to the South Omaha market, Tuesday.

I. M. MURPHY, for some time in Tony Probst's employ, will shortly leave for Missouri.

MESDAMES PECK AND WEAVER of Trenton were down shopping, Wednesday evening.

R. O. PHILLIPS was up from Lincoln, Sunday, presumably on ditch and water-works business.

THOS. BARNES, formerly the B. & M. right-of-way man, late of Oregon, was a visitor, yesterday.

B. F. HOLBROOK and family left, Wednesday of this week, for Bedford, Iowa, to reside in future.

E. E. LOWMAN attended the state meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star at Hastings, first of the week.

MRS. W. W. FULLAM of Blue Springs, who has been under Dr. Gage's care for some time, has returned home.

ASSESSOR TROTH went down to Indianola, Wednesday morning, to turn in his books for Willow Grove precinct.

MISS NELLIE SIMPSON arrived from Albia, Iowa, last Friday night, and is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. E. Alexander.

MISS ANNA HOLLAND of the Indianola schools witnessed the closing graduating exercises on last Friday evening.

FRED BOEHNER, R. EMMETT AND FRANK REYNOLDS of Arapahoe went up to Wauneta, Wednesday morning to play ball.

GUY BOYLE and Alice Harris went down to Davenport, last Saturday morning, on a brief visit to Mrs. T. B. Stutzman.

MRS. GEORGE M. CHENERY is at home again. We understand that she will shortly go to her mother and sister in California.

JOHN MAJORS was up from Peru, first of the week, doubtless looking after the blue-shirted statesman's political fences up the valley.

L. R. MUCKER, who has been farming the John Whittaker place, left this week overland for Hamburg, Iowa. James Hill takes the farm vacated.

DEACON MORLAN went in to Lincoln, Monday, on legal business of the county-seat case, which was expected to come up in the supreme court, Tuesday.

MISS DAISY COLEMAN, who has been attending school during the past year, departed on Saturday morning for Darlington, Indian Territory, where the family now resides.

JOSEPH N. CARTER, who was on Monday elected to the supreme bench of the state of Illinois, is a brother of Mrs. Purvis of our city. He was elected by 4,000 majority in a Democratic stronghold.

MESSRS. W. T. AND G. W. DUMARS of Peoria, Illinois, arrived in the city, last Friday night, and have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Norval, this week. They are brothers of Mrs. Norval.

MR. AND MRS. L. W. MCCONNELL departed on 2 Tuesday morning, for a month's absence in Illinois. They will visit Virginia, Chicago, and elsewhere, stopping over a day or two in Hastings en route to take in the state druggist's meeting.

MRS. R. E. CAMPBELL of Buffalo, N. Y., arrived in the city, last Saturday night, and spent the early days of the week looking after her properties here and at various other places in the county. She was well pleased with the condition of affairs, and is willing to make further investments in Red Willow county. She continued her journey on to Denver, Tuesday night.

There will be a poverty soshul at the brick church, on Tuesday evening, June 12, run by the ladies of the Baptist society. Every boddy what kums must war a kaliker dres and apern or something ekally appropriate. no Dood warin billed Shirt an stan up koler wil Bee admitted. a Kompitent komity Wil bee appointed tew Interduse strangers an luk After bashfull fellers, Awlso tew kolekt the Fines. The fine for lades wil bee As folloes: wul Dres, 1 sent; silk dres, 2 Sents; trimmed Aporn; 1 sent; earrings, plane, 1 sent; an earrings, Dimon, 2 sents, buton hole Bokay, 3 sents; yaller shoos, 5 sents. the fines Fur men wil bee numerus: stan up Koler, 2 sents; blackt butes, 1 sent; gold Wrimed spks, 2 sents; buton Hole bokay, 3 sents; Patten lether shoos, 5 sents; kreasd trousers, 1 sent. the Folowin vittels wil Bee surved. brown bred bisket and buter, bakt beues, pikels, twisted Downuts, molases kake an kofy. this wil kost 15 sents, to Fur 25. ise kreme 10 sents extry. awl fines Wil bee koleketed befor super. thar wil awlso Bee vokle an instruementle Mew-sick durin the Evenin. every boddy Kum. super Reddy at 6. admishun Free.

We are pleased to be able to announce that the publishers of THE INTER OCEAN has made a special offer on the weekly edition of that paper during the present political campaign. He will send the weekly Inter Ocean for six months to any subscriber for thirty cents. This is a very low price for one of the best and ablest Republican newspapers in the country. Good Republicans should try and increase its circulation. Subscriptions will be received at this price from June 1st to August 1st. After that the regular prices will be restored.

Our exchanges are warning merchants to look out for a man who is working the change racket. His plan is to buy a five-cent article and throw down a dollar in payment for it. The clerk invariably makes the change by giving him a half dollar, a quarter and four five cent pieces or two dimes. The man deftly manages to pocket the quarter and place a nickel in its stead and then calls the attention of the clerk to the mistake, always getting his extra twenty cents.

The committee that went down to eastern Nebraska, first of the week, to investigate the rainmaker's scheme, or at least some of them, don't seem to have much confidence in the scheme. This will probably end the rainmaking incident, for the present, at least.

The number of "social clubs" has largely increased in Hastings since the mayor's edict against gambling went forth. The necessity for clubs has not arisen here—unless it be for a rare and potent assortment of elms.

Not having space for all THE TRIBUNE deems it best not to print any of the essays, although all of them are worthy of reproduction. A number of the papers were of quite uncommon merit.

Uncle George Dillon of Hiawatha, will soon leave for McCook, where he will make his home until September, when he intends going to the Ozark mountains to reside.—Benkelman News.

Coupon clipping is still a happy and profitable diversion—if you have the coupons. Everybody should have a nice fat bundle of bonds to be perennially gay in this climate. Get bonds.

Fred Carter's little boy was bitten by a rattlesnake on the foot, the other day, while in the field after the cows. Remedies were promptly applied and the lad is getting along nicely.

Excellent and extensive work is being performed on the road leading south of the middle river bridge. Also on the road leading to Frank Stillman's place east of the city.

The celestial rainmaker scooped the weather bureau fellows while they slept, Monday evening, and gave us an excellent shower in this vicinity.

Supt. Valentine will be one of the instructors at the Chase county institute which begins at Imperial, June 18th, and continues for two weeks.

Water for irrigating purposes is already valuable in southwestern Nebraska, and litigation over rights is becoming quite common.

Carl Noble had a company of young companions in to help him celebrate his birthday, Wednesday evening.

And this year again hay will be hay very muchly—about \$20 per ton before another crop is raised.

MRS. O. S. BURNETT returned from Hastings, first of the week.

MISS BLANCHE TUPPER was the guest of Mrs. E. R. Banks over Sunday.

MISS EMMA HANLEIN, who has been in ill health for a number of years, left on Tuesday morning, for Los Angeles, California.

The A. O. U. W. Excursionists.

The special train bearing the members of the A. O. U. W. supreme lodge on their way to the San Francisco meeting of the supreme lodge pulled into the station about 10 o'clock, Thursday morning. The representatives aboard were tendered quite an ovation by the members of the local lodge and their band. Besides many citizens outside the order assembled at the station. The representatives accepted an invitation to inspect the Workman Temple, with which they were highly pleased. Past Supreme Master Shields of Missouri occupied the few minutes the special remained here in a neat speech.

The excursionists were for the most part from the New England states, and they were evidently quite elated with the reception spontaneously given them, the music, and the hearty good cheer of the McCook brethren.

A Contemptible Deed.

Wednesday night some scoundrel (singular or plural) entered St. Patrick's Catholic church of our city and stole about \$150.00 worth of sacred articles from the altar and sacristy. Of the articles taken were: The gold ciborium, the silver altar wine flask, a silver chalice—a more costly one fortunately was not found), a crucifix, some brass candlesticks, etc. Considerable rummaging was done in the sacristy, and some articles were overturned on the altar, but nothing was defaced or destroyed. It was a contemptible deed and the loss to the church is generally deplored and strongly condemned. It is to be hoped the scamp may be brought speedily to justice.

Orchestra Concert.

Friday evening, June 22d., at the Congregational church the Public School orchestra will give a concert under Mr. Reizenstein's direction, the proceeds to be devoted to furthering the musical progress of the organization. The programme will be a very attractive one and will afford an opportunity to lovers of music to spend a pleasant evening and at the same time to show their appreciation of the efforts of the young musicians to cultivate a musical taste and ability that promises to prove an important factor in our community. The seats for the M. P. S. orchestra concert will be on sale at McConnell's early in the coming week.

Have Profound Sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Steinmetz have the profound sympathy of the community in the death of their youngest child and only son Jacob, Wednesday morning of this week, at four o'clock, of that dreaded and fatal malady, membranous croup. The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock from the residence, a reverend gentleman from Culbertson conducting the services. Burial in Longview.

Their First Annual.

Despite the high wind and dust, yesterday afternoon, about 30 old settlers of our city indulged in a basket picnic in W. S. Fitch's grove southwest of the city. It is proposed to annually hold these jolly occasions; and an old settlers' organization of some sort will doubtless be formed of a permanent character. And as the cat came back—so it rained.

Are They Correct?

A critical friend hands in the following sentences with the interrogatory are they correct:

Some men have music in their souls. There are souls have none.

Orchestra concert June 22.

Try Meadow Lily at McConnell's.

Wall Paper 3 cents a roll at L. W. McConnell's.

Refrigerators very cheap at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

Not a thimble full of the fine shower of last night was wasted.

Don Thomas is rusticiating on the ranch up in Dundy county.

Mrs. Dow went down to Cambridge on a visit, Tuesday morning.

Mesdames LaTourette and Wood visited Culbertson friends, yesterday.

Mack Hughes' father arrived from Albuquerque, New Mexico, last night.

The old settlers' picnic discounts the rainmakers and the prophets all hollow.

H. W. Cole's little daughter was taken down, first of the week, with scarlet fever.

Mrs. J. F. Ganschow gave a party, Wednesday afternoon, in honor of Miss Flora Wheaton.

Another fine shower, yesterday evening. We may be reasonably happy yet, if this thing continues.

Mrs. LaTourette entertained Misses Davenport, Wibley and other Culbertson friends, Wednesday.