

The McCook Tribune.

THIRTEENTH YEAR.

MCCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 22, 1894.

NUMBER 5.

The Russian Thistle.

Evidence accumulates that the so-called Russian thistle has obtained a strong foothold in Nebraska. While Red Willow county is not mentioned by the state authorities as being one of the infected counties, yet there is no doubt but that the weed has become dangerously common almost, if not all, over the county, and it behooves our farmers to be wide awake to the fact that a highly damaging weed has come into our midst, and that an organized, concerted and persistent effort should be instituted at once for its eradication.

Perhaps all are not familiar with the appearance of this noxious tumble-weed. From illustrations and samples at this office an adequate and clear knowledge may, however, be easily gained.

The extent of the spread of the Russian thistle is now felt, and its dangerous character clearly known, so that the question arises

HOW CAN IT BE SUPPRESSED?

Co-operation is absolutely essential. Little good can result if one farmer clears his land completely, if his neighbor lets these weeds mature on his farm. The highways, railway embankments, vacant lots and streets etc., must be looked to—especially vacant lands and the roadsides—everybody's land.

To eradicate the Russian thistle every neighborhood must band itself together against the common enemy. All weeds should, if possible, be destroyed before September roth at the very latest.

The matter should have prompt attention, such as the necessity of the case demands.

The municipal authorities may well do their share of this work, as the thistle may be found all over the corporation.

Railway yards and right-of-way seem to be a favorite location for the weed.

An Adjourned Session.

The city fathers were in adjourned session on Monday evening. Present—Mayor Kelley, Councilmen Yarger, Pope, Sutton and Steinmetz, and Clerk Wilcox.

Bills as follows were allowed:

F. D. Burgess.....	\$ 60.70
John Wentz.....	3.25
A. Probst.....	2.00
Barnett Lumber Co.....	44.37
McCook Electric Light Co.....	132.50
S. L. Green.....	3.80
McBryer & Osborn.....	4.00
Joseph Menard.....	5.00
Frank P. Allen.....	5.00
J. A. Wilcox & Son.....	1.55
F. M. Kimmel.....	6.75
Joseph Spotts.....	50.00
E. C. McKay.....	2.00
Charles Weintz.....	2.00
C. K. Putnam.....	2.00
W. C. Lambert.....	2.00
James Rice.....	3.00
J. E. Kelley.....	37.50
C. B. Gray.....	37.50
J. H. Yarger.....	25.00
H. P. Sutton.....	25.00
Jacob Steinmetz.....	25.00
Charles E. Pope.....	25.00
E. J. Wilcox.....	75.00

Finance committee reported favorably on reports of Ex-Treasurer Laycock and Treasurer Gray.

Appointment of J. S. LeHew as city attorney was confirmed.

A sum not to exceed \$100 was appropriated to assist in defraying the expense of piping city water to the cemeteries.

Ordinance 56, levying a tax upon the taxable property of McCook to defray the expenses of said city for the ensuing year was passed.

Clerk was instructed to endorse warrants, "to apply on occupation tax"—if any due.

Services of street commissioner were dispensed with from date. Adjourned.

The Concert Tonight.

The concert in the Congregational church tonight by the public school orchestra and artistic friends will be such a rare musical and literary treat that no one should fail to hear it. The church should be crowded.

For President—Jupiter Pluvius.

Try Meadow Lily at McConnell's.

\$4.50 buys a \$5.00 coupon at Brewer's.

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

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

George J. Burgess visited Arapahoe friends last Saturday.

One of Michael O'Leary's sons has erysipelas of the leg.

For cash Brewer sells meat 3c. cheaper than any market in town.

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

George LeHew is an applicant for the clerkship under Register Campbell.

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

Judge Henry Baxter of Indianola is dangerously ill with hemorrhage of the bowels.

The burial of James McAdams' little son took place in St. Patrick's, Saturday morning.

A farmer brought twenty spring chickens to market, last Friday morning. They smothered to death en route.

Remember, the dime social by the ladies of the Congregational church, next Tuesday evening, in the church.

The supreme lodge A. O. U. W. honored Grand Master Tate of Nebraska with the office of overseer. He will return the compliment with faithful and efficient service as usual.

The Strasser store room, first door south of the B. & M. meat market, has been rented by a Philadelphia party for 18 months. A dry goods stock will be placed therein some time about September first.

The Republican river was running bank full, Monday. It has been for weeks but a thread of sand. The Driftwood was also well heeled with running water, raising over two feet on Sunday night, it is said.

Russian thistles may be found all over the city. They should be destroyed wherever they appear. A brief season and this entire country will be seeded with the noxious tumble weed—if an effort is not made to eradicate them.

AGENTS WANTED by the Singer Manufacturing Company at McCook, 112 Dodge street. Needles, oil and parts for Singer sewing machines. Repair work a specialty. Call and see me.

J. R. GERHARDT, Supervising Agent.

F. E. Alexander has sold his photograph gallery to a Mr. Hall of Independence, Iowa, who assumed charge of the gallery, Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander will return to Iowa. They will take with them the best wishes of many McCook friends.

Requisition papers from Missouri for E. O. Carter were honored Saturday by Governor Crouse. Carter is under arrest at Indianola, Neb., and is wanted at Huntsville, Mo., for stealing a watch worth \$175, the property of James H. Furgason.—Lincoln Journal.

THE TRIBUNE understands that John Petersen and Newton Biggs have "pulled their freight," or words to that effect, for Portland, Oregon, where they will engage in fishing in partnership. Which is an amusing finale to what promised to be a domestic tragedy of some startling sanguinary particulars.

Mrs. Marguerite Altshuler obtained judgment in district court, last Wednesday, against the Life Insurance Clearing Co. of St. Paul for \$2,600. She sued for \$5,000. A policy for that amount was issued by the company to the plaintiff's husband, who died after making two or three payments, and the company sought to evade payment on a technicality.—Hastings Tribune.

Col. Mitchell of the Indianola Courier and Col. Rogers of the Wallace Star are the only newspaper colonels in Nebraska who never copy a word from Webster's dictionary without giving proper credit, yet we notice they occasionally get an item from the Republican in their columns without credit. To this we do not object, but people who live in glass houses should have them covered with corrugated iron.—Hayes Centre Republican.

Dr. Parkhurst thinks a religious man makes the best husband. Palmer Cox thinks that one is who plays with the children and makes wife his confidante. Bill Nye pins his faith to the one who is devoted first to his wife and children, second to his work and everything else. Anthony Comstock thinks that only the clean and sober man makes the best husband. George Francis Train puts it that those who give and take make the best husbands. See Demarest for July.

Secretary of State Allen returned, Saturday, after attending to business affairs at McCook. He relates an interesting story of the exceedingly long faces seen everywhere in that city and vicinity, but a transformation took place in a single night when three inches of rain moistened the earth. It was the hardest rainfall in that vicinity during the past twelve months. Secretary Allen drove out through the country and saw some practical results of irrigation. Along the Meeker ditch crops of corn, alfalfa, potatoes and garden stuff are in splendid condition as the result of judicious flooding with water from the irrigating canal. At McCook Secretary Allen saw a train of twenty-seven cars of fat cattle consigned to Omaha. He took pains to inquire and found that a prominent McCook dealer had looked over the cattle in the field and after scratching his head offered the owner \$11,000 for the immense herd. The offer was accepted on the spot and the dealer cleared a neat profit of several hundred dollars. That is one way cattle are bought at McCook.—Lincoln Journal.

George Ball will work for C. T. Brewer. Wall Paper 3 cents a roll at L. W. McConnell's.

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

Brewer sells hams at 12½c. Best brands in America.

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

Patronize the Sunny Side Dairy of Carson & West.

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

Hear the entertainment in the Congregational church, tonight.

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

The Ordination of Rev. Preston.

At the request of the McCook Congregational church a council was held in our city, Tuesday, for the purpose of examining and ordaining Rev. H. L. Preston. The council consisted of Rev. Clark of Holdrege, moderator; Rev. Ricker of Alma, scribe; Revs. Taylor and Gerhart and Delegate Moore of Indianola; Rev. Knowles of Culbertson; Rev. Preston and Delegate Moore of Curtis; Delegate Tallmadge of Cambridge.

The morning and afternoon sessions were taken up in the examination, which was most gratifyingly satisfactory and complimentary to the candidate. These sessions completed the preliminary work of the council.

In the evening Rev. Ricker of Alma preached the ordination sermon, taking "The Book" as the basis of his eloquent, earnest and able discourse. Rev. Taylor spoke very feelingly his charge to the pastor. Rev. Knowles delivered the charge to the church.

The ordination prayer fell from the lips of Rev. Preston of Curtis.

The evening service was altogether a solemn and impressive one, and the services throughout very satisfactory and inspiring.

Struck it Rich.

Word from the Wind River mountain country, Wyoming, is to the effect that the boys have struck it rich in that section in the two gold mines owned there by Messrs. R. B. Archibald, Arthur Snyder, F. W. Bosworth and L. C. Wolff of our city and Mr. Bedell of Culbertson. Mr. Snyder and others who have been up there for the past few weeks are now on their way here with 500 pounds of ore which they claim will yield \$1.50 worth of free gold to the pound. The owners are most enthusiastic over their prospects, and expect to place enough stock on the market, with which to put in a stamp mill at the mines. A neighboring mine has already yielded largely for its owners, and a number of million dollars have been taken out of placers below the mine. Here's hoping they may be strictly in it.

Popular and Peerless.

The Nebraska state band has quite a reputation as a musical organization of more than common merit. A number of our citizens had the pleasure, last week during the league convention, of hearing them. It was quite the unanimous opinion of the aforesaid citizens that the Brigade band of our city is a superior organization. At any rate, next week, when Professor Sutton marches down Pennsylvania avenue of the national capital, during the great Pythian clavate, it will be at the head of the finest band that has ever gone out of Nebraska. One that will open the eyes of those down-easters wideopen. No Nebraska band has a license to make better music than the Brigade band.

Fine Printing.

We make a specialty of fine job printing. Our samples of fashionable and elegant stationery for invitations, programs etc., is not excelled in Nebraska.

Conductor Chapin, Mamie and Harry will soon go to Ashtabula, Ohio, on quite an extended visit.

McCook will celebrate. The particulars will be made known next week. The celebration will be all right.

L. Morse and J. W. James of Benkelman were city visitors on the evenings of Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Madrid parties shipped in six horses, last Friday, for the June races—not having received notice of the postponement. The fact is regretted, but was unavoidable.

Secretary Mather informs us that there is now about thirty horses on the grounds and in sight, preparing for the July meeting of the Indianola Trotting Association. The track is in splendid condition and it is confidently expected that the meeting will be the most successful ever held in western Nebraska.—Indianola Independent.

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PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

MRS. C. T. BREWER went in to Omaha, Tuesday night, on a visit.

MR. HOCKNELL arrived home, last night, from his California trip.

J. A. CORDRAL is able to be about again after a severe seize of sickness.

MRS. S. B. STRASSER has been visiting her sister at Holdrege, this week.

MRS. GEORGE HOCKNELL has been visiting her sister at Norton, Kansas.

A. J. RITTENHOUSE attended the silver convention at Omaha, this week.

JUDGE BECKER was up from Indianola, Friday afternoon, on official business.

F. H. SPEARMAN is entertaining his sister, Mrs. Lewis from Wheaton, Illinois.

J. H. CHRISTNER was down from Hayes Centre, last Saturday, on land business.

DR. W. A. DEMAY of Danbury was a guest of the valley's finest, Monday. Mrs. DeMay accompanied him.

MRS. E. T. ADDUX and the children left on Tuesday morning for Iowa, where they will visit until September.

JOHN HAUSER left, this morning, for Minnesota, we are informed, together with a car load of his belongings.

REV. A. W. COFFMAN and family left on Wednesday for the mountains where they will remain during his thirty day vacation.

E. E. LOWMAN went in to Omaha, Wednesday morning, to attend the grand lodge meeting of the Nebraska A. F. and A. M.

U. G. MOSER expects shortly to make his home in Lincoln on account of the falling away of trade in this portion of his territory.

JOHN EKSTEDT, who has been visiting in Wexio, Dadesjo, Eke, Sweden, for a number of months past, arrived home, Tuesday night.

E. W. PATRIDGE was here from Omaha, Monday, preparing McCook matter for the Nebraska Gazetteer, which goes to press this fall.

RECEIVER GIBBONS was up from Orleans, early days of the week. He will handle Uncle Sam's money from and after the first of July.

MR. AND MRS. F. E. ALEXANDER departed for Albia, Iowa, this morning. Miss Nellie Simpson will leave on the morning passenger, tomorrow.

C. F. BABCOCK of our city will represent this state senatorial district as delegate in the national republican league meeting on the 26th in Denver.

MRS. FRANK BROWN left on Tuesday morning of last week for Ulster, Bradford county, Pennsylvania, where she will spend the summer vacation.

MRS. A. C. MARSH is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Anna Keever, and a friend Mrs. George Leidy, both of Nebraska City, who are en route to Denver on a visit.

REGISTER CAMPBELL and Postmaster Wahlgquist come up from Hastings, Sunday evening, returning home on No. 2, Tuesday morning. Mr.