

The McCook Tribune.

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 24, 1895.

NUMBER 1.

FIFTEENTH
Second Anniversary
the duties of a
YEAR.

The Commencement at Bartley.

The evenings of the 16th and 17th insts. witnessed the first annual commencement of the Bartley public schools. On Thursday evening college hall was filled to the doors, Indianola and Cambridge being well represented. The capacious hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the stars and stripes and other favorite effects predominating.

Some fine instrumental music was furnished by W. George Sheppard and Miss Kittie Shackleton of Indianola, the former playing the flute and tenor horn accompanied by the latter on the organ. The songs "America" and "The Village Bells" were especially well rendered by the class assisted by Mrs. R. H. Chrysler and Miss Grace Curlee and A. B. Wilson.

The essays showed careful thought and preparation, were well delivered and did great credit to the graduates. A majority of them contained some most excellent as well as original thoughts and on the whole were well worthy of commendation.

Following are the names of the graduates: Ida Smith, Cora Daniels, Belle Taylor, Erwin Hopt, Guy Curlee, Percy Catlett, Denver Taylor and Perry Ginter.

Again on Friday evening the hall was filled and after the opening song, "Greeting Glee", Prof. H. R. Esterbrook of the Orleans college delivered the class address. The address was to have been delivered by Dean J. L. McBrien of the same college, who was unable to be present on account of sickness. Mr. Esterbrook's address was an able, eloquent and masterly effort and received the closest individual attention.

At the close of his address Mr. Esterbrook announced that his college took pleasure in presenting to the member of the graduating class receiving the highest general average a free scholarship for a full course in any of the departments, and then presented it to Mr. E. Hopt who received it amid the plaudits of the audience.

After presenting the scholarship Mr. Esterbrook presented to Mr. Parson, as a slight token of the appreciation felt by the class and school, a beautiful clock and a fine album. The applause following Mr. Esterbrook's address and presentations was long and spirited.

Following the address was the presentation of diplomas by W. F. Miller, succeeded by a short address by County Superintendent J. H. Bayston, who expressed the warm interest he felt in the class as half of them had been his pupils and more than half had taught school in the county. He also approved of the confidence shown by members of the class who have had occasion to be examined by him, and their thoroughness. This brought forth a torrent of patriotic applause.

The meeting closed with a good-night song by the class, after which the graduates were the recipients of many warm and sincere congratulations.

The Eastern Star.

One of the most social gatherings of the year was that held by Eureka Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Wednesday evening. There were about fifty members of the order in attendance. It was the regular meeting for the election of officers. The election resulted as follows: Worthy Matron, Mrs. C. W. Bronson; Worthy Patron, Mr. E. E. Lowman; Associate Matron, Mrs. Z. L. Kay; Secretary, Mrs. Cora Kelley; Treasurer, Mrs. Sylvester Cordeal; Conductress, Mrs. S. L. Moench; Assistant Conductress, Mrs. J. W. Hupp.

After the election, refreshments, consisting of ice cream, strawberries and cake, were spread, the retiring Worthy Patron, Mr. G. R. Johnson, furnishing the berries.

Mrs. Smith Gordon was initiated into the mysteries of the order.

Piano Recital.

Miss S. Eudora Marshall of Orleans college will give piano recital in the Congregational church on next Wednesday evening, May 29th, under auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. Miss Marshall will be assisted by the Orleans College male quartette. Both the pianist and the male quartette are strongly recommended and the prospects are good for a musical treat. The price of admission, 25 cents, is very reasonable, and the church ought to be filled on the occasion. Doors will be opened at seven thirty and the entertainment will commence promptly at eight thirty. We hope to see this recital generously patronized.

Mrs. Barger is selling regardless of cost, expecting to leave in a few weeks to visit friends east. She will leave Miss Colling in charge of her business.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

It looks a little gloomy for winter wheat and late oats, out in the western counties, says Bizby, but just think for a minute of the corn, alfalfa and potatoes. Take courage, friends, for very soon, Upon the dusty plain, Along with the next change of moon Will come another rain.

Then watch the pumpkins take a shoot And in the dewy morn Observe the playful lambskins scoot, And hear the growing corn.

The darkest hour's before the dawn, The day succeeds the night, Bid those despairing thoughts begone!— Nebraska is all right!

Our Fourteenth Year.

THE TRIBUNE with this issue enters the fourteenth year of its publication, somewhat disfigured, but still in the ring; thanks to the fidelity of its friends and the hopefulness if its publisher, who hopes to enjoy many years of prosperity with this people in the future as he has in the past.

Argued and Submitted.

The county seat removal case was again argued and submitted before the supreme court, Tuesday of this week. The decision of the supreme court will be handed down sometime before its adjournment in June. Wait for the supreme court decision.

Ice cream soda—5 cents—at McConnell's.

Send to S. R. Smith for perfect abstracts of title.

Screen doors and wire cloth, all sizes, for sale by Cochran & Co.

Telegraph numbers of land or lots to S. R. Smith and abstract of title will be sent same day.

Regular meeting of the Degree of Honor, Monday evening, May 27th. A bachelor's banquet after the regular order of business.

Just how easily some people resort to demagoguery, Colonel Mitchell of the Courier exhibits, this week, in his article concerning our Indianola correspondent, who is acquiring the bad habit—from the Colonel's standpoint—of giving more and more interesting news than the Courier about Indianola and her people.

Applications for water rights are coming in to the state board of irrigation in a way that promises well for the future of large areas of western Nebraska. When these ditches fertilize wide ribbons of land extending across whole counties, and when the land not under the ditch is turned over to the cattle men, the reign of hard times will be over in western Nebraska.—Journal.

The fact that the esteemed county commissioners have been unfortunate in contracting with an illegal newspaper to do its county printing will not make such printing done, legal by any means. An illegal newspaper can't do legal printing; it is out of the question contract or no contract. The county commissioners will save themselves needless trouble, and the county useless expense perhaps, by recognizing that they are subject to the operations of this new law, by promptly placing the county printing in the hands of a newspaper legally authorized to do such service.

On account of the numerous robberies that have occurred in this vicinity of late and thinking that the exaggerated reports about our diamonds and family plate have come to the ears of midnight prowlers, we print below directions for opening our safe, as we do not care to have it blown through our sleeping apartment by people unfamiliar with the combination: Fifty-five times to the right, stop on a line parallel to the washing machine; turn to the left until the indicator points to a bottle of microbe killer on the shelf, squint the left eye four times and say these words slow: Easy, meaney, miney, mo. The door will swing open and you can have half you find.—Holtbrook Herald.

A farmer worked in the burning sun, whence all but him had fled, we're going to have another drouth in what his neighbors said. He heeded not their warning cry, but kept on plowing deep, and the last his neighbors heard of him he was muttering talk is cheap. And when the reaping time draws nigh and that farmer's frame is lank, he has a crop while his neighbors cry please let me fill a "blank". Samples of the above can be had in any quantity at thirty cents a rod. Or should you want something more soothing, try this: The night was black, the clouds hung low, the thunder rolled on high; a jimmicane chased off the rain, now everything is dry. We can furnish it at the rate of two rods for sixty-five cents.—Holtbrook Herald.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

MIGHT FEEL WORSE.

The high school base ball club went up to Culbertson, Saturday, and came back home defeated. The score was 10 to 17 in favor of the Culbertson aggregation. If there had been any considerable number of school boys under age in the Culbertson team the members of the McCook high school athletic association would feel pretty badly; but under the circumstances they seem to feel satisfied that they were not given an uninterrupted and continuous line of goose eggs. This is a game a piece, and the deciding game will be played here on Decoration Day. The score by innings was:

McCook.....1 0 3 3 0 1 0 1-10
Culbertson.....4 2 3 0 2 3 0 3-17

The batteries were: For McCook, Mullen and McCarl. For Culbertson, Betz and King. The feature of the game was the pitching of Betz, a genuine "fringer", who struck out thirteen men.

A FEW ARE CHOSEN.

The board of education met in adjourned session Monday evening, members of both "old" and "new" boards being present. The board decided to retain Superintendent Valentine for another year, and he was accordingly re-elected together with Misses Rachel Berry, Ella Allison, Edna Meserve and Mrs. Mary Duffey. The committee on teachers recommended the employment of eleven teachers instead of thirteen, as at present, but only five were chosen at this meeting. There is a probability that the corps of teachers may still further decrease on account of the falling off in school attendance, and the possibilities of the future. The board then adjourned till the regular meeting in June—the first Monday of the month when the remainder of the teachers for the ensuing school year will likely be elected.

At 3:30 this afternoon the high school and Danbury base ball clubs will play on the local diamond. The Danburys are said to play a good game, and the outcome will be watched with interest. Admission 15 cents. Ladies free.

Miss Bertha Boyle surprised and delighted all at the meeting of the Wednesday evening club, this week, by her charming violin solo.

Preparations for the Commencement exercises are progressing.

The Income Tax Decision.

The supreme court has declared the income tax unconstitutional. The court stood Chief Justice Fuller, Justices Field, Gray, Brewer and Shiras against the law; Justices Harlan, Brown, Jackson and White for the law. The decision is a complete surrender of the taxing power to the money class; a fatal step toward the submergence of the liberties of the people in a sordid despotism of wealth. Justice Brown protests, "Believing as I do that the decision of the court in this case is fraught with immeasurable dangers to the future of the country and approaches the properties of a national calamity, I feel it my duty to enter my protest against it." "It strikes at the very foundation of national authority," protests Justice Harlan, discriminates in favor of money and against labor, skill and brains. Justice Harlan dissents as follows: "The practical, if not the direct, effect of the decision today is to give to certain kinds of property a perfection of favoritism inconsistent with our social organization and to invest them with power and influence that may be perilous to that portion of the American people upon whom rests the larger part of the burdens of the government and who ought not to be subjected to the domination of aggregated wealth any more than the property of the country should be at the mercy of the lawless."

McConnell's Sarsaparilla.

Ice cream soda—5 cents—at McConnell's.

Frank Henderson is now employed in Knipple's store.

Jupiter Pluvius has evidently turned over his job to the hired man.

Take a bottle of McConnell's Sarsaparilla for a spring medicine.

Cochran & Co. handle the best Refrigerators in the market. A large stock now on hand.

Some handsome new box writing paper just received at our stationery department. Prices very reasonable.

Refrigerators, gasoline stoves, screen doors and wire cloth.

COCHRAN & CO.

F. M. Kimmell has a prime new bicycle for sale at almost half price. See him without delay. The first responsible man with the cash gets the bargain.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
World's Fair Highest Award.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

JAMES HATFIELD is in the city again.

R. O. PHILLIPS was up from Lincoln on business, Saturday.

P. A. WELLS has been in Oberlin part of the week on court business.

W. W. KINGSLAND was a Red Cloud visitor on Sunday of this all-around center.

RANDOLPH MCNITT, the young statesman of Red Cloud, was a city visitor, Monday.

A. C. CLYDE left on Saturday morning last for Indiana on a visit to his son Sheridan.

MR. AND MRS. C. J. RYAN went down to Beatrice, Tuesday morning, to see their child.

MESSES. HOCKNELL and Hupp arrived home, Tuesday morning, from their New Mexico trip.

MRS. AMELIA CONRAD left on Saturday night last for Batavia, Iowa, on a visit of a few weeks.

M. BALDRIDGE and wife of Pomona, California, were in the city, first of the week, on some matters of business.

MRS. NELLIE JOHNSON and two children were the guests of Mrs. W. D. Dutton of the South Side over Sunday.

IRA COLE, the inimitable out-of-sight editor and publisher of the Culbertson Era, was among the elect, Monday, briefly.

A. G. KEYS of Bartley stopped over here, briefly, Wednesday night, on his way home from a visit to Trenton on business.

PAT. WALSH and John Bennett went up to Sheridan, Wyoming, Saturday, to look over that prosperous little city and its future.

MISS SPANOGLE AND SELLERS of Red Cloud spent Sunday night in the city, returning home on No. 2 the following morning.

CHARLIE LEHN and bride arrived home, Wednesday night. They will be "at home" to their friends at 405 Marshall street after May 27th.

M. J. ABBOTT of the Hayes Centre Republican was a brief city visitor, last night, returning home together with ex-sheriff Joe Small, who came in from a trip to Omaha, last night.

DR. Z. L. KAY and family moved into their new quarters upstairs in the Farmers and Merchants bank building, Wednesday. They will occupy the entire upper story as an office and residence combined.

C. T. BEGGS left on Monday for Kansas City, Mo., where he will go into the employ of Armour. The family will remain here for the present, expecting however to join him and to live in that vicinity, at an early date.

MISS ELLEN HALLIGAN, sister of Mrs. C. J. Ryan, left, Tuesday morning, for Graton on an extended visit east, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Mary Real of Graton. They will visit friends in Chicago, Port Huron, Michigan, Buffalo and New York City.

MRS. ETNIER and son Fred, late of Oberlin, Kansas, were in the city a short time last Saturday, on their way to Los Angeles, California, where they go to join her son Leon F. Moss, Mrs. Etnier and son formerly resided here, afterwards at Akron, Colorado.

MRS. H. L. KENNEDY and Miss Hannah Stangeland, attended the Conference Convention of the Epworth League at Holdrege, as delegates from the McCook league. Miss Stangeland read a very interesting paper and sang a solo which was well received.

E. F. HARMON, who has been with C. M. Noble, will leave for Colorado, middle of next week, to look up a location wherein to engage in business for himself. Beulah, 30 miles south of Pueblo, is his objective point. The family will remain here for the present. Mr. Harmon's many friends here will wish him abundant success wherever he may decide to locate or in whatever capacity.

Installation of Officers.

The officers-elect of Saint John Commandery No. 16, Knights Templar, were duly installed last evening, as follows:

G. R. Johnson, Eminent Commander.

H. H. Basterday, Generalissimo.

C. E. Pope, Captain General.

T. C. Rees, Prelate.

A. Snyder, Senior Warden.

J. F. Ganschow, Treasurer.

E. B. Lowman, Recorder.

W. M. Anderson, Standard Bearer.

Sylvester Cordeal, Sword Bearer.

J. A. Wilcox, Warden.

John R. Roxby, Sentinel.

THE CHURCHES.

[Under this head we invite the ministry of the city to contribute freely of any and all church news of interest to their various organizations.]

Services in the Methodist church as usual by Pastor Forman. Epworth League meeting at seven o'clock.

The new Episcopal chapel is about finished. The exterior painting is progressing, and the carpenters are rapidly pushing the interior work to completion.

Rev. T. K. Tyson of Lincoln writes that he expects to be with the Baptist church, next Sunday, and will preach in McConnell's hall at the evening service. Everyone cordially invited. No services in the morning.

Union Memorial day services will be held in the Methodist church on next Sunday morning. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Taylor of Bartley. Special music is being prepared by the joint choirs of the several churches of the city.

Congregational church: Sunday school at 10 o'clock; morning service dismissed for the Union Memorial service at the Methodist church. Endeavor society at seven o'clock; topic, "Christ's Cross; My Cross". Leader, Laura McMillen. Evening sermon at eight o'clock; subject, "The Muffled Drum".

Mr. G. L. Allen, who arrived last week, from the Rochester, N. Y., Theological Seminary, will spend the three months of his vacation in labor with the Baptist church here, which will hold their services in McConnell's hall for the present. Mr. Allen comes warmly recommended, and will doubtless do effectual work for the Baptist cause in our city.

The union meeting of Epworth League and Christian Endeavor societies in the Congregational church, last Sunday evening, crowded the church. The joint programme was in the main interesting, instructive and elevating. The music was quite a feature of the occasion, the choirs of both societies, together with a number of orchestral parts, producing a heavy volume of harmony. These joint meetings are held monthly and are of distinct social value, in addition to their religious worth. They should be encouraged.

Consult Holmes Bros., the carpenters.

Ice cream soda—5 cents—at McConnell's.

A nice variety of ink and pencil tablets at this office.

Buy a patent lever hose coupler from Cochran & Co.

Fresh milch cow for sale. Inquire of J. S. McBrayer.

S. R. Smith, Indianola, bonded abstracter, furnishes abstracts same day ordered.

Lola Spalding and a number of young friends enjoyed a very happy evening party at the home of her parents on north Marshall street, on last Friday evening.

If you want to buy a first-class, high-grade new bicycle at way below the wholesale price, call at this office at once. There is a great bargain for a man with the ready money—almost half price.

W. George Sheppard, populist, Indianola, is willing to be slaughtered for district clerk. And our relationship to the father of his country impels us to add that he will be accommodated, if nominated.

Miss Lena Colling has taken charge of Mrs. Barger's dressmaking department and will be pleased to see her old customers and many new ones. She will work at prices to suit the times. All work guaranteed.

The American Shamrock is unique, patriotic and pretty. Lowman & Son will give free to every member of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. one of these novelties on Decoration day. Other can secure them at a small expense.

Mrs. J. A. Rauney's class in music gave another very pleasing and meritorious piano recital at the residence of Mrs. Samuel Strasser, last Saturday evening. They have all been enjoyed and have shown gratifying improvement on the part of the pupils.

In order for your legal notice to conform with the requirements of the new law, the same must be published in a newspaper that has been published 52 weeks consecutively. Don't be humbugged or confided into wasting your money by publishing legal notices in illegal newspapers. Such notices are worthless. It is a mere waste of time and money.

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Decoration Day Exercises.

To be held in the Menard opera house, Thursday afternoon, May 30th, 1895, commencing at one o'clock.

1. Meeting called to order by..... Mayor J. E. Kelley
 2. Music..... School Orchestra
 3. Reading of orders..... Adj. J. H. Yarger
 4. Music—Patriotic Selection..... Public Schools
 5. Prayer..... Rev. H. L. Preston
 6. Music..... Philharmonic Club
 7. Oration of the Day..... H. H. Berry
 8. Music—America..... led by Orchestra
 9. Benediction..... Rev. G. L. Allen
- 2:30 p. m., forming of line by Post Commander W. S. Fitch, marshal of the day, on Main avenue, right resting on Douglass street.

Exercises at the cemetery to be conducted by J. K. Barnes Post, assisted by the public schools and Philharmonic club.

Committee on flowers, Girls of the High School. Committee on decoration, Comrades J. W. Underhill, Charles Weintz, J. A. Brinton.

It is suggested that school children and all others who can furnish flowers take them to Menard's hall not later than 10:30 a. m., May 30, 1895.

City officials, Board of Education, all Civic Societies, Fire Department, and Bicycle Club are respectfully invited to take part in the parade.

Places in line will be assigned by Commander Fitch, and those taking part should report to him early in the day.

It is earnestly requested that teams keep in line and not drive ahead. All parties having teams are requested to carry all they can in addition to their own families.

J. A. WILCOX,

J. H. YARGER,

J. M. HENDERSON,

MICHAEL O'LEARY,

Executive Com.

A Pension Decision.

Assistant Secretary of the Interior John M. Reynolds has rendered the following pension decision: A declaration not executed before some person authorized to administer oaths in pension cases is void and does not authorize that a pension should be granted on a valid declaration to commence from the date of filing such void declaration. Where a pension has been granted to several minor children the pension of each is chargeable with his or her co-portioneer part of the fee due the attorney by whom the claim was prosecuted. Where payment to one of said minors is withheld, there is no fund available for the payment of his or part of said fee. Appellant's failure to execute within the year allowed him, or the failure of claimant to appear for medical examination was neglect, and by that neglect he forfeited all further recognition.

A FEW MORE

Hats left at reduced prices, also some Fine Suits at low prices; buy now.

Ladies—look at our Tan Slippers, good value at \$2.00 per pair.

We can furnish you a good Shirt for 25 cents.

We still sell Dinner Pail Lard—10 lbs. lard and dinner pail for \$1.25.

Swift's Boneless Ham and Breakfast Bacon, very fine, try them.

Cototest in 3, 5 and 10 lb. pails—superior to lard, give it a trial.

Flour is advancing; buy now if you wish to save money: White Bread 92 cents a sack during May.

McCOOK MERCANTILE CO.

Attention, Oil Consumers!

On account of the oil companies making me pay cash for oil, all accounts with me must be settled every thirty days, otherwise no credit will be given.

H. THOMPSON.

For Sale or Lease.

The butcher shop and tools on West Dennison street. Inquire of S. M. Cochran & Co., or of PERRY STONE.

For Sale Cheap.

A fine 1150 pound Morgan mare and a heavy top buggy in good order. Apply at THE TRIBUNE office.

Dwelling for Rent.

A nice five-room residence on north Madison for rent. Call on P. A. WELLS.

Fifteen (15) cents will buy a box of nice writing paper at this office, containing 24 sheets of paper and 24 envelopes.

Now is the proper time to begin taking a spring medicine. McConnell's Sarsaparilla is the best thing to use.

Lawn Sprinklers and hose and hose couplings.

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Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.