

# The McCook Tribune.

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## STATE HIGH SCHOOLS.

### Operation of an Important Law, the Free Attendance Act.

### NUMBER OF PUPILS INCREASED

#### The First Year of the Law's Operation.—High School Students Increased More Than 2,000.—List of Schools.

State Superintendent Corbett, says the Lincoln Journal, has just sent out to county clerks and county superintendents the list of approved high schools entitled to receive non-resident students under the provisions of the "free attendance" law enacted by the last legislature; such approved schools being exempt from the special tax levied to pay the tuition fees of such students.

The law referred to provides for the free attendance of students whose education cannot be profitably carried further in their own districts, at some neighboring public high school; tuition at the rate of 50 cents per week being paid to such high school by the county in which the student resides.

The law is very popular in most counties and has resulted in bringing into the high schools of the state, even during the first year of its operation, more than two thousand students from the country districts, thus materially increasing the revenues of the high schools. The law stimulates the high schools to do better work and so tend toward a better standard for them. Students must have a certificate of proficiency in the common school work from the county superintendent, and this tends to encourage better instruction in these schools.

The state superintendent determines annually what high schools are properly equipped as to teachers, apparatus and course of study to receive students under the law, such schools being exempt from the tax levied to cover tuition fees. The theory of this exemption is that all districts should provide high school instruction for their students who desire to take it. Such instruction being already provided at considerable expense by these approved high schools, the remaining districts only in each county should be required to pay for the tuition of students living outside of these high school districts. The tax for this purpose is, however, very slight, being limited by law to one mill.

The list of approved schools is determined by the state superintendent from detailed reports sent in from the principal of each school. Small high schools are not expected to maintain as many years of high school work as the larger ones, but every school approved must have at least one full year of proper high school work.

The approved schools in Red Willow county are: Bartley, Danbury, Indianola and McCook.

### Part of His Thumb.

Monday, while chipping some dried beef, Less Clark had the misfortune to cut off the end of his thumb, including part of the nail, making a painful wound which will disable him for a few days.

### A Severe Hall Storm.

Quite a severe hail storm prevailed over a limited territory on the South Side, last Friday afternoon. J. W. Roberson reports great damage to his garden and the loss of 29 window panes in his house. Others in that neighborhood also suffered; Ed. Benjamin, I. T. Birdsell, the tenants on the Meeker farm, being among the number.

### A Base Ball Tournament.

The Oxford base ball association will hold a base ball tournament, September 10, 11 and 12, 1896. Prizes aggregating \$150.00 will be paid competing clubs. Arrangements for all visitors are complete. For further information address, Ed. C. RAPALJE, Secretary, Oxford, Nebraska.

### A Watermelon Social.

Next Monday evening, the ladies of the Degree of Honor will give a Watermelon Social in the Workman hall, to which all their friends are cordially invited.

### An Inter-State Rally.

The Populists had a big Nebraska-Kansas rally at Lebanon, last Friday and Saturday, the second day especially being largely attended.

### Store for Rent.

The Marquardt building south of Commercial hotel. Will be let to taste of a desirable renter. C. E. SHAW.

Turnip seed 35c. a lb. at LaTourette's.

Only 2 1/2 cents a pound for cut nails at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

## A HEAVY RAINFALL AT McCOOK

### But it Came too Late to do us Much Good in This Neighborhood.

A heavy rain prevailed over this section, Sunday night, 2.5 inches of water being precipitated at this point. The rain was accompanied by severe lightning, which struck at various points over the city, but fortunately causing no damage of much consequence. J. B. Meserve lost five head of fat hogs which were in the Burlington stock yards here for shipment. The culvert at intersection of Main and Dennison streets was unequal to the flood of water that rushed down Main street, and the basement of the Citizens bank building was flooded, a large section of the area wall falling in. It was a good rain, but came too late to be of much benefit to the crops.

### To the Public.

There is positively to be no driving allowed in Longview Cemetery without special permit made in writing given by the Superintendent or Board of Trustees. Hearse and carriages of funeral procession will stop outside unless permission has been given as stated.

MRS. H. H. TROTH, President.  
MRS. FRANK HARRIS, Secretary.

## THE PEOPLE.

MRS. PETER BOYLE left on No. 5, Sunday night, for Denver.

REV. J. A. BADCON and wife returned from Colorado, yesterday morning.

REV. H. L. PRESTON arrived home, last night, from his vacation in Iowa.

W. S. MORLAN and A. Campbell were guests of J. H. Ager in Lincoln, Sunday.

EDITOR MITCHELL took in the Lebanon rally by the Populists, Friday and Saturday.

WILLIAM WALTERS left on No. 4, Wednesday evening, for Chicago, to take a position.

FRANK CARRUTH arrived home, last Friday evening, from his trip to Michigan City, Indiana.

DR. J. E. HATHORN of Bartley had business before the board of county commissioners, Monday.

J. H. BAYSTON was in Holdrege, Tuesday, as a delegate to the Populist congressional convention.

MISS DOT DAVENPORT and Clara Kleven of Calberton took in the cantata, Wednesday night.

OLIVER THORGRIMSON arrived home, Sunday evening, from his visit to Colorado Springs, Colorado.

MISS ONA SIMONS and Master Glen Kenyon went to Iowa, yesterday, on a visit till school commences.

FRED M. SNOW of Los Angeles, Cal., an old time McCookite, was in the city Tuesday, en route for Omaha.

WILLIAM VALENTINE, R. L. Small-down and J. B. Meserve, all of McCook, were Lincoln hotel guests, last Thursday.

MRS. C. A. DIXON is home from Denver, where she has been spending a number of weeks, together with Miss Edna.

C. J. RYAN, Harry Barbazett and Dennis Fitzgerald attended the Democratic ratification meeting at Holdrege, Tuesday.

REGISTER CAMPBELL was a deeply interested participant in the Holdrege convention, Tuesday, when both Populists and Democrats held congressional conventions.

MR. AND MRS. H. H. BERRY and Mrs. A. J. Chambers took in the Cambridge Chautauqua, Saturday, which was Fraternal Society Day. The Elder spoke on the occasion for The Order of the Star of Jupiter of our city.

WILL MAHONEY, late with Knipple, departed on Sunday evening for Anaconda, Montana, where he has an uncle living, and where he hopes to secure employment. Will is a very deserving young man, and THE TRIBUNE wishes him success.

TREASURER AND MRS. J. B. MESERVE drove over to Stockville, yesterday, where the Populist candidate for state treasurer will participate in a Populist rally. General Bowen of Hastings is also advertised to be there, together with other speakers.

JOHN CORDEAL of W. S. Morlan's office will, about September 1st, enter one of the great eastern universities—probably Harvard—for a two years' course of a special nature in law and literature. There is a bright future before Mr. Cordeal. Success attend him.

Binding Twine at LaTourette's.

## HON. W. E. ANDREWS

### Talks on the Much Mooted Question of Finance.

### MENARD OPERA HALL CROWDED

#### With Men and Women to Hear the Popular Congressman Discuss the Money Question from the Republican Standpoint.

A large audience of men and women greeted Congressman Andrews at the Menard opera house, last Friday evening, upon which occasion the issues now confronting the people of this land were ably discussed. The Congressman confined himself principally to argumentation of the money question, giving many authoritative figures in support of the Republican position on the question now absorbing the thought and attention of the American people to the practical exclusion of all other topics. He showed the beneficent results of Republican practice of bimetalism in the past as based on parity and commercial value of the coins, and the possible disaster of the 16 to 1 theory, in a most satisfactory and convincing way. He wanted it distinctly understood that he made no excuse for the fact that the Republican party had built up over a billion dollars of coin in our circulation since the resumption of specie payment; nor did he make excuse for the many other blessings that accrued to the country up to the time that Grover took the helm of the ship of state.

He took and maintained the position that this country could not undertake to do more than to coin the domestic silver, the difference between the face and market value of silver to go to the government as seigniorage. That gold had in practice been the standard of the government since 1834. That a double standard, one representing 100 cents and the other 54 cents, is impracticable.

His speech bristled with facts and figures plainly told and reiterated for clearness; and although the audience was not very demonstrative nor enthusiastic, yet all within the hearing of the Congressman's voice carried home with them plenty of food for thought.

The Congressman spoke under the auspices of the McCook Republican club, whose members were out in force and aided greatly in the success of the meeting, the first in the campaign.

### McCooks Finally Victors.

Despite the hot, windy and dusty weather, Saturday afternoon, the game of base ball between the Bartley and McCook clubs was quite interesting and close, though the scores run rather high. The fortunes of the clubs varied, but McCook finally won having 26 scores to 21 for Bartley. The Bartley boys are a gentlemanly set of fellows and play a stiff game. It looked somewhat dubious for the locals at one time, but they finally pulled out a fairly easy victory, much to the relief and satisfaction of the home rooters.

The Bucking Bronchos of the South Side and the Second Nine of this city then played a three inning game, which resulted in favor of the Bucking Bronchos 13 to 10.

### Destroyed by Fire.

About five o'clock on Monday morning the residence of J. S. Mahana in South McCook was discovered to be on fire, and in a short time the dwelling and part of the household goods were entirely consumed. A portion of the contents were removed from the house, which was insured. The loss is \$500 or \$600, which it is thought is covered by the insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery, the flames being all around Mr. Mahana when he awoke. It is said he had returned home late in the night and had fallen asleep in his rocking chair with the light burning.

### The Premium Lists.

The premium lists for the coming county fair are now ready for distribution. Call on Secretary Berge in the county treasurer's office and secure a copy.

### Store Room for Rent.

July 20th, store room now occupied by L. Lowman. Inquire of H. W. Cole or C. F. Babcock.

Turnip seed 35c. a lb. at LaTourette's.

12-qt. Anti-rust tin pails 57c. at LaTourette's.

Rev. Knox will sell his horses, carriage and harness very cheap.

Glass Fruit Jars—one quart—75c. a dozen at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

Cultivate your corn late with a Five-Tooth Hoe Drill. S. M. Cochran & Co. keep them for sale at a very reasonable figure.

## THEODORE SCHNEIDER'S MULE

### He Insists That it is a Good Mule --But is it?

Tuesday afternoon two children of Theodore Schneider of the South Side—a girl and a boy—were thrown off of a mule they were riding and each sustained a fractured left arm. The little girl's arm was broken at the wrist. Both bones of the little boy's arm were broken near the elbow.

The mule has a rather bad character, but Mr. Schneider insists that it is the best mule on his place.

Dr. Kay waited upon the injured innocents, and they will be ready to fall off that mule again in a few weeks.

What with the hail and other drawbacks, Mr. Schneider has a pretty hard row to hoe, this season, and is entitled to sympathy in this last burden, which falls most painfully upon his helpful little children.

### The South Side C. E.

The South Side Christian Endeavors are preparing to hold an Endeavor rally, Sunday, August 30th, either in the Goheen or Fitch grove. Their friends are invited, and a profitable, pleasant time is certain to be enjoyed.

MESSRS. A. S. CAMPBELL, J. W. Hupp, J. S. LeHew and J. F. Forbes of the Sound-Money Democracy went in to Omaha, Thursday, to consult with their household divinities.

## THE CHURCHES.

CATHOLIC—Mass at 8 o'clock a. m. High mass and sermon at 10:30 a. m., with choir. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. All are cordially welcome.

REV. J. W. HICKEY, Pastor.

METHODIST—Sunday school at 10. Epworth League at 7. Sermon at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the pastor. Bible Study Wednesday at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited.

J. A. BADCON, Pastor.

BAPTIST—Services in McConell hall. Bible school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. B. Y. P. U. meeting at 8 p. m., sharp, will be concluded with a short sermon by the pastor. A cordial welcome extended to all. G. P. FUSON, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Services will be held at the Episcopal church, January 12th and every alternate Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday. Ladies' Guild meets every Wednesday evening after the 7:30 service. R. L. KNOX, Rector.

CONGREGATIONAL—Regular services will be resumed at the Congregational church on Sunday. Morning theme, "The Tabernacle of Joy." Evening service at 8 o'clock. Endeavor society with short sermon. Sunday school at 10 a. m. All are cordially invited to be present. HART L. PRESTON, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN—Sunday school every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the German Congregational church. We have no pastor at present, but the Disciples will continue to break bread, each Lord's day after Sunday school. Endeavor society on Tuesday evening of each week at 8 o'clock. You are cordially invited to attend these services. BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

### SUNFLOWER SILHOUETTES.

Heavy rains on the branch, Sunday and Monday nights.

Liaemen Brown and Thompson were over the Oberlin line, Wednesday.

L. W. Wright has been sick for nearly two weeks with his old trouble.

Misses Mollie and Lizzie Stock of Lincoln are guests of Mr. Broderick of Oberlin.

Mrs. T. W. Benjamin and Master Ronald a couple of weeks at Grandpa Green's.

The laying of heavier steel between Red Cloud and Hastings is again in progress.

The father of Agent Conover at Red Cloud, died, Friday evening, after a severe illness.

A. D. Green has been transferred to Holyoke and will run under Assistant Supt. McFarland.

Misses Maymie and Winnie Green returned from their visit to Beaver City, the early part of last week.

H. C. Brown was with Conductor Quigley, Saturday, and took advantage of the lay over to go to McCook.

Mrs. L. S. Viersen and the little Viersens, with her sister, were passengers on No. 141 to Red Red Cloud, on Saturday.

Stock hogs and shoats are moving off the St. Francis line west of Herndon again for eastern points, failure of the corn crop being the cause.

Mrs. J. P. A. Black, wife of the co.'s attorney at Bloomington, was a passenger for Lincoln, on Saturday, accompanied by her daughter.

Conductor Batten has a ten dollar note issued by the National Gold Bank of Stockton, California, which is giving him some uneasiness on account of his doubt as to its genuineness.

## WAS QUITE SUCCESSFUL

### The Cantata, The Months and the Seasons, Wednesday Night.

### IS GREETED BY FAIR AUDIENCE

#### Given Under Somewhat Discouraging Circumstances, a Gratifying Success is Scored.—To be Repeated.

The cantata, the "Months and the Seasons", was rendered by local talent in the opera house, Wednesday evening, under direction of Mrs. E. E. Utter, with gratifying success. Given under rather disheartening circumstances, the satisfactory results are the more a subject for congratulation of all persons concerned. The solos almost without exception were well rendered, and in a few instances the solo work was exceptionally strong and pleasing. The chorus singing was excellent and spirited, but showed the absence of male voices, a fact unavoidable under the circumstances. The efforts of the orchestra were unexpectedly felicitous and the pianist's work was distinctly praiseworthy. The tableaux of the seasons were simply charming and each was vigorously applauded.

All in all the cantata was a well rounded success, and was entitled to a larger hearing than was given, partly because of misunderstanding. It could hardly have been more enthusiastic and have been within the lines of proper decorum. We desire to warmly congratulate all concerned.

The cantata will be repeated on tomorrow evening. The price is 15 cents. No reserved. We hope a full house will greet the performance.

The Yellow social by the Methodist friends, last evening, in the Babcock room, was an attractive success, receiving the usual generous patronage. The decorations were in yellow and the waiters wore sashes of the same color. The social was unique in plan and the details were cleverly carried out.

## RAILROAD NEWS-NOTES.

Roakmaster Josselyn was up from Orleans, Saturday evening.

W. S. Perry and family left on Tuesday morning for Cincinnati, Ohio, on a visit.

Arthur Wood departed on yesterday morning for Hamburg, Iowa, on a visit.

Miss Grace Sanborn left on Thursday evening for a week's trip to the mountains.

Mrs. John Hutchess has been visiting her father, Charles Wood, in western Hitchcock county.

Claim Agent Hanson has purchased the W. A. Mitchell residence on north McFarland street.

F. A. Stark of McCook is the yardmaster at Oxford during the absence of J. J. Larkey in Dexter, Iowa, on a visit.

Mrs. Emerson Hanson and son arrived home, Saturday night, from their visit to Illinois relatives. Mr. Hanson went down the road a distance to meet them.

It is again reported, says the Republican City Democrat, that the passenger train is soon to be put on between Red Cloud and Hastings.

John Stevens and C. A. Ward left on Wednesday evening for the Wyoming mines. They were joined at Denver by F. W. Bosworth, who accompanied them.

William O'Brien, a C., B. & Q. conductor out of Galesburg, Illinois, visited Conductor C. W. Bronson, fore part of the week. He went east on No. 4, Tuesday evening.

George Harris, third vice president, and George Crosby, general freight agent, dropped into the city, last Friday afternoon, in a private car attached to No. 77. They are on a tour of inspection.

A. D. Green departed Tuesday evening for Holyoke, Colorado, where he is given a train on the Cheyenne division of the B. & M. under Superintendent McFarland.—Republican City Democrat.

Mrs. J. E. Sanborn returned, Sunday evening, from Chicago, where she has been for the past three months taking medical treatment. She was accompanied by Mrs. Jones, a trained nurse from Chicago, who expects to make her home in McCook.

Frank Kendlen, one of the B. & M.'s most popular passenger conductors, stopped here long enough last Saturday to make a few repairs on his bike—having taken a header just west of town. He was enroute to Arapahoe.—Cambridge Kaleidoscope.

## DR. S. R. RAZEE OF CURTIS SHOT

### Editor of the Curtis Courier Fatally Shot by Simon Cary.

Curtis, Neb., Aug. 19.—(Special to the Lincoln Journal.)—Dr. S. R. Razee, editor of the Curtis Courier, was assaulted on the street this morning by Simon Cary, who shot him twice, the first shot entering the abdomen, the second entering the back and passing out at the right breast. Both wounds are serious. The attending physicians have little hopes of his recovery.

While there has been a slight business misunderstanding between Razee and Cary, the assault was without warning and unprovoked. Cary surrendered to the officers after the shooting.

Dr. Razee is one of the best known men in Frontier county. He for years was prominent in the councils of the Republican party and has taken a leading part in the politics of the county both personally and through the medium of his paper. During the years of drought and suffering of indigent farmers he was one of the agents of the state relief commission and is well known in Lincoln, Omaha and the eastern part of the state.

The exact nature of his quarrel with Cary is not fully known. It is said he made no attempt to defend himself when assaulted and was seemingly unprepared to make resistance, especially against the use of weapons.

There had been ill-feeling between the men for some time, but no one expected such a tragic outcome, and the news of the assault and its result causes much excitement in the town. Both men have their friends, but there is universal regret over the occurrence.

As we go to press we learn that the Doctor is resting easily and that his condition is about the same as yesterday.

## FOR A CENT.

Fishing tackle at McConnell's.

Barrel churns \$3.48 at LaTourette's.

4-tined hay forks 49c. at LaTourette's.

We are all getting politics ad nauseum.

The bowery has been removed, this week.

A \$10 hanging lamp for \$5.50 at Knipple's.

The weather has been "livable" since the rain.

Hanging lamps at from \$2.75 up at Knipple's.

Flower pots for sale by Mrs. B. H. Douglass.

Armstrong is occupying the Morlan store room.

Scythe, Snath and Stone, \$1.20 at LaTourette's.

Quart Tin Cans at 45c. a dozen at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

Glass Fruit Jars—one quart—75c. a dozen at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

LOST—A light gray shawl. Please return same to Mrs. T. F. Rowell.

John Garber will occupy the house vacated on the east side by E. Hanson.

Knipple is selling everything in the queensware line at cost and less than cost.

An infant child of John Show was buried in Longview cemetery on Sunday afternoon.

We learn that Charles Blanding is quite low, his illness having taken a turn for the worse.

You never heard of such bargains as Knipple is offering in queensware! Less than actual cost!

The Little Giants defeated the Crackajacks in a game of ball, yesterday, to the tune of 40 to 15.

We understand that Miss Ella Allison has resigned her position as a teacher in the McCook public schools.

The fine shower of Saturday evening gave us a delightful and welcome change of temperature and atmosphere.

The annual meeting of the Republican Valley Baptist association will commence in Alma on August 25th, continuing three days.

The Blooming Echo mentions the case of a farmer down the valley who successfully inoculated a field of chinch bugs. It says: Some time ago the chinch bugs attacked the field of corn of Charles Haines, and he procured from the state university a box of inoculated bugs and scattered them in his field and the result was that the entire army of bugs in his field were immediately killed and his corn crop saved.