

# The McCook Tribune.

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## FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Complete Arrangements Being Made for a Profitable Meeting.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JAN. 21-22

Good Talent, Outside and Local, Has Been Secured for the Event.—There Will be Much to Interest.

We wish again to call attention to the Farmers' Institute to be held in this city, Thursday and Friday of next week, January 21st and 22d,—please notice that the dates have been changed from the 20th and 21st to the 21st and 22d. This change has been made necessary to accommodate some speakers from abroad, who will be helpful in making the institute interesting and instructive.

Among those who will be here, under auspices of the Department of University Extension and Farmers' Institutes, are B. R. Stouffer and W. H. Bowman, both of Beatrice. Mr. Stouffer is a dairyman. He is a strong man in his specialty, and he will speak especially on Forage Crops and Ensilage, besides handling general dairy topics. Mr. Bowman is a very successful farmer and stock breeder. He is well educated. His particular topic will be the grasses. In addition to handling the question of Tame Grasses for Nebraska, he will be able to impart valuable information on the subject of Cattle Feeding.

Supt. F. W. Taylor of the agricultural department of the state university recommends these speakers highly and in addition states that he may be able to send a third speaker for the session here.

So much for the instructors from abroad. But there are others whose advice and practical experience will be valuable. A number of our most successful and best posted farmers and stockmen from this section of the state will be on hand to give all present the advantage of their success and experience, their methods and observation.

Such topics as alfalfa, hog millet, irrigation, beet sugar raising, etc., will be discussed. The advantages of a canning factory where irrigation is practiced will be handled by one who has had experience in the canning business. Attention will also be paid to the beet sugar question, with the object in view of securing the establishment of a crusher or molasses mill in this part of the state, assuming, of course, that enough of our farmers under the ditch will agree to raise a sufficient quantity of beets to run such an establishment.

There is no reason why this institute will not be worth to all vastly more than the time and money it may cost to attend, so let there be a full attendance of our farmers and business men.

### Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Phillippi, as members of a committee, wish to thank all those who were so kind as to subscribe and give something in the way of money in order to give Edward Lorenz a new trial. \$25.10 have been collected by Mr. and Mrs. Phillippi; and about \$66 in all have been collected and paid to Lawyer Starr, who is said to have the case in charge. Some \$30 or \$35 more will be needed, which can be paid to the committee, that is any member of the committee, who will see that due credit is given to those who donate. Mrs. J. F. Helm, Mr. and Mrs. Phillippi and two others were, and are, the members of the committee. We hope that all those who wish to see justice done, will help some at least, to make up the sum that is lacking, which is \$30 or \$35.

### Badly Injured.

THE TRIBUNE learns with regret and sorrow that Dr. Boyle, who moved to Denver a few months since, was badly injured recently in getting off of a street car. That he has until lately been confined to the house.

### A New Shorthand Class.

L. W. Stayner will start a new shorthand class on the 18th of this month in the east ward school house. Start with the new class.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all who were so kind and helpful during the illness and after the death of our dear baby boy.

MR. AND MRS. R. A. BROWN.

### Not a Club.

Correspondents will please remember that this paper is not a club or kicking machine. See!

### For Sale.

Lots 1 and 2, in block 23, original McCook. Write to G. W. Jacobson, Freedom, Illinois.

## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

Miss MARGARET EVANS is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. S. Morlan.

F. M. KIMMEL is attending the meeting of the state editors, at Grand Island.

R. O. PHILLIPS was up from Lincoln, Monday, on business of the Lincoln Land Co.

J. H. MCMANIGAL was down from Laramie, Wyoming, close of last week, on a visit to the family.

F. I. FOSS of Crete, who is interested in irrigation in this section of Nebraska, was in the city, Monday.

MISS ANNA GIBBONS is teaching in Naponee. Miss Marie is finishing her term in the North Divide school.

RET. J. W. KIMMEL came in from Leavenworth, Kansas, Monday night, to look after his interests in the city.

C. H. BOYLE looked after the cash-box during Treasurer Berge's absence in Lincoln settling with the state treasurer.

J. H. BERGE, county treasurer, went into Lincoln, Tuesday night, to settle with State Treasurer Meserve, his late chief.

MISS SOPHIA AND ANNA SEPMEYER and L. W. Stayner's children went down to Hubbell, Sunday morning, to visit relatives.

BISHOP BONACUM of the See of Lincoln was in the city, last Friday, guest of Father Hickey, making one of his regular parochial visitations.

MRS. DAVID MAGNER was the object of a High Five surprise party, early last week, on the occasion of her birthday. The affair was thoroughly enjoyable.

ELMER ROWELL left today for Colorado Springs, Colorado. He goes via Kansas, where he will consummate a real estate deal en route. Success to him.

E. L. DENNIS, who has been at the general office of the Barnett Lumber Co. here for past week helping in the annual settlement, left on Monday for Bartley, where he is local manager.

JOHN JONES of Red Willow county is here visiting his brother Frank, who lives east of town. Mr. Jones made this office a friendly call, Wednesday. W. D. Otis drove down to McCook, yesterday, after a load of potatoes and apples. —Trenton Register.

KNUD STANGELAND, Rufus Carlton, George Leach, Ray McCarl and Charles McManigal took a spin to Cambridge and return, Sunday. Arthur Wood and Roy Dixon returned with them from Indiana. The round trip distance is about sixty miles and was made in 5 hours and 40 minutes.

WILL MITCHELL, a former resident of this city, now living at Guide Rock, has purchased the hardware business of A. Morhart and will take possession shortly. Will is an energetic young man and his many friends will be glad to hear of his new departure. The Chief wishes him success. —Red Cloud Chief.

REV. FRANK DURANT, formerly of this place, but now of Chadron, Nebraska, was presented with a handsome gold watch by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of that place, as a token of the esteem in which he is held by the railroad men and the members of his congregation. A reception was tendered him before he left the city for his new field of labor at Mitchell, S. Dakota.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS ITEMS.

Matters of Interest Gleaned From the Several County Offices.

### DISTRICT COURT.

Filings made since last report as follows:

J. W. Deveny, administrator, vs. Mary Colling et al. Petition to make administrator's deed.

Henry H. Beaty vs. William Colling et al. Equity.

William S. Schmid vs. Anna Schmid. Divorce.

Mike Coyle vs. Patrick Coyle et al. Equity.

George L. Mesker vs. The Masonic Temple Association. Equity.

Henry O. Wait vs. The Nebraska Loan and Banking Co. Appeal.

Transcript from justice court was filed in the case of alleged attempted rape by Andrew McCart on Mrs. Emberling of Lebanon.

### COUNTY COURT.

Business as follows has been transacted since last report:

License to marry issued to William C. Poh and Caroline Stulken, of Perry and Willow Grove precincts respectively.

Suit of Celeste H. Douglass vs. Byron H. Douglass was continued to February 20 for service by publication.

Tuesday, T. C. Kelley commenced replevin proceedings against A. Peters to recover fourteen horses that strayed on Peters' premises and were held for damages.

## BEFORE A REFEREE

The Somewhat Famous Case of Christner vs. Hayes County

HEARD, MONDAY, BEFORE H. W. KEYES

The Suit Involves Fees Claimed to be Due John H. Christner as County Clerk From Hayes County.

The somewhat famous litigation of John H. Christner, ex-county clerk, vs. The County of Hayes, had a hearing, Monday, before Harlow W. Keyes as referee. The plaintiff's case was presented by J. W. Cole of Culbertson and R. C. Orr of Hayes Center, while W. S. Morlan of our city defended the county with his well known ability. County Attorney John Wilson of Hayes was also in the case.

The suit involves fees in the sum of two hundred odd dollars claimed to be due the ex-county clerk. While on the other hand the county claims a shortage of some eight hundred dollars.

Court Reporter George E. Eisenhart is now making a transcript of the evidence for the attorneys, who will then present their arguments to the referee for due consideration and decision.

The case has hung fire for a long while, and to many of the people of Hayes county is one of large importance, and especially so in view of the condition of the county finances. Mixed up in the case are some exciting and not highly creditable chapters of Hayes county history, which from its dawn has been rather stormy.

All persons involved will draw a long breath of welcome relief when the curtain is rung down for the last time.

### About Those Window Panes.

McCOOK, NEB., Jan. 12, 1896.

EDITOR TRIBUNE: Dear Sir:—If you will allow me space in your paper I would like to answer an item that appeared in the Coleman items, about the slackness of the director of school district No. 58. Now I will say that the correspondent was badly mistaken about the window lights. He says that there has been three lights broken out for six weeks. I suppose he means three panes of glass—but only two are broken so that any pieces have fallen out of the windows.

As to there not having been any kindling at the school house for two months, that is a very bad mistake, as there has been fire at the school house five days every week except the two weeks of vacation. And there has also been fire at said school house every Saturday evening, and Sunday morning and evening. Now almost everybody knows that it takes kindling to build a fire. And right here I want to call the attention of the correspondent to the fact that law does not require the school board or director to furnish kindling for any but school purposes, and that they have done, and do not intend to furnish kindling for other than school purposes. And further will say it is none of the correspondent's affair about the kindling, anyway.

In regard to slackness in district 58 will say that for a year before I was elected there was not a single dollar paid to the district treasurer according to law. For a year the treasurer's bond was not on file in the county clerk's office as it should have been, and six months of the time the district had no bond at all. And this is not all this same correspondent did that was not according to law. He was a member of the school board when the new school house was built, and he allowed it to be built without the contractor giving bond or even a written contract. Very often when one thinks they are impressing people with their smartness they are only making a reputation for being disagreeable to others. I do not desire to be quarrelsome with the correspondent but would advise him not to be so much of a busybody. Yours respectfully, W. M. SHARP, Director Dist. No. 58.

### To Subscribers of The Tribune.

Readers of THE TRIBUNE will please remember that cash is an essential in the publication of a paper. The publisher has been very lenient during the past few years, on account of crop failures and hard times, and as a consequence many hundreds of dollars are due on subscriptions. We are now compelled to request all who can call and make settlement in full or in part. In view of the facts, our subscribers must feel the justice and urgency of this request. THE PUBLISHER.

### The First Battle.

Wm. J. Bryan's book, 600 pages, well bound. See prospectus and prices at postoffice lobby, where you may leave your order for the great book. First come first served.

## CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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.

BAPTIST—Rev. Geo. W. Shaffer will preach morning and evening in McConnell hall at the usual hours. Bible school at 10 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. A very cordial invitation is extended to all.

EPISCOPAL—Divine service second and fourth Sundays of every month at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Lectures alternate Mondays at 7:30 p. m. S. A. POTTER, General Missionary. R. A. RUSSELL, Assistant.

CONGREGATIONAL—Morning theme, Emancipation from Darkness. Evening topic, The Method of Success. Sunday school at 10. Endeavor society at 7; leader, Stella Norval. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend these services. HART L. PRESTON, Pastor.

METHODIST—Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching to Sunday school, fathers and mothers at 11; subject, How God Measures Boys. Class at 12. Junior League at 2:30. Epworth League at 7; topic, The Wells of Salvation, Mrs. H. L. Kennedy, leader. Let us pray for a revival. Preaching at 8; subject, Stormed and Taken. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Visitors and strangers cordially welcome. J. A. BADCON, Pastor.

## SCHOOL NOTES.

And is the flag still flying?

Dr. E. H. Waters' father visited the schools, Monday.

Rev. H. L. Preston made his usual weekly talk to the pupils, Monday morning.

George Muntz, formerly of the 10th grade, visited his old schoolmates in the High school, last Friday.

The pupils of the assembly room are spending their opening exercises, this week, in the study of orthography.

Nettie Dutton of the 6th grade was the object of a little surprise party by her schoolmates, Tuesday evening.

No one ever suspected there were so many teachers in McCook until they were brought out and tried. And still there are more to follow.

The date for the presentation of the school entertainment has not been made public yet, but don't you forget to wait for it. It's coming slow but sure.

A reception was tendered the Valentine quartet, last night, by a few of their lady friends, at the residence of J. E. Robison. Refreshments and singing by the quartet were indulged in during the evening.

## LANTERN CLASS

Tonight and Saturday night at 8 p. m. The Highlands of Scotland with appropriate readings and music. The romantic interest attached to the beautiful scenery of this region renders this an unusually attractive collection of pictures. Everyone with a drop of Scotch blood in his veins will be interested.

The Friday evening lantern class was repeated, last Monday night, as all of the people could not be accommodated on last Friday. There was such a large attendance of visitors, Monday evening, that it was repeated again on Tuesday night. The lantern fund was considerably enriched during all these proceedings.

There was a good attendance at the lantern class, last Friday evening, and Mr. Valentine made a very interesting talk in his usual felicitous manner, on the loan collection of lantern slides illustrating scenes and natives along the Congo river in Africa. It was repeated on Saturday evening for the benefit and entertainment of the 4th, 5th and 6th grades.

C. N. Whittaker made some lantern slides from some photographs he had taken of local views, and exhibited them at the lantern class, last Friday night. The pictures were all very good, so good in fact that one person was heard to say that he thought the McIntosh people of Chicago would soon have a formidable rival in the west as to which firm was making the best slides in this country. It was reported also that the lantern class was repeated three or four times owing to the popularity of these home-made slides.

## Squire Rittenhouse.

It is Squire Rittenhouse now. He was appointed by the county commissioners, Tuesday, to succeed E. E. Rowell, resigned, and at once filed his bond. E. E. Lowman was also an applicant for the vacant justice of the peacehip, but the political preponderance was against him.

## INTEREST GROWING

The Membership of the Star of Jupiter Lodge Steadily Increases.

A NEW LODGE INSTITUTED AT MINDEN

Last Week, With a Charter Membership of 26.—A Butchered Hog Mysteriously Leaves The Country.

The regular session of McCook lodge No. 1, Star of Jupiter, Monday evening, was a rouser for attendance, interest and enjoyment. After the regular session, Supreme President Cole spoke at some length on the objects, plans and advantages of the order, not only to those insured, but especially the business advantage to McCook in the success of the order. These were fully explained, and the prospective business showing was such that people will do well to pay more attention to this feature of the order in the future. The social success of the order has been quite remarkable. It may be said of the order that its plan is without a superior in its class. And with proper encouragement from our people it may in time become one of our chiefest business interests.

A lodge of 26 charters was instituted at Minden, last Friday.

### A Mysterious Disappearance.

Thursday of last week, John Kummer, who lives a few miles northeast of the city, butchered six hogs. In the early part of the evening, during the temporary absence of the family in the house, one of the porkers was stolen before the animal was even cold. On Tuesday, Ransom S. Gordon was brought before Squire Rowell and charged with the theft. His attorney, W. R. Starr had the case continued until the 25th of this month. Mr. Gordon has borne a good reputation and many are loth to believe him guilty. It is to be hoped that the right person will be punished. We understand that more or less thievery is being practised in that section, and the farmers are anxious to discover and bring to justice the guilty party or parties. We hope they may succeed.

### With the Andrews.

THE TRIBUNE learns that Engineer Frank S. Reid, with the Burlington at Wymore, is now traveling with the well known Andrews Opera Co. that has delighted McCook audiences in past years. We understand that he has a lay-off of thirty days, and that if the arrangement is mutually satisfactory, he will give up railroading and remain with the Andrews, at a good salary. Frank's sweet tenor voice has always been very popular with McCook people and all who know him will join with THE TRIBUNE in wishing him success.

### Misguided Youths.

Frank Edwards and Charlie Burns, last Saturday, thought they would enjoy some other place better than home, so they climbed up on top of No. 4 that evening and started eastward. They were detained at Oxford and held until Sunday, when Marshal Jordan went down and escorted the foolish and mistaken lads home. It is to be hoped that both of them have been taught a salutary lesson, and that they will never attempt to repeat their folly. Both have comfortable homes.

### Post Yourselves.

Wonderstand that another effort is being made to form an irrigation district of the land under the Meeker ditch. Those interested should thoroughly post themselves as to the advantages and disadvantages of the district system before entering into the project. They will then know how to act and will have nothing to regret in future.

### Want it Re-opened.

There is a strong feeling among our business men, that in justice to the city, the Commercial hotel should be re-opened at once as a regular and full-fledged hotel. Doubtless the fact that the hotel is closed is not doing the city any good, if it is not doing actual harm. A movement to that end should be encouraged by all our citizens.

### For Thirteen Cents.

A number of wagon loads of corn from southern Frontier county were marketed here, Monday. Mrs. Sarah Hileman, Messrs. A. J. Hatcher and W. G. Dutton, all living southwest of the city, took wagon loads. The price paid was thirteen cents, and the quality is good.

### The Circuit for 1897.

At a meeting of representatives from six different counties, held at Arapahoe, December 28, a circuit for county fairs was formed for 1897. Following are Dates: Red Willow, September 14-17; Frontier, September 28-30; Furnas, September 20-23; Phelps, October 5-8; Kearney, October 12-15.—Curtis Enterprise.

## PETITE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

McMillen's Cough Cure is sure.

Do you know McMillen's Cough Cure is effective?

J. H. BAYSTON returned from Lincoln, Saturday night.

Remember the farmers' institute in McCook, January 20th and 21st.

Staple stationery, best quality at lowest prices, at THE TRIBUNE office.

The Palace Meat market sells the finest home-made mince meat in the city.

All profits on Church Matches go to pay for a church. Buy from our dealers.

The minor political striker is already getting in his work for the spring election.

Did you ever burn any genuine Maitland coal? Ballard sells it at \$6.50 per ton. Try it.

That home made mince meat at the Palace Meat market is a luxury. Try it. Price reasonable.

For Biliousness, Indigestion etc., try a bottle of McConnell's Health granules. 25 cents a bottle.

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Quite a slaughter of wolves, last week, is reported from the Willow, where they are aggressively numerous.

Sheridan Nut coal is used by a good many people, and they say it is all right. \$4.50 per ton at Bullard's.

The Ladies of the M. E. church will have their annual Washington fair and dinner, February 20 instead of the 22d.

The Commercial hotel is being slowly but gradually refitted and may soon be reopened for sleeping purposes at least.

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

Almond Church and Nellie Maddox, both of the Willow, were united in marriage, January 7th, by Rev. E. J. Vivian of Box Elder.

The mask ball, January 27th, by the Brigade band will be one of the events of the season. Secure your costumes at McConnell's early.

We hope our correspondents will endeavor to be more regular in sending in the news. Not quantity, but quality should be the motto.

You will save time and work and get a first class article, too, by getting some of that home-made mince meat at the Palace Meat market.

Major Cole, who has conducted the successful meetings at Hastings, is expected to enter upon such a campaign in McCook, in the near future.

The Palace Meat Market has a new advertisement in this issue. They are building up a nice business. You will find them in the Cole building.

Report of the McCook Co-operative Building and Savings Association appears elsewhere in this issue, makes a favorable showing considering the times.

The State Journal Almanac and Encyclopedia should be a part of every well regulated office. It can be secured for 25 cents postpaid. Its state statistics are invaluable.

There will be a lecture on "Lies and Liars" at the Episcopal chapel on Monday, January 18th, at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. R. A. Russell. Admission free. All are cordially invited.

The Christian people of the city are expecting a rousing revival when the famous Major Cole arrives and assaults the stronghold of Satan in our midst. May their hopes be abundantly realized.

### Church—Maddox.

Married, at the residence of Mr. Hoggs in Frontier county, Nebraska, Mr. Almon J. Church to Miss Maggie E. Maddox, both of Frontier county, on January 7th, by Rev. E. J. Vivian.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Church and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Whittaker, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold and son, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Spaulding and daughter. There was a number of nice presents given to the bride and groom by their many friends. X. Y.

### Dr. Z. L. Kay.

Office, rooms 4 and 5 over Leach's jewelry store. Residence, front rooms over Ganscho's shoe store.