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DEDICATED TO GOD

Baptist Brethren Formally Dedicate Their Lately Acquired Building.**LARGE ATTENDANCE, DEEP INTEREST**

The Brick or Lutheran Church is a Second Time Set Apart to the Service of God.—Debt Provided For.

Last Sunday was a happy day for the Baptist people of McCook and vicinity, and their joy and gratitude was shared by all Christian people hereabouts. The day marked the realization of their labors and prayers for a house of worship of their own, in the formal dedication of their lately acquired and thoroughly over-hauled church property, the Lutheran or brick church, with the details of whose purchase from the Lutheran people our readers are familiar.

'Twas a perfect winter day, bright and warm, we hope a good omen for the church and those who worship within its walls, and an eager audience packed the structure from pulpit to gallery. By invitation the Methodist and Congregational people united in the services, which were participated in by Rev. W. B. Cullis of Kearney, Nebraska; Rev. A. W. Clarke, state secretary, Omaha; Rev. F. M. Williams, state missionary, Lincoln; Rev. J. A. Badcon of the Methodist church of McCook; Rev. H. L. Preston of the Congregational church of McCook; and Rev. G. W. Sheafor, local pastor of the Baptist church.

The sermon was preached by Rev. W. B. Cullis. It was an eloquent and able gospel sermon that inspired and delighted most of his hearers. After the sermon, a financial statement was made by Rev. F. M. Williams, who has been one of the active workers for the enterprise: The original cost of the building is \$1,000. Repairs, donations of labor, etc., \$840. Making a total cost to date of \$1,840. Of this amount the Baptist church edifice board paid \$500. Local subscriptions, donations of labor, etc., amount to \$1,091, leaving a sum of \$249 to be raised, which was done at the morning and evening meetings, thus making provision for the entire sum.

In the evening the churches joined in an evangelistic service at the Baptist church, Rev. Cullis again preaching a grand sermon. This service was preceded by a brief prayer and praise service led by Rev. Badcon. The dedicatory prayer was delivered by Rev. Williams at the evening meeting. It was a fervent supplication for the success of the work of the church thus formally dedicated to the Almighty's services.

At 3:30 in the afternoon devotional services were conducted in the Baptist church, the same being led by Rev. Clarke. Both of these services were largely attended and a deep, earnest interest was manifested in the same by the people of the city. Special music was rendered at all of these services by the Baptist church choir in an effective manner.

THE TRIBUNE wishes to congratulate the Baptist brethren upon the auspicious dedication of their handsome church under such favorable circumstances, and hopes that its mission may be amply realized and rewarded with the substantial results of practical success in the work of the church.

Comes Handy Now.

The Burlington railroad company paid its taxes into the county treasury, last week, a sum total of \$10,481 82, divided as follows: Shops at McCook, \$184 52. Beaver Valley road, \$3,034.32. Republican Valley road, \$7,262.98. This is about one-third of the entire tax receipts of Red Willow county. The amount is especially helpful these times when other tax collections are so backward.

A Great Banquet.

The banquet given the members of King Cyrus Chapter, No. 35, Royal Arch Masons, last Friday evening, on the occasion of the conferring of the Most Excellent and Royal Arch degrees upon Messrs. Roy Dixon, George Mason and E. E. DeLong, was one of the most elaborate given in Masonic circles in a number of years.

On Account of Death.

The reason given in our issue of January 22d, why Thomas W. Arnold and May Maddox, both of Frontier county, were not married after receiving a license from County Judge Smith, is incorrect. The wedding was postponed on account of the death of a relative of Miss Maddox in Missouri, where she has gone on a visit. Hence the return of the license.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

W. H. EDWARDS arrived in the city, close of last week.

A. C. MARSH is able to be about again after quite a painful illness.

MISS ONA SIMONS returned, last Saturday night, from her visit in Iowa.

V. FRANKLIN of the Citizens bank had business in the state capital, Monday.

MRS. C. W. BRONSON arrived home, close of past week, from her trip to Iowa.

MISS GUSTAVSON of Lincoln is visiting in the city, guest of Mrs. F. G. Westland.

H. W. KEYES and G. S. Hill of Indianola were up on business, Wednesday afternoon.

FRED BEARDSLEE of Indianola assisted the Brigade band in their concert, Tuesday evening.

COL. PHILLIPS of the Indianola Reporter was a business visitor to the county capital, Monday.

MRS. HENRY ENDERS came up from Cambridge, Monday night, and is the guest of Mrs. T. B. Campbell.

MISS MAGGIE VAUGHN arrived in the city, Tuesday evening, and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. Campbell, for a few days.

BARNEY HOFER, Nashy at Hayes Center, spent Thursday in the city on his way home from the Woodmen meeting in Grand Island.

MRS. J. B. MESERVE came up from Lincoln, Monday night, and has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Kimmell, this week.

E. T. MADDEX's mother visited him briefly, this week, while on her way home from a visit to relatives west. She left on 4, Wednesday evening.

MISS SELMA NOREN came up from Lincoln, last Friday night, visiting her parents until Monday morning, when she returned to her university work.

J. H. BAYSTON entered upon his duties as teacher at the Kearney reform school, Monday. He and the family left the city, close of last week. Success to him.

MISS OLIVE RITTENHOUSE entered upon her duties as deputy clerk of the district court, Monday morning. Miss Olive is qualified to make an efficient clerk.

REV. D. L. MCBRIDE has been doing some effective revival work lately at the Zion church, Coleman precinct. This church is now in charge of the Baptist brethren.

ADOLPH METZNER, late with Knipple, leaves, this week, for eastern Nebraska to seek a position. Mrs. Metzner will remain with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Ballard, for a few weeks.

MR. AND MRS. HOWE of Long Pine, Nebraska, are in the city, guests of H. P. Sutton and wife. Mrs. Howe is a sister of Mrs. Sutton, and expects to make an extended visit.

E. C. BALLEW was called to Missouri, Sunday morning, by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father. His wife accompanied him. His father died on the following day.

DR. Z. L. KAY was summoned up to Wray, Colorado, Monday night, to see Mr. Robinson, the grain buyer at that place, who, however, died before the doctor's arrival at his bedside.

CASHIER W. F. LAWSON of the First National bank, and daughter Lucile, arrived home, Sunday morning, from spending a month in California on pleasure and business. They had a delightful time and return with an exalted opinion of that state.

FRANK HARRIS has been elected as one of the three delegates from the Fifth district to the biennial meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America to be held in Dubuque, Iowa, commencing June 1st next. There was a very lively rustle for the honor.

E. C. GOEBRING of Driftwood precinct received a telegram, Wednesday, announcing the death of his mother at Beatrice. He left on Thursday morning to attend the funeral. His neighbors and friends all sympathize with him sincerely in this bereavement.

REV. W. B. CULLIS departed for Kearney on Tuesday morning. The gentleman is a cultured, traveled and devout man, and our people may soon again have the pleasure of hearing him. He is a lecturer of ability and uses a stereotyped connection as a descriptive accessory. Perhaps he may be secured for a lecture on his travels. He has made many admirers by his brief visit to McCook.

THE BAND CONCERT

For the Benefit of the Cemetery Fund Was Largely Attended.**TWO BOYS ENTERTAIN THEIR FRIENDS****Idea of Establishing Molasses Mills is Not Practical.—Important to All Tribune Readers. Other Live Items.**

The complimentary promenade concert given by the Nebraska Brigade band, Tuesday evening, in the A. O. U. W. temple hall, for the benefit of the improvement fund of Longview cemetery, was a most gratifying and artistic success, and was attended and participated in by a large, appreciative and highly pleased audience.

The musical programme was rendered as published, last week, and was of recognized grade and high excellence. The manner of rendition was quite faultless. The successes of the soloists, F. A. Pennell, Roy Smith and John Bergman, were fairly divided with the band in their selection from Robin Hood, Descriptive Fantasia by Luders, Anber's Fra Diavolo, and other choice selections.

A considerable sum was realized for the cemetery fund, and the ladies of the committee are not only very grateful to the band for their splendid services but thankful to the public for patronage accorded.

Entertain Their Friends.

On Tuesday evening, Judd Kay and Frank Colfer entertained a number of their friends of the ninth and tenth grades, at the home of Mrs. Anna Colfer, in a very happy manner. The boys were assisted in their entertaining by Mesdames Anna Colfer, W. M. Lewis, Z. L. Kay and J. A. Wilcox, and Misses Maud Cordeal and Mabel Wilcox. Miss Cordeal favored the company with a number of choice selections on the piano. The decorations for the occasion were in pink effects and very pretty.

Idea is Not Practical.

It is claimed on good authority that the idea of establishing syrup mills at various points in the state, to produce beet syrup for refining in centrally located refineries, is at present impracticable. The process of beet sugar manufacturing will not at present warrant such a course, on account of the increased cost of production; and again for the reason that the process is continuous. So it seems that for the now we will have to work along the refinery line if we hope to secure anything from the beet sugar industry.

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 to 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.

Junior Endeavor Social.

The Junior Endeavor society of the Congregational church held a joyous social at the residence of C. H. Boyle, Saturday afternoon, in which about forty young people participated with every indication of delight. Mesdames T. B. Campbell, M. A. Northrup and C. H. Boyle had the affair in management. Refreshments were enjoyed with youthful relish. Games were engaged in, and the affair withal was a memorable one for the little ones.

Desires a Large Attendance.

President Whitaker of the Red Willow county teachers' association is out in a neat circular letter urging a full attendance of teachers and school officers at the meeting of the association to be held in Indianola, Saturday, February 13th.

Too Many Attractions.

The attendance was reduced somewhat at the Monday evening meeting of McCook lodge No. 1, Star of Jupiter, by the other attractions of the evening. There was one initiation, however, and the usual programme of entertainment.

Suit to Collect.

H. P. Sutton has commenced an action in Justice Berry's court to collect a school order of district 19 over in Bondville precinct.

Valentines at McConnell's.

CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

BAPTIST—Services in the Brick church. Preaching at 11. Bible school at 10 a. m. Evening Union Services will be at the Methodist church. All are invited. GEORGE W. SHEAFOR, Pastor.

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. Preaching at 11; subject, Christ's Prayer for the Church. Class at 12. Junior League at 2:30. Epworth League at 7. Union services at 8. J. A. BADCON, Pastor.

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—Regular morning services at 11 o'clock; subject, Loyalty; its demands and its rewards. Sunday school at 10. Endeavor society adjourned to attend the union meeting. Union Services of all the churches at the Methodist church at 7:30 sharp. HART L. PRESTON, Pastor.

The Union Services for the coming week will be held at the Congregational church. Major Cole has been detained by the grip, and will not be here for a few days. The responsibility is thus, the more, thrown on the christian people of the city. Let us measure up to the opportunity that God sends us, and unitedly work for success. Let everyone who is interested in McCook, in his neighbor, in himself, attend the meetings. God helps those who help themselves.

BY THE UNION EXECUTIVE COM.

Personally Conducted Excursion.

For next Monday evening the entertainment committee of the Star of Jupiter have arranged to give one of their famous personally conducted excursions. The committee invite all members of the lodge to go along with them. The excursion will run over the well known Funville, Proletariat and Featherbrain Railway—the great Nebraska route, Entertainment Committee, receivers. It will be perfectly safe for the ladies to come alone, chaperons in abundance will be provided. The itinerary includes stops at most of the leading cities in the United States. The porter has agreed to be paid only in his own coin—giving as good as the guests may send. Train will start from McCook at 8:30 p. m. A linguist of ability will accompany, who will undertake to interpret any form of the "United States" language. Having made frequent and extended trips on the trolley, and never having been "off", the committee feels duly experienced for all demands of the occasion. Come and go along.

It Was Successful.

The entertainment by the Degree of Honor in the A. O. U. W. temple hall, Wednesday evening, was most gratifyingly successful, and attracted an audience of about two hundred people, all of whom were pleased with the lengthy and varied programme of a musical and literary character rendered on that occasion, as well as with the address delivered by the Grand Chief of Honor, Mrs. A. S. B. Harding. A supper was also served, all for the sum of ten cents. The ladies are to be congratulated upon the success of their efforts to entertain and instruct, and upon the large audience that assembled and appreciated the same.

A Mistake.

It occurs to THE TRIBUNE that any effort to secure a reduction of the saloon license will be a mistake. Better raise the issue to place the entire license money in the school treasury, as contemplated by the Slocum law. Such a movement will secure many votes that will certainly oppose a reduction of the amount of the license.

Lose Their Infant Child.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Carter were on Monday night called upon to mourn the death of their infant child of but a few weeks old. The little remains were tenderly laid away in Calvary cemetery, Tuesday afternoon. The parents have the tender sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

Tickets to the John Dillon play will be on sale at McConnell's drug store, next Monday morning, February 8th. Remember this fact and secure your reserved seats promptly. There will be a full house.

Mayor Troth seems to have pretty smooth sailing for renomination, at the coming election.

PLEASANT SURPRISE

Friends of Miss Lillian Troth Give Her a Surprising Surprise Party.**MEAT MARKET HAS A CLOSE ESCAPE****From Fire, Monday Night—Ransom S. Gordon Found Not Guilty. City Council Holds an Interesting Session.**

Miss Lillian Troth was the delighted object and happy recipient of a charming surprise party, Monday evening, the twentieth anniversary of her natal day. Progressive high five was the chief source of entertainment, the card playing being marked by the usual enthusiasm and zest. Mrs. C. W. Bronson and Mr. F. A. Pennell were the respective prize winners.

At an opportune time refreshments of a dainty sort were tastefully served.

The guests were: Messrs and Mesdames F. A. Pennell, J. E. Kelley, C. W. Bronson, William McCarl and W. E. Mills. Mrs. A. Campbell. Misses Elsie Stanfield, Nellie Brown, Maud Smith, Pearl Smith of Red Cloud, Grace Sanborn, Ona Simons, LaVaughn Phelan of Alliance, Mabel Jordan. Messrs. W. V. Gage, Charles Heber, S. C. Beach, H. H. Miller, Charles McCarl, E. J. Wilcox, T. E. McCarl, G. R. Johnson, Norman Campbell.

The affair was conceived and executed with such pleasing particulars and clever circumstances by Mrs. J. E. Kelley and Miss Elsie Stanfield.

A Narrow Escape.

The meat market of Wilcox & Plitcraft had a narrow escape from destruction by fire, Monday night. The indications are that some one, about closing time, in the neighborhood of nine o'clock, dropped a lighted cigar stub in the sawdust on the floor. At any rate, early on Tuesday morning, when the shop was opened for business, it was found that a hole had been burned through the double floor and the adjacent counter was scorched a little. The damage is nominal, but it was a narrow escape, not only for that structure, but for the adjoining frame buildings as well.

Later—we learn that the fire was discovered between three and four o'clock in the morning by Chief of Police Jordan, who forced the door and with the aid of an employee who sleeps in a rear room extinguished the fire.

A Rich Harvest.

It costs no more to sow good seeds than it does to sow old and worthless stock. How foolish is the person who fails to get the best to start with. No doubt you have often thought of this, when your garden has not done very well.

Will you jog along in the same old way, this year, or use a little forethought and send to James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y., for their Catalogue which contains a list of all that's new and good? Their seeds are always reliable—sure to grow and never disappoint. Send 10 cts. for Catalogue and deduct this amount from first order. Really costs nothing.

A Bad Habit.

The Indianola Reporter affects to sneer at the late farmers' institute held in McCook. But really the Reporter has acquired the bad taste of sneering at everything associated with McCook in any capacity. It's a bad habit, Colonel; and nothing good or desirable can come from it. Better cultivate the beautiful and peaceful flower of harmony. Discord is ever disquieting and disfiguring, not to say mutually damaging. Give us lovely, white-winged peace, Jasper, do!

Found Not Guilty.

The case of the state of Nebraska against Ransom S. Gordon on information of John Kummer for alleged hog stealing was heard before Squire Rittenhouse, Friday last, to a jury composed of J. H. Bennett, James McAdams, Michael O'Leary, Howe Smith, A. J. Hatcher and B. F. Olcott. The unanimous verdict was, not guilty. The quite general opinion is that the guilty man still remains unapprehended.

An Interesting Session.

In some respects the session of the city council, last week, was one of the most interesting held in many moons. Thereby hangs a tale that THE TRIBUNE may unfold in due season and form.

Will Keep Our Word.

We will simply remind Colonel Phillips that McCook will keep its promise in the court house matter to the letter. And don't fail to remember it, brother.

Valentines at McConnell's.

PETITE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

Valentines at McConnell's.**McMillen's Cough Cure is sure.**

Do you know McMillen's Cough Cure is effective?

A son was born to George Gohalone and wife, Saturday last.

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

The board of education held its regular monthly session on Monday evening.

A twelve pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ryan, Sunday night.

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

The Masonic fraternity is undergoing quite a revival in numbers and interest.

Alfalfa tea may be expected soon to take the place of the so-called kidney cures.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bramble are looking after the welfare of a daughter, born Sunday.

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

The Barnett Lumber Co.'s safe at Arapahoe was tapped for \$14.00, last Friday night.

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

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

Returns from the sales of alfalfa seed have not been profitable to farmers in this vicinity, the past season. Price too low.

Dancing is in unusual favor among the young people of the city, just now; the dancing school being the stimulant, no doubt.

We hear it stated that Messrs. Moore and Carpenter have put up ice on Spring Creek and will put on a wagon, next summer.

Kenneth Carl, we learn, has been released from the Kansas insane asylum and is now living with his sister, Mrs. Smith, in San Diego, California.

The Star of Jupiter social and supper, last Friday night, was attended by nearly every one in town and a good time was had by all.—Cambridge Kaleidoscope.

The Methodist brethren of Coleman precinct have given up the Zion church to the Baptists and are forming a class at Coleman school house, being attached to the Box Elder circuit.

The Cycling Club March and Two-Step. The latest hit as played by the Brigade Band. Complete Piano Copy by mail 25 cents (silver.) Address, Central City Music Co., Jackson, Mich.

The Methodist brethren of the Fairview neighborhood who were recently bereft of their frame house of worship announce that they will soon commence the building of a sod church.

Rev. R. A. Russell will deliver another of his popular lectures at the Episcopal chapel, on Monday, February 8th, at 7:30 p. m. Subject: "Young Ladies". All are cordially invited. Admission free.

There will be a chicken pie social at the Box Elder church, on Tuesday evening, February 16th. Admission and supper 15 cents. Tickets can be purchased with corn or eggs if so desired. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

John Dillon in "Wanted the Earth" is booked for an early appearance in this city. The play is a comic farce, or a farcial comedy. Its amusing situations fit the comedian like a kid glove from his first entrance until the gentle widow rests his bosom at the close of the last act. The play is one in which the audience itself becomes a part of the company, and the house and stage enjoy alike the fun and the frolic as the plot is developed and the exquisitely comical situations are reached. Above everything it is a clean play, there being no word uttered and no situation in any scene calculated to offend the most fastidious. Mr. Dillon's date in McCook is Monday, February 15th.