

The McCook Tribune.

SEVENTEENTH YEAR.

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 3, 1898.

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McBrayer's Barn Burned.

About half past three o'clock, Thursday afternoon, J. S. McBrayer's barn out on East Dennison street was entirely destroyed by fire, together with its entire contents, embracing feed, house-moving tools, apparatus, household goods, etc., entailing a loss of \$2,000, upon which he had no insurance.

The origin of the fire is unknown but can perhaps be traced to that old combination of terror and destruction—the small boy and match.

The work of the department was not up to its usual merit, being slow to get water on the fire effectively. One of the companies did not have a nozzle when it could have had water, and had great difficulty and some delay in "breaking connections" for the nozzle when it was finally on hand. Both companies were hampered by the breaking of hose. The pressure was fine, but was cut down somewhat by leaking hose and unnecessarily long connections.

The small outhouses in the neighborhood went up in flames with the barn, causing small loss to the owners.

Mr. McBrayer was not in town when the fire occurred and arrived home after it was all over.

A horse and a mule were burned, the fire doing its work so swiftly that it was impossible to get them out.

The department confined the fire to the barn and outbuildings noted easily, while small garden hose did good work in that same direction.

THE TRIBUNE extends its sympathy to Mr. McBrayer in his heavy loss.

A Double Burial.

The home of Harry Meyer of Bond-vill precinct has again been invaded by that fell destroyer, diphtheria, and now there are two more vacant chairs in that household. A son of four years of age died on last Thursday afternoon and a daughter of six years died on the following morning at an early hour. On account of the nature of the disease it was decided to bury them both as soon as possible and interment took place on Friday morning in St. Patrick's cemetery of our city.

About four years since this same disease took four children out of this family under most pathetic and distressing circumstances, and in this last sad and severe blow the family will have the deepest and most sincere sympathy of all loving and true hearts.

Close the Sunday "Joint."

THE TRIBUNE wishes to emphatically second the suggestion made by the Republican, last week, to the effect that "Some saloon is violating the Sunday law and should be made to suffer." We have repeatedly directed attention to the violation of the Sunday closing law, and hope the experience of last Sunday a week will have the effect of forcing a closer enforcement of the law. The back door of the saloon should be closed and kept closed over Sunday, if it takes the revocation of a license to do it. It will not be difficult matter to determine who is the offender, either, if an earnest effort is put forth by the police to ascertain the guilty party.

"Uncle Sam's Navy"

Has given a good account of itself and has practically destroyed the Spanish navy. If you want to own splendid, large pictures of the vessels that have accomplished this wonderful work call at THE TRIBUNE office. They only cost ten cents apiece. They are taken from photographs and each portfolio contains full printed descriptions of the vessels, their guns, men and other important facts. Call and see a number. They are well worth the money and will be a delight to any patriotic American.

Too Frail for Earth.

Too frail for earth, the 20-months old child of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mitchell died on Tuesday of this week, having been sickly from birth. The remains were buried in "Longview" cemetery, Wednesday afternoon, after brief services at the house. The parents and family have much sympathy from neighbors and friends in the passing of this frail little one to the Father's house.

The Lady Maccabees Picnic.

The Lady Maccabees, their husbands and friends indulged in a picnic at the Water-works park, last Friday afternoon, which was greatly enjoyed by all participating. There was a large attendance and a fine spread, which, together with the comfortable weather, shade and coolness of the park, and jolly company, made all the heart could desire in that line.

REFRIGERATORS.

All refrigerators on hand after July 15, will be closed out at a very low price.

H. P. WAITE.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings are taking much pride in their firstborn, a daughter born Tuesday.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

RAY C. HALL is visiting the children in Batavia, Iowa, this week.

J. F. GANSCHOW has been visiting his mother in Kansas, this week.

TAYLOR WELLS was down from Culbertson, Wednesday, on business.

BERNICE FRANKLIN is assisting in the Citizens Bank, on the books.

MRS. M. E. KNIPPLE returned home, close of last week, from her visit in the east.

MRS. S. C. BEACH returned, last Friday night, from her visit home in Missouri.

MR. PATRICK is here from Emerson, Iowa, this week, visiting his sister, Mrs. J. A. Gunn.

MISS HATTIE YARGER arrived home, last night, from visiting her brother Oscar at Hartwell.

REGISTER F. M. RATHBUN was called down the road on business, Thursday morning on 2.

MISS GRACE HUSTON is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. J. J. Curran, arriving last Saturday night.

E. E. WELLER is up from Syracuse, Nebraska, on business connected with his extensive interests here.

MRS. J. R. SIRCOLOUMB and the children leave, this afternoon, for their home in Sheridan, Wyoming.

MR. FRANKLIN of Lincoln is the principal-elect of the West ward school. He comes well recommended.

MRS. FRANK HARRIS and Renie indulged in a flying visit to the state capital, last Friday between trains.

A. R. GREENE, inspector of the general land office, has been here, part of the week, in the line of his duty.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES WHEATON and Mrs. J. F. Ganschow went up to Colorado, first of the week, on a visit.

SCOTT DOAN and Frank Strout went down to Omaha, the close of last week, to see the exposition for a few days.

MISS LOTTA STOVER returned, close of last week, from visiting her sister, Mrs. R. H. Chrysler, in Wilsonville.

C. J. RYAN took in the Democratic state convention as one of the delegates from Red Willow county, this week.

MISS MABEL PERRY returned home, latter part of the week past, from a week's visit at the Omaha exposition.

MISS ELIZABETH THOMSON arrived home, close of last week, from Chicago, where she has been taking a normal course during vacation.

W. P. MCCREARY of Hastings was in the city, Wednesday, looking up his political fences. He is a candidate for the nomination as attorney general.

ALBERT THORGRIMSON of THE TRIBUNE force has been spending the week in the neighborhood of Sweetwater on business and in Lincoln on pleasure bent.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN HATFIELD departed on Sunday morning for their home in Decatur, Illinois, after a visit here of a number of weeks, guests of their son, James.

COUNTY CLERK GREEN went in to Lincoln, Monday, to attend the Populist state convention, to which he is a delegate. He will also briefly see the exposition before returning home.

MISS NELLIE GUNN gave a tea party, Tuesday evening, in honor of the Misses Mabel Lowrance, Anna and Mayme Biederman, of Evansville, Indiana, who are here on a visit to Mrs. G. W. Bunting.

L. C. DOLE arrived home, last Friday night, from a visit over in Iowa. He attended the Wesleyan, last term, and has been visiting in Iowa since the close of the university. He will teach in Geneva, the coming term.

MISS MAUD MOORE of Sioux City, Iowa, who has been spending a few weeks here with her sister, Mrs. Dave Wagner, departed for her home, last Sunday. Mrs. Wagner went down to Hastings with her.

J. P. A. BLACK of Bloomington, lawyer, banker and politician, spent the day here, Thursday, on matters political and otherwise. Jim would not raise any insuperable objection should he be nominated for congress from this district.

MRS. FRANK HARRIS was the object of a surprise party, last Saturday evening, on the occasion of her birthday. Quite a large company of neighbors and friends made merry with her over the event, which all hope may be frequently duplicated, may have many happy returns. The surprisers carried simple refreshments and a slight token of their high regard along with them.

Use the 'Hopper Dozer.

Prof. Lawrence Bruner of the Nebraska university addressed a large company of farmers in the city hall, Saturday afternoon last, on how best to destroy the grasshoppers. He held that poison would destroy some, but that it would also destroy domestic animals and birds of all kinds, and for that reason was not the most desirable remedy.

The professor spoke at some length on the use of fungus diseases, both native and South American, in disposing of the pests. His observation is that for quick and effectual work, the fungus diseases cannot be relied upon. The native fungus disease wont work in dry climate and weather and the South American fungus wont operate in North America satisfactorily. He has in his experience of over 25 years, tried many devices and plans, but has found nothing as effective as the 'hopper dozer, a description of which was given in last week's TRIBUNE, in an illustrated article, on this topic. With an ordinary 'hopper dozer he has gathered and killed three bushels of grasshoppers in twenty minutes. He recommends its use strongly. It is a cheap and certain method of disposing of the grasshoppers by mechanical means and he regards mechanical means the most efficient.

The professor urges the use of the most approved and cheapest means in killing grasshoppers, and holds that the most intelligent fighting wins.

Samples were shown and distributed of the native fungus, which is doing good work in some localities hereabout. A number of farmers took samples along home with them, with which to inoculate their grasshoppers.

The 'hopper dozer has been and is being used with success in this vicinity. THE TRIBUNE suggests its use, by those afflicted.

We especially wish to impress upon the farmers of the county the importance of the advice given by the professor concerning the preservation of the birds. The birds are the most valuable friends of the farmers in his fight against all sorts of insect pests. Preserve the birds, if you have to kill off a few hundred hunters. Nebraska is rich in bird life—400 kinds—and there is hardly a damaging or destructive bird among them. Preserve the birds on your farms.

And finally, as the weed patches are the breeding places of the grasshoppers, destroy and remove all the weed patches about the farm and along the roads.

Esther Waring Hayward.

Mrs. Esther Waring Hayward died at the Union house, last Saturday morning at two o'clock and was buried in "River-view" cemetery on the afternoon of the same day, after brief services at the hotel by Rev. Howard Stoy of the Episcopal church.

The deceased was over eighty years of age, long a sufferer from paralysis and mental ailments combined. She came here about three years ago from Indianola. Was the mother of Mrs. Austin, wife of the former agent for the Burlington at Indianola. Two sons and a daughter remain of the family; one son lives in New York state, the daughter in Idaho, and the whereabouts of the other son is unknown. None of them were in attendance at the funeral.

The deceased came from one of the oldest and best known families in New York state.

Death of Mrs. D. R. Kimball.

Mrs. D. R. Kimball of West McCook passed from earth and its cares, Tuesday morning, after an illness of some length. The remains were shipped up to Stratton, Tuesday night on No. 3, and were on Wednesday morning buried in the cemetery in that place. Her husband by second marriage and two sons by her first husband survive her, and have the sympathy of all friends.

A Simple Fracture.

Last Saturday, James Borneman, fell out of his delivery wagon and sustained a slight fracture of his left arm just above the wrist—only one small bone being broken. His injury is not severe and he will be sailing around the corners in fine shape in a week or two.

A Splendid Rain.

A splendid rain fell over this part of Nebraska, Monday night, the precipitation being .68 of an inch. It will help greatly to pull out a good corn crop, which, however, was considerably damaged by the long dry spell preceding.

Large Cattle Shipment.

Tuesday morning, the following shipments of cattle were made from this station to Omaha: William Byfield, 7 cars, 200 head; Joseph Allen, 6 cars, 180 head; James Hatfield, 2 cars, between 40 and 50 head; H. T. Church, 3 cars.

FOR SALE.

Eight choice brood sows for sale. S. G. GOVERN.

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. HICKRY, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Sunday-school at 11:00 a. m. Evening service at 8:00 p. m. Evening song and instruction on Thursdays at 8:00 p. m. REV. HOWARD STOY, Priest in Charge.

BAPTIST—Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11. Subject, "Baptists and Regeneration." Junior Union at 3 p. m. We join in union young people's meeting at 7 and union preaching service at 8 in the M. E. church.

T. L. KETMAN, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday-school at 10. Morning subject, "The Sacrifice Sin Demands." Communion service following the sermon. Union young people's meeting in the Methodist church at 7. Union services at 8. Sermon by Rev. W. J. Turner.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

COUNTY COURT.

The following licenses to wed have been issued since our last report:

Nels P. Bosen of Quick and Mae Maddox of McCook. They were married by the county judge on July 25th.

Bauduy Yearsley and Luella Blake, both of Indianola. They were married by Rev. S. L. Hayden of Indianola on the 29th of July.

Arnold B. Carman and Bessie A. Bodenhamer, both of Stockville. They were married by the county judge on August 1st.

DISTRICT COURT.

The following divorce cases have been filed in the district court, this week:

Laura J. Eifert vs. William H. Eifert, Martha Lagrange vs. Oscar M. Lagrange.

Thomas Rowland vs. Nellie D. Rowland.

Henry O. Wait filed a suit in attachment against George W. Marquardt et al.

Thomas J. Pate vs. Mather L. Brown, Equity.

Western Land Co. vs. John G. Gould et al. Equity.

Western Land Co. vs. George W. Boudin et al.

JULY MORTGAGE RECORD.

The filings and releases of mortgages for July are as follows: Farm filings, \$3,400; releases, \$15,263.35. City filings, \$550; releases, \$950.98. Chattel filings, \$108,983.82; releases, \$5,460.03.

Precinct Delegates.

At the primary elections held in Willow Grove precinct, Saturday evening, the following delegates were chosen from the several precincts to the county convention to be held in our city tomorrow:

First precinct—A. Barnett, V. Franklin, H. H. Troth, H. H. Easterday, H. W. Cole, J. E. Kelley, F. M. Washburn and C. K. Putnam. Second precinct—H. H. Berry, Frank Harris, D. A. Lucas, C. W. Barnes, Ed. Jordan. Third precinct—C. G. Coglizer, R. J. Predmore, Gottlieb Orman, C. I. Hall and Thomas Burge. Fourth precinct—G. R. Johnson, F. S. Curry, G. S. Bishop, O. B. Thorgrimson, W. A. Brown, G. W. Starr.

Grocery and Meat Market.

J. G. Stokes of Hayes Center has rented the J. G. Hamilton building, just south of the postoffice, and as soon as repairs, etc., are made will open a grocery and meat market in the building. He now has a gang of men at work moving the rear building up to the front store room. All will be overhauled, repapered, painted and put in good condition for the new store in the near future. THE TRIBUNE welcomes Mr. Stokes, who is no stranger to McCook or southwestern Nebraska, having long been a resident of this section of the state.

Getting Ready for the Reunion.

The officers of the District Reunion association have begun active work on the arrangements for the coming reunion to be held at the city of McCook commencing Sept. 26. The selection of a suitable site that will be at once commodious and accessible for a camping ground claims their first attention.

It is the intention of the Grand Army people to make this reunion one long to be remembered.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook postoffice on August 2d: Harvey W. Cox A. L. Gonner M. J. Dooley W. H. Eldeak Harry Lever Mrs. H. P. Smith H. M. Erwin.

In calling for any of these letters please say that they are advertised.

F. M. KIMMELL, Postmaster.

Machine Oils at McConnell's.

State Reunion.

The Old Soldier State Reunion will be held at Lincoln, on September 12 to 17 inclusive. A great gathering of the old scar-worn veterans is anticipated. The Spanish-American war crowned with American victory every-where has filled all the people with a martial spirit, and the old heroes are bubbling over with enthusiasm. Many of them would like to go again; more than 2,000 sons of veterans from Nebraska are now at the front and their parents and friends will meet once more and talk over and compare the late Civil War with the present struggle with a proud foreign nation that was once mistress of the seas. These grand army gatherings inspire the rising generations with patriotism and a love for the flag of this great republic. Hereafter there will be a blending of and a fraternal feeling between the old veterans of the north and south lands, such as has not been since 1861. The committee expect a rate of one fare for the round trip. Let everybody get ready for the reunion. The big crops and the delightful summer make both farmers and merchants feel good.

Write to your friends in the east to meet you at the reunion at Lincoln, September 12, 1898.

For concessionary privileges and information write to L. C. Pace, of Lincoln, G. A. R. rooms, Burr block.

There never was a time since this state entered the union when its people could really afford a week of holiday better than this fall.

There are five thousand families in this state who have near relatives in the present war, and the old soldiers hope to see them at the reunion this year, as their sons and brothers who live to return may soon be members of the Grand Army.

Killed by Lightning.

During the rain storm, Monday night, lightning struck in a bunch of horses on the Wilcox & Filcraft ranch, south of the city, killing one horse and stunning a number of others. The animals were in a small alfalfa patch near the house, and were huddled together near the middle of the field, when the lightning did its fatal work.

Basket Social.

The Ladies Circle of the G. A. R. will have a basket social at the home of Mrs. S. L. Green, after the regular business meeting, Saturday, August 13. All members are invited to come and bring their basket with lunch for two, and invite their husband or friend.

The foundation for the new court house is now completed and the workmen are engaged on the foundation for the vaults. Work on the superstructure will soon be under way.

The Famous is feeling the thrill of improving business and is making some interior improvements with the aid and consent of the paper-hanger.

Mrs. H. P. Waite and the children went down to Cambridge, Wednesday morning, to make her sister, Mrs. D. F. Neiswanger, a short visit.

There is an opportunity in tomorrow's convention to name winners and there are not a few indications that the convention will do the right thing.

Many people would not be surprised if Deacon Morlan's "hopper dozer" should bodily gather in the Fifth congressional nomination yet.

Mrs. Mable Upright of Holdrege, who has been visiting friends here for a few weeks past, departed for home the latter part of last week.

County Attorney Keyes is up from Indianola, today, on matters of business pertaining to the law.

The Mystic Star made its monthly appearance on Monday. The order shows a healthy, vigorous growth.

Will McManigal is helping the Burlington agent at Indianola now, while learning telegraphy.

Virgil Latimer drove over to Lincoln county, Tuesday, to be present at the wedding of a friend.

The Bullard lumber people are making some changes in their coal sheds on the company's track.

Mrs. W. F. Crose and Jacob Thomas were the guests of Editor Mitchell first of the week.

The "Valley's Metropolis" is donning a mild-hued suit of "boom" clothes, so some aver.

Judge Burton of Hastings is in the city, today, on business before the county judge.

J. J. Garrard has been confined to the house by sickness for a couple of days past.

Machine Oils at McConnell's.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Machine Oils at McConnell's.

Machine Oils at McMillen's drug store.

Good morning. Have you applied for a divorce?

Guaranteed Mixed Paint at McMillen's Drug Store.

WANTED—Position in store by experienced clerk. Address X, TRIBUNE.

Mesdames Vina Wood and Lottie Brewer had business in Culbertson, Wednesday.

You can get almost anything you want in Oak, Ash or Hickory at Bullard's. 5-3

THE TRIBUNE and The Chicago Inter-Ocean for \$1.35 a year, strictly in advance.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rank arrived home, this morning, from their trip east.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Purvis returned home, last night, from his trip to Illinois.

The Congregational parsonage is well under way. It will be a very neat little structure.

Deacon Morlan is marketing his small grain crop, this week. His grasshopper crop will come next.

Creston, Iowa, residences to trade for McCook or near by realty. J. E. BARN-GROVER, Creston, Iowa.

James Hatfield returned home, last night, from his trip to the Omaha market with a large shipment of cattle.

The Famous Clothing Co. calls attention to its special announcement in this issue of the paper. Don't overlook it.

W. C. Bullard & Co. keep Ash, Oak and Hickory in almost any size or shape. 5-3

A few fine refrigerators to be closed out at cost. Buy one now and save money. H. P. WAITE.

Four new business houses in one month will do well. McCook may be said to be in it with both pedal extremities.

The members of the Baptist Sunday-school enjoyed the pleasure of a picnic in the Fitch grove, yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. F. G. Westland and Lillian Roman arrived home, Thursday afternoon, from a short visit to friends down the road.

Garbers are having their store repaired, this week, and are in the hands of the carpenters, paper-hangers and painters.

A company of little friends, helped Mary Cole celebrate her tenth birthday, Tuesday afternoon, in a happy, joyous way common to the little folk.

McCook has a nominee on the state ticket of the Liberty Party" in the person of Mrs. A. W. Etter, candidate for superintendent of public instruction.

William Valentine, our late superintendent of schools, has an article in Murray's magazine, of recent date. He is still with Erwin Hopt on the farm near Bartley.

We are making a special low price on the remainder of those navy pictures. Call and get a set of twelve before they are all gone. The price will sell the few left in a hurry.

The Phillips half of the Meeker-Phillips building has been rented by George E. Thompson, who expects to open a dry goods store in the same on or about the 20th of August.

A. P. McMains, an aged farmer of the Fandon neighborhood, died on last Friday, and was buried in a cemetery in that section of Frontier county on the following day. He was 63 years of age.

The people out west of us are congratulating themselves that Miss Tillotson did not go out there and fill her engagements with them, as they can fill afford to lose any of their chattel belongings, dress patterns etcetera.

Ben Olcott, Jr., was taken in, last Friday, by the police, for being drunk and disorderly, and fined \$3 and costs, in all \$3.45, which he was given the alternative of working out or going to jail. He showed little disposition to work. The police report him troublesome.

The Topics plant is to be taken to Orleans and we have made arrangements for a plant from Wilsonville. The change is to be made before our next issue and while we hope to be on time next week, our readers need not be surprised if we are not. The plant we have been using was rented, but we will buy the one we are now getting.—Danbury Topics.

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