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Unprecedentedly Cold.

The weather of the past two weeks and over is unanimously voted as having been without precedent in the history of the state within the past twenty years at least. The cold wave culminated on last Saturday night and Sunday morning, when the crest of the wave touched this part of Nebraska, thermometers over the city registering from 35 to 42 degrees below zero. Most of the thermometers in the city were not made to register such cold, twenty to thirty below zero being the lowest they could register, and in these instruments the mercury went out of sight, cozily hiding away in the bulbs of the thermometers.

While we know of no suffering, there doubtless was some among the poorer people of the city and country, and in a few instances help was extended by private parties.

Water pipes and flowers all over the city were frozen, in fact few homes or business places escaped the disastrous work of Jack Frost, who made himself felt in places that have always escaped hitherto.

The night of February 11th will long indicate the coldest weather ever experienced in Southwestern Nebraska.

It's Only Excessive Modesty.

It is to be fondly hoped that the public does not take the newspapers of McCook as representative of the business enterprise of the city. That is, we mean, that we fondly hope the people who buy goods will not look over the advertising pages of the McCook papers and from their lack of advertisements decide that the business men of McCook have no goods to sell or are lacking in enterprise, or anything of that sort. The facts are that the merchants of McCook have as many goods as ever, and perhaps are selling them as reasonably as ever, and that the merchants of McCook are as anxious to sell goods as they have ever been, and all that. The reason they do not use printer's ink must not be attributed to any lack of faith in advertising, or fear that the newspaper men will become too fat and saucy from excessive wealth, or anything of that sort, but must be credited to sheer modesty—nothing else.

Annual Election of Directors.

The McCook building and savings association held its annual meeting for the election of directors, Monday night, the 14th instant, and the result of the election was as follows: For three years, J. J. Garrard, Emerson Hanson and F. M. Kimmell; for one year, J. A. Wilcox. A review of the business of the association for the past year shows the institution to be in very satisfactory condition. The sale of shares in the new series opened in February is progressing nicely, offering a profitable investment to all who have a little spare money to place.

Scored a Big Fright.

The misbehavior of a coal oil heater in the basement of C. L. DeGross & Co.'s store, last Saturday afternoon, gave everybody on Main street a big fright. The oil in the heater caught fire. An alarm was raised, and the department responded, but no water was thrown, the fire being extinguished without it. A lively scare was scored, as the weather was intensely cold, and it was a bad time for a fire, and a dangerous locality, too.

Several Well Improved Ranches.

Large or small, in Chase or adjoining counties, for sale or lease, watered by best stream in the state, plenty of alfalfa land under irrigation. Large range, great grass country. No better place in the west for cattle or sheep. Small farms to sell at small prices. Parties wanting to either buy or lease a ranch will do well to correspond with the undersigned.

ARTERBURN BROS., Imperial, Neb.

King-Fadness.

On Tuesday, February 14, 1899, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. King on Spring Creek, this county, their son George F. King and Ingeborg Fadness were made husband and wife in the presence of the members of the family and a few friends. The happy couple were the recipients of a number of beautiful presents. They enter their new relation with the best wishes of all.

Father Knowles Dead.

The death of Father Knowles of Culson, which occurred on Saturday, February 11th, at that place, will bring to the hearts of all in this city who knew him a feeling of pain. He was in his 90th year, and was one of the grand old men whom all felt it a benediction to know.

"What is more pleasant than a day in June?" The cook who uses Bullard's Sheridan coal. IT IS CLEAN.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

H. D. VICKREY of Bartley was the guest of the Dole boys a few days, this week.

MRS. BALL of the McCook surgical hospital went down to Lincoln, Tuesday morning.

W. C. BULLARD was out from Omaha, Tuesday, on business connected with his interests here.

ALFRED CARTER has joined the family here, and he expects to farm here, the coming season.

W. O. NORVAL, who spends much of his time on the road now, is home on a visit to the family.

REV. G. W. SHEAFOR is down in Council Grove, Morris county, Kansas, holding a series of meetings.

FRED WOODCOCK of the Commercial house returned home, Saturday morning, from a flying visit to Omaha.

MRS. FRANK KENDLEN went down to Hastings, Sunday morning on 2, returning home on 1, Tuesday morning.

THE MISSES RYAN entertained a company of young friends, last Saturday evening, in an ably clever manner.

J. T. BULLARD of Palisade, his many friends in the city will be pained to hear, has been quite sick for some time.

HERMAN PADE indulged in a flying business trip to Hastings, Wednesday, returning home on 2, Thursday morning.

WILL S. JAY of the Lincoln Journal dropped into the city, Friday last, in the interest of the subscription list of that paper.

MRS. FRANK HARRIS was down from Denver, last Saturday night, to attend the Gunn reception in honor of Mrs. C. M. Noble.

MR. AND MRS. H. H. EASTERDAY arrived home, Monday morning, from their trip to Chicago in the interest of his health.

REPRESENTATIVE HATHORN came up from Lincoln, Saturday morning on 1, on his way to Bartley to spend Sunday at home. He went down on No. 12.

MRS. MOWBRAY of Lincoln is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Pope, coming up, first of the week, from Oxford, where she has been visiting relatives.

MRS. C. M. NOBLE departed for her home in Harlan, Iowa, yesterday morning, after spending a week enjoying a visit to her many oldtime friends and neighbors.

MRS. N. L. CRONKHITE came down from Denver, last Friday morning, and spent a few days here, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Burns, while en route to Wisconsin.

WILLIAM DARLINGTON will start, Sunday, for Clearfield, Iowa, with a carload of goods. The family will start a little later. May success attend them in their new home.

GEORGE E. THOMPSON enjoyed a brief visit from his brother C. W. Thompson of St. Anthony, Idaho, last Friday, while the brother was en route for Chicago, to buy goods for his mercantile establishment in St. Anthony.

MR. AND MRS. J. T. BULLARD came down from Palisade, Wednesday evening, and took the night train on to Omaha, where they go for treatment for Mr. Bullard, whose health is considerably impaired. W. C. Bullard of Omaha accompanied them.

District Court.

Court opened on Monday and closed, Thursday. The docket was pretty well cleared. The following criminal cases were disposed of: State vs. Oliver Bush, assault with intent to kill; three years in the penitentiary and costs taxed at \$36. State vs. Dennis Fitzgerald, assault; dismissed by the state. State vs. Flora Oehler; dismissed by state. Sidney Dodge vs. I. M. Smith, deputy sheriff, replevin; plaintiff given possession of the horses, and \$2.45 found due the defendant on the cattle. Court adjourned till May 16th. Equity proceedings in next week's paper.

The judge said "Three years." We do not expect our stock of coal to last that long, but we stir 'em by mail and poke 'em by wire and still have some of Bullard's Maitland nut and a limited amount of Sheridan, and will fill your orders promptly.

The family of Conductor H. A. Ronch is quarantined with diphtheria.

Howe Smith is off duty with a badly cut hand, this week.

Social Happenings.

The presence of Mrs. C. M. Noble in the city has been the occasion of a number of charming social functions, the past week. Mrs. Noble arrived in the city, close of last week, from her home in Harlan, Iowa, and notwithstanding the severe weather, there have been receptions, at homes, dinner and tea parties galore in her honor by her many friends of yore. Her active social life while a long resident of our city will be remembered with pleasure by all, and her wide circle of friends here have been endeavoring to make her brief stay as pleasurable as time and opportunity will permit.

THE MISSES DOAN ENTERTAIN.

The Misses Doan entertained a large company of friends, last evening, in honor of Miss Norma Noble, who has been visiting in the city for some time and will depart on Tuesday of next week for her home, Harlan, Iowa. Social amusements, dainty refreshments, and other charming features made the evening one to be recalled with pleasure by those present.

AN EVENING PARTY.

On Monday evening, Mrs. Charlotte Brewer gave an evening party in honor of Mrs. C. M. Noble, in which a large company of neighbors and oldtime friends participated. Refreshments were served during the evening, which was one of the most felicitous of the series of entertainments given in honor of Mrs. Noble during her short stay in the city.

MRS. GUNN'S AT HOME.

Saturday evening, Mrs. J. A. Gunn was at home to a large company of ladies in honor of Mrs. C. M. Noble. The list of guests numbered about sixty, and despite the way-below-zero weather, the Gunn residence was crowded with guests on the happy occasion. There was a fine spread of refreshments, and the affair is voted a social success of large proportions by all in attendance.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY.

There was a large attendance upon the meeting of the Dorcas society, Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was in the nature of an informal entertainment of a former president and active member, Mrs. C. M. Noble. Refreshments were served, and an altogether delightful meeting was held.

A SIX O'CLOCK DINNER.

On Tuesday, Mrs. F. M. Kimmell had in about a score of guests to a six o'clock dinner, with Mrs. Noble as the guest of honor.

A TEA PARTY.

Last Friday evening, Mrs. Vina Wood gave a tea party to a company of lady friends, to meet Mrs. Noble.

Mrs. C. E. Pope entertained a number of lady friends, Monday evening, at a supper in Mrs. Noble's honor.

The Annual Dinner.

Remember the twelfth annual dinner and bazaar given by the ladies of the Methodist church, next Wednesday, the 22d.

DINNER MENU.

Cranberry Sauce.	Chicken Pie
Potato Snow.	Scalloped Tomatoes
Boston Baked Beans.	Currant Jelly
Mixed Pickles.	Celery
Jelly.	Doughnuts
Cheese.	Fruits.
Tea.	Coffee.
SUPPER.	
Cold Ham.	Lemon
French Fried Potatoes.	Plum Jelly
Cold Sliced Beef.	Saratogo Chips.
Celery.	Cold Chicken
Eggs Awe Herbes.	
French Rolls.	Boston Brown Bread
Pickles.	Olives.
Fancy Cakes.	
Tea.	Coffee.

By courtesy of Robert Byers of the Palace hotel the ladies will use the room recently vacated by C. A. Leach. Dinner will be served from 11:30 and supper per from 5 p. m.

Charlie Knights No More.

Charles W. Knights, after a long and painful illness, passed from earth at the home of his brother in Cambridge, Monday night. The body was taken to Denver for interment, which took place on Wednesday. One of the most widely known characters in the Republican valley has gone to his long home. Peace to him and great sympathy and consolation to his bereaved wife and children.

Good thing the weather man gave us a little rest, this week, or we could not have told you about those rough white pine two-by-fours six feet long that Bullard is selling for fence posts. Cheap, you bet.

McCormell's Balsam cures coughs.

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.

CHRISTIAN—Services in the Odd Fellows hall as follows: Bible school at 10 a. m. Sermon at 11. Junior Y. P. S. C. E. at 3 and Senior Y. P. S. C. E. at 7. Evening sermon at 8. All are cordially invited.

T. P. BEALL, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, Morning Prayer and Litany. Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock, Evening Prayer. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Friday evening lecture at 8:00 o'clock. Holy communion the first Sunday in each month.

HOWARD STOV, Rector.

METHODIST—Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11. Class at 12. Junior League at 2:30, Miss M. Baker, Supt. Epworth League at 7. Prayer and Bible study on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Preaching morning and evening by Rev. W. J. Boyd of Indianola. All are welcome.

JAS. A. BADCON, Pastor.

BAPTIST—Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Junior Union at 3 p. m. Senior Union at 7. Gospel services at 8. Pastor's morning subject, "Testing a promise." Evening theme, "Power with God and Men." Revival services at 8 o'clock each evening next week. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

T. L. KETMAN, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday-school at 10. Preaching service at 11. Senior Endeavor at 7. Preaching service at 8. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. All are welcome. Morning subject, "The Philosophy of Cain." Evening subject, "A Lesson From Washington in the Critical Period of American History." W. J. TURNER, Pastor.

Protracted meetings will be held in the South McCook Methodist church, next week.

The literary circle meets in the high school Assembly room, this evening. Subject, "Benjamin Franklin."

PUBLIC SCHOOL ITEMS.

SPECTACULAR ENTERTAINMENT.

The entertainments to be given in the Assembly room of the high school, on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday, February 27th and 28th, by Mr. Swift and his marvelous microscope and telescope promise to be highly instructive and entertaining, and well worth the price asked, 25 cents. The proceeds will be devoted to buying a microscope for the public schools of the city. Both evenings there will be short talks by Mr. Swift descriptive of the microscope and telescope and the objects they reveal. Under his marvelous instruments a flea will appear to be the size of an elephant, and a fly to have 8,000 eyes. Grains of sand will appear to be boulders. The probabilities are that you will regret it if you fail to attend. Remember, two nights, high school Assembly room, Monday and Tuesday, 27th and 28th, 25 cents.

Rev. Turner addressed the Assembly on Tuesday, using "Lincoln" as his subject.

Norman Campbell and A. B. Thorgimsson were visitors, Wednesday afternoon.

The Eighth grade had charge of the exercises, last Friday afternoon. Lincoln, his life, etc., were the subjects.

No school in the West ward, Monday, on account of the freezing of the supply pipe to the boiler. Those excavating found frost at the depth of three and a half feet below the surface. Sessions were resumed as usual on Tuesday morning.

The net proceeds of the Primary school entertainment have been divided equally among the primary grades of the East, West and South schools, giving each the sum of \$20. Each school has purchased a primary number chart for \$12.50 and kindergarten and primary supplies to the amount of \$7.50.

The city council of Wurzburg, Bavaria, the seat of a university, has just taken action which Commercial Agent Stern at Hamburg says is worthy of imitation in the United States. In accordance with this action teeth of the poor pupils of the public schools of Wurzburg are to be examined and cared for, free of cost, provided the parents give their consent. The commercial agent says it is also intended to treat diseases of the ear and throat in like manner, should the teeth experiment prove successful.

A copy of Uncle Sam's Navy Portfolio for 1900. The series of 12 for \$1. At THE TRIBUNE office.

RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

The pay checks came on Sunday morning.

Engineer H. M. Dixon is laying off with a sprained ankle.

301 is down from Denver, this week, for a general overhauling.

A diphtheria card was placed on L. W. Stayner's house, last Friday.

Supt. Campbell was in Lincoln, Monday, on business of the Western division.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Olson buried their infant, Wednesday. It was but two days old.

W. W. Webster came up from Red Cloud, Monday night, on a short visit at headquarters.

Charles McManigal came up from Red Cloud, Sunday night on 3, on a visit at headquarters.

179 has been sent up to Denver to do switching, during the shortage of regular switch engines there.

Will McManigal came up, Saturday night, from Beaver City, to spend a few days at headquarters.

285, pulling an extra, ran into the rear of a U. P. train, Sunday, mashing in the front end of the engine.

Fireman Newkirk and family returned home, Monday on 1, from a visit of a number of weeks in the east.

Mrs. J. C. Birdsall of Alliance has been called to Buffalo, N. Y., to the bedside of her mother, who is seriously ill.

Brakeman Walter Cox went down to Red Cloud, first of the week, to remain a couple weeks, visiting friends and relatives while recovering from his recent injury.

Mark Lawritson, Burlington agent at Holbrook, brother of M. Lawritson of Supt. Campbell's office, was married to Miss Mary Nelson of Red Cloud, Tuesday evening.

H. E. Marvin, late chief dispatcher up at Sheridan, is making a tour of the south, looking over the country. He was recently heard from at Savannah, Georgia.

Four engines have been temporarily leased by the B. & M. from the C. B. & Q., for service on the Wyoming line, on account of the extra traffic resulting from the late snow blockade.

Trainmen on the Pennsylvania railroad are now paid for their services from the time they report at the places for duty until they return. In the past they have been paid from the time they received their orders at the office, or when they left to make up the train.

W. L. Henry of the shop force has been very sick at his room in the Union house with an attack of grip. He was irrational for a number of days, but is getting on nicely at this writing. His mother came out from Malcomb, Iowa, to nurse him through his sickness.

The rumor has been received that the Burlington is soon to make this branch a part of the main line, building a cut-off some where in Colorado, in order to shorten the distance and make quicker time to Denver. Some already list this among the probabilities. It is significant that the high officials have made several trips up the line in the past few months.—Bertrand Herald.

Definite announcement was made by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad today that a deal has been made by which the latter road absorbs the Keokuk & Western railroad, which parallels the main line of the Burlington road west of Keokuk to Van Wert and connects with the Mumeston & Shenandoah branch of the Burlington, thus giving the Burlington another through line from Keokuk to Omaha and connections with Kansas City. The official announcement of the deal will be made in a few days.

Conductor George Willets caught a passenger who was trying to beat his way from Akron to McCook, recently, very neatly. The passenger in question only purchased his ticket from Denver to Akron; but the conductor noticed that the Akron passenger did not get off at Akron, but could not locate his man, who by putting his hat into another passenger's hat, that was properly ticketed, escaped detection, notwithstanding the conductor kept a sharp look-out for him. Finally, he sent the car porter into the car with a blank telegram, instructing him to call out the name Stokes—the passenger in question had a mileage book and the conductor remembered his name. The passenger fell into the trap easily, putting up a game about not being put off at Akron etc., but finally paying his fare.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Try McMillen's Cough Cure.

Order stove-wood of Bullard.

You should try Loar for drugs.

Take your prescriptions to Loar's.

WANTED—Short-hand pupils. L. W. Stayner.

A son was born to Mrs. Nettie McCarl, last Thursday.

Ash Wednesday marked the advent of the Lenten season.

THE TRIBUNE and The Toledo Blade for \$1.25 a year, strictly in advance.

This paper and the great St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic for \$1.75 a year.

There is a special order for work in the Red and Black, February 23d and 24th.

STOP—At the new drug store for drugs and notions. One door north National Bank.

An attractive assortment of box writing papers, very reasonable, at THE TRIBUNE office.

Yes, Bullard's have a complete stock of fence posts, barbed wire, hog fencing and poultry netting, and the prices are right.

H. T. Church is making some improvements on the old Johnston farm, northwest of the city limits, preparatory to feeding some cattle there.

Don't make any arrangements for your year's reading matter without consulting THE TRIBUNE. We can club with any paper or magazine you wish and save you money.

When Deacon Morlan made his appearance down town, Sunday morning, in an overcoat and fur cap, the natives took it for granted that it was cold, without referring to their thermometers—and it was a little.

The work of painting the Commercial house is progressing under the direction and superintendency of Col. Corwin, who is taking considerable pride in making repairs to the hostelry and improving its appearance.

An opportunity was afforded those so minded to vent their small spite by sending a comic, Tuesday. However, many handsome mementoes of the day were handled by Uncle Sam, notwithstanding the day—St. Valentine's day—is passing away.

A boy named Willie Ritchie has been an occupant of the hospital since Tuesday, when he was brought down from Trenton for treatment for an injured leg. He got tangled up in the tumbling rod of a horse-power and had some of the ligaments at the knee torn loose, making a very painful hurt.

It is reported that William H. Barger, son of Mrs. M. E. Barger of our city, is again in a mental condition that warrants his removal to an institution for treatment. He lives just over the county line in Hitchcock and the authorities up there ought to take the matter in hand, if the reports current here are true.

A newspaper whose columns overflow with advertisements of business men has more influence in attracting attention to and building up a town than any other agency that can be employed. People go where there is business; capital and labor where there is an enterprising community. No power on earth is so strong to build up a town as a newspaper well patronized, and its power should be appreciated.—Talmage.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Licenses to marry were issued, this week, to the following couples:

William J. Scarrow of Danbury and Maggie Scrips of Indianola. They were married on Monday by Rev. Father Sproll of Indianola.

George F. King and Ingeborg Fadness, both of McCook. They were married by Rev. E. J. Vivian.

Final settlement has been made in the matter of the estate of Michael Travers and the administrator discharged.

Letters of administration have been granted John E. Kelley in the matter of the estate of Mathilda Berndt, deceased.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook postoffice on Feb. 12th:

John Blake,	C. B. Anderson,
Wm. Baker,	Frank Barney,
N. A. Baker,	A. O. Dedrick,
W. A. Cale,	James Gregory,
Jake Griggs,	Miss Nellie Igit,
Frank Goren,	C. C. Scanlan,
Ruby Wilson,	Hugh Roberts,
John Spry,	John W. McClelland,
M. Reddy,	Frank Kean,

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

F. M. KIMMELL, Postmaster.