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## Resignation of Rev. T. L. Ketman.

After the regular services of the First Baptist church, last Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. T. L. Ketman, by a member of the church board, offered the following resignation, which was duly accepted by the members of the church:

### RESIGNATION.

McCook, Neb., January 18, 1900.  
To the members of the First Baptist church:

My beloved brethren: In the spring of 1898 I commenced my pastorate with you in joy that we were privileged to work together for our common Master; in approaching the spring of 1900 I close my pastorate with you in sorrow that we are to be separated from each other in future labors.

After careful and prayerful consideration of all the interests involved, I have reached the conclusion that our relation as pastor and people must, in a few weeks, at most, cease to exist.

I ask, therefore, that you accept my resignation as your pastor, to take effect not later than March 1st, 1900, or should you find yourself able to secure the service of another overseer earlier than March 1st, say by February 1st, I would be pleased to close my labors with you at this late date. I make special request that you gratify me by accepting my resignation after the morning service, January 21st, at which it shall be read by a member of the board of deacons, thus saving me the pain of further consideration of the matter.

Sad as it makes my heart to lay down the high and holy trust among you, I do it solely because of duty, and duty, I have always sought to teach you, should always determine the steps of Christ's servants.

My wife and I will have sweet memories of our associations with you in the house of worship and in the home. Lovingly we remember you at the merciful Throne of Divine Grace.

"Now, may the God of Peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

### In His Name,

T. L. KETMAN.

Action was taken on the resignation in the following language:

### ACCEPTANCE.

In accepting the resignation of our pastor, Rev. T. L. Ketman, we wish to record our appreciation of his work in this field, which has been most effective for the welfare of this church in knowledge, holiness and comfort, and for the strengthening and upbuilding of the Baptist denomination here, and in this Southwestern Baptist association.

We also are mindful of the faithful labors of Sister Ketman in all branches of the church's activities, and in consenting to the severance of their relations with us, we bid them God-speed and bespeak for them a warm place in the hearts of God's people wheresoever they may cast their lot. Signed,

### ELSIE L. BURGESS,

Clerk of First Baptist Church,  
Passed Jan. 21, 1900. McCook, Neb.

Rev. Ketman has accomplished a most satisfactory mission, since his residence in our city, and the community at large will join the membership of the First Baptist church in expressions of regret that he has seen fit to resign his pastorate here.

### New Sales Amphitheater.

The stock yards authorities at South Omaha have notified W. N. Rogers of the Shadeland stock farm that the new sales amphitheater now in course of construction at South Omaha will be completed and in readiness for the Shadeland sale, February 16th. Mr. Rogers is given assurances that the stock yards officials are making every effort to make the sale the large success it deserves to be and doubtless will be.

### Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook postoffice on Jan. 21st: Ira Bishop, Miss Ella Graham, David Givins, Charles S. Hoover, Isaac Bouham, Amos Leonard, George Landers, Miss Gertie Moore, Martha Conrade, George T. Powell.

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

F. M. KIMMELL, Postmaster.

### Basket Social.

The ladies of South McCook M. E. church will give a basket social at the church on Saturday evening, February 3d. Everybody is invited to come and spend a social evening. Ladies are requested to bring a basket with lunch for two.

Waite's card will save you 15 per cent.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

A. H. HATT is in the city on insurance business.

O. B. THORGRIMSON had business in Imperial, Monday.

R. A. COUPE is up from Falls City, the guest of C. J. O'Brien.

MR. AND MRS. J. L. WHITE of Curtis were Commercial guests, Sunday.

MRS. J. E. BRYNER went down to Red Cloud, Tuesday, on a visit to relatives.

MISS SELMA NOREN arrived home, Monday night, from her visit to Lincoln.

MISS JOIE ROY of Falls City is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. W. Conner.

MRS. MARY HUMPHREY and family have returned to the city from Creston, Iowa.

MISS ONA SIMONS returned home from her Denver visit, Wednesday evening on 6.

H. H. BERRY delivered a lecture for the Star of Jupiter in Stratton, Monday evening.

J. H. MEYER arrived home, Wednesday night, from a short business visit to Lincoln.

MRS. J. E. KELLEY is in Hastings, this week, visiting his sister, Mrs. Norris Beecher.

MRS. A. CAMPBELL and Mrs. A. L. Knowland are spending the day in Lincoln, today.

HENRY LEHMAN of Culbertson was in the city, Saturday, on matters of personal business.

O. L. EVERIST was down from Culbertson, Saturday, attending to business in his late home.

H. W. COLE was in Eustis on Star of Jupiter business, yesterday, arriving home on 1, today.

A. B. CHAMBERLAIN departed, Tuesday morning, for new business location, Shickley, Fillmore county.

C. L. DEGRUFF was up from Nebraska City, early in the week, looking after his business interests here.

F. D. HARDING returned, last week, from the mine up in Colorado, where he has been employed for some time.

W. C. BULLARD was out from Omaha, first of the week, on business connected with his lumber and coal interests here.

J. L. MCPHEELY of Minden was in the city, Sunday night, going up the Imperial branch, Monday morning, to attend district court in Imperial.

O. W. DEWALD of the Trenton Register spent a few hours in the city, Monday, on his way down to Lincoln, to attend the Nebraska Press association meeting.

M. J. ABBOTT, the "grand old man" of the Hayes Center Republican, was in the city, between trains, Monday, en route to the annual convocation of pencil pushers at Lincoln, this week.

MRS. J. A. PIPER was up from Lincoln, Monday, a few hours, on her way home after visiting her mother at Alma. Receiver Piper accompanied her home to Lincoln, Monday night on 6.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIS GOSSARD and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shumaker were up from Indianola, Sunday, to see the grand-child and, incidentally, to visit their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Gossard.

A. R. CRUZEN, the Curtis banker, was in the valley's metropolis, Saturday, on business. His bank has just recently been granted charter to become a national bank under the title of the First National Bank of Curtis, Nebraska.

MISS MAUD DOAN, A. B. Wood and Walter Stokes drove up to Culbertson, last Saturday evening, to attend a party given by Mrs. J. W. Wray in honor of Miss Maud Wood of this place, who was visiting there, closing days of last week.

JARED BENNETT of Cambridge and H. R. Travis of Curtis spent part of the week in the city assisting C. B. Gray in auditing the accounts of Supreme Secretary Cole and Supreme Treasurer Harris of the Star of Jupiter. Their report will appear in the February Mystic Star.

IRA COLE of "A Hot Paper in a Hot Hot Town" and Court Reporter Eisenhart were with us briefly, Monday evening, on their way to Lincoln to attend the state press association meeting—the former in an editorial capacity and the latter as stenographer of the occasion. Ira's presence at the meetings made it possible to dispense with heat altogether.

Give Loar of McCook your drug trade for 1900.

Among ranges the Majestic is first.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

Majestics lead the procession.

## Two New Directors.

At the regular monthly business meeting of the board of directors of the McCook Co-Operative Building and Savings association, Saturday evening, D. A. Lucas and W. B. Mills were appointed by President Campbell and approved by the board as members of the board of directors to fill vacancies made by the removal and resignations of J. F. Ganschow and H. G. Borneman. A loan of \$500 was authorized. Order was made for the printing of circulars advertising the advantages of the association to both borrower and investor; also for the printing of the revised by-laws and constitution of the association.

The McCook building association is reported by the examiner to be in fine condition and is recommended to those wishing to invest their savings or to build themselves homes on the installment plan.

## A Surprise Social.

Last evening, Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Ketman were the objects of a "surprise social" of the happiest particulars. About two score of his late parishioners and friends in the city dropped in upon the couple, pulling their provision train along with them, and the evening was passed most happily. The reverend gentleman and his estimable wife have made many friends in the city during their residence with us, and they all join THE TRIBUNE in wishing them all the good things imaginable wherever they may locate in the gospel work.

A handsome and valuable expression of good-will was presented the couple, during the evening, as a slight token of regard, and a very pleasant evening closed with but one source of regret—the fact that the occasion meant one of early separation and not of continued fellowship.

## The School Entertainment.

A large gathering was attracted to the East school, last Friday evening, to the school entertainment given for the benefit of the High School Athletic club—indeed so large was the crowd that many failed to gain admission to the assembly room in which the performance was given, and it was necessary to repeat the programme on the following evening. One of the features was a storiote by Frank H. Spearman. Everything passed off in good shape, but the lantern, which has not been in commission for some time, was a source of a little annoyance. The athletic fund was augmented by a very considerable sum.

## She Put Them to Shame.

Last Sunday, while a gang of men and boys were endeavoring to urge a dog to the destruction of a harmless cat, on the streets of the city, a young lady, who has won the admiration of THE TRIBUNE thereby, bravely faced the entire gang, and walked into the scene of conflict and rescued tabby from its impending doom. It is safe to say, that there was not a man or boy in that gang but would have sold himself for the price of a mutilated penny.

## 1900 Not a Leap Year.

The reason why 1900 will not be a leap year although it is divisible by four, is that according to the Gregorian system, on which our calendar is based, the closing year of a century is never a leap year unless it is exactly divisible by 400. The next leap year will be 1904, the last having been 1896. Ever since 1600 the leap years at the end of a century have been separated by a gap of eight years, but the year 2000 will interrupt the series.

## Will Form a New Class.

All patrons having five-year-old children, or beginners, to start to school this term, are requested to bring or send them to the City Hall school on Monday, January 29th, 1900, or as soon after as possible. A new class will be formed on that date, and it is highly desirable to have all start together. Beginners living south of the railroad tracks should enter the South school.

## A. L. CAVINESS, Supt.

## For Sale.

Five-room house, barn, two lots, hedge and fruit trees; fine location—corner of Dakota and Manchester streets, McCook. Write H. G. DIXON, Kennett Square, Penn.

S. M. Cochran & Co. have the best guaranteed quality of goods at right prices, as well as the cheaper grades of goods at correspondingly low prices. They can fit any pocket-book or suit any taste.

You can't afford to miss the splendid story now running in THE TRIBUNE. It is one of the finest of the day.

Waite will save you money on hardware, stoves, harness, curry combs and brushes.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

For good milk try the new dairy.

## RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

Conductor C. O. LeHew was up from Hastings, Wednesday, on third No. 77.

Charlie Heber spent Sunday in Denver, with his brother John, who is sick with pneumonia.

R. B. Carlton of the master mechanic's office was with relatives in Norton, Kansas, over Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Goldtrap departed, Wednesday night, for Pueblo, Colorado, where he has a position on one of the railroads in that state.

Fireman Walter Clark was up from Republican City over Sunday. The ballast gang was engaged all last week in spreading Denver slag on Mascot hill.

A number of the boys engaged in a "needle threading" contest, one night this week, with Jim Egan the prize-winner at the thirteenth or fourteenth effort.

The Burlington right-of-way men are buying property in Brush, which is regarded as indicating that the Alliance extension will be a sure go during this year.

I. T. BENJAMIN and family departed, this week, for Grand Island, this state, where they will make their future home, with the best wishes of all their McCook friends.

Under the new Burlington relief rules many of the railroad men are increasing their accident benefits and insurance by taking such higher classification as their wages will warrant.

While coupling cars in the Akron yards, last Friday aweek, Switchman J. W. Gerlinger had a thumb slightly mashed between the bumpers, laying him off for a few weeks.

Engineer Stephen Finn's many friends on the division will be pleased to learn that he has been appointed engine inspector at McCook. He commenced work on Monday morning of this week.

The change of a single figure cost the Pennsylvania railroad lines, west of Pittsburg, nearly a quarter of a million of dollars. When the year 1900 came in about 300,000,000 new tickets were put on sale, and the millions whose places they took will be reduced to ashes.

In a circular which has been posted on the walls of the Pullman sub-offices at the union depot a reduction in the wages of sleeping car conductors is announced. The amount of the cut is said to be, in many cases, as much as 20 per cent. Whether the reduction is to be made among all employes of the company, or is to be enforced only on some lines is a question.

It is announced that Shepherdson & Long, grading contractors, have been awarded the work on the Bridgeport-Brush line of the Burlington from the Nebraska line south to Brush. This is said to be a very nice piece of grading work with few heavy cuts or fills. In Nebraska there will be some heavy work south of and near Sidney. The Burlington will cross the Union Pacific line at Sidney overhead, bringing the grade up to the latter's line to the height of thirty feet. South of Sidney at one place a grade of forty-seven feet will be required and at some places the graders will find rock to be taken out of the cuts.

It is intimated that the Burlington has in mind securing possession of the Akron water-works—at any rate Chief Engineer Holmes Blair of Lincoln, Master Mechanic Archibald, and Fred Jernberg of the water service, from this place, were in Akron, Thursday of last week, looking over the plant, and, according to a local paper, "thoroughly inspecting the plant, remaining upwards of an hour at the pump house looking over the property. Just what they will do about it is problematical but it has been known for a long time that the B. & M. has had an eye on the property and it looks like the bondholders and the railroad company may come to terms and indebtedness against the town be cancelled by the company buying the outstanding bonds, which can be had at a reasonable figure, and the company operate the water-works as its own property. This should silence the reports that start at intervals that the company intend to move the division from Akron to Brush. It would indicate that the company is planning for an increase in the use of water and it is among the range of possibilities that the Brush-Alliance trains will run to Akron where connections will be made. The company does this below here on the Frenchman line, which has its junction at Culbertson, continues its trains to McCook, a distance of fifteen miles, and only a switchman is needed at Culbertson."

See H. P. Waite for stoves and ranges.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

For good milk try the new dairy.

## Church Dedication.

The Garden Prairie M. E. church, located at Quick, Neb., was dedicated Jan. 7th. Presiding Elder W. A. Hardaway's sermon, which was fully up-to-date and a masterpiece for the occasion, was listened to by a full house. The church presented a neat and cosy appearance and the people all wore smiles and seemed quite at home. A few from a distance were present, but no strangers, and the occasion was pleasing to all. Our pastor J. V. Robinson performed his part well.

Just before closing, Elder Hardaway called on the congregation for subscriptions to lift the debt, including the church extension loan of \$100. He found twelve ten-dollar men, seventeen five-dollar men and women, several two and one-dollar persons; in all, \$238. All felt like shaking hands and praising God for the good work that has been done.

It was a lovely day, more like September than January. The event so long anticipated was fully realized at this time and this day will long be remembered by the people at Garden Prairie. We, the trustees, extend our thanks to all who contributed to the erection of this beautiful country church. May God's blessings rest on each and all.

## F. TRIVELPIECE,

W. B. WHITTAKER,

J. A. MILLER,

M. W. QUICK.

## An Educational Rally.

Something in the nature of an educational rally was held in the Congregational church, last evening, in an interesting and profitable way to the young and old of the city, we feel sure. The church was comfortably filled on the occasion, and if any went expecting to be bored or to find it lacking in interest, they were agreeably disappointed. Rev. Turner was in charge of the meeting, with Rev. Badcon of the Methodist church on the platform as assistant.

Addresses were made by Rev. Badcon, County Judge Bishop, Mrs. Sylvester Cordeal, Miss Rache Berry, Superintendent Caviness and others, all being in a helpful and encouraging strain to the children of the city, who are, happily, enjoying splendid educational advantages. A feature of the evening was the reading of short letters from the leading business men of the city answering the question, "What Kind of a Boy do You Want in Your Business." The answers were full of meat and valuable suggestions to the boys especially. Altogether the meeting was one that may be profitably repeated annually to the advantage of the children and the increased interest of the parents and of all concerned in educational matters.

## Beware of the Peddler.

You can scarcely pick up a newspaper, these days, without seeing an account of the swindling operations of some stranger in some neighborhood, selling inferior goods at outrageous prices and gulling the people generally. For instance, don't pay \$65 for a sewing machine that a local merchant will take pleasure in selling you for \$24, with a service guarantee of ten years. In fact, it is generally advisable to see the home merchant before you buy goods of any kind.

Farmers and Feeders, Attention!

We are now prepared to grind your corn and other feed, by the wagon load, at six cents per hundred pounds. No labor to you in loading and unloading, and no sacks needed. Come and see us about it. THE MCCOOK MILLING CO.

A quintette of our gilded youth were Culbertson visitors, one night this week, and were the victims of a series of accidents which delayed their return home until about three in the morning following: Three of the boys biked up and two rode in a single buggy. On the return, one boy was taken ill, shipped his wheel and joined the two boys in the buggy. A little later one of the bicycles became disabled, and the rider added his presence to the three in the buggy. The other wheelman managed to make harbor. The boys were all nearly frozen when they reached McCook.

The very latest thing is the Wireless Check-Row Corn Planter and the Double-Row Lister. You don't need to go to Omaha to see the latest improved implements; S. M. Cochran & Co. have them on exhibition at their store.

A stiff northwester swept the streets of the city clean, Wednesday, without expense, but with no little discomfort to the population. And it was a little more like ice weather, the following night and morning.

Auction sale on February 3d by Berry & Mitchell. List your articles with them; no charge unless sale is made.

Buy your potatoes of J. A. Wilcox & Son, who are unloading another car-load of fine ones.

For good milk try the new dairy.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

The Majestic range.

Auction sale, February 3d.

McMillen's Cough Cure—is sure.

It's the best—the Majestic range.

McCormick's Balsam cures coughs.

The Majestic is the peer of them all.

It is folly to cough; McMillen's Cough Cure is promptly effective.

Call up 19 if you have any newspaper or job printing business to do.

Telephone No. 31, when you want anything in the hardware line.

To make your hands smooth and soft use McMillen's Cream Lotion.

SCALE BOOKS—For sale at THE TRIBUNE office. Best in the market.

HOUSE FOR SALE—Seven rooms and three lots. J. H. BERGE.

Increase your supply of eggs by using McMillen's Egg Producer. Guaranteed.

When you buy tinware, ask to see Ried's Anti-rust. For sale by H. P. Waite.

FOR SALE—A good fresh cow. Write or inquire of James Cain, McCook, Nebraska.

Bring your poultry to J. A. Wilcox & Son and receive the highest market price in trade or cash.

The Smith building, lately vacated by Mrs. M. E. Barger, is being repaired for its new business occupants.

S. M. Cochran & Co. are fully prepared to meet the demands of any and all of their customers in quality and prices of all goods.

Take your prescriptions to Loar, for his goods are pure and fresh and his prices right. Opposite the Commercial hotel, McCook.

Self-Hypnotic-Healing, Clairvoyance and Hypnotism. Lessons free; 10c. for postage. Prof. S. A. Grannell, P. H. D., McCook, Neb. Box 123. 2-1-19

Mrs. M. E. Barger moved her millinery establishment, Monday, into the room in the rear of the Citizens bank recently vacated by Selby & Washburn.

"Everybody's" magazine for February is filled with an enjoyable combination of amusing and profitable reading—altogether a big ten cents' worth.

The statistician of the department of agriculture reports the wheat crop of the United States for 1899 at 547,300,000 bushels, or 12 3/4 bushels per acre.

Just one trial of S. M. Cochran & Co.'s new silver polish and stove enamel and polish will convince you that it is the best article of the kind on the market. Try it.

The application of A. M. Johnson, W. H. Latham, C. B. Compton, Tyre Nelson and A. R. Cruzen for authority to establish the First National Bank of Curtis, Neb., with a capital of \$50,000, has been approved by the comptroller of the currency.

The chef at the Commercial hotel pugilistically interviewed "Shorty" Meyer, delivery boy for Artz & Thompson, Wednesday morning, to the detriment of "Shorty's" countenance, and to the decided disadvantage of the chef's standing in this community.

To meet a long-felt-want, Messrs. H. H. Berry and E. J. Mitchell have decided to inaugurate a monthly auction sale on Saturday, February 3d. If this sale meets with the success expected, the same will be repeated monthly. See their local announcements elsewhere.

It is a great satisfaction to be able to get just what you want in any line, and this is especially true of meats. Just call up Everist, Marsh & Co., phone 12, and the rest is easy. They carry the choicest of every article belonging to a first-class, up-to-date meat market, and a word brings your order to the door.

S. M. Cochran & Co. have just placed on their sales floor a car-load of all kinds of implements, and invite inspection. Another car will follow soon, consisting of a fine and complete line of buggies, carriages, surreys, road carts, wagons and implements. They cordially ask you to call and see their unequalled stock and assortment.

A. B. Chamberlain, Tuesday morning, appeared before Justice Berry and placated offended justice by paying one-half of the regular occupation tax, \$5.00, and costs amounting to \$1.95. As Mr. Chamberlain had spent a few months in our city, it would have been but fair to him to have called and collected the tax without putting him to the humiliation and needless expense of a suit in court.

Seed and Hay for Sale.

Alfalfa seed and hay for sale. 2bs. S. G. GOEHN, McCook, Neb.

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