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A Way to Kill Gophers.

I send you my way of killing gophers; it may benefit some one who is annoyed with them. Ten cents worth of Paris-green will kill eighty acres of gophers; I take a quart tin can, cut potatoes in quarters in two at middle; put them in can, pour on water enough to cover them; then put in enough Paris-green to make perfectly green; stir and let them soak over night; they ought to be coated over green. Now take a sharp stick running it in square end of potatoes; putting them down the hole you make with rod. I have an iron stake about five feet long, three-fourth inches thick, with foot press about twelve inches from the end to place foot on to press in ground. Now go about half way between the mounds and run the prong down until you hit the run; make hole large enough to take the potato in, be sure to get potato down in the run; then close the hole at top of ground or they will throw it out; don't put potatoes in mound. Go all over the ground this way and you will soon get rid of pocket gophers. You may have to repeat it once or twice, as some may not get the dose; but whenever you see fresh mounds dig them a potato and you will not be bothered long. Yours for destruction of gophers. J. H. WARFIELD, Box 238, McCook, Neb.

Brigade Band Will Play.

The employes of the engine department of the Burlington are making elaborate preparations for their fourth annual ball, which will be given at the auditorium, January 31. Even at this early date they are planning to put the auditorium in the best possible condition and it is stated that the manner in which the big room will be decorated is something grand. The decorations will be more profuse, more attractive and richer than any since the auditorium was built.

All will remember the grandeur and success of their undertaking one year ago, and it is the aim of the committees in charge to outdo the great ball given by them last year, which by far excelled anything of its kind ever before attempted in Lincoln.

Through the kindness of the officials of the Burlington, reduced rates have been secured, so that the people throughout the state will have an opportunity to attend the ball at a low expense.

The celebrated McCook band (which has just finished an engagement at Denver) has been secured and will give a concert in connection with the ball.—Lincoln Journal.

Talk of a Denver Line.

Reports have it that preliminary steps toward surveying a route for an extension of the Chicago and Northwestern line from Omaha to Denver have been begun, says the Chicago Chronicle. Construction engineers, headed by Elliott O. Duncan, are said to have started on an overland trip from the Nebraska metropolis to the Colorado capital, and it is expected that after they have made the trip the actual work of surveying will be taken up. But few, if any, difficulties in engineering would be experienced in building a line between the two cities, and it is estimated that the construction would not necessitate a greater outlay than \$5,000 a mile. At present the Northwestern gets into Denver from Omaha over the Union Pacific tracks. It is asserted that the Northwestern has come into control of the Denver and Scranton line, a narrow-gauge road connecting Denver with the Scranton coal mine region. Some officials say that the Northwestern would have but little use for this line unless it had a road of its own into Denver. The route that is said to be considered more than any other crosses the Burlington line at Hyannis, Neb., the Union Pacific road at Sidney, and the South Platte river at Harden, Col.

Mr. Kelley Will Manage.

On account of mismanagement and irregularities, J. E. Kelley has taken the active management of the Commercial hotel, Ed. Jordan retiring and being now in Colo. Mr. Kelley and family have vacated their home, corner Monroe and Dakota, this week, and taken quarters in the hotel. Mr. Kelley has had experience in the business and will doubtless make the hotel a profitable property in keeping with the large volume business being transacted in that hostelry.

Attention W. C. T. U.

The regular "Mothers' Meeting" will be held at the home of the President, Mrs. Traver, on January 25th at 2:30 afternoon. It was deemed advisable to postpone one evening meeting for a time on account of revival services in the M. E. church. All interested in the work, especially the mothers, cordially invited. BY ORDER OF PRESIDENT.

Overcoats at DeGroff & Co.'s.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MRS. L. C. WOLFF is spending the week in Hastings.

MRS. JAMES HATFIELD is expected home from Colorado, tonight.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES HATFIELD will occupy the J. E. Kelley residence.

MISS MARCELLA HALLIGAN is here on a visit to C. J. Ryan and family.

MRS. HARRY BARBAZETT has been visiting relatives at Gordon, this state.

ED. JORDAN, late manager of the Commercial house, has gone to Denver.

MRS. E. E. SADDLER returned, first of the week, from her business visit east.

CHARLIE BURNS has returned from Nebraska City, and is driving the delivery wagon for Knipple.

L. R. HILEMAN has been called to LeClaire, Iowa, by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Perry Stone.

MISS NELLE CLARK, who has been visiting McCook relatives and friends, returned to Oxford, last night.

MR. AND MRS. W. S. MORLAN returned, Monday night, from their visit in New York city and other eastern cities.

A. G. DOLE attended a meeting of mutual insurance men in Lincoln, early in the week. From there he went to Iowa on a visit to a daughter.

H. W. COLE departed, last night, for Omaha; from there he will go into Kansas on a business trip for the Star of Jupiter. He will be gone a week or two.

MR. AND MRS. M. C. MAXWELL, THE TRIBUNE learns with regret, expect to go to Iowa, about the first of next month, to make their future home in that state.

MRS. J. F. FORBES and the children went down to Arapahoe, last Friday, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Tomblin, returning home on Sunday evening.

H. P. SUTTON arrived home on 1, Monday, from his visit to Lincoln, to make arrangements in connection with the appearance of the Nebraska Brigade band at the enginemen's ball, Lincoln January 31st.

MRS. J. J. CURRAN and Miss Grace Huston were summoned to Missouri, on No. 6, last Sunday, by the illness of their mother, who died on Monday. There is a tender sympathy in many a friendly heart for the bereaved sisters.

MRS. U. S. WARREN and Mrs. O. M. Knipple entertained a few friends, Wednesday evening, at the home of the former, at cards, the occasion being the birthday of both Mr. Warren and Mr. Knipple. Refreshments were served, and the evening was spent most happily.

J. N. PURVIS of the post-office lobby has purchased an interest in a general merchandise store in Fremont, where he expects to go on Monday to take charge. Many McCook friends will wish him large success, while greatly regretting his departure from our city, where he has lived so many years and formed so large and loyal a body of friends.

MISS MABEL WILCOX entertained the Awl-Os, Tuesday evening. There was an unusually large attendance, and the usually fine time; refreshments were served. The annual election of officers was held at this meeting and resulted as follows: Miss Hannah Stangland, president; Miss Kate Mullen, vice-president; Mrs. Mabel Stranahan, secretary-treasurer.

A Delightful Kensington.

Mrs. Charlotte Brewer and Mrs. W. B. Mills entertained a large company of lady friends, yesterday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. Brewer's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Walker of Boone, Iowa, at the home of the former, at a most delightful Kensington. There were about sixty guests and the affair was one of the most felicitous of the winter.

The decorations were in red and white, carnations of these colors and ferns being the floral effects. Scarlet paper chrysanthemums containing stuffed dates were placed at each plate. Each guest received a dainty package of bonbons wrapped with which were diminutive dolls and the guests were given the privilege of guessing the contents; quite a number were successful, and Mrs. V. H. Soliday was the lucky one in the drawing for the prize—a handsome hand-painted cup and saucer. Refreshments were served of the hostesses' best vintage. This afternoon, the ladies will entertain another large company for the same purpose—to meet Mrs. Walker.

Fred Tomblin of Imperial returned to his home, this morning, after a short visit here with his sister, Mrs. J. F. Forbes.

Death of an Old Citizen.

After a long illness, W. A. Holbrook, an old and respected citizen of Driftwood precinct, passed away, Monday, at the home of his daughter, Charles E. Boatman, in that precinct, where the deceased and wife have been living, this winter on account of declining health.

The deceased has long been an honored citizen of that section of the county, and his death comes as a personal loss to many outside the immediate family circle.

(W. A. HOLBROOK was born in Sangamon county, Illinois, in 1829; died in Driftwood precinct, Red Willow county, Nebraska, January 14th, 1901. He was united in marriage with Sarah Jane Wood in 1854. Becoming a Christian in 1874, he has been a consistent member of the Christian church. A wife and seven children, one son and five daughters, survive him. He has been a resident of Nebraska since 1893. Funeral services were conducted at the home of a daughter, Mrs. C. E. Boatman, Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock, by Rev. J. W. Walker of the Christian church, interment following in Riverview cemetery.)

Funeral services were conducted at the Boatman home, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, and the remains were afterwards brought to this city for interment in the Riverview cemetery.

THE TRIBUNE offers its word of consolation to all the bereaved and sorrowing ones.

After a Long Illness.

Wednesday about noon, Mrs. Herman Meyer quietly passed away, after an illness of six months, the end coming with unexpected suddenness and peacefulness.

Brief services were conducted at the house, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, by Rev. W. J. Turner of the Congregational church. The remains were shipped to St. Ansgar, Iowa, Thursday night, on No. 6, for burial. The aged husband, son and wife accompanied the remains to that state for interment.

(MARIE JULIA KRONKE was born in Altenbruch, Hanover, Germany, June 4th, 1838. Was confirmed in the Lutheran church at fifteen years of age. Married to Herman Meyer in 1859, he going over to Germany after his bride. They first settled in Columbia county, Wisconsin, in 1859; going from there to Iowa in 1876. They have been residents of McCook and vicinity since 1892. Deceased quietly passed to her reward about noon, Wednesday, January 16th, 1901, after an illness of six months. She is survived by three children, one son, H. H., who is a resident of our city, and two daughters, living in Iowa.)

To the bereaved and aged husband and the children all hearts go out in sympathy and consolation in this sorrowful hour.

Died of Mountain Fever.

The remains of Mrs. W. S. Pavey, a former resident of McCook, arrived on 2, Monday morning, from Edgemont, S. D., where she died on last Saturday, of mountain fever. Funeral services were conducted in the Christian church, Monday morning at 10 o'clock, by Rev. J. W. Walker, after which the body was buried in Riverview cemetery. The Paveys were residents of McCook for some time before moving to Edgemont, and many friends here will keenly sympathize with the bereaved husband and children.

(CARRIE BROWN was born in Lincoln, Nebraska, March 23rd, 1874; died in Edgemont, S. D., January 12th, 1901. Was married to W. S. Pavey in February, 1892. Became a Christian and united with the Christian church in 1895. Mountain fever was the cause of death. Deceased leaves a husband and two children, one eight years of age, the other eighteen months old. Funeral services were held in the Christian church, Monday morning, Rev. J. W. Walker officiating.)

Closing at Eight.

Commencing with Wednesday night the drug stores of the city have been closing at eight o'clock in the evening. But for one merchant holding out against such an agreement, all the merchants of the city could have agreed on the same closing hour. An eight o'clock closing hour would be a great boon to merchants and clerks and no hardship to the public.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Miss Emma M. Palmer and Mr. Frank E. Seeley. The happy event took place in Fairfield, this state, Wednesday, January 16th, 1901. They will be at home in Peru, this state, after February 1st. Congratulations are hereby extended.

THE TRIBUNE would like to see every business and profession in McCook represented in the columns of the local press—if it be but to the extent of fifty cents a week.

The work train has been put on temporarily at Woodruff.

RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Conductor E. M. Cox expects soon to leave the city.

Trainmaster W. W. Josselyn was up from Orleans, Wednesday on business.

J. Fred Zell of Denver has been the guest of Sup't Campbell, part of the week.

Brakeman C. R. Liggett departed, Wednesday on 2, for Hamburg, Iowa on a visit to relatives.

John Sayers and two children are here from Des Moines, Iowa, on a visit to his brothers and sister.

P. Baukin of Marinette, Wisconsin, is a new machinist. He went to work on Monday of this week.

Engineer Roy Dixon was down from Denver, Thursday, to take the Red Cross degree, R. A. M.

Fireman and Mrs. Denton are occupying one of the Norval cottages in the north-western part of the city.

Way-car No. 42 has been sent to the Western division from the Wyoming division. It will be overhauled.

Machinist H. H. Ray has resigned and gone to Salida, Colorado, to work. Henry carted along his voice with him.

Sup't Campbell and J. Fred Zell were occupants of the superintendent's private car 10 attached to No. 12, yesterday morning.

Brakeman W. S. Tomlinson and Night Caller J. G. Schobel have been feeling the pressure of a severe attack of grip, this week.

Ass't Gen'l Sup't G. W. Rhodes attended the meeting of the railroad men's club, last evening, coming up from Lincoln on No. 5.

J. A. Cota, air-brake instructor, came in on No. 1, Thursday, and expects, this week, to finish the examination of the train and engine men.

William Scranton "monkeyed" with the buz-saw, Wednesday morning, and left part of his thumb with the saw as a memento of the accident.

Conductor A. L. Knowland has Conductor J. J. Curran's run during the latter's absence, and Conductor C. J. Snell has No. 76 in the meantime.

Last year 3,153 locomotives were built in this country, 505 of which were sent to foreign lands. Great Britain bought most of the engines shipped abroad.

Conductor J. J. Curran and the children departed on Tuesday evening for Eldon, Iowa, where it was expected that the remains of his mother-in-law would be interred; but for some reason burial was made where she died—Anderson, Missouri.

Colonel A. K. McClure of the Philadelphia Times, and one of the veteran editors of the country, passed through McCook, Sunday, on his way to California, to recuperate. Unlike most pencil-shovers, he traveled in a private car.

The sick-list is unusually long, this week, embracing Conductors L. E. Gilcrest, F. A. Stark and A. G. Bump, Switchmen Thomas Burge, Thomas Carty, J. J. Larkey, I. B. West and F. R. Jamison, Brakeman F. G. Foe. Grip seems to be the prevailing distemper.

The funeral of Brakeman and Mrs. L. M. Best's seven-months-old son was held on Tuesday afternoon. Brief services were conducted at the residence in South McCook by Elder H. H. Berry. Burial in Riverview. The bereaved young couple have much tender sympathy in the loss of their first-born.

It is announced that the Burlington system will install electric headlights on all of its locomotives. Experiments with the new lights have entirely satisfied engineers that they are a great improvement over the old oil lamps. They are so strong and throw a light so far that many accidents may be avoided by their use.

The Burlington and Union Pacific railroads are figuring on soon beginning the movement of about 900,000 sheep to market from Northern Colorado. It will require about 3,500 cars of the double-deck sort, 35 feet long, which will carry about 250 sheep each. The consignments will go to Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha and St. Joseph. The total shipment will make about 100 train-loads.

The regular monthly meeting of the Rocky Mountain Railway club will be held in the American house, Sixteenth and Blake streets, Denver, tomorrow evening, January 19th. The subject for discussion is, "Hedendahl on Air-Brake Practice." Topical discussion: "Retaining Valves," to be opened by J. M. Hines. There will also be a paper on "Railway Train Dispatching," by J. H. Abrams.

Feet Sugar Items.

The farmers at Ogen, Utah, received \$119,000 for their sugar beet crop, last season.

It is reported that one farmer at Sugar City, Colorado, cleared \$3,000 on fifty acres of beets planted by him, last season. Next.

The average yield of beets at Sugar City, Colorado, last season, was twelve tons per acre, with a sugar content of over eighteen per cent.

It is predicted by a prominent French paper that eventually America will not only make sugar for her own consumption, but will be able to export large quantities.

Spain is now building twenty new sugar factories. Not being able to longer draw their supply from Cuba, they are preparing to make their sugar at home. What's the matter with America doing the same?

Henry S. Ferrar, general manager of the American Beet Sugar Co., was here from GrandIsland, Wednesday, on business of the company. He secured a number of contracts from our farmers; and it may be added, as a matter of encouragement, that those making contracts agreed in most cases to cultivate twice as many acres as last year.

In the vicinity of Pekin and Peoria, Illinois, the school children of both sexes have taken an interest in working in the beet sugar fields in the summer vacation. And it is thought that they will be able to handle the work in those neighborhoods, next year, without Russian labor. The sugar fields make honorable labor for both sexes and an increased acreage about McCook would give a large opportunity for the boys and girls during the summer vacation, to make good wages at labor that is not heavy and is healthy, out-of-door work.

The County Teachers.

Following is the programme for the meeting of the Red Willow County Teachers' association to be held in McCook, Saturday, January 26th, 1901:

- 11:30 A. M. Call to order.
- Announcements and enrollment.
- Dinner.
- 1:30 P. M. Chorus.....High school choir
- Paper, "Some Suggestions for Opening Exercises".....Ada Fair
- Discussion.....Clara Happersett
- Paper, "The Country School Library".....
-Mildred Walkington
- Discussion.....Eugene Dutcher, Ora Smith
- Vocal Solo.....Mrs. A. F. Bonnot
- Class Drill, "Beginners' Number Work".....
-Elizabeth Thomson
- Paper, "Art in the Public School".....Flora Quick
- Discussion.....Claudia Hatcher
- Class Drill, "First Primary Reading".....
-Mabel Wilcox
- Instrumental Duet.....
- Mesdames W. B. Mills and Mabel Stranahan
- Paper, "Course of Study in the Country Schools".....Mrs. Bertha Mitchell
- Discussion.....A. J. A. Spofford
- Class Drill, "Second Primary Language".....
-Mere Pate, Mrs. Mary Duffy
- Vocal Duet, Misses Ida and Blanche McCarl
- Address, "Relation of the Patron to the Public School".....Rev. W. J. Turner
- Song, "America".....

Their Annual Meeting.

The members of the Congregational church held their annual meeting in the church, Wednesday evening, following the regular prayer-meeting, at which time the reports from the several departments of the church were read and the officers for the ensuing year elected. The reports indicate the church to be in good financial condition, though strenuous work will be necessary to maintain that condition during the coming year on account of the removal from the city of a number of the supporters of the church during 1900. The benevolences of the church in 1900 aggregated \$249.59. After the business had been transacted, light refreshments were served by the ladies of the church.

A Pleasant Surprise.

A very enjoyable time was had on Tuesday evening at the hospitable home of Capt. I. H. Wasson. About thirty of the friends of the family planned and carried out a surprise which was a genuine house warming. Oysters were served and the evening was spent in games and music and one and all thought that it was good to have been there.

The Colson Stock Co. has been playing to crowded houses in the Menard, this week, and giving general satisfaction. The company is much stronger than when it appeared here last, a few months since. Tonight they will place on the boards "Our Uncle From Japan." Saturday afternoon, a matinee; Saturday evening, "The Defaulter."

Next to the great senatorial question, the question that is most agitating the people is, What range shall I buy? The Great Majestic is the only. At Cochran & Co.'s.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Go to Loar's for pure drugs.

Take your prescriptions to Loar.

It's sure—McMillen's Cough Cure.

Loar's prices are right. Try him.

For clothing go to DeGroff & Co.'s.

Good morning; have you been vaccinated?

The very latest designs in lamps at McMillen's.

You should see McMillen's latest designs in lamps.

Don't fail to see the bargains in Wall-Paper at Loar's.

Quite a fine snow for this section of the state, this week.

Coal hod and shovel for 15 cents at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

Smoke the Great Capadura and be happy! At Bennett's sure!

The horse editor of THE TRIBUNE is some pumpkins as a prophet.

In the Great Capadura, you yet the best five-cent smoke on earth.

You can phone your orders to S. M. Cochran & Co. for alfalfa hay.

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

At night ring the door bell at Loar's store and the clerk will take the rest.

We keep Gunther's fresh candies. McCONNELL & BERRY.

Wall-Paper! Wall-Paper! The greatest bargains ever offered are found at Loar's.

Bennett has the five-cent smoke for your whiskers—the Great Capadura. Try it.

Syringes, hot water bottles and sick room conveniences at McConnell & Berry's.

The Straight Front is the newest in corsets. You will find them at DeGroff & Co.'s.

There is a difference in meats of all kinds. Church & Marsh sell the good kind—that's all.

The city clerkship has been given to E. J. Wilcox, vice J. E. Beyrer, resigned and removed from the city.

The McCook Circle No. 33, Ladies of G. A. R., meet the first Saturday of every month in Odd Fellows hall.

No substitutions allowed at our store. Prescriptions filled as written. D. W. LOAR.

Warm furnished front rooms to rent; opera house block; entrance over Leach's jewelry store. MRS. DOUGLAS.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will give its annual Washington dinner and bazar, Feb. 22d. tf.

It must be a relief to some of our esteemed contemporaries to know that THE TRIBUNE'S job-work is not copyrighted.

The next term of district court for Red Willow county will open in McCook, Monday, February 11th. See list of jurors in this issue.

There are smoke and smokes, but the Great Capadura is the greatest five-cent smoke you ever smoked. Put it in your mouth and smoke it!

Hens will lay all winter if kept healthy. Our chicken remedies will make you money. McCONNELL & BERRY.

WANTED:—Farm of rich soil within five miles of McCook. Will buy, or trade Indiana farm or business. W. E. HARTER, Mexico, Indiana.

When W. N. Rogers and J. P. Notley shoulder their artillery now and go hunting, all the rabbits in the Shadeland Park region take cover. They bagged 36, last Friday, and Notley admits it was an "off day" for him.

The publisher would much prefer if those in arrears on subscription would call and liquidate without waiting for a statement of account. Job-work is due at delivery; subscription in advance, and advertising on the first of each month.

There has been a slight change in firm name at Everist, Marsh & Co.'s meat market, but the old winning ways and reliable goods are unchanged. Church & Marsh will more than sustain the reputation of the market for selling the choicest of everything in their line.

J. E. Kelley has purchased the old Drysdale building adjoining the Commercial house on the north and will, after the same has been lowered to grade and otherwise placed in readiness, occupy the same as his office quarters, vacating his present room in rear of the First National bank. His new office, like the hotel, will be heated from the electric light plant, and will connect with the hotel.