

# The McCook Tribune.

TWENTY-FIRST YEAR

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## Redwillow County Beet-Growers Organize.

The sugar-beet growers of Redwillow county organized an association in this city, last Saturday afternoon, as per call.

D. T. Welty of Furnas county occupied the chair and S. R. Smith of Redwillow county was secretary of the meeting.

There were over a hundred farmers and others present from Redwillow, Furnas and Hitchcock counties, besides representatives of both the American Sugar-Beet Co. of Grand Island and of the Standard Beet-Sugar Co. of Leavitt.

William Byfield of Redwillow county stated the purpose of the meeting—namely, for the benefit and protection of the sugar-beet grower and the organized promotion of the sugar-beet industry.

It was decided at once to organize a Beet-Growers' Association, the membership to consist of those who had grown sugar-beets for shipment in 1902 and those who are prospective growers and shippers for 1903.

To expedite the formation of an organization William Byfield, J. E. Kelley of Redwillow county and S. E. Solomon of Hitchcock county were constituted a committee to make a draft and report articles of association, stating plans, scope etc. of the association, to the convention for action.

While the committee was out preparing its report the members of the convention had the pleasure and profit of listening to a number of talks on the subject of sugar-beets growing and kindred interests.

The talk of D. T. Welty of Cambridge was especially valuable to the farmers. Perhaps no man in the Republican Valley or in the state of Nebraska can give figures, reliable data, to equal his. No doubt the result in his case is unusual, but that the possible results from the careful and intelligent cultivation of sugar-beets are great cannot be contradicted. Mr. Welty planted a little less than eleven acres, by actual measurement 107-10 acres. The gross receipts from the factory were \$1,015.80. His gross expenses were \$365.70, and he says he had to hire practically all his work done. This leaves a net profit of \$650.10 or \$60.76 net per acre. This he says does not take into account the fact that he partially fed ten head of cattle and sixty head of hogs during a period of sixty days from the tops of the beets. He raised over twenty tons to the acre and received an average of \$4.555-6 dollars per ton. These figures speak more eloquently than any words.

S. R. Smith of Indianola spoke briefly. His most interesting statement was the determination to plant thirty acres to sugar-beets, this season.

C. A. Littel stated that he raised about twenty tons per acre of sugar-beets on alkali ground that never had or would produce anything before, and that they brought as high as \$4.25 per ton.

Mr. Welty raised the question of alkali soil and its possibilities for producing sugar-beets. He said there were two kinds of alkali soil, one white in color and the other black. It was upon alkali soil that he had his marvelous success, last season. Mr. Leavitt of the Standard Sugar-Beet Co., of Leavitt, Nebraska, however, (and he is an able and practical chemist) stated that it was more a question of physical difference than of chemical difference, and that lime would cure the difficulty.

David Deveny of Redwillow county stated that notwithstanding drawbacks and errors he had raised nine tons of beets to the acre in 1902 and expected to do better in 1903. (Michael Houlihan, a divide farmer, raised an average of eighteen tons per acre, this last season.)

The question of factory contracts for 1903 was raised and it was developed that there was no difference between the American and Standard factories as to contract. That the contracts would be the same as last year, with this addition, that where 500 acres or more are planted at one shipping point, the factories will establish a weighing station there, and that the beets will be weighed at that point, tested and the tare fixed, and the shipper paid, which by the way is desirous to the sugar-beet raisers.

It was also shown that the matter of having a weigher and tester at the factories to accommodate those who could not take advantage of the local shipping stations could be easily and cheaply arranged by the shippers paying a small sum per acre for the privilege of having their personal representatives at the factories during the shipping season.

G. V. Hunter of Culbertson announced that the people of Culbertson and vicinity would plant a thousand acres to beets, this season.

President Leavitt of the Ames factory of the Standard Co. said that he would be one of the planters of sugar-beets in this vicinity, this coming season, and the prospect now is that he will plant and cultivate at least 100 acres. He stated that he and the able corps of experts under him would willingly assist

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## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

Mrs. J. W. LINE is visiting in Denver.

H. C. CLAPP lost his spurs as a Jehu, last Sunday night.

WALTER DEVOR was over from Lebanon, Saturday, on matters of business.

MILLO PATE, who has been at Filley, Nebraska, for some time, has returned to the city.

Mrs. JOHN W. WEAY of Culbertson was the guest of Mrs. C. W. Barnes, early in the week.

E. J. MITCHELL of the Republican is having his Main street home altered and improved.

S. R. SMITH of the Indianola Independent had business in this wicked town, Monday.

Mrs. SAM PICKARD, who has been visiting in Havelock, returned home on 3, Monday night.

Mrs. S. M. KINSINGER came down from Hayes Center, last week, to secure medical attendance.

HARLEY FADLEY of Hayes Center spent last week in the city taking medical treatment for cancer.

Mrs. L. W. STANER and Mrs. George Martin went in to Omaha, Wednesday night on 6, to return home on Saturday.

AMOS BOWER will leave on next Monday for Omaha to attend the Omaha Commercial College, during the winter term.

Mrs. JAMES HATFIELD returned home from Lebanon, Kansas, Sunday night, Mr. Hatfield meeting her at Superior, Nebraska.

W. A. DILWORTH, the Omaha lawyer and a prominent K. of P., was here, Wednesday, and attended the Pythian smoker, that evening.

C. E. WILLIAMS, the Bartley dentist, died on last Friday in Hendley of pneumonia. The remains were buried, Sunday in Bartley's cemetery.

D. S. HASTY, our state senator, from Arapahoe, on his way home over Sunday, spent Saturday in the city, attending the beet-sugar convention.

MR. AND MRS. A. BARNETT went down to Lincoln, yesterday, to be absent a few days, Mr. Barnett attending the sessions of the state lumbermen's association in the capital city.

GLENN WILLIAMS, a copyist in the state senate, came from Lincoln, Friday night, and continued his journey on to Stockville, Saturday morning, via Indianola, to spend Sunday at home.

M. J. HRAFF, an employe of Havelock, is now at the home of his sister Mrs. John H. Bennett of our city, a very sick man, we are sorry to state. His condition is a source of some worry and solicitude.

W. N. ROGERS of McCook, breeder of fine Hereford cattle, was in town, Monday, investigating the feed grinder which is running at the Holbrook mills and will install one on his ranch at McCook.—Holbrook cor. Clarion.

JOHN PERKINS, a merchant and postmaster at Bellflower, Missouri, arrived in the city, Wednesday morning on 13, and will be a guest of Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Shumate for a few weeks. He is a brother of Mrs. Shumate.

Mrs. JOHN F. ROWELL and the two children, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. ROWELL for several weeks, left for their Colorado home on Tuesday of this week. They will visit in Max and Fort Morgan en route.

M. B. REESE, dean of the Nebraska university law school, visited, Sunday, with his brother J. W. Reese of Chariton, Iowa, who with his wife are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee I. Culbertson. The judge came up from Lincoln, Saturday night, and returned home, Sunday night.

DR. LEWIS SCHLESSINGER of Chattanooga, Tenn., who practiced the most ancient cult—spiritualism—among us recently, has been startling the citizens of Holbrook, since, with his great skill and marvelous knowledge. He is due at McFadden's Pasture or Beaver City, next.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK WATSON of St. Joe, Michigan, arrived in the city, Sunday on 1, and have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Clapp, all week. They made a side-trip to Denver Wednesday on 13, returning on 2, Thursday morning. They will depart for Michigan on 2, tomorrow morning.

MR. AND MRS. H. C. CLAPP entertained a small company of friends, Monday evening, at a King Pedro card-party to meet their visiting friends Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson of St. Joe, Mich. Light refreshments were served. It was a felicitous social occasion. F. M. Kimmell and F. A. Pennell were the captors of the prizes.

## After a Long and Painful Illness.

Death came to Mrs. Julia A. Fox, last Saturday afternoon, after a long and painful illness, covering over a year, of a disease which baffled the skill of the doctors and which they did not name.

The deceased was in her 73rd year, having been born on January 12, 1831, dying January 17, 1903. She was the mother of nine children, five of whom preceded her to the grave. Services were held at the home of her son Ned H. Fox in West McCook, where she died, and interment was made in the Riverview cemetery, beside the remains of her husband, on Monday afternoon, Rev. L. H. Shumate of the Methodist church conducting the services.

Deceased was an early settler of this part of the county, having lived on a homestead a few miles northeast of the city over twenty years ago. He husband, a veteran of the Rebellion, preceded her to the spirit-land many years since.

Of the surviving children, the daughter, Mrs. George Burns, lives in Nebraska City, one son Ned, lives in the city, but the address of the other son is not known to the writer.

G. A. R. Circle Officers Installed.

Last Saturday afternoon the officers-elect of the G. A. R. Circle were installed in due form. Unfortunately part of the officers were not present, so the installation embraced but the following:

President—Mrs. F. M. Rathbun.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Walker.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. J. S. LeHew.

Secretary—Mrs. W. S. Morlan.

After the ceremonies a supper was spread in the lodge room by the ladies, and this feature was enjoyed by the members of the post and the families of the members.

In this connection we are requested to urge a full attendance by the members of the circle at the next regular meeting of the circle on the first Saturday afternoon in February, the 7th. Important matters of business will come up for action.

It was a Great Success.

The ladies of the Methodist Aid society cleared between \$50 and \$60 at their pillow show, Tuesday, in the Clyde building. The ladies had on exhibition between 300 and 400 pillows—many handsome and valuable ones among the number. Refreshments were served. It was a unique affair, very satisfactory to both public and society.

The first prize went to Mrs. F. M. Kimmell, No. of votes 46; the second to Mrs. Louis Sues, No. of votes 20.

The ladies hereby return thanks to all loaners of pillows.

The ladies of the Aid society hereby tender M. U. Clyde a vote of thanks for generous use of his store-room.

Jasper's Cure For a Luxury.

The pauper business is getting to be an expensive luxury in this country. We believe it is time that the county should have a "poor farm." 160 acres of river bottom should be purchased and half of it seeded to alfalfa. The old county seat buildings could be utilized in improving the place. We would suggest that some place between Indianola and McCook be selected. It should be centrally located. Properly managed there is no reason why in three or four years the farm shouldn't almost if not quite pay the expense of keeping the paupers.—Indianola Reporter.

The Best Yet.

No former effort directed to the same end has been so successful as the present clearing sale of The Thompson D. G. Co. More goods have been sold and better goods. Those participating are reaping solid benefits and every customer proves an advertiser of the sale. The people of McCook and vicinity know a good thing when they see it. Don't defer your participation in the event.

Do You Need a Cream Separator?

If you do, don't fail to call at W. T. Coleman's store and see the very latest improved separator. You can ship your cream from any station and draw your pay twice a month. Separators are sold on payments and part of each check can be retained as a payment on the machine.

Donning-Spaulding.

Mr. Jobe Donning of Indianola, Neb., and Miss Nettie Spaulding of Oxford were married at the Mitchell hotel in this city, last Monday, by County Judge Beghtol.—Holdrege Progress, 16th.

Are you thinking about getting a washing machine? If so you should see the "Ocean Wave" at W. T. Coleman's. It's the latest improved, easiest running, most durable washing machine on the market.

Four wolves were killed in the hunt, last Saturday. Quite a number escaped through the line where the hunters were not provided with shot-guns.

## RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Engine No. 30 is in for an overhauling.

Warren Traver has been given a fire.

Sam Bayless returned to work, Monday.

Arthur Colfer is Mack Hughes' new clerk.

W. W. Williams is a new employe in the freight office.

M. E. Wells arrived here on his special business, yesterday on 1.

Engine 70, a K1 class, is out of the shop after an overhauling.

Gus Budig, the airbrake king, has a new work-bench, this week.

Burton can tell you just how much (\$!) Pete Kern can outpull Decker.

Sam Pickard arrived home on No. 3, Monday night, from Havelock.

E. F. Ballance, machinist, is expected home from Plattsmouth, Monday.

Engine 345 is down on her wheels and will be out of the shop, early next week.

Asst. General Sup't Rhodes was at headquarters, Wednesday, from Lincoln.

Switchman and Mrs. A. P. Ely of Red Cloud are visiting Lincoln relatives, this week.

Conductor Mose Carmony is sick and off duty and Conductor J. F. Utter has his run.

The "Q" engines 1726 and 1723 will be sent back across the river in a day or two.

Picework Inspector and Mrs. W. J. Krauter will visit Hastings relatives, Sunday.

W. C. Chlanda of the air bench visited relatives in Longmont, Colorado, Saturday-Tuesday.

The January meeting of the railway men's club was postponed on account of press of work.

The iron-house has been placed under the storehouse management and Ira Dye is a striker again.

Engineer John Hicks was down from Alliance, this week, guest of his sister. He returned home, Thursday.

Harry Spaulding, who is now a messenger between Lincoln and Hastings, visited McCook friends, Sunday.

Two Burlington freight cars left the track at Oreapolis Junction, Monday morning, delaying traffic for an hour.

T. W. Hawksworth, absent on furlough and injured, is now somewhere up northwest and has written for his time.

The floor of the roundhouse extension is being bricked and the tracks extended. Gradually the extension is being completed.

T. M. Phillippi went east on No. 2, Saturday morning, to be absent a few weeks on a vacation. Chris Larsen is carrying the mail nights in the meanwhile.

Jake Brening went up to Loveland, Colorado, last Friday night, to act as best man for a friend who was married to Miss Anna Walker, formerly of this place, Sunday.

Asst. Sup't McFarland was at headquarters, Saturday, on railroad business, and was an interested visitor at the beet-sugar convention in the court-house in the afternoon.

Dispatcher W. B. Mills expects shortly to commence the erection of a dwelling-house on the north lot of his North Marshall street property. Much of the lumber has already been prepared for the building.

George Paxton, machinist, who was summoned to Michigan, City, Indiana, about a week since, on account of the illness of his father, returned home on 1, Sunday, and resumed his place in the shop on the following morning. His father died from a stroke of paralysis on the night he left here for home.

The organization of the O. R. C. chapter in Alliance, last Wednesday, was one of the most brilliant affairs that city has witnessed and participated in, this season. Conductor and Mrs. Frank Kendall of our city lead the grand march and Conductor and Mrs. Henry Beale of our city were also guests of honor on that occasion.

Burlington linemen with a special train were in Lincoln over Sunday, having strung new copper wires from Omaha, both for telegraph and telephone service. They were due to leave today in the direction of Alliance. It is said that they can put up twenty-five miles of wire per day. This train, an ideal workmen's train, consists of a sleeper, diner, wardrobe and lavatory car and a tool car.—Lincoln Star, Monday.

## Good-bye Furst

1.50 fur muffs now 80c! \$1.75 ones now \$1.20! \$2.25 ones now \$1.30! \$3.00 now \$1.69! \$3.50 ones now \$2.49! \$1.75 fur collarettes now \$1.19! \$3.75 ones now \$2.69! \$5.00 ones now \$2.99! \$6.00 ones now \$3.99! \$1.90 child's sets now 90c! \$2.50 ones now \$1.49! If you wait longer won't you be too late? The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

For Sale.

Sixty head of ewes weighing from 900 to 1,200 pounds. Some broke and some unbroke. On J. H. Moore ranch, 6 miles southwest of McCook. Prices reasonable.—1-23-03.

GEORGE FLEMING.

To Sugar-Beet Growers.

The contract for the AMERICAN BEET-SUGAR Co. of Grand Island, Nebraska, for the 1903 crop, may be seen at the office of J. E. KELLEY.

D. of H. Notice.

The next meeting of the Degree will be in Odd Fellows hall on January 27th, Friday evening, as usual.

By order of C. of H.

Valentines! Valentines!

Newest and finest line we have ever had. Ready in a few days.

L. W. MCCONNELL.

He Has Them.

Don't send away. Buy your seeds from W. T. Coleman and know what you are getting. Don't get left!

Kaffir Corn For Sale.

A nice, slender stalk well seeded—a good feed for milk cows. Inquire at McMillen's drug store.—16-2ts.

Sutton carries the Mathushek, Story & Clark, Bush & Gerts and Cable line of pianos, in all styles and prices and on easiest possible terms. It will be your mistake if you buy elsewhere before seeing his stock and learning his prices and terms. Don't make such an error. Save money and trouble by buying right at home.

The Knights of Pythias luxuriated in a smoker, Wednesday night, in their castle hall, after the regular session. There was a good social time, a discussion of the fraternal building question, and light refreshments on the side. The membership was out in force.

Ladies' jackets, coats, capes and Monte Carlos as follows:—\$3.00 ones \$2.22, \$3.50 ones now \$2.49, \$4.50 ones now \$2.99, \$5.00 ones \$3.69, \$6.00 ones \$3.99, \$7.50 \$4.99, \$10.00 ones now \$6.99, \$11.50 ones now \$7.50 at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

We are agents for the Edison phonographs and records and carry the \$10, \$20 and \$30 machines and a large line of records in stock to select from. Our prices are guaranteed, and we save you the freight.

L. W. MCCONNELL.

There are some things Sutton does not offer or agree to do: He doesn't agree to sell a \$350 piano for \$165. But he will sell you for \$165 the best piano on earth for that amount of money. And it's a good instrument, too.

The G. A. Noren lots, opposite Sup't Campbell's residence, have been purchased by Mitchell Clyde, who expects to build thereon, coming summer. The price paid was in the neighborhood of a thousand dollars.

What is more acceptable to a friend, or your wife, than a set of pearl handled knives and forks, a chaffing dish, baking dish or anything in the silverware line, which you can get at a reasonable price at W. T. Coleman's?

Boys' good black knee pant suits \$1.25. Corduroy knee pants 50c. Men's corduroy suits \$7.50, pants \$2.00. Good black suits \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 to \$12.50 at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

The regular annual stockholders' meeting of the McCook Building and Savings association will be held on Tuesday evening, February 10th.

There is nothing more profitable to people in general than a good garden. In order to have one you must get some of W. T. Coleman's seeds.

The Alphabet high-five club has reorganized and held its first meeting, Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelley.

The Bullard yard has put up some new buildings in the yard for the housing of stock.

The Bowen restaurant is now owned by S. D. McClain and J. H. Stephens.

50c golf gloves now 35c, 25c ones 19c at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

McCook lays no claim to being a sanitarium for the cure of heart-disease.

The B. & M. meat-market sells the best of everything in their line.

This has been examination week in the public schools.

THE TRIBUNE is only \$1.00 a year.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Annis Furs at DeGroff's.

Monte Carlo Coats at DeGroff's.

Save money on drugs at McMillen's.

Scale books for sale at THE TRIBUNE office.

Go to C. L. DeGroff & Co.'s for Sorosis Skirts.

McMillen's cough cure will stop your cough. Try it.

Some good values in Potticoats at C. L. DeGroff & Co.'s.

First-class meats of all kinds at the B. & M. meat-market.

All the latest and best books are to be found at Cone Bros'.

Stop that cough! Cure that cold! McConnell's Balsam will do it.

Irrigated farm for rent.—tf.

C. H. MEEKER.

Gunther's candies—always fresh.

L. W. MCCONNELL.

You want the best at a right price. You will get it at the B. & M. meat-market.

40c Ice Wool fascinators in black or white, now going at \$2.00 at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

Pickles, sauer-kraut and everything seasonable at Marsh's meat-market. Highest quality and lowest prices.

The old Kellogg flour, feed and seed store is now owned and managed by Taylor Shepherd and George Brening.

Edison phonographs from \$10 up. Big line of records, vocal and instrumental. See L. W. MCCONNELL.

Copy of the 1903 contract of the Standard Beet-Sugar Co. of Leavitt, Nebraska, can be seen at C. H. Meeker's office, under the post-office.

Cards with envelopes to match for at homes, receptions etc., for sale at TRIBUNE office. Same neatly printed reasonable if desired.

This is the time to make your purchases of underwear, and at C. L. DeGroff & Co.'s is the right place to get the best goods at the right prices.

The new spring patterns of wall-paper are arriving. Line will be better this year than ever before. You know what that means.

L. W. MCCONNELL.

50c flannel waist now 30c, 75c ones now 49c, \$1.25 flannel ones now 80c, \$2.50 ones \$1.13, \$2.00 ones \$1.39—all at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

Pianos at Sutton's at from \$165 up on easy payments. See him first before making a purchase. No one can give you lower prices or better terms for a reliable instrument.

A recent issue of the Toledo Bee uses half column space to prove, conclusively, that "being a good fellow" don't pay. The dividends are not equal to the expended energies and character. Cut it out, boys.

The O. R. C. ball will be given on Monday evening, April 13th, and the boys announce now in advance of the affair that it will be the swellest thing ever. This will bring the ball right after the lenten season.

Hinky Link of the Indianola Independent has had another "pipe" dream to the effect that McCook conspirators have joined Indianola kickers to rob Indianola of the county fair. Not on your princelbert, have they.

ESTRAY COWS—From slaughter house yard, two cows, one red heifer, 3 years old, weighs about 800, wire about neck; one pale red cow, weighs about 1,000 pounds. Reward will be paid for information leading to their recovery.

D. C. MARSH.

Don't fail to hear Father Stritch in the court-house, next Thursday evening, January 29th, on Dante. The price of admission, 25 cents, is but nominal. The lecture will be high-class in every respect, by an able speaker. The subject, one of the greatest of the old masters of literature. Under public library auspices.

Is your head working or are you paying ten cents a pound for meat by the quarter when you can get better meat by the quarter at Marsh's meat-market for six and eight cents a pound. Don't let the peddlers bump you so hard when the regular dealers can do so much better in price and in quality as well.

Sutton, the jeweler, has a reliable optician in his store all the time. Eyes tested and glasses fitted scientifically and satisfaction guaranteed. Hundreds of people in McCook and vicinity will bear testimony to the high excellence and reliability of his optical work. If your eyes need attention, don't wait until some pilgrim comes along, but go to Sutton at once. He remains here to warrant his work.