

# The McCook Tribune.

TWENTY-SECOND YEAR.

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Nebraska State Historical Society

## Gave Us a Great Scare.

McCook experienced the greatest fire scare in years, last Friday afternoon between five and six o'clock.

W. T. Coleman had a force of men placing tar on the roof of his part of the Workman Temple building. They had the kettle of tar and the gasoline stove for melting the tar up on the roof, the gasoline stove being in a box to protect it from the wind. A sudden whiff of the gale which prevailed during the afternoon especially, set fire to the tar, which boiling over melted the gasoline stove, which falling apart let the gasoline out and over the tarred roof. The fire spread quickly over the roof, but by hard and quick work the workmen on the roof succeeded in extinguishing this part of the fire. This would have closed the incident, had not the box which encased the gasoline stove caught fire and communicated the flames to the wood-work under the tin-roof. Then commenced the real battle. The fire department took an energetic hand in the proceedings as soon as they arrived on the scene. Holes were made in the roof at different points and for a half hour or more two streams of water were poured into the space under the tin-roof. The fire was finally completely extinguished and everybody drew a long breath of relief, for doubtless a fire the most serious perhaps in McCook's history would have resulted had the fire gotten beyond control at the starting point, with such a gale of wind prevailing.

The loss from the fire itself was not heavy. Perhaps \$— will cover that; but the damage by water was quite heavy. The damage to the building was about \$—. The loss and damage to stock was about \$—. Both building and stock were adequately covered by insurance.

The store-room occupied by J. A. Wilcox & Son was also damaged by water, but their stock sustained very small loss fortunately.

There was also a slight loss to stock in Pade & Son's furniture store.

**Under New Management.**  
The Palmer hotel opened on Tuesday morning under new management, Mrs. J. T. Kendlen on that morning taking charge of the house under a lease, James Rooney retiring from the management of the hotel and devoting himself to his Holdrege house—the Hampton house.

Mrs. Kendlen assumes charge with fine business and entertaining qualifications to support her in the large undertaking of making the Palmer house a popular resort for the public and will succeed.

The hotel is well provided with modern equipment—steam heat, electric calls, electric lights, free buses to and from all trains, is furnished in good style, and under the clever and obliging and wise management of Mrs. Kendlen will at once take front rank among the hotels of this section of Nebraska.

**Cash Sugar Beet Premiums.**  
On October 31st, I will give cash premiums at my store as follows for the heaviest and largest sugar-beets grown on upland and for the same grown on low land: The first cash premium will be \$3.00; second \$2.00; on upland beets. The first cash premium for low land beets will be \$3.00; second \$2.00. Beets are to be delivered and placed on exhibition at my store on or before Saturday, October 31st. Bring in your beets and let us make an exhibition that will be attractive and that will at the same time show the possibilities of this country as a great sugar-beet growing land.

W. T. COLEMAN.

Alex. Bergeron, the well-known piano tuner and repairer, is here from Denver, this week, and at your service. Leave orders at Sutton's jewelry-store. They will be promptly attended to.

It is our desire to please you, and we can if you will come in and give us an opportunity of showing you the latest designs in cut glass at Coleman's.

The largest line of steel ranges in the city and at the lowest prices at W. T. COLEMAN'S.

Remember W. T. Coleman's offer of prizes for largest sugar-beets. See particulars in another column.

Mrs. O. Osburn, dressmaker. Rooms upstairs over Zint & Menard's millinery store.—10-9-1 mo.

Knipple will have a carload of Colorado cabbage on sale, Saturday, at \$1.40 per 100.

Be sure and attend J. H. Grannis' special sale on ladies' and children's shoes.

Anybody can take pictures with a kodak. Call at Cone Bros. and see them.

Glass, paints, oils and wall paper at McMillen's.

Why don't you get the Habit?

## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

REX DUNCAN is down from Curtis, this week.

MR. DOANE, the base-ballist, is visiting in the city.

JOHN KUMMER is now reported to be getting along quite well.

MARION POWELL was out from Lincoln, this week, on business.

MISS BLANCHE McCARL is up from Lincoln to remain over Sunday.

Mrs. O. R. AMICK and mother of Hastings visited McCook relatives, this week.

Mrs. F. E. BRIGNER went down to Holdrege, Tuesday, to visit a few days.

A. P. THOMSON and Matt went down to Omaha, last Friday night, on business.

MR. AND MRS. SAWYER and MISS KATE expect to leave tonight for Iowa on a visit.

Mrs. James BRADY arrived home, last week, from her visit to her son Ed in Denver.

MR. AND MRS. A. BARNETT are taking in the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities in Omaha, this week.

A. P. THOMSON and family expect to locate in Omaha where he is to engage in business.

O. M. KNIPPLE is having a kitchen addition built to his new home, the Engel residence.

H. C. YOUNG, a Lincoln lawyer, had business in the city and this part of the state, Monday.

R. D. DRULINER was down from Benkelman, first of the week, a few days, on personal affairs.

GRANT SCHOPP, our left-handed twirler of the season of 1903, returned to the city, first of the week.

Mrs. T. L. PARK, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. H. A. Beale, departed on Thursday night for Kansas City.

H. W. KEYS, J. V. HARRISON and A. A. Gamsby of Indianola were business pilgrims to the county capital, Monday.

C. H. MEKKER has been in Fort Morgan, Colorado, on business connected with the new water works, part of the week.

MR. AND MRS. MILO PATE have returned to the city from Filley, arriving here on Sunday evening last, perhaps to remain.

Mrs. ANTHONY CLARK of Oxford and Miss Millie Slaby of Republican City were guests of Mrs. V. H. Soliday, Saturday last.

J. M. BILLINGS departed on 2, Monday morning, for Kansas City, via Concordia, Kansas, to resume work in the shops in that city.

Mrs. GEORGE WILLETS was among the P. E. O. sisters in Lincoln, this week, at the supreme gathering of the mysterious sisterhood.

Mrs. J. E. KELLEY and Mrs. W. P. Bross departed on 2, Monday morning, for Omaha, where they have been spending the Ak-Sar-Ben week.

Mrs. A. C. EBERT went east, last week, to be gone a number of weeks, to visit relatives of her's and of her husband's in Chicago and in Columbus, Ohio.

DR. AND MRS. PETER BOYLE will leave today for Davenport on a visit to their daughter Mrs. T. B. Stutzman. They will visit her briefly on their way back to Denver.

MISS GENEVIEVE FEENEY was called down to Hastings, Thursday morning to attend the funeral of a little niece, who died in Denver a few days previously. She will return, close of week.

MISS ELIZABETH THOMSON came up from Lincoln, Saturday, to see the family and to attend a special meeting of the P. E. O., that night. She departed for Lincoln on Sunday morning.

DR. E. H. WATERS, John and Mary spent last Saturday in the city, visiting former friends. The doctor was greatly impressed and pleased with McCook's indubitable evidences of solid growth and prosperity.

C. F. ELLIOTT and family of Grant precinct will depart on coming Monday for their new home at Trenton, Missouri. THE TRIBUNE wishes them prosperity down in old Missouri. He still retains interests in Redwillow county and we confidently expect them back in due time.

L. R. CORBIN of Indianola, chairman of the Republican county central committee, was in the city, Wednesday, on his way home from a trip over the county in the interest of the county ticket. He reports everything in satisfactory condition, and the prospects bright for a Republican victory all along the line. Even the wheat-crop indicates that this is a Republican year.

**Ducks Are Flying South.**  
This ought to remind you of the cold north winds and the fact that you will need a good heating stove. Cole's Hot Blast or the Riverside Oak with ventiduct that warms every part of the room alike, have no equals. It will pay you to see them. W. T. COLEMAN.

White Pine and Tar—the best cough cure—sold only by Cone Bros.

## A Sad and Sudden Death.

Fireman Frank M. Kirchner passed away at the rooming-house of Mrs. Blanding, last Friday afternoon between five and six o'clock, after a short but painful illness with inflammation of the bowels. He was but 24 years of age.

Kirchner was taken ill at Akron, but a few days before his death, while going up town from the depot after making the run to that point. He was apparently in his usual good health, and attempted to engage in running race with a fellow railroad man up the street. He had not gone far when he stopped and complained of pain in the bowels. He was removed to the hotel and medical assistance summoned. A specialist from Denver was brought down to Akron. Not being relieved, Kirchner was brought to McCook, and medical skill was summoned from other cities, but all to no purpose. While the fire alarm was pealing out its startling tones, last Friday afternoon, his soul took its flight.

The remains were taken over to Herndon, Kansas, Saturday last, for burial, the body being hauled overland in the hearse from Pade's undertaking establishment. Funeral services were held in Herndon, Sunday, where interment was also made.

The father, sister and brothers of the deceased were present at his death, and accompanied the remains over to Herndon, where the last sad rites were paid. They have the greatest sympathy in the sad loss they have sustained so suddenly and unexpectedly.

Deceased was highly esteemed by his fellow railroadmen and by all others who knew him. Up until the day of his illness he was a robust and energetic young man with apparently long and vigorous life before him.

**Presiding Elder of North Platte District.**  
Rev. L. H. Shumate of the Methodist church of our city is being warmly congratulated, this week, upon his appointment as presiding elder of the North Platte district, with headquarters at North Platte. While the appointment may be a surprise to many, to his more intimate friends in the city and valley it is no surprise, but is regarded as a fitting recognition of his abilities and service in the work of the church. He will enter upon the work of his appointment, October 17th, and his initial visitations over his new district will take him until December 1st. He will be in Minden, next Sunday. THE TRIBUNE adds its congratulations.

Rev. Shumate is succeeded here by Rev. M. B. Carman, late of the Holdrege-Huntley pastorate. Rev. Carman is regarded as one of the strong men among the Methodist preachers of the Holdrege district, being especially strong in revival work, having added some 200 members to the Holdrege-Huntley churches during his pastorate in those towns. We welcome him to the city and his new work here.

**Republican Primary.**  
The Republican voters of Willow Grove precinct are hereby called to meet in Primary Convention, at the office of H. H. Berry in the City of McCook, Friday evening, October 9th, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the various precinct officers, and for the transaction of any business that may come before the convention.

A. BARNETT,  
C. B. GRAY,  
LON COLE,  
T. J. SMITH.

**Farm and City Property For Sale.**  
Two lots and two small residences west of city hall. Will sell separately or together.

Also 160 acres of well improved land, 3 1/2 miles east of McCook.

Reason for selling—leaving McCook.  
G. A. NOREN, Box 456.

**You Want the Best**  
For your money—and it's your fault if you don't get it. That's why you should come to our market. Our market supplies only the best. Selected meats, too, for those who want something especially nice for the table. Try us. Test us. MARSB'S MEAT MARKET.

**Severe Case of Blood-Poisoning.**  
Ben Doyle of the Willow has been having a severe siege with blood-poisoning in his right hand, resulting from a scratch. His condition was quite serious for several days, but he is much better at this writing.

**Home Cooking Exchange.**  
All day Saturday, October 10th, at Grannis' store by the ladies of the Baptist church. Come and see us.

Full or broken sets in the Hermis Titian sunburst and all of the new patterns of cut glass just received at W. T. Coleman's.

Let us supply you with your mustard seed, celery seed, turmeric and spices for pickles, preserves, etc.

McCONNELL, Druggist.

Colorado cabbage on sale at Knipple's, Saturday, a whole carload, at \$1.40 per 100.

The kids all want that big pencil tablet at the Bee Hive.

## RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Engine 360 is in for new flues.

Freight business is decidedly brisk, this week.

Daniel Tirrill had his hand injured, last Saturday, and is off duty.

Brakeman G. L. Burney visited his mother in Trenton, this week.

George Amen is building a new dwelling-house on McDowell street.

Conductor John Morris is improving his residence by adding a kitchen.

R. B. Archibald and J. M. Hughes will leave tonight for Havelock on business.

Engine 153 is in the round-house for slight repairs to the cow-catcher, cylinder etc.

F. L. Palmer entertained his brother-in-law, Mr. Cornell and wife of Holdrege, this week.

Ass't Sup't Harris was down from Denver, last Saturday, on business of his division.

Brakeman G. E. McBride and bride indulged in a brief visit to Superior, close of the week.

Conductor L. S. Watson was up with the family over Sunday from his Kansas branch run.

R. A. Rarick was transferred from the rip-track, first of the week, to the blacksmith shop.

Brakeman and Mrs. H. W. Conover are absent, this week, on a visit to Chicago and Omaha.

Brakeman C. S. Hoffman visited his mother in Holdrege, this week, during his regular lay-over.

The racks are up in the new battery-room and the change will be made as soon as the new cable comes.

Machinist W. C. Chlanda returned to work, Thursday morning, after a lay-off of 10 days on account of sickness.

Yardmaster W. C. Cox of Red Cloud is off duty for a few days and Brakeman W. T. Wilcott is there relieving him.

Brakeman C. L. Gruwell, formerly of this division, but now of the Sheridan division, was at headquarters, Wednesday.

J. A. Andre, machinist's helper, has resigned and gone to Wilsonville, where he goes into a blacksmith-shop with a brother.

The ballast crew has been placed in the service again and Conductor Art Lyman has been transferred back to Republican City.

Engine 371 is in the round-house for new flues. Her flues have only made about one-tenth the mileage they should make normally.

W. A. Turley has gone to Greeley, Nebraska, and will wed Miss Rose Griffin, (who taught school here, last year,) before his return home.

The first R2 engine ever placed in the McCook shops is now in for a thorough overhauling. This class of work has hitherto been done in the Havelock shops.

The 3304 a D 4, has been sent to the Alliance division in place of the 366, the first of the compounds to be sent from there to the Western division. Two others are to follow it is stated.

Conductor M. O. McClure is off duty on account of sickness and Conductor G. W. Bunting has way-car 104. Brakeman T. E. Lunberry is also on the sick-list and Brakeman F. J. Swanson is his relief.

E. L. (Dusty) Rhodes is expected in a few days to assume his old place in the machine shop foreman's office as clerk. W. H. Anderson, the present clerk, goes to Oxford to assume a clerical position there.

Conductor William Cropp of Republican City is off duty to be married on October 10th. A trip to Denver will follow the event. Conductor L. A. Hurlbert is down on the branch making his runs meanwhile.

THE TRIBUNE regrets to learn that word comes from Omaha that Dennis Cullen is in a hospital in that city suffering with blood-poisoning, the result of a slight injury to his left hand, and that he has had to suffer the amputation of one of the fingers of his left (the good) hand.

W. H. Anderson is making him an ammunition-belt of such warlike proportions and appearance to go with his new gun that all the sports about the machine-shop and round-house are in fear and trembling for the game great and small of this section of Nebraska. (A fear, however, not warranted by recent accomplishments.)

**For Sale or Trade.**  
160 acres unimproved timber land in Reynolds county, Mo. Price, \$2,200; or will trade for unimproved farm in Red Willow county, Neb.

Address, Ed. WILSON,  
Boss Station, Jasper County, Ill.

## Will Observe Library Day.

Superintendent Fowler will soon issue a proclamation setting aside Friday, October 23, as Library day, to be observed by the various schools of the state. It is a commemoration of Columbus day, celebrated in 1892.

The custom originated in 1892, after the observance of Columbus day, when it was suggested by Trennon Cone, principal of the city schools of Cedar Bluffs, Saunders county, that the Friday of each year nearest October 21 be observed as a special day in all the schools of the state for the consideration of the project of establishing school libraries. The result in Saunders county was the establishment of 60 libraries in the county schools. It was then recommended to the state superintendent by the Saunders county teachers' association that the day be made a state holiday, or special day.

Accordingly Superintendent Groudy, on September 19, 1893, issued a proclamation designating Friday, October 20, as Library Day, to be observed by all the schools of the state. Since that time the day has been universally celebrated in the schools not only of Nebraska, but many other states. Special programs are carried out and selections from famous American authors are read and discussed.

The four principal objects which the observance of the day seeks to attain are:

First—To awaken the people to the fact that the educated man leads the masses in the battles of life.

Second—To increase the interest and attendance at country schools by the addition of libraries.

Third—To establish libraries in every school house, affording every poor man a university of knowledge.

Fourth—To raise the intellectual standard in every community.—Lincoln Call.

**Welcome and Parting.**  
Last Saturday evening marked a pleasant occasion at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Schobel, Chapter X, P. E. O., assembled there with dual purpose to welcome their sister Mrs. Ella Norris, to bid "God speed" to Miss Elizabeth Thomson.

A delightful conversational was enjoyed by those congenial friends so closely united by the mystic bonds of P. E. O.

Then followed a recreative contest which resulted in a tie between Misses Budlong and Gorby. The latter was awarded a handsome bouquet of choice autumnal flowers by Mrs. Willetts.

The sisters were then invited to find their places at the tastefully decorated luncheon table by means of unique cards of symbolic drawings which certainly indicated cleverness and originality on the part of the artists Mesdames Schobel, Tartsch and Meeker.

A toast of "Welcome" was given by Miss Gorby, after which followed a dainty three course luncheon. Miss Budlong gave the toast "Parting" and in behalf of the chapter presented a lovely souvenir P. E. O. spoon as a parting gift.

C. A. GORBY.

**Paints and Oils.**  
For barns, sheds and out-buildings; can furnish a mineral of different colors that will not fade and makes a cheap paint. We carry the best mixed paint—The Lincoln. Now is a good time to paint as oil is very low in price. Let us figure with you. A. McMILLEN, Druggist.

**Buy Cream—Sells Separators.**  
James Cain will commence receiving separator cream next Tuesday and regularly every day after that. He will pay the highest market price in cash every Tuesday. He is also agent for Iowa Dairy Separator. See him for prices and terms.

**A Dollar Saved is a Dollar Made.**  
Cole's Original Hot Blast Stove will save \$25 on your season's fuel bill. It burns the gas half of coal, wasted with all other stoves. Come in and see it. W. T. COLEMAN, sole agent. See display advertisement.

**Bloodhounds and Scotch Terriers.**  
Registered pedigree young Bloodhounds and thoroughbred Scotch Terriers for sale. See R. McDonald on the Morlan farm.

**More Wall Paper Bargains.**  
McCONNELL.

This week has been characterized by high winds, and outbuildings, trees and many appurtenances not nailed down have suffered therefrom.

Only \$1.40 per 100, Saturday, at Knipple's,—Colorado cabbage. He will have a carload on sale.

Saturday, Knipple will have on sale a carload of Colorado cabbage at \$1.40 per 100.

If you haven't got the Habit, you better get the Habit.

McMillen's cough cure is fully guaranteed. Try it.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Have you got the Habit?

Who is your druggist? Should be Cone Bros.

Ladies' and children's shoes below cost at J. H. Grannis'.

Are you a kodaker? Buy supplies at Cone Bros.' drug store.

We pay the highest price for butter and eggs at the Bee Hive.

The finest stock and lowest prices of stationery at Cone Bros.' drug store.

Try No. 13 for sprains and bruises. McCONNELL, Druggist.

The best line of school shoes we have ever offered our trade. THE BEE HIVE.

Your tablets, pencils, slates and all kinds of school supplies at the Bee Hive.

You'll notice the difference in quality as well as price in our hosiery. The Bee Hive.

A carload of Colorado cabbage will be on sale, Saturday, at Knipple's. Only \$1.40 per 100.

October 17th is the date of the bazaar and supper by the ladies of the Congregational church.

All the amateur photographers are much interested in the new Daylight Developing Machine at Cone Bros'.

FARM LOANS—I can negotiate a few loans on good improved farms.

F. M. RATHBUN.

Vanilla and lemon extracts—our own make—absolutely pure.

McCONNELL, Druggist.

The McCook Milling Co. is giving 35 pounds of flour and 10 pounds of bran in exchange for a bushel of 60-pound wheat.

W. W. McMillen, harness maker, has just received a large shipment of wagons and buggies. Learn his prices before buying.

Our shoes are all new—nothing out of style or season. Repairing cheerfully done when shoes are defective, at the Bee Hive.

THANKSGIVING DINNER—The ladies of the Christian church announce that they will serve a dinner on Thanksgiving day. Details later.

See out of that prize \$10.75 jacket in large advertisement of the Thompson Dry Co.—as advertised by the makers in all the magazines.

Look over the new line of harness just received at W. T. Coleman's. A Concord Double Harness for \$30.00. Beats them all. Look and see.

Read what Johnnie said to Pa in James Cain's advertisement elsewhere in this issue. It will interest and benefit you. Do not overlook it.

Upside down—that's the way the fire burns in Cole's Hot Blast; come in and see it in operation.

W. T. COLEMAN, Sole Agent.

FOR SALE—Sixteen head of red Dorset Jersey hogs at Riverview fruit farm, one mile southeast of McCook.

10-9-11 FRED PLASMAYER.

Fine line of wagons and buggies just received by W. W. McMillen, the harness maker. His prices are as attractive as his stock. Get them before buying.

Those Estate Oaks are beauties and hold fire as long a time as any stove made; and they all have ash-pans, too.

W. T. COLEMAN.

Strength and vigor come of good food duly digested. "Force", a ready-to-serve wheat and barley food, adds no burden, but sustains, nourishes, invigorates.—9-11-11

Izzer batts now in. They are sold at the same price as always heretofore, viz: 10c per roll of 12 oz. Unroll and unfold easily—almost like a piece of cloth. Are the right size. Once used, always used. Sold only by The Thompson D. G. Co.

One hundred per cent dividends are earned annually by Cole's Hot Blast Coal Stove for every family using it. Come in and we will show you how it cuts your coal bill in two. W. T. COLEMAN, sole agent. See display advertisement.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Mr. Charles Bengt Wahliquist and Miss Estelle Payne of Hastings, Wednesday, October 7, 1903. Mr. Wahliquist will be remembered as a former McCook resident and one of the publishers of the old McCook Democrat. He is now one of the publishers of the Hastings Democrat. THE TRIBUNE extends hearty congratulations.

**Window Glass.**  
All regular sizes carried in stock or will cut to order any size wanted.

L. W. McCONNELL.

**Heating Stoves for Sale.**  
One hard-coal burner and two soft-coal burners. Inquire of Mrs. R. B. Archibald for particulars.