Nebraska State Historical Society

The McCook Tribune.

TWENTY-SECOND YEAR McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 11, 1903. NUMBER 28

$30.00—IN CASH—$30.00

To be Given to the Churches of McCook on Christmas Day, 1903.

Church receiving largest No. votes.....$20.00
Church receiving next largest No. votes 10.00

Awards to be made under following conditions:

With every purchase made at our store we issue a Cash Register Check indicating the amount purchased.

Each 25-cent purchase represents one vote.

All the churches of the city are eligible.

These awards will be made only on purchases made between Dec. 1st and Dec. 25th, up to noon of latter date.

Checks should be turned in to member of committee representing church you wish to vote for.

Votes to be counted on Fridays, Dec. 11th, 18th, 25th, by a committee composed of one member appointed by each church. And no checks will be counted that were issued previous to date of last count.

Votes will be counted for each church according to the sum of the various purchases represented.

L. W. McConnell.

McCook Public Schools.

Report to board of education for the month ending November 25, 1903, all grades McCook schools. G. H. Thomas, superintendent.

Number of boys enrolled	392	
Number of girls enrolled	437	829
Transferred	5	
Withdrawn, but not re-entered	33	38
Present membership		791
Average daily attendance by boys	332	
Average daily attendance by girls	390	722
Average number belonging		770
Per cent of attendance on enrollment.		87
Per cent of attendance on number belonging		93.7
Not absent during the month		330
Half days absence		1841
Cases of tardiness		101
Number of persons tardy		71
Visits by board		
Visits by superintendent		51
Visits by others		61
Half days teacher was absent		6

THE COMPARISON IS INTERESTING.

Believing it to be interesting and instructive for comparative purposes THE TRIBUNE prints below the report of the Alliance schools for the month of November. It will be observed that the attendance and enrollment of the McCook schools is greater than that of the Alliance schools by a considerable per cent, notwithstanding the claim of Alliance of a larger population than has McCook. On the other hand the Alliance report is better than McCook's in point of punctuality and attendance and in the number of visits, the latter evidently showing a greater local interest in the city schools than the people of McCook are exhibiting. Following is the report in full:

"SCHOOL REPORT.]

To the Board of Education and patrons of Alliance city schools; find herewith appended a partial report of the schools for the month ending November 27, 1903.

Number of pupils enrolled this month	746
Number of boys enrolled	352
Number of girls enrolled	394
Number of pupils enrolled to date	792
Enrolled corresponding month last year	668
Enrolled to " date " "	724
Average daily attendance this month	662.88
Average number belonging	705.88
Per cent of daily attendance	94.27
Number of cases of tardiness	21
Per cent of punctuality	99.92
Neither absent nor tardy for month	366
Neither absent nor tardy to date	164
Number of minutes lost by tardiness	123
Number of visitors	210

The seventh grade secured the flag this month. The following rooms were perfect in punctuality: seventh grade, fifth grade and fourth primary. The third primary made the highest per cent in attendance.

School will close for the holidays on December 18, and reopen on January 4, 1904. Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BARTZ, Sup't."

The Western Mutual Life and Accident Association of Lincoln, Nebraska, has organized an advisory board composed of F. A. Pennell, J. H. Bennett, Dr. S. C. Beach, C. H. Boyle and R. A. Green, and are ready to insure you against accident or sickness.

R. A. GREEN, Local Agent.

Ladies' embroidered French flannel waists, ladies' veletta waists, ladies' peau de soie silk waists, ladies' white or black brilliantine waists, at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

In the language of the poet, Don't get left. Go early. Take advantage of the full assortment and secure the best selection. COLEMAN.

W. W. McMillen will, for the next 30 days, sell buggies and spring wagons at big reductions. They are sold on account of room. 12-4-4ts.

Ladies' appreciate pretty dressing sacques. Large variety from 65c up to $2.50 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Smoke a Bachelor cigar, and you will have no other.

Toys, doll buggies, games, etc., at McMillen's.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MISS CLARA RACINE visited Trenton friends, last week.

DR. E. H. WATERS of Edison is now in Santa Monica, Calif.

MISS AGNES DAVIS of Minden is visiting Mrs. J. G. Schobel.

P. A. WELLS was out from South Omaha, midweek, on business.

J. B. MESERVE went down to Fairmont and Lincoln, yesterday morning.

FRANK CARRUTH came down from Denver, close of the week, on business.

MRS. RALPH CUTLER went up to Colorado, yesterday, on a visit to relatives.

MRS. L. H. BLACKLEDGE has been up from Red Cloud visiting relatives in city and vicinity.

DR. J. D. HARE and MAX, who have been indulging in the delights of a trip to California, are expected to arrive home tonight.

J. E. KELLEY went up to Denver, Tuesday, on business connected with the McCook Electric Light Co., returning home on Thursday.

RAY P. VAHUK departed, Monday night on No. 6, for Allegan, Michigan, on business and pleasure. It is his first visit home for a number of years.

MRS. GERTRUDE INGALLS came down from the Kilpatrick ranch in Chase county, Monday night, on her way to Hastings, where she expects to spend the winter.

ROY DUTTON came up from Lincoln, last week, to see his father W. G. Dutton, who has been quite ill, but is now improving. Roy will remain for a few weeks visiting the homefolks.

S. C. HUNTINGTON, late manager of the McCook Electric Light Co., departed on Tuesday noon, for Colorado. Mr. Swanson, also connected with the plant during the Huntington regime, has also returned to Denver.

JOHN F. ROWELL of the United States Gold Corporation of Boulder, Colorado, has been in the city, a few days of this week, on business of the gold mining company which has a number of stock holders in this city.

JUDGE ORR and J. F. Cordeal have been in Beaver City, this week, where the judge presided over the regular term of the district court. Mr. Cordeal reported in the indisposition of the regular court reporter Mr. Stevens of Arapahoe.

REV. SUESS came up from near Crete, last Friday night on No. 3, and on Saturday morning drove over to Herndon, Kansas, where in the afternoon, he officiated at the funeral of a grandchild, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Drath, aged a few months.

MRS. AGNES S. FREEMAN of Gage county, who recenty purchased the Joseph E. Nelms farm up on the Willow, has been out looking after the building of a new barn to replace the one on the ranch recently destroyed by fire. The new barn is now enclosed and the work progressing nicely. She returns to her home in Gage county, close of this week. Mrs. Freeman has lived in Nebraska 39 years, her husband, it will be remembered taking the first homestead in America under the homestead act.

Residence For Sale.

Five-room dwelling at corner of Manchester and Dolan. Cellar, furnace, trees, lawn, walks, etc. Nearly new. Very desirable. 12-11tf H. L. DONOVAN.

Everything in handwear—silk mittens, silk gloves, silk-lined cashmere gloves, golf gloves, kid gloves, golf mittens, for men, women and children at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's. Also full line of men's driving and work gloves.

The remains of Mrs. Kellar of Culbertson were buried in Calvary cemetery of St. Patrick's parish, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Loughran conducting services at the residence and at the grave.

"A Dark Intruder" is another of those pillow top novelties shown by The Thompson Dry Goods Co. Real spider, real string of heads, real hair and almost a real picaninny—extremely taking.

You will find it at Coleman's—if can't anywhere else in town. Go now and see. Display is ready. Early buyers get the first choice—and it's the best choice.

Three star lines of cloaks at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's. The Palmer garments, the Siegel jackets and the Ideal jackets and waists $4.90 to $15.00.

Make it a memorable Christmas. Coleman will help you. See his big ad. announcing the opening and display of his holiday offerings.

Home-made bed comforts $1.65 to $2.50 at the Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

The Same Money—Better Goods.

There is no necessity for anyone to buy inferior meats of any kind from peddlers, when better and more reliable meats can be secured for the same money at Paul Anton's meat-market. He offers his customers only good meats—nothing rejected, travel-injured or too poor for the market, but sound, fat, good stuff every time. And you can get such meat at from 5 to 7 cents for beef and 7 cents for pork. And as a matter of fair-play don't you think the regular dealer who has pulled through the long hot and expensive summer season is now entitled to your patronage when the less expensive cold season is at hand? Just consider these facts when you come to buy your meats, and as a fair man, a live-and let-live citizen you can't help but buy of the regular market, where you know that you are getting absolutely reliable meats—and in addition, mark you, it isn't costing any more than poorer, inferior, unmarketable meats offered by the peddlers.

Walters and Hawkins Bound Over.

Harry Walters and John Hawkins, who were arrested on last Thursday evening in Culbertson charged with larceny of $170.00 from Thomas Plummer of Perry station, had their hearing before Squire Berry, last Saturday afternoon. As a result Walters was held to district court in the sum of $800.00 bonds charged with the offense of larceny, and Hawkins was held in $400.00 bonds as accessory. Neither was able to give the bond required and both were taken to Indianola and placed in the county jail to await the holding of the next session of district court.

It should be noticed in this connection that the Hawkins in question is not "Jack" Hawkins as mentioned last week, but John. Jack Hawkins is a brother of the accused and is not proud of John's position in this matter.

There Was A Mistake In The Date.

Frank Freelove had Paul Miller arrested and tried before Squire Berry, Saturday morning, charged with hunting on the Freelove premises without permission. Evidently there was an error in the date upon which Miller hunted and Miller had no difficulty in proving an alibi. If the complaint had alleged the 26th of November as the date of the alleged offense the result would likely had been different, as that was the date that Paul admitted he was out in that neighborhood hunting. But on the 27th he was elsewhere.

This effort of the farmers and stockmen to protect themselves against the horde of pot-hunters in this city cannot be too strongly encouraged.

They Appreciate The Generosity.

Hall of McCook lodge No. 61, A. O. U. W. At a meeting of said lodge held on the 7th day of December, 1903, the following resolution was unanimously adopted that we extend to the people of McCook and elsewhere our sincere thanks for their generosity in aiding us in the recent contest which enabled this lodge to win a handsome piano given by the Lincoln Daily Star to the most popular society in the state. This piano has arrived and can be seen at the store of H. P. Sutton.

Choose Gifts Early This Year.

You will find this much easier and more satisfactory than to put it off. Our entire line of holiday goods will be open for inspection on Saturday, Dec. 12th, when we would like to have you come and look around to your heart's content. Make a memorandum and come again. One or two trips and the worry will be over. Those who come to look are as welcome as those who come to buy. L. W. McCONNELL.

Under Quarantine Regulations.

The home of Andrew Phillips has been placed under quarantine regulations. Charles McKillip of the household is said to be sick with small-pox.

Furs for gifts! Scarfs from $1.00 to $5.00. Flat silk-lined fur scarfs $2.75 to $6 75. New style flat muffs at $2.75 etc. The new fur collars with stoll ends $2.75 etc. Children's fur sets $1.25 to $2.50. Squirrel, sable, electric seal, mouffloon, beaver and other varieties at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's. One price, plain figures, cash only.

Christmas comes just once a year and this explains why W. T. Coleman has made such lavish provision in the line of gifts for the people. See his announcement. Silverware, cut glass, argentine ware, toys, chafing-dishes, carving sets, etc. Great stock, latest novelties.

Handkerchief laces, beadings and insertings in sets. Also hankerchief centers in pure linen for 10c at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

You get a 10c value for 5c when you smoke a Bachelor cigar.

Rooms for rent. MRS. IRWIN.

RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

A. N. Clampett is out of the service.

G. H. Linscott is a new wiper, this week.

Fireman J. W. Bartholoma is on the sick list.

Fireman J. R. Sullivan is on the sick list, this week.

L. M. Best hes been promoted to extra conductor.

Engineer H. D. Bayles is on the sick list, this week.

Engineer Tom O'Rourke was on the sick list, first of week.

M. E. Wells, the boiler expert, was at headquarters, yesterday.

Jacob Schlect of round-house force is on the sick list, this week.

M. E. Wells was in Oxford, first of week, on company business.

The official railroad axe is falling these days with painful regularity.

Engineer L. P. Neilson is off duty on account of the illness of his wife.

Engineer G. W. Conner's family expects to move to Lincoln, next week.

R. B. Archibald was in St. Francis, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

W. H. Morrill, late engineer on the Western division, is now in California.

The Alliance conductors expect to give their second annual ball on January 15th.

The increased business has made it necessary to put on additional train crews.

Engineer H. L. Donovan, who recently left the service, is offering his dwelling for sale.

Brakeman O. D. Keith got in the way of the official axe and is now out of the train service.

Henry Housh of the round-house force is off duty nursing a couple of injured fingers.

Fireman Charles Blackburn is on the sick list this week, and is visiting relatives in Eustis.

C. A. Marooney, a former fireman out of here, is visiting the boys at headquarters, this week.

Conductor Eph Benjamin is in Lincoln, this week, on business with the grievance committee.

Conductor John Morris has taken a layoff of ten days and gone over into Illinois on a visit to relatives.

Engineer Thad Shepherd, who recently retired from the Burlington employ, is offering his dwelling-house for sale.

S. H. Brewington, formerly of this place, is again back on the Western division running an engine out of McCook. —Oxford Standard.

Trainmaster J. F. Kenyon went in to Omaha, Monday night, on Burlington Voluntary Relief business, returning home on Wednesday night.

W. J. Carruth has resigned his position as piece work inspector in the erecting shop and gone back to the work of a machinist.—Havelock Times.

E. F. STEPHENS of the Crete nursery spent the close of last and first of this week in the city on a visit to his brother J. H. and family and on business.

It gives you a lurid, sulphurous suggestion of Inferno to hear the average Burlington fireman deliver his views on the coal now in use on engines on the Western division.

Councilman Lucas and W. R. Johnson, who enjoyed a hunt near McCook, Thanksgiving day, report a big time. They got no end of quail, plenty of rabbits and bagged a coyote.—Havelock Times.

W. E. Cuddigan, R. M. VanNortwick and B. A. Murdock, (formerly a fireman on this division), are new brakemen. W. G. Kimball has also been transferred from the Highline to main line in the train service.

Robert Nichols, a brakeman on the Orleans-St. Francis branch and Miss Roberta Kidder, daughter of the yardmaster at Oxford, were married in Holdrege, Thanksgiving day. They are spending a few weeks visiting his mother in Eustis and on a trip to Denver. They will make their home in Oxford.

The late arrival of No. 1, last Friday afternoon, is explained by the following telegram from Plattsmouth: "The Burlington's track between here and Pacific Junction was blocked for about five hours yesterday morning owing to an accident in the big cut leading to the bridge. A furniture car attached to a northbound freight train left the track and rolled over on one side. The track was cleared by a crew from the local yards."

Notice of Dissolution.

The Martin-Phelps Commission Company of McCook, Nebraska, is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. The Martin Produce Company will continue the business of the company, pay all claims and collect all accounts due the company. December 7, 1903.

THE MARTIN-PHELPS COMMISSION CO.
By H. G. PHELPS. 12-11-3ts.

An "Awl-O'sian Evening.

The young ladies of the "Awl-O's" club indulged in an "Adamless Eden" of conspicuously charming particulars in Workman Temple, Tuesday evening. There was dancing, undaunted, dauntless "flinch", oysters and other appealing details, which conspired happily together to make a "perfectly delightful" evening. So there now!

Big Smoke—No Fire.

Monday's fire-alarm was caused by smoke from a flue in the Workman Temple building. The flue had not sufficient elevation and the smoke rolled back over the roof of the building, causing the impression the roof was afire. The smoke was created by the china burning kiln in Mrs. E. M. Bigelow's studio, coal oil being the fuel.

All-At-Home Issues, December 11-18.

THE TRIBUNE will appear as an all-at-home product, December 11-18, to accommodate the holiday advertisers. It ought to be an entirely home production, every issue, and a town the size of McCook ought to demand editions at least twice a week.

Jones and Winans United.

Last Sunday afternoon H. H. Berry, justice of the peace, united in marriage William M. Jones and Miss Lena R. Winans, formerly Mrs. Henry Housh. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the squire.

Charter Oak Stoves

are always the best—51 years the leaders. Never equalled by others. No higher in price than the cheap unknown kind. A nice line to select from at Polk Bros.'

Residence For Sale.

Five-room residence, 4 blocks east of Commercial hotel, for sale cheap. Enquire of Mrs. Thad Shepherd.

Hay For Sale.

Choice prairie hay for sale at $5.50 per ton. Big load of straw $2.25. Telephone L 182. 12-11-tf

Wanted—Second-hand Cook Stove.

If you have a second-hand cook stove for sale 'phone the Commercial hotel.

"What are the wild waves saying" is the title of a new sofa pillow just out. Real hair, real cap, real suspender buttons, real fur on the dog, etc.—very interesting and artistic. For sale by the Thomspon Dry Goods Co.

The Martin-Phelps Commission Co. has undergone a change of name, this week, and a change of partners. The new name is The Martin Produce Co. Mr. Phelps retires from the concern. A. W. Martin is in charge.

"A Few Suggestions for Christmas" is the caption of a neat and helpful booklet just issued by L. W. McConnell. It is intended to make holiday buying easy—and fills the bill completely.

The young ladies club, the "O. O. Ts.", met with Miss Virgie Ludwick, Tuesday evening. They spent the time in teaching the non-dancing members how to trip the light fantastic.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Alban's Episcopal church will have a doll carnival on December 18th and 19th in the Doyle building. Dressed dolls of many kinds.

Beautiful line of framed pictures and medallions at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's. Very desirable for gifts; 15c up to $2.50.

We won't let you go away without what you want if we have it. This is our last year in the toy line. The Bee Hive.

They have a woman over in Valley Grange precinct who can husk 50 bushels of corn a day and boss the menfolks on the side.

They organized a literary society, Wednesday evening, at the Kummer school house in district No. 72.

The right things in stocking caps and tam O'shanters at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Will buy hogs Tuesdays and Saturdays. F. S. WILCOX.

Largest and best line of handkerchiefs at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

A large assortment of decorated lamps at McMillen's.

The original 10c Bachelor now sold for 5 cents.

McConnell's Balsam Cures Coughs.

Everybody smokes Bachelor cigars.

It is just two years since the popular druggists Lon Cone & Bro. began business in McCook, and our people have watched with much interest the progress of the firm in building up one of the finest stocks of goods and one of the best businesses in Southwestern Nebraska and the firm is to be congratulated on its success. They have their holiday add in this issue and wish to call special attention to the free picture drawing which they have arranged for their customers to take place on Christmas day. Ask them about it.

Their line of pictures for Xmas is undoubtedly the best ever shown in McCook and prices defy competition, while their stock of books, and the prices they offer on them, is a surprise to both competitors and customers.

The firm has demonstrated beyond question that they are careful judicious buyers, and consequently are in position to sell right, which their constant improving business shows that they do. They deserve a portion, at least, of your patronage and their customers are assured of satisfaction.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Everything in drugs. McCONNELL.

McConnell's Balsam Cures Coughs.

See Cone Bros. holiday announcement.

Bibles—all prices at McMillen's drug store.

Ask about the free picture drawing at Cone Bros.

Unequaled for twice the price—the Bachelor cigar.

Dolls—all prices and kinds at McMillen's drug store.

The Bee Hive will close out their entire line of toys this year.

Kodaks are the same price the world over. Cone Bros. sell them.

Men's corduroy suits $6.50 and $8.00 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

FOR SALE—15 brood sows, soon to farrow. P. WALSH.

Largest line of lace curtains, 70c to $5.00 pair. Thompson Dry Goods Co.

And now it has come to pass that the best-fitting great coats don't fit at all.

A clean sweep in holiday goods this year for we handle them no more. The Bee Hive.

Men's dressy, black melton overcoats $7.50 and $10.00 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

When you buy the best stoves and ranges it is always a Charter Oak. You can buy them of Polk Bros.

Don't be one, but smoke them—the Bachelor cigar. Extra quality. Entirely satisfactory. Only 5c.

McMillen's Cream Lotion for hands and face dries perfectly and leaves the skin smooth and soft.—11-6-tf.

Zibelines in blacks, greys, blues, greens, mixtures and stripes, from 60c to $1.15 at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.

Fancy queensware prices will be cut down as well as toys. They must all be sold for something. The Bee Hive.

The First National Bank people expect shortly to have their safety deposit boxes on hand and in place for use of the renters.

Dress skirts in large variety; 50 made up ready to wear; to your measure at same price, $2.50 to $6.00. The Thompson Dry Goods Co.

We have made up our mind to go out of holiday goods and clean them up this year, so if you are looking for bargains come. The Bee Hive.

The ladies of St. Patrick's church will hold a sociable at Mrs. Menard's, Friday evening, December 18. Games and refreshments for 25 cents.

As my greenhouse is overstocked I have decided to close out the Boston ferns and palms at cost. Only have a few left. MRS. L. M. BEST.

If McCook becomes blessed with many more secret social, unsocial and otherwise organizations, more letters, signs or characters will have to be added to our alphabet.

LOST.—November 28, south from Conductor John Morris residence, two boxes. A Hamilton-Brown shoe box containing two pair of hemstitched pillow cases. A Black Cat hose box containing pictures, ribbons, combs, tooth powder and other toilet articles. Finder please leave at this office. 12-11-1t*

Best table oil cloth 15c yard. Best carpet warp, on spools, 20c and 22c lb. Best indigo dyed prints 5c. Best light ground prints 4½c yard. Six big red or blue handkerchiefs for 25c. Boys' lined all-leather mittens 10c pair. A No. 1 good men's shoe $1.50 a pair. Izzer 12 oz. batts 10c each, and 1,000 other items of equal interest at The Thompson Dry Goods Co's.