

# The McCook Tribune.

TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

MCCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 31, 1908

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## Seeking Missing Valuables.

Special Administrator James Rooney of the estate of the late Mrs. Penelope Thompson, Saturday afternoon, before Probate Judge J. C. Moore, sought by the examination of certain witnesses, persons who were employed about the house, to discover the whereabouts of missing personal effects of the decedent amounting to a computed sum of about \$600.

One witness, Mrs. Mary Ries by name, was regarded as an especially valuable witness in this connection, but sufficient evidence was not secured from the examination to warrant arrests, and the matter was dismissed.

J. C. Stevens of Hastings appeared for the estate and W. R. Starr for the star witness in the case, Mrs. Ries.

The mystery remains unsolved as to what has become of certain jewels, moneys, papers and valuables supposed to have been on the person or about the bed of the lately deceased Mrs. Thompson.

## A New Hospital.

Viersen & Standish, the new shoe firm on West B street (formerly Dennison), are always coming to the front with something new. Their latest innovation is the establishment of a "Shoe Hospital," where all kinds of repair work will be done. They have secured the services of Mr. Clyde Sass, an expert shoe maker of West Point, Neb., to take charge of this branch of their business, and the high class of work he is turning out for them, goes to prove that in a very short time the new "shoe hospital" will be the popular place for shoe repairing.

The check system used in this "hospital" prevents mistakes, and anyone having any repair work done can leave it at the Viersen & Standish Shoe Parlor with the full assurance that they are getting the best in the city.

## Adding Fuel to the Flames.

\$1.00 men's wash vests cut now to...49c  
1.50 men's wash vests cut now to...89c  
35c ladies' black gauze vests cut now to...19c  
\$1.25 ladies' white parasols cut now to...59c  
\$1.50 ladies' white parasols cut now to...79c  
2.75 boys' corduroy suits cut now to...\$1.49

Shoppers and bargainers meet daily here. The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

## Gratifying Opening.

George D. Keating & Co. of the Mission Inn feel quite gratified over their formal opening occasion of last week Friday. They entertained a large number of guests whose remarks and observations were complimentary of the artistic establishment conducted by these gentlemen in the Walsh block. Frappe was served from eight to ten o'clock and Frey's orchestra played during the evening.

## Shipped Body to Humboldt.

Frank Leon, the nine-months-old baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Graves, died at the National hotel, Tuesday night, of cholera infantum. The remains were shipped, Wednesday night on 14, to Humboldt, Nebraska, for burial. Mr. Graves has been employed in the brick work on the addition to the National hotel, this spring and summer.

Rev. Carman conducted brief services at the hotel before the remains were taken to the train for shipment.

## First Lessons In Gambling.

It has been complained in this office that gambling—betting—is one of the disagreeable—as well as unlawful—practices attendant upon base ball games in McCook. And that a particularly unfortunate fact in this connection is the participation in the betting by mere school boys, who are thus acquiring the first lessons in gambling.

## T. F. Gockley a Candidate.

The announcement of one of the well known young farmers of the Beaver country for commissioner of the First district appears on the editorial page of this paper. We refer to T. F. Gockley of Danbury precinct.

## Too Warm to Write?

Well, send some of the McCook local views post cards to be had at THE TRIBUNE stationery store. Thousands of them and a score of different subjects. Two for a nickel.

## Largest On the Globe.

Rozell & Barger carry a full line of the famous Wilson Bros.' gent's furnishings. This is the greatest house on the globe in this line.

Our Colorado peas, corn, etc., are as near perfection as it is possible to approach in canned goods. Huber.

Barney Hofer has received 20,000 new colored post cards of McCook.

Crackers that are crisp in spite of the weather. Ask Scott about it.

## In Honor of Mrs. Thomas.

The "Awl-O's" entertained, Monday evening, at the cosy home of Mrs. Harry D. Stewart, in honor of Mrs. G. H. Thomas of Harvard, Nebraska, and it was one of the affairs of special note for which the "Awls" are famous.

The opening feature of the gathering was a guessing contest in which Miss Mollie Ryan captured the honors and Miss Addie Doan, the consolation.

A luncheon of dainty particulars was served in courses three.

The "head-liner" of the evening was the string of toasts under the adroit direction of Mrs. J. Raymond McCarl: "Friendship".....Miss Sadie Coyle "Woman".....Miss Anna Hannan "Man".....Miss Addie Doan "Young America".....Miss Nelle Gunn "Old Maids".....Miss Bessie Peterson "Present, Past, and Future".....Miss Lona Phelps

It is intimated to the writer that after Miss Doan had concluded her eulogy on "Man" all the girls were moved with the Psalmist to remark, "What Is Man That Thou Art Mindful of Him?"

Among the special guests of the occasion were: Mrs. Edward J. Kates of Lincoln, Nebraska; Miss Eva Dimmitt of Salem, Oregon; Miss Lillian McBride of Leavenworth, Kansas; Miss Linna Mehaffey of Wilkesburg, Penna.; Miss Ruth Campbell and Mrs. L. R. Burney, city.

The occasion was in the nature of a farewell to Mrs. Thomas.

## Worse and More of It!

We announce these additional and deeper cuts in our clearing sale:

Rajah silks cut from 75c to...39c  
50c Arnold silk lawns cut to...33c yd  
45c Pongee silk, 6 colors, cut to...29c yd  
20c Mercerized panama cut to...10c yd  
25c Real flax suitings cut to...15c yd  
12 1/2c Plain colored lawns cut to 6 1/2c yd  
\$3.50 white linen dresses cut to \$1.75 each  
2.75 ladies' pongee coats cut to 1.49 each  
3.75 ladies' pongee parasols cut to \$2.49 each  
1.75 misses' fine straw hats cut to...75c each  
1.50 misses' fine straw hats cut to...69c each

Our sale becomes more interesting every day. You are invited to participate. The Thompson D. G. Co.

## Victim of Cholera Infantum.

Cholera infantum robbed Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Russell of South McCook of their eighteen-months-old baby girl Marjorie, last Saturday morning. The burial of the little one occurred on Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, from the home, Rev. M. B. Carman conducting the services, interment being made in Riverview cemetery. The parents have the tender and fullest sympathy of all their neighbors and friends in this keen sorrow.

## CARD OF GRATITUDE.

Our hearts go out in gratitude and thankfulness to all the neighbors and friends for their helpfulness and sympathy in the sickness of our dear one.

## MR. AND MRS. W. J. RUSSELL.

## New System Now in Vogue.

The work of numbering the business houses and residences of the city and of marking the streets of the city according to the new system is about finished, and our citizens may at once commence using the new system in referring to their street locations. The house numbers have not been changed. As a sample the writer formerly lived at 806 Marshall st. He will now be found at 806 1st street east.

## An Unlawful Practice.

Some one is carrying the matter of distributing catalog literature in this community to an extreme which may get them into trouble with the postoffice department of the government. Catalogs without postage are being placed in rural free delivery mail boxes.

This item of news may be of use to the right persons.

## Many Friends Urge Him.

Elsewhere can be read the announcement of Frank Moore of his candidacy for representative. A former county judge and an old time resident he needs no introduction to Red Willow county voters.

## Local Gas Company Donates.

The McCook Gas company has agreed to donate the city for street lighting in the business portion of the city ten 60-candlepower lamps to be located on order of the city council.

## Lincoln Paints.

The paint that wears the best and looks well the longest.

## A. McMILLEN, Druggist.

## Keen Kutter Safety

razors. Thirty days' free trial. Get one now at McCook Hardware Co.'s.

Crackers that are crisp in spite of the weather. Ask Scott about it.

Huber is still selling Wedding Breakfast Coffee.

## Surprised the Doctor.

Members of the D. of H., the R. N. A. and the M. W. A. gave Dr. and Mrs. W. E. McDivitt a pleasant surprise, Wednesday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ruby. All was arranged so cleverly that the doctor, who was called on professional business, unsuspecting nothing. Coatless, but with medicine case in hand, he arrived at the Ruby home fifteen minutes after being called, and was very much surprised, not only to find that the supposed patient, seemingly in a critical condition, had entirely recovered without medical aid, but that a large number of merrymakers confronted him. Light refreshments were served after which the doctor and wife were presented with a nice "finishing set". 'Twas midnight when all departed. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Burns and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Gathercole, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Grismore, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Fleischman, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Light, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schlagel and children, Mrs. Laura Hamilton and daughter, Mrs. J. R. Van Horn, Mrs. C. A. Deloy, Miss Francis Hughes, Mr. Guy Hughes, Mrs. R. J. Moore and daughter. Com.

## Making No Bones of It!

Our sale means clearance and each day is more interesting than the preceding one. You can buy from us: Best prints per yard...4 1/2c  
Best oil cloth per yard...14c  
Yard-wide L. L. muslin...5c  
Lonsdale bleached muslin...10c  
Mosquito netting...4c  
Plain black lawn...3 1/2c  
Peerless carpet warp per lb...22c  
Ladies' white hose...10c  
Ladies' tan hose...10c  
Children's tan hose...6c  
\$1.65 white quilts for...\$1.19  
\$12.50 voile skirts for...\$8.69  
\$6.50 batiste skirts for...\$4.69  
50c shirt waists for...25c  
\$2.00 shirt waists for...\$1.39  
Muslin baby bonnets for...10c  
Lace curtains per pair...39c  
1000 other interesting items.

## The Thompson D. G. Co.

## Gas Instead of Electricity.

The action of the city council, Wednesday evening, in accepting the bid of the Welsbach Street Lighting Co. of America, changes McCook's system of street lighting from electricity to gas, doing away with both arc and incandescent lamps on the streets.

The new system will be of the type recently displayed at the corner of the First National Bank, and it is claimed that a well lighted street can be secured from gas at even a less expense, and that with the lamps which will be placed by individual business men the streets in the business section will be better lighted than under the present electric system.

## Something For Ladies.

A vanishing cream, a cold cream, one that can be freely used without making the hair grow. It is something new and contains no particle of oil. It is especially recommended for chapped or sunburned face and hands. Ask to see it. WOODWORTH & Co.'s, Druggists.

## George B. Morgan Announces.

George B. Morgan, the well-known merchant of Danbury, was over to the county seat, yesterday, filing his petition with the county clerk and announcing in THE TRIBUNE his candidacy for commissioner for the First district.

## You Don't Get All

you want in this world, but you can get John Deere plows of all kinds at McCook Hardware Co.'s, and these are acknowledged leaders.

## Fall Shipment In.

We have just received a shipment of fall suits of the popular and well-known W. S. Peck clothing. Don't buy until you have seen them.

## ROZELL & BARGER.

## Don't Forget Fly-No.

It keeps the flies off. If your cow has to put in all her time fighting flies she isn't going to give much milk. Get Fly-No of Woodworth & Co, Druggists.

## Only One Cent a Yard

saved on a lawn dress means 10c, but you can have the 13 1/2c lawns for 9c in The Thompson D. G. Co.'s clearing sale.

## Harvest Time Is Here.

You will need gloves. We have them in gauntlet and without. Good wearers and the prices right.

## ROZELL & BARGER.

## Free! Free! Free!

\$10.00 in cash trade at The Model gets a beautiful dish free. See window display.

## Farm Loans.

Go to Johnson & Rozell.

Crackers that are crisp in spite of the weather. Ask Scott about it.

## A Citizen's Query.

Mr. Editor: Will you please enlighten a citizen-subscriber's inquiry about the following matter:

The Electric Light Co. has offered to accept a renewal of its franchise at the following scale of rates:  
1 to 15 K. W. H. per mo. 16c per K. W. H.  
16 to 50 " " 15c " "  
50 to 75 " " 14c " "  
75 to 100 " " 13c " "  
100 to 125 " " 12c " "  
125 to 150 " " 11c " "  
150 to 200 " " 10c " "  
Over 200 " " 9c " "

The Palmer hotel, The Commercial hotel, numerous merchants and citizens express satisfaction with the above rates and all is well with one single exception: One certain member of the city council, projects his own peculiar notions into the arena and proposes a scale running from 10c down to 11c and requiring every user bill to be figured in part in each class above that into which it falls in the scale. For example take a Palmer house bill of 250 K. W. hours; any man on earth except this councilman would say it would be 250 K. W. H. at 9c equal to \$22.50. But this expert drawer of ordinances who drew the water ordinance last year and attempted to provide against double minimums on a meter but left a hole through which the water company drives its coach and four, insists that this 250 K. W. hours figures in each and every rate as follows: 15 K. W. H. at 16, 35 K. W. H. at 15, 25 at 14, 25 at 13, 25 at 12, 25 at 11, 50 at 10 and 50 at 9c, making a total of \$29.65 or 11 4/5c per K. W. hour instead of the 9c named in the scale.

Now Mr. Editor, here's the question: Inasmuch as all interested parties agree upon the scale of prices shown in table above, and desire it to be figured and construed in the ordinary way, what motive or object can exist to cause this councilman to insist upon a method hitherto unheard of and which raises the scale of rates from 1c to 3c per K. W. hour. Can the reason be discerned in his proposal to restrict the lowest rate to 11c while the Light Company is offering to make it 9c? Can it be that he hopes to prevent the Light Company from furnishing light as low as the Gas Company may do under their unrestricted franchise? If his proposal is put through the result will be the withdrawal of all large users of light from the Electric Light Company who will be left to serve only the small consumers, mostly the residences, and will have to get a higher rate than heretofore or withdraw from the field leaving the town without competition in lighting and without the most safe, cleanly and modern light known. Will the people of McCook stand for it?

If this councilman's peculiar method obtains the following effect will be produced upon the scale of rates:

ORDINANCE	PECULIAR METHOD
1 to 15 K. W. H. per mo. ....	16c 16c
16 to 50 " " .....	15c 15 1/2c
50 to 75 " " .....	14c 15 1/4c
75 to 100 " " .....	13c 14 1/2c
100 to 125 " " .....	12c 14c
125 to 150 " " .....	11c 13 1/2c
150 to 200 " " .....	10c 12 1/2c
Over 200 " " .....	9c 11 1/2c

Kindly shed light on the question above asked and oblige.

Yours respectfully,  
A CITIZEN.

## YOU ARE IN PERIL.

During the hot sultry days of summer every one is in peril. This peril creeps upon us unawares and weakens and disables us without a moments warning. Serious stomach and bowel troubles are liable to attack at any time. Such troubles are said to be of a germ origin and germs can not be seen or avoided. That harmless house fly, you simply shoo away, may have already left dangerous germs on viands in process of cooking that before morning may render you or some member of your family weak and suffering.

## INSURE SAFETY

by keeping a bottle of McConnell's Blackberry Balsam on hand. 25 cents.

## A Good Looker.

So many ranges are bought because they look nice, but looks never did a baking or help to lengthen the life of a range. The Great Majestic Range isn't the finest looking range made, but it is made to last and do its work perfectly. Sold by McCook Hardware Co.

## 25 Per Cent Discount.

We are giving a 25 Per Cent Discount on all straw hats, summer underwear, summer pants and two-piece suits. Come and participate in the saving.

## ROZELL & BARGER.

## 160 Acres for \$800.00.

That is the nature of a real estate bargain advertised in another department of this issue by J. A. Murphy, Philadelphia, Penna., 2122 Lehigh avenue.

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## Many Citizens Attended.

The regular session of the city council, Monday night, was quite largely attended by interested citizens, the electric light franchise ordinance being under consideration.

All members were present. Police judge's report was received and filed.

Bids for street lights were opened and considered, but action on the same was deferred until Wednesday evening.

The matter of the street grade at the corner of the C. L. DeGroff Co. store was discussed. It was finally decided to let the grade remain as it is at present.

The matter of the ordinance granting a new franchise to McCook Electric Light Co. was taken up and discussed at length. Another ordinance, prepared by interested citizens, being after the similitude of the Holdrege ordinance, was submitted by citizens present. This ordinance is unlike that held under abeyance by the council, especially in the item of rates. This ordinance establishes rates running from a maximum of 16 cents down as low as 6 1/2 cents; the later being for power. The citizens' ordinance also provides that the plant may be bought at any time by the city, after six months' notification to the company. But the principal difference in the ordinances is the matter of rates. No action was taken on either ordinance at this sitting, which lasted until a late hour, but the matter was referred to the ordinance committee.

Bills as follows were allowed:

Frank Cain, street work.....	\$ 24.00
R. Heskett, same.....	14.40
C. H. Mates, same.....	19.20
Tom Crogan, same.....	22.80
S. B. Frazier, same.....	16.30
S. A. Mickens, same.....	15.00
F. F. Brunswick, same.....	20.00
John Schmidt, same.....	40.00
C. W. Dewey, same.....	27.00
Eph. Benjamin, same.....	21.20
Dick Osborn, same.....	18.65
C. B. Carpenter, same.....	12.60
Paul Miller, same.....	9.70
Earl Murray, same.....	5.50
T. M. Phillippi, police duty.....	22.00
William Smear, same.....	1.00
J. L. Gray, same.....	6.00
L. M. Best, park service.....	30.00
Dr. J. D. Hare, city physician.....	4.00
G. M. Battershall, numbering houses.....	34.65
McCook Water Works Co.....	299.11

Adjourned to Wednesday evening.

Adjourned session, Wednesday evening. All present except Councilman Real.

Ordinance 188 was read first time.

On motion the proposition of the Welsbach Street Lighting Co. of America was accepted. Mayor authorized to enter into contract with said company.

The lamps which the company will put up are similar to that one recently erected at the First National Bank corner.

The city engages to take at least 75 such lamps.

Compensation is \$2.00 a month for 6 1/2 candle power lamps.

The bid of the electric light company was \$2.15 for a 50-candle power lamp.

## An Important Matter.

The selection of a satisfactory meat market is not a trivial matter—it is worth while. More, it is important. You will want, of course, good meats; and you will want the best obtainable prices. When the meat and the price are right and you have prompt, courteous, accurate service, you have little more to hope for. What more can you desire or expect? Marsh meets all these requirements. Try him.

## Death Finally Claimed Him.

Vaughn Smith, brother of Mrs. A. P. Ely of our city, died in Red Cloud, last Saturday morning at 4 o'clock. Remains were buried in the Red Cloud cemetery, the afternoon of the same day. His was a wasting complication of ills. The sorrowing ones have very tender sympathy.

## Successful Social.

The ladies of the Catholic church held a successful ice cream and cake social on the church lawn, Wednesday evening, having quite a liberal patronage.

## It Is Good Old Summer Time

and you ought to have a straw hat for comfort. We have them in all styles and at prices to fit any pocket book. Come and see.

## ROZELL & BARGER.

## It "Mox Nix Ous"

to the spendthrift whether he pays 20c a yard for table oil cloth or gets the same for 14c in The Thompson D. G. Co.'s Clearing Sale.

## Every Farmer Can

own his own drill. See McCook Hardware Co.'s adv. on another page.

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Typewriter ribbons, papers etc. for sale at THE TRIBUNE office.

## BANKING SERVICE

Banks are becoming more the custodians of the funds of the people, of both large and small means. This is due to a wider appreciation of the value of banking service as its usefulness is extended and its methods become better known. In the case of

THE MCCOOK NATIONAL BANK THE BEST service is assured. Its officers aim in every way to protect the interests of its patrons, making use of every means of precaution. Its up-to-date system of accuracy, promptness and the same careful attention to large or small depositors make it a bank for all the people—rich and poor, men, women and children.

When you have banking business to transact, come to

THE MCCOOK NATIONAL BANK

A home bank  
and every bank

## An Attempted Rape.

J. H. Dwyer of this city now occupies a cell in the county jail of Red Willow county, charged with a most dastardly crime, the attempted rape of two young Russian girls, each but ten years of age.

The attempt was made in each case on Tuesday afternoon in a box car in the Burlington yard here, and perhaps failed through the facts being communicated to the police by parties going to the adjacent base ball grounds.

Dwyer was arrested on the spot and held in jail until Thursday morning, when the preliminary was had before Justice of the Peace H. H. Berry. The justice placed Dwyer under an appearance bond of \$1,500 in each case, and in default of bail he was returned to jail to await trial in the next term of district court.

The evidence was quite conclusive and a prison sentence of years seems to be in sight.

THE TRIBUNE desires to minimize the publicity of this affair out of much deep sympathy for the wife and daughters of Dwyer, whose downfall and present desperate position must be laid at the door of strong drink.

## Entertains For Sister.

Mrs. Albert C. Ebert entertained at a Kensington a large company of lady friends, Saturday afternoon, in honor of her sister Mrs. Charles W. Stockton. A two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. James H. Hatfield and Mrs. William E. McDivitt presided at the large dining-room table, Mesdames H. P. Waite, H. L. Kennedy, Viola Kenyon and J. A. Wilcox assisting in the serving. Mrs. W. R. Starr was in charge of the punch bowl.

## Mrs. Overman Improving.

THE TRIBUNE is happy to be able to report Mrs. A. L. Overman's condition much improved. She was for awhile threatened with tetanus and her condition grave.

Mrs. Overman was brought in from the farm and is now progressing favorably at the home of her parents in our city, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tirrill. Mrs. Overman accidentally shot herself through the foot with a small-caliber rifle.

## Paid Balance, Monday.

Monday, Treasurer Naden took up the balance of the North Valley precinct bonds, \$4,000 in amount. The original sum was \$7,000, of which \$3,000 had previously been retired. These bonds were voted years ago in promoting the irrigation and power ditch from the Republican river to the Bartley flour mill, an enterprise which failed of realization or at least successful operation.

## P. E. O. Porch Party.

Chapter X, P. E. O., of our city entertained, Wednesday afternoon, at a porch party in honor of Mrs. C. W. Stockton of chapter A, Chicago, at the home of Mrs. George Willetts. Sweet peas were used in profusion all over the home in decorative ways. Light refreshments were served.

## What Do You Care?

if they sell Simpson's and American Prints for 4 1/2c a yard at The Thompson D. G. Co.'s? 75 pieces to select from and all new.

## For Sale.

New 5-room cottage, bath-room, closets, cellar etc., corner Douglas and Manhattan sts. Phone black 312.

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