

Gifts for the Children

Other gifts may please the child for the moment but the BEST of all holiday presents is a Bank Account.

It costs nothing, it brings lasting pleasure and it teaches the Saving Habit.

Young people who learn to save live wholesome lives, for they do not spend their money in ways that are detrimental to health and character.

You can open an account for the boy's or girl's Christmas at this bank with ONE DOLLAR or more. We give you a neat little bank book with the first record therein, to be presented on Christmas morning.

The First National Bank of McCook

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

McConnell for drugs. Everything in drugs. McConnell. Picture framing. The Ideal Store. McConnell's Balsam cures coughs. No one objects to the "open purse." Mrs. J. Jackson, nurse. Phone red 251.

A souvenir spoon of McCook, 75c to \$3.00. Sutton's.

Person who have been waiting for the gold-mounted fountain pens should hurry to see the new line at Sutton's.

We are just in receipt of a new and well-selected fresh and up-to-date stock of neckwear and mufflers. Come in and see. ROZELL & BARGER.

You never before purchased such values in shoes for the money as Viersen & Son are offering during their Big Clearing Sale. See ad.

We have the perfumes "She" uses in beautiful holiday packages. Cut glass bottles. 25 cents to \$3.00. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

FOR SALE, FOR RENT, ETC.

FOR SALE—160 acres of improved land seven miles south of McCook, Neb. Price, \$2,300.

Mrs. M. E. BATTERSHALL, owner, 12 22 4th*. Okarche, Okla.

FOR SALE—A desirable, close-in dwelling house. 506 2nd street east.*

FOR SALE—A piano in good condition at reasonable price. Phone red 260.

FOR SALE—A few fresh milk cows. M. C. Cratty, 5 miles southwest of McCook.—12-15 3t.

FOR RENT—Four room cottage. Mrs. J. I. Lee. Phone 43.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, light and bath. Phone red 255, or call at 309 2nd street W.

FOR RENT—6-room house at 910 west 2nd st. Phone red 329.—12-15-2t*

PERSONAL—Will the lady who was in search of a suitable present for her husband please call at Sutton's jewelry store? The mystery is easily solved.

CHRISTMAS JOYS.

MAKE YOUR HOME GLAD by adding to its comfort and convenience and beauty something of solid worth—an article of elegance and value like one of these:

- ROCKERS BOOK CASES
CHAIRS LIBRARY TABLES
CHIFFONNIERS SEWING MACHINES
STANDS CHINA CLOSETS
PARLOR SETS CENTER TABLES
ART SQUARES ROOM RUGS ETC.

WE HAVE THEM in very large assortment to fill every need and taste, and at prices reasonable and right. Any of the above will make Many Merry Christmas days. COME AND SEE.

THE PADE FURNITURE AND CARPET COMPANY.

Pleaded Guilty.

Joseph S. Calvert, a young man 23 years of age, pleaded guilty, Monday, of having robbed Charles Waddell of \$80, and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The robbery was committed in the Palmer hotel, Saturday night, while Waddell was more or less irresponsibly intoxicated. Calvert was arrested on Sunday. Monday he appeared before Judge Orr in district court and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary—the lightest sentence he could receive under the law. In the absence of the county attorney, Judge Orr appointed J. S. LeHew as acting county attorney, and he presented the case in court. Sheriff Peterson will take the young man to Lincoln tonight.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

McCook, Neb., Dec. 21st, 1908. According to the provisions of the by-laws, the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Masonic Temple Craft of McCook, Nebraska, will be held in the City of McCook, Nebraska, on Monday, January 4th, 1909, at 2 o'clock P. M., in the club rooms of the McCook Commercial club, at which meeting the board of directors will be elected, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the stockholders. Signed: LON COSE, Secretary.

A Beet Sugar Club.

Culbertson has organized a beet sugar club, whose purpose is to encourage the planting of a sufficient acreage of land to sugar beets to secure the location of a factory at that point. It is stated that a company has agreed to build the factory when sufficient land is guaranteed to make the factory profitable.

Will Press, Thursday.

Friday's issue of THE TRIBUNE will go to press, this week, on Thursday afternoon. Advertisers and all others interested will kindly take notice. Office will be closed, Christmas day. Bring in the news and your advertising early.

Water Bonds Registered.

Water bonds of the city of McCook, amounting to \$85,000, were registered yesterday by the state auditor. The bonds mature in twenty years, optional after five years and draw 6 per cent interest.—Lincoln Journal, Saturday.

Purvis-Trosper.

Miss Malinda A. Purvis and Mr. Oscar F. Trosper were married, Dec. 16th by O. S. Davis, at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Purvis in this county.

A Life-Long Term.

The term of usefulness of a good watch is life-long—a constant reminder of the giver. See our line. SUTTON, the Jeweler.

Sold Gold Jewelry.

Elaborate patterns in brooches, cuff links, stick pins, etc., with a guarantee that's permanent. SUTTON, Jeweler.

Have Leased Diamond Hall.

Mrs. Viola Ballew and daughters have leased the Diamond hall, which will undergo some changes at once.

Hay For Sale.

Choice Alfalfa hay, \$10.00 a ton delivered.—12-11-4ts* MILTON CLARK, Phone ash 1354.

FARM LOANS.

Whittaker & Gray, 107 West B, McCook, Nebraska.—25 tf.

McConnell's Balsam cures coughs. Mary Harrison, nurse, Phone black 286.

Shoes are almost one-half less during Viersen's Big Clearing Sale.

McMillen has a complete line of bibles, gift and popular copyright books.

Magner & Stokes for Wright's Pure Buckwheat Flour. Nothing better.

B. B. Smiley of Danbury has shipped in 2,000 head of sheep for feeding, this winter.

Take advantage of the Big Clearing Shoe Sale at Viersen & Son's. See their big ad. for the figures.

Don't overlook games. All the good ones here. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Price can not be a reason for not giving somebody a camera for a gift, this year. We have them at all prices from \$1.00 up. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

The old folks prefer sensible gifts—something that's of real use. How's a good hot water bottle? You will find them at all prices here from \$1.00 up. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

WANTED—Agents to sell "DIAZO" the new disinfectant and deodorizer, kills diphtheria and typhoid bacilli, guards the home from diseases, and makes good pure air. Good proposition and territory to hustlers. Address W. E. Wilcox, Riverton, Neb., Sales Agr. for Neb.

Consider Credit Matters.

Quite a number of businessmen of the city met in the commercial club rooms, last evening, to consider business matters and plans for the ensuing year.

Both the cash system and judicious credit were pretty thoroughly discussed pro and con, the weight of opinion being rather favorable to the extension of credit to those properly entitled to credit in justifiable amount and on reasonable time.

Indiscriminate credit without limit as to amount or length of time was distinctly frowned upon and should be discouraged by all businessmen worthy the name.

A committee of three was appointed to draft plans under both systems and submit them for consideration at a future meeting.

"The Evolution of the Railroad."

Rev. Thomas McClary of New York, a Midland Bureau lecturer, delivered an interesting and instructive lecture in the Methodist church, Sunday evening, before a well filled auditorium. He effectively delineated the duty of the public, the employe and the company each to the other and gave much information concerning the greatest factor in American progress—the railroad. Like Colonel Gearhart of the same bureau he had an unfiled date—hence McCook's opportunity to hear him.

Monte Cristo Hall.

Mrs. Viola Ballew and the Peterson sisters are now in possession of the Diamond hall on West B street, and the name has been changed to the Monte Cristo hall, which is now open to lease for lodge or order use as well as for special and social purposes. Several important improvements are contemplated for the near future to add to the present convenience and utility of the hall. Inquire at the Monte Cristo Cafe.

At St. Albans, Christmas.

The Holy Communion will be administered at St. Albans, Christmas morning at six o'clock. An offering will be taken for infirm clergymen and for widows and orphans of deceased clergymen.

On Sunday morning following Christmas there will be morning prayers at eleven o'clock.

A GIFT THAT

INSURES LASTING PLEASURE, KODAKS AND CAMERAS.

We have them suitable for the small boy or girl at very low cost as well as many expensive and elaborate ones for grown ups. We also have all the accessories. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Reservoir and Ditch Project.

A big reservoir and ditch project is contemplated in the valley of the Arickaree river, 5 miles southwest of Haigler, by Denver parties. Which is making Haigler sit up and take notice.

District Court Adjourned.

The December term of district court adjourned, Monday, the case of the State of Nebraska versus Calvert being the concluding matter considered at the session.

ADDITIONAL RAILROAD.

Auditor Eldredge was at headquarters Monday.

Will Norman of Oxford is the new crew caller at Akron.

George Hamburg of Benkelman, Neb., visited McCook friends, Friday last.

The B. of R. T. cleared \$40, which amount was presented a worthy brother in misfortune.

John Murray, acting agent at Indianola during the regular's vacation, was at headquarters, Sunday.

O. E. Pearson went down to Alma, Monday morning, to be a witness on a suit in which the company is a party.

Conductor S. E. Callen is entertaining his mother, who arrived in the city a few days since and will remain during the winter.

Henry Gates has quit the service of the company here in the air department and has gone home to Republican City for over the holidays. After first of the year he contemplates going to the Pacific coast country.

Brakeman W. S. Tomblinson has been transferred from the train service into the claim department, and will in future act as assistant to Claim Agent Emerson Hanson, whose jurisdiction has been extended over the Sterling division.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McArthur and little daughter leave on Wednesday morning for Chicago to spend the holidays with a sister of his. The meeting will be a sort of a family reunion, (by surprise), his mother and two sisters from Milwaukee joining them at Chicago.

"Strongheart."

This powerful play, involving a strong story of race prejudice, a typical sketch of modern college life and an impossible love story, was given a two-night stand by a local company, Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, with most satisfactory results to all concerned. The opening night overtaxed the capacity of the Menard opera house and Friday evening's audience, though less numerous, was appreciative.

Of the stellar constellation, Dr. S. C. Beach as "Strongheart" was the bright, particular star, in a difficult role, as well as director of the production.

The Misses Ethel and Gertrude Morrissey were head-liners in their respective roles giving amateur renditions far beyond the average or usual.

"Billie" Weidenhamer was deservedly a popular favorite. His action and vocabulary are both free and inspiring. Edward Williams, "a grind," Frank Brady, a freshman, Reid McKenna, a senior, Thomas O'Connell, a junior, Arthur Colfer, a "sport," F. L. Wright, "somewhat bad," Coy Burnett, a sophomore, George Campbell, "head coach," all gave good accounts of themselves, as indeed did all of the company down to and including the mere minor members of the cast.

The object of the production was to secure funds for the improvement of Calvary cemetery, and the play was given under the patronage of Mrs. Charles M. Bailey and Mrs. Adele Phelan, the former being especially active and consistent in the great effort. Dr. S. C. Beach and the individual members of the company cannot have too much credit for the excellence of their work nor for the sacrifices made during the weeks the play has been in preparation.

The orchestra under Harvey Snyder properly comes in for a full share of appreciation and praise.

The costumes, etc., when the act required were rich and effective, due in part to courtesies extended by different business men and others of our city to whom the promoters of the play are most grateful.

The undertaking of a play demanding such talent exhibits a laudable ambition and the measure of success achieved is most praiseworthy and commendable.

WORTHY GIFTS.

LADIES' hand bags CANDLE holders
MANICURE goods TRAVELING sets
HAIR brushes MIRRORS
TOILET sets WORK boxes
KODAKS PICTURES
GAMES TOYS
PERFUMES DOLLS
STATIONERY BOOKS

This list does not begin to name all the varieties of desirable gifts. Goods to be found here will surprise you. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Church Announcements.

The Christmas services of the German Evangelical Lutheran congregation will be held in the following order: 7:30 p. m., Thursday, children's service at parsonage, 607 5th street East. 10:00 a. m., Friday, sermon in frame building of East Ward school. 2:30 p. m. Saturday, sermon in frame building of the East Ward school. 10:00 a. m., Sunday after Christmas, sermon in frame building of East Ward school.

Was Going Some.

A careless chauffeur who was exceeding the speed limit and then some killed three promising shoats for Martin Kennedy, the other day, several miles north of the city. Martin can identify the chauffeur, who was doing, he thinks, 40 miles an hour. The amusement cost Martin \$10 anyhow.

Found a Ring.

A young man walking down Main street dropped in at Sutton's, where he found a superb line of rings, and he soon found what he wanted. You can, too.

Cash Plus.

It is cash plus the goods and courteous, prompt service that places D. C. Marsh's meat market easily in the first rank in its line. Everything seasonable.

RED WILLOW.

Mrs. Carson of Arkansas is visiting her mother, Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Neel from Indianola visited at John Longnecker's on Tuesday.

Mr. Smith is at home again.

Mrs. Longnecker spent Tuesday of last week with Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Carson.

Mr. Black visited in the neighborhood the first of the week. He and Mrs. Carson are old settlers and had much to talk about. Mr. Thomas says all the tramps are coming back.

Mr. Churchfield and Mr. Sutor and son are helping on Horace Taylor's big new barn.

Pianos at a Discount of 20 to 40 Per Cent.

When Lyon & Healy of Chicago started in to rebuild their big establishment the entire piano trade of the United States wondered what Lyon & Healy could do with their vast collection of fine instruments for these were no cheap factory pianos, but pianos of makes of the highest reputation.

What Lyon & Healy have done is to mark pianos, hundreds of them, at a discount of 20 to 40 per cent. The response upon the part of the public is marvelous.

If you know the names of a good standard make of pianos and the prices always paid, you will need no second invitation to write to Lyon & Healy, 10 Adams street, Chicago, for lists and terms. For you can secure a genuine \$300 upright for \$180, or other bargains in proportions.

Lyon & Healy give their own guarantee with every one of these pianos. Nothing like this opportunity has ever been given to music teachers, students and music lovers heretofore.

DOES HE

SHAVE HIMSELF?

If not he doubtless wishes he did and intends to do so soon. Help him out in his good intentions by giving him a safety razor or shaving set for Christmas. You can not miss it on this because the Gillett Safety Razors we handle are all guaranteed. Many other goods also that every man needs in his shaving outfit. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Special Music, Both Services.

Services in the Congregational church last Sunday morning and evening, were featured by solos from Mrs. H. S. Dungan of Hastings, a singer of power and feeling. There were special Christmas anthems by the choir and seasonal sermons by the pastor. Mrs. Dungan sang, "Home So Best,"—Abt; "Beulah Land,"—Hughes; "Ring Out, Wild Bells,"—Gounod.

Christmas Observances.

The Sunday-schools of the Methodist, Congregational, Baptist and Christian churches will hold their exercises on Christmas eve—Thursday evening.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MR. AND MRS. G. F. RANDEL are visiting in Oklahoma.

Mrs. HOWARD PERKINS was a guest of Haigler friends, last week.

J. E. WYCKOFF of Danbury was a business visitor of the county seat, Monday.

EARL LUDWICK arrived home, Sunday night, from his business trip of a few days to Chicago.

Mrs. HALL and daughter Nora of our city visited H. V. Lord and family in Danbury, last week.

GEORGE BECK, formerly of our city but now of Omaha, is now interested in the Pops Trunk and Leather Goods Co. of that city.

P. J. HICKMAN of Bartley spent Friday afternoon in the city on his way home from attending the corn exposition in Omaha.

Mrs. H. S. DUNGAN, who has been the guest of Mrs. W. H. Dungan for the past ten days, departed for her home in Hastings, this morning.

ERNEST GROSS visited his sister in Haigler, last week. From there he and his niece went to Denver to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. H. L. KENNEDY and Mrs. Albert Barnett give a Kensington to a large company of their lady friends, this afternoon, at the home of the former.

JOHN M. GILCHRIST of Omaha, who recently passed up the position of state accountant, arrived in the city, Friday, on business connected with a guaranty company he represents.

MR. AND MRS. C. E. CONE of Parsons, Kansas, arrived in the city, last Friday night. They have taken apartments at Mrs. Matie Welles' and expect to make this their home in future.

TOM O'ROURKE left on 3, last Friday night, for Denver, on a visit to his sister. He will then go to Columbus, Ohio, where he has a sick brother living. He will return home shortly after the first of the year.

MR. AND MRS. ORVAL CAMERON of McCook stopped in Benkelman the first of the week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kimsey, Mrs. Cameron's grandparents. They are on their way to California.—Benkelman News-Chronicle.

MISS CORA FISHER, a bookkeeper in the A. V. Pease drug store on the south side of the square, has resigned her position, effective January 1. Miss Fisher has been employed in this drug store for several years past. She will go to her folks' home who live near McCook.—Fairbury cor., Lincoln Star.

Still We Grow

Deposits:

December 3, 1907... \$ 81,841.18
November 27, 1908... 151,960.25

The fact that we have not only held our business but practically doubled it with all competition, indicates that the public mind has not lost sight of the essential requirements that make a bank sound and safe.

The principles of conservative banking that have governed our development thus far will shape our future policy. Grow with a growing, progressive bank; start an account today with The McCook National Bank

P. Walsh, Pres. C. F. Lehn, Vice-Pres.
C. J. O'Brien, Cashier
DIRECTORS:
P. F. McKenna J. J. Loughran

Lectured on "Civic Righteousness."

Col. G. A. Gearhart of New York lectured in the Baptist church, Sunday evening, on "Civic Righteousness." Through lack of time and opportunity in advertising the event, the colonel did not have the large audience his magnificent address deserved. Those who heard it are quite unstinted in their praise of his effort. Col. Gearhart is appearing under management of the Midland Bureau of Des Moines, Iowa. He had been lecturing up the Imperial branch and had a "lay-over" date here, which the Baptist folks sought to take advantage of.

See To Your Order or Lodge Card.

THE TRIBUNE has for some time been printing a lodge and order directory free on the promise that the cards would be kept corrected as to facts, officers etc. by the several lodges and orders. As we devote \$100.00 a year free to this purpose, we expect those receiving the benefit to keep the cards corrected. A glance at the directory reveals many errors, and we must insist upon the proper officers bringing in the facts. Otherwise we shall discontinue the cards which we find incorrect. Look to your cards.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

If you want to subscribe for or renew your subscriptions to any magazine or paper published, go to Barney Hofer, the old reliable local dealer, who will save you money. Get "wise" to strangers and don't get "stung" like so many have the past year.

FOR SALE.

All new bowling alley—double alley—all hard wood maple. Will sell cheap for cash or trade for stock. Address F. MEDEARIS, Palisade, Neb.

Free Entertainment.

The weary shopper will find our store an entertaining place—presents for any member of the family can be selected from our splendid stock to suit your purse. H. P. SUTTON.

Just Arrived.

A new shipment of fancy suits for young men just received at Rozell & Barger's. They are dandies, too. The prices are reasonable. They fit the purse and person.

Christmas and New Year Post Cards.

A pretty line at reasonable prices at THE TRIBUNE stationery department. Also McCook city views, greeting cards, birthday cards and comics. Thousands to choose from.

Gave a Piano.

He looked at our line, and the prices convinced him that this was the place to buy. H. P. SUTTON.

Farm Loans.

Go to Johnson & Rozell. A handsome box of stylish stationery always make an acceptable gift. See what a magnificent stock we have for the holiday trade. L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Patronize home industry by smoking "Commercial Club", 10 cent cigar and the "Smoke", 5 cent cigar.

H. P. Sutton is displaying a splendid line of watches during the holidays. Monograms free.

Remember that jewelry bought at Sutton's will be engraved free.

Big Clearing Sale of shoes at Viersen's.