

The Successful Farmer

of today who does not possess a bank account is an exception.

To no one is a checking account more of a luxury. It solves the problem of always having his money at hand, of making exact change, and receiving a receipt in return for the money paid.

Some men, even to this day, persist in carrying a roll of currency on their persons—they are the ones we usually read of in the papers as having been "held up" and robbed.

A bank account is the best burglary insurance you can have.

This bank wants your business—we will appreciate it—we prove it.

The First National Bank of McCook

The McCook Tribune.

By F. M. KIMMELL

Largest Circulation in Red Willow Co.

Subscription, \$1 a Year in Advance

Be honest and honorable first—then generous.

THE editor of the Ragan Journal is kicking up his heels in great glee: A delinquent subscriber called him a jackass, the other day. Mules are bringing \$300 to \$500 a pair down in Harlan county.

"I MAKE no doubt but what, in an ultimate hour, when all worthy accounts are posted for eternal adjustment, the cry of one child made hungry will outweigh all the colleges, all the hospitals, all the churches that ever laid their corner-stones in trust-collected gold."

HASTINGS councilmen became so enthusiastically anxious to grant saloon licenses in that city, last spring, that they petitioned themselves—that is they signed the petitions praying for the granting and issuance of such licenses. Sapsheads! The supreme court has ordered the revocation of five such licenses.

It is announced that Judge John G. Wooley has withdrawn from the prohibition party and will in future vote with the party or parties best representing and advancing temperance and to promote the final solution of the temperance problem. It seems to be a fact that while the temperance sentiment has grown with astounding rapidity of recent years, the prohibition party has dwindled.

THE third assistant postmaster general, according to several exchanges of last week, is out in a franked circular urging business men to buy government stamped envelopes, and, as is the rule of the department, offering to print the purchaser's name and address on the envelopes FREE. If the government should invade other branches of business and apply the same business methods to them as it does to printers—DOING THE PRINTING FOR NOTHING—there isn't a business in America that could survive a year. It is a rank injustice—but queerly none see it but the printers.

THE Indianola and Bartley telephone companies have displayed wisdom in kissing and compromising. The Bartley Mutual line has been connected with the Havana company's switchboard at Indianola and the Havana's subscribers now enjoy free connections with Bartley and some 15 or 20 other exchanges with which Bartley has free exchange. Under the terms of the compromise, in addition to free exchange between lines, each company is to "shiny on his own side." Bartley will secure a new 25-year franchise; and Indianola is to give the Ash Creek Mutual central service. So, everybody ought to be happy.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

COUNTY COURT.

Licenses to marry issued by the county judge since our last report:

August J. Aden (24) of Culbertson and Mary Uhren (26) of McCook. Married by county judge, February 25th.

Clarence E. Murphy (23) of Cambridge and Margaret C. King (18) of Lebanon. George Ecker (24) and Rosa Gesellman (23), both of Herndon, Kansas. Married by county judge, March 3rd.

Martin L. Scott (27) and Anna Rose Mokko (23), both of McCook.

Dr. R. H. Gatewood, dentist; office over McMillen's drug store; phone 163.

SOLD

The entire Clothing and Furnishing Goods Stock of

H. H. TARTSCH

—has been sold to—

DREBERT CLOTHING CO.

GOOD CLOTHES MERCHANTS

—who will soon turn the entire room into an up-to-date CLOTHES SHOP—for men, with hardwood fixtures, floor cases, cabinets, etc., and high grade lines of Merchandise. McCook will then possess—

—A CLOTHING SHOP—

—second to none in the State of Nebraska. New Stocks of Clothing, Hats, Shirts and Men's Furnishings have been ordered from the manufacturers and will soon be here for the SPRING TRADE.

—The Tartsch stock must get out, nothing reserved, Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats, Hats, Furnishings, Shirts, Underwear, Gloves, etc., must move quick: you should call at the old Tartsch stand and avail yourself of these sacrifices.

DREBERT CLOTHING CO.

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McCOOK

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SOME MORE COUNTY FIGURES

A recapitulation of the personal and real estate taxes of 1908 and 1907 for McCook city makes the following showing:

ASSESSED VALUE	1908	1907	INCREASE OR DECREASE
Real estate property	\$ 332,579.45	\$ 206,103.00	\$ 126,476.45
Personal property	224,925.00	215,231.68	9,693.32
Total value	\$ 557,504.45	\$ 421,334.68	\$ 136,169.77
County and State levy	.019 85-100	.022	.002 d'cr'se
City of McCook levy	.060	.059	.001 incr'se

The levies for the years 1908 and 1907 with increase and decrease total as follows:

LEVY	1908	1907	INCREASE OR DECREASE
Real estate taxes	\$ 26,512.88	\$ 16,724.44	\$ 9,788.44
Personal taxes	19,091.10	18,659.14	432.96
For all purposes	45,603.98	35,383.58	10,220.40

Of above figures the school levy totaled \$17,286.55 in 1908 and \$12,607.03 in 1907 or an increase of \$4,679.52. The increase of city taxes of 1908 over 1907 was \$3,848.80.

As indicating the location of control of taxes:

TAXES LEVIED AND CONTROLLED	1908	1907	INCREASE OR DECREASE
By the State	\$ 3,490.67	\$ 2,942.24	\$ 548.43
By the County Commissioners	6,467.45	5,465.44	1,002.01
By the City of McCook	32,645.86	26,975.90	8,669.96
Totals	\$ 45,603.98	\$ 32,383.58	\$ 10,220.40

Then referring to the railroad tax in Red Willow county, there is no change in the years 1908 and 1907, the total valuation being \$407,980.00.

The levies vary as follows for these years: Total levy in 1908, \$17,414.70. In 1907 the total was \$18,212.87. The decrease is \$798.17. The county and state levy is 19 and 85-100 mills in 1908, 22 mills in 1907, or a decrease of 2 mills.

Dr. J. A. Colfer, DENTIST.

ROOM 4, POSTOFFICE BUILDING. Phone 378 McCOOK, NEBRASKA.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Stansberry Lumber Company has filed its articles of incorporation in the office of the county clerk of Red Willow county, Nebraska, and in the office of the secretary of state of the state of Nebraska. The principal place for transacting the business of said corporation is McCook, Nebraska, and the general nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation is: Dealing in lumber, lime, cement, brick, hardware, paints, oils, mill work, building material of all kinds, coal and fuel of all kinds, and such other materials and merchandise as are usually or may be conveniently handled at retail lumber and coal yards; general contracting and the erection, construction, alteration, repair and fitting up of buildings of all kinds. And in furtherance of these purposes this corporation may purchase, own, lease, sell and convey real and personal property, may enter into contracts with persons and corporations, and may do and perform such other acts as may be necessary or proper to the convenient conduct of its said business. The amount of capital stock authorized is \$25,000, divided into shares of \$100 each, to be fully paid when subscribed and non-assessable. Said corporation commenced on March 1, 1908, and its duration shall be perpetual. The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which the corporation is at any time subject itself shall not exceed two-thirds of the par value of the capital stock outstanding. The affairs of the corporation are to be conducted by a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, who shall constitute a board of directors.

STANSBERRY LUMBER COMPANY. By J. R. Stansberry, President. Attest: I. Stansberry, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Citizens Bank of McCook

of McCook, Nebraska. CHARTER No. 276, (INCORPORATED) in the state of Nebraska, at the close of business February 23, 1909.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$250,525.42
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	813.05
Bonds, stocks, judgments	1,444.82
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	16,000.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	688.69
Due from national, state and private banks and bankers	\$93,635.85
Checks and items of exchange	4,900.32
Cash	—
Gold and Bills	14,221.00
Silver, nickels, dimes, pennies	3,684.52
Total	\$394,943.67

LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits	8,985.51
Individual deposits subject to check	\$118,786.75
Demand certificates of deposit	17,517.32
Time certificates of deposit	2,382.15
Cashier's checks outstanding	17,301.13
Due to state and private banks and bankers	92,170.81
Total	\$394,943.67

State of Nebraska, County of Red Willow, ss. I, A. C. Ebert, cashier of the above-named bank, do hereby swear that the above statement is a correct and true copy of the report made to the State Banking Board.

Attest: V. FRANKLIN, Director. JAMES S. DOYLE, Director. H. H. BERRY, Notary Public. My commission expires October 8, 1913.

SPARING HER NERVES.

A Careful, Considerate Visitor and Her Timid Friend.

The mistakes which were plentifully sprinkled along Mrs. Comer's career were never regretted by any one more than by Mrs. Comer herself. "I used the very best judgment I had," she said, referring to one unfortunate occurrence, "but, as usual, everything went wrong."

"You see, I went to Greenville in the morning with Mrs. Hobart, intending to go on to Nashua, but I changed my mind when the weather turned cool and spent the day with Anna Woods, going home at dusk. I'd forgotten my little bag with my key in it, so I went right over to Mrs. Hobart's."

"She'd gone down the road to Mrs. Cole's, but I found her key behind the left hand blind and went right in."

"The house was dark, but I said to myself, 'I won't light a lamp for fear of scaring her, a timid woman, living all alone, as she does.' So I sat in the dark till I heard her coming up the walk."

"When she found the door was unlocked she gave a kind of a gasp, so I stepped forward and then, long as I had a cold so my voice didn't sound natural and I was afraid 'twould scare her, she being so timid, I put out my hand and laid it on her arm."

"And, if you'll believe me," finished Mrs. Comer plaintively, "she fell right over in a faint and cut her forehead on the edge of the rocking chair, and I thought I'd never bring her to!"

"There's no use trying to be careful with a woman like her."—Youth's Companion.

CIRCUS CHILDREN.

The Making of Acrobats Begins at an Early Age.

It is nothing unusual for the larger circuses to carry thirty and forty children, ranging all the way from mere babies to boys and girls of fifteen and sixteen years of age. The majority are traveling with their parents, both the father and mother doing daily duty in the ring, and while often they are trained to follow in the steps of their elders they are seldom allowed to perform in public.

It is a common belief among circus men that the performer whose training is not started until after the age of six will seldom make a distinctive record. Following the afternoon show I often saw groups of boys, some of whom could not have been over four and five years old, practicing rudimentary somersaults and hand springs, while their parents looked on with a gratified smile. These were the families of the circus aristocracy, who treasure the records of their ancestors with the pride of a son in his father's sword and who see no more inspiring calling for their own children than that of the great white canvas.

Not that their education is neglected in other respects. Several of the families often hire an instructor—perhaps one of the performers who has the time and ability for such work—to coach their children in the standard studies. One circus has a traveling school for the youngsters. If they are to be acrobats, they are to be educated acrobats.—Bohemian Magazine.

A Sponge That Works.

"Here is a clever notion—a fog bell," said an old New England fisherman. On a bleak, gray afternoon they stood at the seashore—the old man and his city cousin from Boston. A great bell hung from a scaffold, and under a metal cover hung a great sponge.

"This here machinery is wound up regular," the fisherman explained, "and this here sponge is kept under cover so as the rain can't get at it. In dry weather, naturally, the sponge is dry and light; in foggy, though, it gets heavy with fog satch'rations, just heavy enough for to press down the lever that starts the machinery a-going. Then, ding-dong, ding-dong, sounds the bell in the fog, savin' many a fisherman from wreck on this rock bound coast."—Exchange.

A Persistent Hen.

Ever hear about our little red hen? Well, sir, she was on the set for keeps. Couldn't keep her off. Old doorknobs, soda bottles, lamp chimneys, match safes—anything was good enough for her. Finally I put her on three mud turtles, and I hope to die if she didn't hatch out alligators—yes, sir, three of 'em! One of 'em ate her up, and when we opened him there was the hen settin' on his back teeth, and they'd swelled up so they choked him to death.—Exchange.

Unreasonable.

"My husband is so very unreasonable."

"Most husbands are. What did yours do?"

"He fixed a fishhook in one of his pockets because he pretended to suppose that I robbed him at night, and then he blamed me because he forgot it was there."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Coarsely Defined.

"What is the distinguishing quality of the problem play?"

"It makes you think. The first half keeps you wondering what the question is, and the second half keeps you guessing what's the answer."—Washington Star.

The Mean Thing!

Mrs. Oldham—Why are you so down on that lively Mr. Bachelor? Mrs. Youngling—Oh, he snubbed our precious Alfred! He said he thought baby might some day become vice president.—Exchange.

In order to love mankind we must not expect too much of them.—Helvetius.

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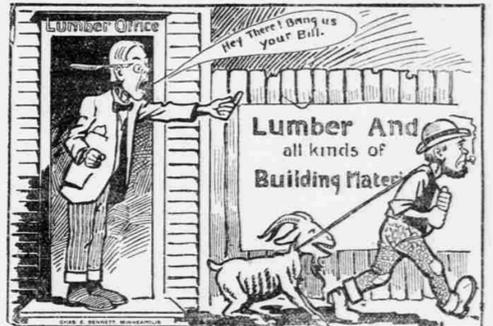
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We are more portly than the above picture shows us—but just as keen after your business right now as when we posed for the above picture.

Stansberry Lumber Company

A NEW FIRM at an Old Stand

We wish to make known to the people of McCook and vicinity that we have purchased the D. C. Marsh Meat Market. All we wish to add at this time is that we shall make it our earnest and utmost effort to maintain the present high character of the market for the best of everything in season at the very lowest cash price. We wish the continuance of your patronage and shall endeavor to merit your confidence and trade.

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