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The McCook Tribune.
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The Dahlgren "but-in" has cost Nebraska democrats the governorship in entire state ticket, three congressmen, and gave us the most unimpressive campaign we ever went through.—Hastings Democrat.

It is but fair to assume, in the light of Mr. Dodge's letter printed in the Danbury News of last week, that our esteemed county attorney does not entertain as high an opinion of McCook as he did before the late (unpleasantness) election. Perhaps honors are about even.

The football season closed, Thanksgiving day, with a total of "only" eighteen deaths to the record of the new emasculated, mollycoddle rules. This is a reduction, however, of full one-half from the fatalities of last year.

"All signs fail in dry weather," is an ancient cod. By the same token the average political signs were worthless this year. For instance down in Fillmore county, Charlie Sloan, Republican, carried his home county by a plurality of 1369. Hitchcock carried the county by 308 and Aldrich won by 232.

On The Firing Line. One machine operator at Marion reports hulling a thousand bushels of alfalfa seed in twelve days run, this season.

The new big sheep feeders at Marion are finished. They are perhaps the largest in the country.

Wray, Colo., is to have the third bank. It will be known as the Peoples State Bank. Capital, \$15,000.

The Trenton foot ball boys should learn the "Good Indian's" prayer. It is almost a divine attribute to be a good loser.

The Great Western Sugar Co. paid to Colorado beet sugar growers for October deliveries of beets \$2,800,000.

One thousand acres of sugar beets is the mark—but we can beat it!



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STAND PAT FOR NEBRASKA

"Back to the soil" has been a popular slogan for some time and the facts warrant the advice. Wise are the men who are investing their surplus money in Nebraska lands; and if you are a reader of statistics you will be pleased to learn that investments in lands during the past year have reached large figures. For instance over a million and a quarter acres have changed hands in fifty-one of our ninety-one counties during the year ending April 1, 1910, and the total paid aggregates over \$78,000,000. The average price is \$60 per acre. The average price is highest in York county or \$97.79 and lowest in Custer county, \$26.54. The figures are not available for Red Willow county. The nearest county mentioned is Phelps and the average price for that county is \$54 per acre.

Read these figures and then recall that fifteen years ago this lowest average was a fair average price for the best farm lands in the state.

If you like "standing pat" on any proposition, let it be on Nebraska lands—on Nebraska investments and enterprises. And let us mention, incidentally, that Red Willow county and McCook are in Nebraska. It will pay.

The Tribune recalls that 25 years ago this entire section of Nebraska was but one great cattle range—and only a few years before that it was the hunting ground of the savage and the pasture of the buffalo.

Just a casual glance about you will disclose a truly marvelous change. Enterprising cities and towns are to be found on every hand. McCook is a particularly bright jewel in this wondrous transformation scene. It would be difficult to duplicate it anywhere in a quarter century. Its superb public buildings and cosy homes, its miles of splendid cement sidewalks, handsome lawns and

spreading shade trees, its modern sanitary and up-to-date civic equipment are the surprise of all.

And surprise need not be confined to the city's development, for the county has marvellously advanced as well. Many well tilled and developed farms dot the landscape over where not many years ago the buffaloes roamed and prairie dog flourished. And this has all come to pass under that might be deemed adverse circumstances—for both towns and country were settled by people poor in purse, if rich in courage and purpose.

In this connection it is pleasing and suggestive to note that for the most part those who are now the leading and representative men of means in town and country are those who have stayed and remained faithful in adversity as well as in prosperity—for both come to every section of country. These have won a competency by investing their time and money and energy here and not in following every Will-o'-the-wisp hither and thither with the changing seasons and the recurring years—finally to come back "broke" in purse and spirit.

The Tribune believes that the signs point to a genuine return to the farm. If we read aright now is the time to stay with Nebraska's land and enterprises, and to pass up the thousand and one schemes offered to separate the Nebraskan from his land and livestock and money.

Stay with Nebraska. She has been a prosperous mother to hundreds of thousands of poor farmers, laborers, business and professional men. Her wealth has only been lightened by the surface. There are homes and prosperity here for hundreds of thousands more.

Red Willow county can easily sustain a population several times its present enumeration.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE
A Lodge is Now Being Formed in McCook, Nebraska.

The Loyal Order of Moose was organized in Louisville, Ky., April 12, 1888. It was not a class organization, but is open to all good white male citizens, professional, business, and workmen of sound mind and body, in good standing in the community and engaged in lawful occupation and between the ages of 21 and 55 years.

Its period of greatest activity and growth has been within the last four years, in which time the message of the Moose is being carried into every state in the Union, and now has over 350 lodges with over 300,000 members.

DECLARATION OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE.

"He that loveth his brother Abideth in the light, but He that hateth his brother Abideth in darkness."

A brotherhood founded upon the splendid principles, Purity, Aid and Progress, is designed to bind civilized mankind closer together with bonds of fraternal love, and to teach great truths, which have for their purpose the elevation of society.

The origin of the aims and purposes of the Loyal Order of Moose will be found in the lofty sentiments relative to humanity's welfare.

Religious and political rights are fully recognized by the teachings of the Order, but questions of a political or sectarian nature find no place within its sacred precincts and are forbidden within its portals.

PURITY.

The Loyal Order of Moose is a moral agent. The influence it exerts is most beneficial. Nothing false or degrading is tolerated within its precincts, or by its members anywhere. The principle on which it is founded and the teachings it promulgates cannot be otherwise than elevating and helpful to its members.

No fraternal order in existence possesses a more beautiful or ennobling ritualistic ceremony. No man can take its vows and listen to its instructions without becoming a better citizen, a more devoted husband a more affectionate parent.

The Loyal Order of Moose does not tolerate interference with one's religious or political views. Political or sectarian discussion are not countenanced in the lodge room, but patriotism, obedience to law, equal rights and respect for the opinions of others insisted upon. As one enters a lodge room, so he departs, a free man.

AID.

In the broad sense of the word the Loyal Order of Moose is an aid to its members. If misfortune overtakes a brother, if sickness or accident or business reverses befall him it extends the helping hand. For him it speaks the "good word," contributes to his purse and helps him to overcome difficulties.

Aid and protection at a timely moment are often of incalculable value. It may be that impending moral injury can be averted; that a home can be saved from blight; that honor can be preserved untarnished. Material calamities may be the protecting arm or utter the word of warning.

The Loyal Order of Moose is a shield of offense and defense, not only to every brother, but for those who are near and dear to him. Against all of the ills and discouragements to which man is heir, it is a tower of protecting strength.

PROGRESS.

One of the chief aims of the Loyal Order of Moose is to be progressive. Rapid growth and large mem-

bership are due to the fact that the Order is never allowed to grow stale and unattractive by adhering to forms and practices that the times may have ceased to approve. It is so planned that both the Order and the individual member shall keep step with civilization in its onward and upward march.

By special dispensation from the supreme lodge the initiation fee has been reduced to \$5.00—will be \$25.00 when charter closes.

The benefits are \$7.00 per week in sickness or accident; \$100.00 in case of death, and a free college for your children; also a physician to care for the sick and injured by adoption of the local lodge.

The dues are 75 cents a month. No assessments.

FREE COLLEGE FOR YOUR CHILDREN.

The Moose lead and never follow, and theirs is the creative rather than the emulative instinct and in the proposition of establishing a free college for the children of Moose we establish a precedent without parallel in the educational moves of other orders. Join a good thing. Be a charter member.

Call on National Organizer, H. W. Curtiss, office over Ludwick's Furniture store, McCook, Neb. Open evenings until 9 o'clock.

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A Deadly Weapon.

There is a horrible weapon favored by certain of the hill tribes in the Ghats of western Asia, which consists of four sharp, curved blades hidden under the fingers and securely held in place by rings passing over two of them. With such a contrivance Shivaji, the Maratha hero, is credited with having disemboweled his Mohammedan overlord when making a pretense of rendering him his humble submission. The vagnaks ("tiger's claws"), as they are called, are distinctly more brutal than their western prototype, the "knuckle duster."—Wide World Magazine.

Its Destination.

"Here's a nickel," said a thrifty housewife to a tramp at her door. "Now, what are you going to do with it?"

"Well, mum," replied the hungry man, "if I buy a touring car I shall have enough left to pay my chauffeur; if I purchase a steam yacht there won't be enough left to defray the cost of manning her, so I guess, mum, I'll get a schooner and handle it myself."—Everybody's Magazine.

Not an Unmixed Evil.

"Poverty has its blessings," said the philosophic friend.

"That's right," replied Mr. Suddengift. "It was annoying to be wiped out in Wall Street as I was last week. But it put an immediate stop to two threatened breach of promise suits."—Washington Star.

Thoughtless Babies.

"None of my antics will stop that kid from crying."

"Too bad!"

"I should say so. Darn a baby that can't realize when it is being amused."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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DE FOUQUIERES' VISIT.

The Famous French Dandy Who Will Lecture Us About Dress.

Get out your high hat and your swallowtail coat and your patent leather shoes. Mr. Man, and let us show M. Andre de Fouquieres that he has made "ze grand mistake." For this famous Parisian dandy, arbiter of fashionable life in France, leader of cotillions and writer of successful comedies, who has declared times without number that America's men do not know how to dress, is now coming over here to give us some pointers in that respect. In talking of his trip recently he said: "The women of the United States—ah, they are exquisite! But the men—non, non! They take their fashions from London. Englishmen dress like bookmakers, like horsemen. Americans follow them. The result? It is to weep! But allow me to teach him. If he will but listen to me I will show him how to dress so well that

when he goes abroad he may hope even to be mistaken for a citizen of that dear Paris."

Monsieur will find that we are all from Missouri and want to be shown, and he will also find that the sterner sex in America will never come to wearing corsets or high heeled shoes. It should be suggested that if he really wants to make a big hit over here with the average man struggling to keep up with the soaring prices he should tell them how to get better clothes at less money.



ANDRE DE FOUQUIERES.

Although the double red cross has been used in America for more than four years as the international emblem of the crusade against tuberculosis, few people have known how it originated until the announcement of the history of the symbol was made public recently by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. It has been ascertained that the double red cross was first suggested as the symbol of the International Anti-tuberculosis association in Berlin in October, 1902.

The proposer of the symbol was Dr. G. Sersiron of Paris, who is now associate secretary of L'Association Centrale Francaise Contre la Tuberculose. The double red cross is similar in shape to a cross used frequently in the Greek Catholic churches and also to the Lorraine cross of France.

FIRST IN AMERICA.
Trackless Trolley Now Being Successfully Operated in California.

To a company in California must go the credit of having installed the first trackless trolley in America, one now being successfully operated in Laurel canyon, near Los Angeles, and running between Hollywood and Bungalow Land, a distance of a mile and a half up the side of a mountain. While there are no tracks for the cars, the overhead wires and their supports look much like those on the interurban lines but for the fact that two trolley wires are required instead of one.

The cars are each equipped with two electric motors of fifteen horsepower and make the trip in about eight minutes. They accommodate sixteen passengers each without crowding and operate on a fifteen minute schedule.

The Double Red Cross.

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This Is Woodman Day

McCook is in the Hands of the Woodmen, Today and Tonight

The results of the big campaign of the Woodmen of this city and vicinity are in evidence today, hundreds of Woodmen being in the city to witness the big class initiation this evening.

This morning has been given over to the sports and amusements. This afternoon at addresses in the Temple theatre by the head officers of the order.

And tonight will close the big gathering with a class initiation of magnitude seldom seen in the history of any order.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Ned Burke, the returned Rough Rider Lieut. Walter M. Ellis
John McFarland, alias James Steele, the absconding Bank Cashier S. C. Beach
"Teddy," of the "400" Geo. Kearns
"Schultz," who hates the Irish Percy Bell
"Conklyn," the Cowboy Howard Finty
William Noble, the Woodman Jas. A. Stranger
George Augustus Snow, a son of Lam W. B. Deadenduffer
Mail Carrier No. 44 A. P. Wilson
Policeman No. 44 V. T. Wilson
V. C. Camp No. 725 M. W. A. N. D. Wilson
W. A. Camp No. 725 M. W. A. Ed. Howell
Banker Camp No. 725 M. W. A. A. Dubble
Baker Camp No. 725 M. W. A. A. Gudemann
"Alice," the Banker's Daughter Lillian Kearns
"Jennie," the Woodman's Daughter Leah Pennell
"Maggie," who hates the Dutch Mildred Viersen
Mrs. Noble, the Woodman's Widow Anne MacDonald
Woodmen and Foresters Camp No. 663, M. W. A.

Spoiled His Act.

A musical artist announced to his friends that he had a feature for his act that was calculated to make the whole profession sit up and take notice. Several days later he was asked to divulge his plans.

"Oh, that's all off," was the answer. "Well, if it was such a wonderful thing what was it?" was the general inquiry.

"I had planned to have a real skeleton," the musical man replied, "with its ribs tuned up so that I could play music on it like a xylophone."

"Great! Why aren't you going to do it?"

"The musician heaved a sigh of disappointment.

"I tried it," he answered, "but somebody sold me the skeleton of a ticklish man and I couldn't hit the ribs."—Youstowntown Telegram.

A Closed Discussion.

They had argued long and furiously over the question, "Can a man marry his widow's niece?" and the highly talented lawyer in the corner had waxed eloquent over the marriage laws of every state in the Union, every country in the world, civilized and uncivilized, and had cited the affinity tables of every church and even the legislation of Lycurgus down to that of Brigham Young, when a young man quietly announced his intense desire to be informed where the deuce a man was when his wife was a widow?

Then the discussion closed down and fourteen excited controversialists ordered iced water.—New York Times.

A Fair Sized Trout.

The gentleman was strolling across a large estate when he came upon a man fishing. "What sort of fish do you catch here?" he said.

"Mostly trout," replied the man.

"How many have you caught?"

"About ten or twelve, sir."

"What is about the heaviest you have caught?" continued the gentleman.

"Well, I don't know the weight, but the water sunk two or three feet when I pulled it out!"

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