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The McCook Tribune
By F. M. KIMMELL

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The U. S. supreme court recently decided constitutional the bank deposits guaranty laws of Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska. The law in Nebraska will become effective in about a month. Its operations will effect every bank in Red Willow county but every bank in Red Willow county but the three national banks of McCook. All banks in the county outside this city are state institutions.

Some men "kick" about the extravagance of their wives—and perhaps with cause. However, there is another side to the question, and one not often exploited. The sale of tobacco and cigars last year in Chicago, amounted to \$50,000,000, or two and three-fourths times the total spent by the women in millinery, gloves, furs, hosiery and underwear. It has been said that men chew tobacco and then chew the rag with the women for extravagance; they send up a lot of money in smoke and then ask the wife what has become of it.

There seems to be some doubt in the minds of some people as to the operation of the proposed rural parcels post. The Tribune admits some doubt in its own mind. However, the following from a prominent and non-partisan Chicago newspaper leaves small room for doubt as to how they consider the matter in Chicago:

"The business done by the mail order houses is specially significant. IN VIEW OF THE PROPOSITION TO ESTABLISH A PARCELS POST. It amounted to \$204,400,000. THAT THE BUSINESS WOULD BE GREATLY INCREASED BY THE PARCELS POST THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT, AND THE EFFECT UPON THE COUNTRY MERCHANT IS EVIDENT."

The McCook Tribune, \$1.00 a year.

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CURES disease with Pure Blood.



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Lineburg & Co.

OUR FEDERAL BUILDING

It's Status and It's Prospects Fully Explained in a Comprehensive Letter by

CONGRESSMAN G. W. NORRIS

House of Representatives, U. S. Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1911. Mr. Earl Ludwick, Secretary Commercial Club, McCook, Nebraska.

Dear Sir: I am receiving quite a number of inquiries in regard to the condition of the McCook public building proposition, and in order to save writing a good many letters I thought I would write to you, as secretary of the Commercial Club and acquaint you with the facts, request that you transmit same to the citizens particularly interested.

A great deal of misunderstanding comes on account of the misapplication, or rather, misinterpretation of the terms "authorization" and "appropriation." What is ordinarily known as the Omnibus Public Buildings bill carries no appropriations; it simply contains authorizations. The appropriation is a formal matter and is usually made as the money is required, so that as a matter of fact there may be several appropriations made before the entire authorization has been exhausted.

The last public buildings bill, in which the McCook item was included, like all other bills of its kind, contained only authorizations. The proper officials of the government were authorized to go ahead and construct the buildings as specified in the bill. No appropriation is necessary for these officials to go ahead and comply with the law, but no contractor or other furnishing person supplies or doing work for any of these public buildings would be able to get his money until the appropriation was actually made. No controversy ever arises and no fight is ever made over the matter of the appropriation; once the authorization is provided for by law, the balance is a matter of form merely. This is the situation at McCook.

The last public buildings bill authorized the proper officials to construct a building on the site already owned by the government there, not to exceed \$95,000 in value. The money will be appropriated from time to time as it is needed in the work. The Supervising Architect's office is considerably behind. They have not completed all the plans and specifications for the buildings provided for in the act which was passed two years prior to this one. For instance, in that bill passed two years ago last winter there was a provision made for a building at Holdrege. The plans and specifications for this building have just been completed and advertisements will take place for letting the contract sometime during the present month. I have gone over the matter with the supervising architect and he tells me they will not finish the plans and specifications of the buildings provided for in that act of two years ago until about the first of July. They will then com-

ence immediately to work on the buildings provided for in the law which embraces McCook. They take these buildings up in a particular order. They first take up all the provisions in the law for additions and extensions of present existing public buildings. Next they take up the buildings provided for in the law in cases where the government already owns the sites; they then take up the provisions for buildings where the sites must be purchased.

In the law passed which included McCook there were quite a number of provisions made for additions to old buildings. Then there are 115 buildings, coming next, in places where the government already owns the sites. McCook is in this list and is numbered "23" so that it is near the top of the list even if it does have an unfortunate number. The supervising architect told me he would like to work some scheme to advance it a number so it would be "22" to correspond with my majority. If his work progresses as he expects it to, and he commences on the new law by the first of July he will be required perhaps to devote a couple of months to the extensions and then he will commence with the buildings where the government owns the sites, and McCook will soon be reached.

I presume that no appropriations will be made at the present session for any of the buildings provided for in said bill except perhaps an appropriation made to purchase sites where provision has been made for that purpose; but the actual appropriation of money for building on sites already owned by the government will perhaps not be made until the next session of congress, as no money can be used until that time. It will take the officials a good while to get the plans and specifications made and to advertise for the construction of buildings, and no money will be needed until sometime after that, very likely not for a year from the present time. In fact there will be no occasion for an appropriation of money in the McCook case until after the contract is let and the building commenced. Under the law, as it stands, the officials have the right to make a contract just the same as though an appropriation was made and they do not wait for appropriations, but go ahead as fast as they can.

I have written you thus fully in order to reply to the various questions that have been put to me. I think I have explained it so it can be readily understood. There is no occasion for any anxiety on account of appropriation. The authorization is the rub. That has been made and the building will be constructed just as quickly as the officers can reach it in its turn. The appropriation will follow as a matter of course and as a matter of form. Very truly yours,
G. W. NORRIS.

Growing Red Willow County

Compared with many of the eastern Nebraska counties some of the western Nebraska counties—notably Red Willow county—have made very satisfactory and encouraging growth—indeed, in not a few instances, the population of Red Willow, one of the extreme southwestern counties, equals now or exceeds that of older-settled and longer-cultivated eastern counties.

While our material development has not kept step abreast our increase in population, yet there is not lacking solid evidence of progress and improvement in both towns and country. Some of the more populous and richer agricultural sections of Red Willow county would be a credit to even an Iowa or an Illinois county in improvements and thoroughness of cultivation.

This growth and development have been withal largely without special effort—indeed more or less in the face of the fact that for several years past some real estate men have spent more money in advertising and labored more zealously in securing immigration to other states, and to draw investments to other places. What might be accomplished should an intelligent and persistent campaign of advertising and publicity be waged by real estate men and others for this county and city might astonish us in results.

An effort to advertise Nebraska might well be encouraged and in part financed by the state. This, aug-

mented by means and endeavors of commercial bodies, real estate men and all others interested in the growth and prosperity of Nebraska, would soon have a telling effect in not only keeping people and money at home, but in attracting settlers and investors to our state all of which will conduce in time to a smug state of prosperity not now fully enjoyed by the state.

Southwestern Nebraska still offers inducements and offers opportunities to the man of small means who is willing to work and wait with patience the development of his farm or business and its inevitable increase in value. This is the history of every new country. It has been the case here, in years ago, and will be true in the future with every one who is willing to pay the price of success in labor, wise economy and patient fidelity.

Let us of Nebraska, of Red Willow county, of McCook, resolutely determine to advertise to the world that here are opportunities aplenty for the laboring man—especially for the farmer of small means on account of the comparatively low price of our farm lands.

And as to the investor, who desires safe and sure returns rather than large promises of profit, there isn't a county in Nebraska that does not offer reasonable and profitable openings for the investment of money.

Let us stand up for Nebraska. Let us advertise Nebraska.

Our January Combination Sale

Closes Saturday Night, January 14th

But all who may desire may take advantage of these great reductions and charge all goods purchased Friday and Saturday—the last two days of this sale—in next months account to be paid on February Pay Day.

So Come in and Get Your Share

We had three extra salesladies last Saturday and will be prepared to handle the crowd even better these last two days.

Our Muslin Underwear Sale holds the Interest of Every Woman Seeing the Extensive Lines

with such telling force in the merchandise—a long story telling of the advantages of this JANUARY SALE is unnecessary. Women are quick to judge values and

Saturday will Be the BANNER DAY With fresh bargains and New Goods on Sale.

A rush order for replenishing stock of Muslin Underwear will be in for Saturday's selling and all who failed to secure enough of those wonderful garments at 19c, 25c, 39c, 49c, and 69c will find more of them on sale Saturday—So come early this time.

More Silk Petticoats will Go at \$3.98 each

All blankets are going at 20 percent discount. All fancy silks go at ONE FIFTH OFF Cloaks, Furs, Suits, Dresses, Waists, Skirts, Sweaters, Underwear, Mufflers, Lace Curtains and Everything as advertised in last week's paper—in fact anything you may want in Dry Goods and Ladies' Furnishings—you can buy during this sale at PRICES BELOW ALL COMPETITION. Don't wait and then regret it after this sale is over for THIS WEEK is POSITIVELY YOUR LAST CHANCE. No other sale will equal this one this year. Come and see for yourself.

222 Main Avenue **H. C. Clapp** Phone 56

Dry Goods :: Millinery :: Ladies' Furnishings

ANOINTING OF NEW KING STILL AN ENGLISH RITE.

Many Historic Customs Dropped Since George IV's Coronation.

The crowning of the king of England has usually been accompanied by what was regarded as the still more solemn rite of anointing with oil, which dates from the days of the ancient Hebrews. And in England, before the Norman conquest, the term used was "hallowing," or consecration, rather than that of coronation.

But from old records it seems that the ceremony as then performed at Winchester was in all essentials the same as that which now takes place in Westminster abbey. Few people seem to be aware that the coronation ceremony was the only religious rite of the Anglican church which escaped the pruning policy of the reformers; hence its impressive ritual and gorgeous pageantries.

The last coronation at which every old world ceremony was duly performed was that of King George IV. At his crowning a coronation banquet took place, there was a procession of peers, the herb strewer scattered flowers, and the challenge of the champion of England was included in the ceremony. But at the coronations of William IV., Queen Victoria and King Edward these old customs were for various reasons omitted.

However, much remains that is of deep interest and stately splendor. The dean and chapter of Westminster claim the right to instruct the sovereign in the duties of this solemn service, and on coronation day the regalia are delivered into their custody.

According to old records, \$500 is paid for the anointing oil supplied by the royal apothecary. The coronation chairs are of interest. That of the king is the chair of Edward the Confessor, used by every British sovereign since the time of Edward II. It is of oak and is recovered with fresh crimson velvet on each occasion. Beneath it is placed the stone of destiny, an ancient relic which came originally from Ireland.

Snap.
"Take your arm away, sir!" sharply exclaimed the indignant maiden.
"So," said the young editor musingly, "an unexpected accident, we regret to say, prevents our going to press."—Chicago Tribune.

Judged It by Himself.
Tawkins—Why does a hen cross the road? Poorpeigh—Really don't know! A hen hasn't any tailor.—Boston Transcript.

Repentance is the golden key that opens the palace of eternity.—Milton.

Public Sale!

I will sell at public auction at my mother's farm, Mrs. I. H. Harrison, 11 miles northeast of McCook, or 2 miles north of Box Elder, and 6 miles south of Center Point the following described property, commencing at 10 o'clock, on

Wednesday, Jan. 25

HORSES AND MULES

One Black mare, 8 years old, weight 1200 pounds.
One black mare, 4 years old, weight 1100 pounds.
One black mare, 8 years old weight 1100 pounds.
One saddle horse, weight 800 pounds.
One black mare 5 years old weight 1100 pounds.
One span mules 5 and 6 years old.

Frank Lytle will consign four head of good three year old mules.

11 HEAD OF CATTLE

Four head of milk cows, "fresh soon." One heifer, 2 years old. Two spring calves. One Hereford bull, 2 years old. Three thoroughbred Hereford bulls.

Farm Implements and Farm Machinery.

One 2-row Go-Devil; 1 McCormick mower; 1 McCormick hay rake; 1 Rock Island Lister; 1 Disc; 1 4-horse Superior drill; 1 Ohio riding cultivator; 1 3-section harrow; 1 breaking plow; 1 buggy; 1 cultivator; 1 set of double, buggy harness; 1 spring wagon; 2 sets work harness; 1 big iron butcher kettle; 2 Incubators, Sure Hatch.

Free Lunch at Noon.

Terms of Sale: Sums of \$10.00 and under cash; on sums over \$10.00 a credit of eight months will be given, purchaser to give bankable paper drawing interest at 10 per cent from date. Five per cent discount for cash. No property to be removed until settled for.

George H. Harrison, Owner

C. M. MATSON, Auct.

V. FRANKLIN, Clerk.