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Congress convened, Monday.

Shop early—and the merchants hope, often. But early at all events.

J. H. Morehead, the Falls City banker, is out for the Democratic nomination for governor.

James B. McNamara, the Los Angeles dynamiter, was given a life sentence, Tuesday, and his brother John McNamara received a 15 years sentence in the penitentiary.

In the mayoralty race in Los Angeles on Tuesday, Mayor Alexander, good government candidate, was reelected by a majority of about 37,000 over Job Harriman, socialist.

The Omaha World-Herald announces that Miss Mary Crouch has brought action for \$50,000 damages against Calvin S. Rodgers, cashier of the First National Bank of Minden for breach of promise to marry.

Notwithstanding 43 per cent of the registered voters for Tuesday's election in Los Angeles were women, the city goes wet by two to one. It is a conventional assumption that women would vote overwhelmingly against the saloon if enfranchised. On that assumption the liquor interest is always opposed to their enfranchisement. With Los Angeles wet and the other suffrage states of Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Washington and Colorado among the wettest of the states, it looks as if the belief in the "dryness" of women voters needed revising. — Lincoln Journal.

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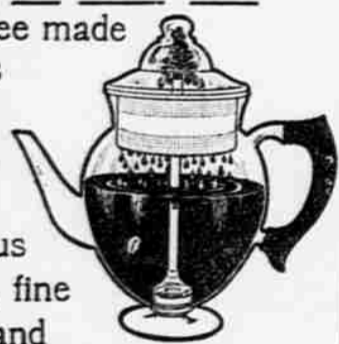
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## Government Asks For Facts.

Postmaster Cone received urgent request from the office of the government architect in Washington, Monday, for bids for performing certain preliminary surveying on the government site for a federal building here. He wired in an estimate, that date, and on Wednesday night received another wire accepting the bid of Charles W. Kelley, county surveyor, to do the work.

The surveying covers such requirements as street levels, sidewalk levels, and measurements, and facts as to the topography of the site, in fine all such facts as are essential for the architects

now at work on the plans for the McCook federal building to proceed in completing same at once.

Besides the information desired, the blank called for numerous other facts, such as ordinance requirements of city, character of soil, rock, etc., on the site.

This is additional evidence that the plans and specifications for the McCook federal building will be finished this winter, that the appropriation for the building will be made at this session, and that work on the same will in all likelihood begin in the coming spring.

## School Board Met Last Monday

### School Board Session.

McCook, Neb., Dec. 4, 1911. Board met in regular session in Supt's office.

Present: Doan, Suess, Lawritson, Barnes, Moore and Culbertson and Supt. Davis.

Minutes of Nov. 20, 1911, read and approved.

The following bills were read: Mrs. Howe Smith, laundry \$4 50 Red Willow County Gazette, printing 1,000

blanks	4 00
Mrs W H Rankin, laundry	2 20
L W McConnell, mdse.	1 35
Polk Bros, 16 ventilator valves	1 25
Republican, printing	13 00
W M Welsh Mfg. Co., laboratory supplies	76 32
Henry Holt & Co., books	1 05
Comstock Publishing Co., books	9 75
Crane & Co. books	1 08
Houghton Mifflin Co., books	40 20

On motion above bills were allowed and warrants drawn for same.

The following communication from James McAdams was read: November 27, 1911.

To the Members of the School Board, McCook, Nebraska. Gentlemen: I am in receipt of the following communication from your superintendent:

McCOOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
W. T. Davis, Supt.

Mr. James McAdams, 711 West 2nd Street.

Dear Sir: I am enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by the school board at last night's meeting which I think is self explanatory.

"Whereas, That in the matter of the suspension of Francis McAdams, be it Resolved, that Francis McAdams may return to school upon his satisfactory apology to the teacher before the pupils of the room where his misbehavior was done; that he bring a written note to the teacher from his parents stating that they will co-operate with her in maintaining order in the school and that Francis will be answerable to the same discipline that all the other pupils are, and no greater or less.

"Present at meeting: Doan, Suess, Barnes, Lawritson, Moore and Culbertson and Superintendent Davis. Very truly yours,  
"W. T. DAVIS."

"The school board, in passing the above resolution, had evidently thought that it was the wish of the parents of Francis McAdams that he should again attend under the instruction of his late teacher. We have asked for no such privilege in behalf of Francis McAdams and if same was offered to us without the humiliating process as outlined in above resolution, it would be refused.

After the first punishment was inflicted on Francis McAdams by laying him across a chair and striking him repeatedly with a rubber hose I went to your superintendent Mr. Davis and told him that I was opposed to punishment of this kind being applied to children at school or anywhere else, and that if my boy could not attend school without being subjected to such treatment, that I would take him from school and make other arrangements for his education. Mr. Davis assured me that he respected my wishes in this matter and would comply with my request to phone me should my boy cause any further annoyance at school and asked me to send the boy to school again.

This was done with the firm belief that my wishes in regard to corporal punishment would be respected. Yet two days later the boy was again whipped with a rubber hose, and now you say that we may again send him to school if he will comply with the above resolution and his parents also comply with requirements of the resolution. I am aware that my boy may have erred in his conduct at school, what boy has not? and no doubt at times has caused his teacher much annoyance and I also fully realize how important it is to a school to have good discipline but I cannot be convinced that in order to obtain this discipline that it should be necessary for the superintendent of the school to hold a child across a desk or chair while a teacher administers blows on the child with a piece of heavy rubber hose.

Very respectfully yours,  
JAMES McADAMS.

After the reading of the communication, Supt. Davis was requested to make a statement of the affair to the board in writing, which follows:

"To the Board of Education gentlemen:— In regard to the communication from Mr. James McAdams I will say that it contains two essential errors. During the conversation between Mr. McAdams and myself I did not promise him that his boy, Francis, would not be whipped if he returned to school. I did tell him that it was impossible for us to change our methods of discipline to please an individual as that would soon leave us with no method at all. I advised him for the good of the boy to send Francis back to school as he was not to be punished again for any past offense and could easily avoid all future punishment by keeping his deportment good; but I never directly or indirectly promised him any immunity for Francis above that of any other child in your schools.

As to the inference that I held Francis while his teacher administered corporal punishment I will say that I was not even present either time he was punished and his teacher assures me that in neither case was he held across a desk, chair or other object while being punished.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. T. DAVIS, Supt.

Moved that the statement of Supt. Davis be accepted and that the board reaffirm their former action. Motion carried.

Night school began Monday, November 27 with enrollment of 8 and there are several others intending to attend.

Supt. Davis reports that he expects to have the domestic science department in operation soon. Board adjourned.

Gloves, in cotton and in leather, you will find a good assortment at the right prices at Huber's.

## TAFT REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A mass convention of Republicans is hereby called to meet at Lincoln at 2:00 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday, December 19, 1911, for the purpose of organizing in the interest of the re-election of William H. Taft as president of the United States.

All Republicans who are in sympathy with this purpose are cordially invited to attend, and in the interval to form Taft clubs in their respective communities. All Taft clubs are also urged to appoint delegates to represent them in this convention.

C. E. Adams, Superior.  
Wm. Husenetter, Linwood.  
A. J. Morris, Lincoln.  
J. C. Hedges, Hastings.  
L. A. Varner, Sterling.  
H. C. Lindsey, Lincoln.  
R. H. Rankin, Chambers.  
H. R. Howe, Auburn.  
W. A. Selick, Lincoln.  
Dr. R. S. Anglin, Omaha.  
Franklin Shotwell, Omaha.  
John Lee Webster, Omaha.  
Victor Rosewater, Omaha.  
C. S. Allen, Lincoln.  
John F. Nesbit, Tekamah.  
F. E. Williams, Aurora.  
N. P. McDonald, Kearney.  
F. M. Hall, Lincoln.  
Ernest M. Pollard, Nehawka.  
G. A. Eberly, Stanton.  
W. I. Farley, Aurora.  
J. R. Wilson, Papillion.  
Benj. S. Baker, Omaha.  
C. J. Miles, Hastings.  
Geo. C. Junkin, Smithfield.  
A. Beck, Blair.  
C. A. Revis, Falls City.  
J. H. Berger, Omaha.  
W. N. Hughes, Norfolk.  
R. B. Schneider, Fremont.  
A. W. Field, Lincoln.  
S. W. Burnham, Lincoln.  
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### Sunday afternoon.

Charley Doyle and wife visited at Geo. Harrison's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Younger visited at Wm. Doyle's Sunday.

Mrs. A. T. Wilson visited her father and brother A. W. and T. M. Campbell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bolles called on Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Campbell Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. A. Lytle entertained relatives first of last week. They were on their way from Brownville, this state, to Utah.

Maudie and Amelia Lytle of McCook visited with their cousins Edith Lytle and Iva Johnson from Thursday until Saturday.

Box Elder has a doctor and is to have a drug and grocery store and post office.

The Epworth League enjoyed a talk last Sunday evening by Rev. Russel. He also preached after League services.

Rev. Fouch began special meetings at Garden Prairie Monday evening.

Subject of the Epworth League lesson Sunday evening is "The Star of Bethlehem — A World-Wide Wonder." Matt. 2:2. Luke 2:15. Mrs. Fouch leader.

### Programme.

McCook Division of Red Willow County Teachers' Association will render the following program at the High School Auditorium, December 9, at 2 o'clock p. m.:

Duet by Leta Monks.

Pictures and Picture Study by Elizabeth Daugherty.

How to Teach Reading in Primary Grades, Margaret Doyle.

Parent and School, by Edith Dutcher.

How to Teach Penmanship, by Francis Hall.

Piano Solo, by Elsie Moore.

Relation of Teacher to Pupil, Mrs. D. C. Shaw.

Teaching Arithmetic, by May-se Light.

Select Reading, by Mabel Randal.

A few Points on Teaching Geography, by Supt. W. T. Davis.

Duet by Minnie Viersen and Genevieve McAdams.

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Alice Moore.

Helen Schwab.

Francis Hall.



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