

ANNUAL BALL

PYTHIAN SISTERS

Always the Social Event of the Season

Monday, April 8, 1912

THE ARMORY

K. P. Orchestra Tickets \$1.00

The Palmer Method.

This week, Mr. VanCourt, an expert teacher of penmanship, will be in the city, in the interest of the new system recently established by the local board of education, "The Palmer Method of Business Writing." It is the custom of this company to teach their system to the public school teachers where their system has been installed, the company doing this by means of a correspondence course, and by having such men as Mr. VanCourt out on the road making personal visits to such schools. Mr. VanCourt will be here several days and will demonstrate and teach the system to teachers and pupils during this visit. It is the expectation of the board and superintendent of schools that material improvement will be apparent in the matter of writing in the public schools by the end of even the present school year.

Land Bargains.

Small farm close McCook, also 160 acres eight miles McCook, 115 acres in wheat, for sale on small cash payment down, balance long time, low rate of interest, the former a fine beet farm, or would exchange for McCook property. Apply to owner, F. S. WILCOX.

Get our rates on farm loans. DORWART & BARGER.

McCormell for drugs.

Everything in drugs. McCormell.

Wall Papers that satisfy

At prices that save.

McCORMELL, Druggist.

Let us show the greatest line of easy running washing machines ever shown in McCook. McCOOK HARDWARE CO.

Classified Advertisements

WANTED — A girl to do general house work. C. B. Gray, 106 east 3rd street.—sw 4-1-tf.

FOR RENT — Two furnished rooms for light house keeping. Inquire 216 West B St. Phone black 271.—4-tf.

WANTED—Pupils on the piano and organ. Beginners preferred. Terms 50c per lesson. Susie McBride. Phone black 464.

FOR RENT OR SALE — The Blue Front livery barn. See M. O. McClure at Bullard Lumber Co. office.—2-5-tf.

FOR RENT — Cash or share crop, S. E. 1/4 34-2-30, Driftwood precinct. See D. W. Colson at once.—4-tf.

FOR RENT — Steam heated rooms.—4-tf. Inquire of L. W. McConnell, Druggist.

Houses for rent by J. E. Kelley, phone 6—4-room brick bungalow, modern; good location. 3-room furnished cottage, close in, lawn and shade.—12-sw.

I will pasture cows for \$1 per head, and will call for and deliver same for 50c. No extra charge for delivering additional cows to same party. For information call up McCook Milling Co. Phone 29.—3-4-tf. J. B. AMSDEN.

FOR RENT—Half block, with house, fruit and shade trees. Suitable for chickens and gardening. Call at 215 W. B street.—B-25.

FOR SALE—Brown Leghorn eggs. 15 for 35c, or 100 for \$2. Phone black 318, route 1. F. S. Groves.*

The University Will Aid Us

An informal meeting was held in the commercial club rooms, Friday afternoon, with Chancellor Samuel Avery and Dr. George E. Condra, both of the Nebraska university, who asked and answered questions now up for percolation in the minds of people within the proposed McCook Irrigation Ditch district, namely, its feasibility, water supply available, etc.

The chancellor and doctor both expressed themselves as deeply interested in the project, and promises were made by these gentlemen that everything possible would be done by the state university to determine the feasibility, the practicability of the project, that measures would be taken thru the engineering department to determine the water supply available for this project, that a preliminary survey would be taken of the matter, upon which a report would be based. If they found the plan practicable and the water sufficient, a report to the effect would

be given; if not, a contrary report would be made, according to the facts determined.

Perforce of the fact that Dr. Condra has a wide and careful personal knowledge of the topography, the soil values, the water supply, etc. of this section of state, his advice and information would be of the greatest value.

The chancellor promised that Prof. Stout of the engineering department would come out and look over the case. The professor has been identified with government irrigation work for the past few years, in conjunction with his university work, and perhaps no man in the west is better equipped and qualified to give advice and information desired.

The Tribune hopes in the near future to be able to report Prof. Stout's presence on the field and to be able to give his estimate of the matter now pressing upon us.

Death of Mother Scott.

Emily Honnell was born in Belmont Co., Ohio, Sept. 9th, 1826; died March 25, 1912, aged 85 years, 6 months, 10 days. She grew to womanhood in Ohio and moved to Marion county, Iowa, on March 5, 1854. She was married to James L. Scott. Eleven children were born to them, three dying in infancy, and Geo. T. dying at the age of thirty-five. Seven, with the aged husband, survive her. She was a member of the M. E. church since she was fifteen years of age. Funeral services were held at the home four miles northwest of McCook, Sunday at 2 p. m., conducted by D. L. McBride and attended by a large number of neighbors and friends.

NOTICE.

The city has provided a new city dumping ground in the canyon north of the north end of 2nd street east. A lane has been fenced from end of the street to the dumping ground, which is also enclosed. All persons interested will please notice.

Now is the time to give your premises, alleys, etc., a thorough cleaning after the accumulation of the winter. Kindly give this your attention, citizens. Fred Sehlagel, Chief of Police.

A New Superintendent.

The resignation of Mr. A. R. Scott, superintendent of the McCook Electric Co., became effective today, and his successor, Mr. A. L. Harding, is in the city, being introduced to the patrons of the company by the retiring superintendent. Mr. Scott will remain here for a while initiating Mr. Harding into the duties of the superintendency, but is not at liberty to see just now what will be his future course.

Lot for Sale.

Fine residence lot 75x140, Main ave. Sewer and cement walk. A very desirable location. Price reasonable. Dr. Fahnestock.

We have the Wedding Breakfast syrup. D. Wagner, phone 14

New paper and fresh paint have noticeably improved interior appearance of the Congregational church.

We have not only the largest, but the best line of garden and flower seeds in town.—M-1-3t.—Marsh's. Phone 25.

Miss Bism Johnson arrived on Monday morning, from Lincoln, and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

Mabel, daughter of County Clerk Dutcher, is ill with an attack of scarlet fever, and the home is in quarantine.

Get a Herriek refrigerator and you will be pleased. We are showing many varieties. McCOOK HARDWARE CO.

H. P. Waite & Co. are agents in McCook for Hughes' Crescent Cottage Paints. Be sure to see them before buying material for your spring painting.—4-1-3tM.

Majestic Ranges cost a little more than cheap ranges, but you soon save it in repair bills and saving of coal. McCook Hardware Co., Agts.

Goes Into Station Service.

Dispatcher T. B. Campbell today goes from the dispatching department into the station service of the company, having recently resigned from the former and deciding to enter the latter. For thirty-one years Tom has been an efficient, careful and dependable member of the dispatching force. During that unmeasured length of service in that nerve-racking department he has served without unfortunate and unpleasant incident, a record of which he is of right proud and of which the company has been and is appreciative, giving him, as they have, one of the best station positions on the McCook division, that at Minden, where he assumed charge this morning. By so many years of service in the exacting work of a dispatcher Mr. Campbell has fairly and fully won a less pressing and difficult position. His large experience in railroad work has equipped him for successful labor in any department, and the people of Minden will receive the careful, courteous service of an obliging and competent station master in Tom Campbell.

Tight Fitting Clothes Injurious.

No one should attempt to wear a shoulder brace that binds continually. The Rexall brace is so perfectly adjustable that the wearer is unconscious of its presence except as an incorrect position is assumed. All sizes. Sold only at the REXALL STORE. Price \$1.00 L. W. McCONNELL, Druggist.

C. A. DeJoy is remodeling his residence.

Fine young thoroughbred Short Horn bull for sale. McCOOK HARDWARE CO.

Come in and get our prices on Garden Seeds before you buy. If you do you will buy from us.—M-1-3t. Marsh's. Phone 25.

Dr. Leavitt made a twenty-minute talk at H. S. assembly, on Monday morning. The doctor's work is along the line of prison reform.

DeLaval cream separators with their split wing bowls provide the best known method of getting all the cream under all conditions. McCook Hardware Co., Agts.

We can save you money and increase your satisfaction. Call any time and inspect the new papers. McCONNELL, Druggist.

Remember the M. E. social on Friday night. Messieurs F. A. Menden, A. R. McHaffy and B. J. Lane are the promoters. Social will be held in the church basement. An "exchange" will be the chief item of amusement.

Episcopal — Wednesday 7:30 p. m., services; 8 p. m., choir practice. Thursday afternoon, Altar Guild meets with Miss Elsie Campbell. Good Friday, series of services and addresses from 12 noon to 8 p. m.; come, if only for a few minutes. Saturday afternoon, plants and flowers received for Easter decorations. Easter day, 8 a. m., Holy Communion; 10 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., Holy Communion and sermon; 8 p. m., service and address.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. J. W. Hasty is entertaining her mother Mrs. Utterback of Arapahoe.

Miss Ada Converse of Hendley, Nebraska, is guest of her brother Ira, this week.

W. H. Staples was over from Lebanon, Friday, on business at the county capital.

J. E. Adams of the Cedar Bluff, Kansas neighborhood, had business in the city, Saturday.

T. M. Philippi has moved to Ericson, Nebraska, where he is making his home at present.

Mrs. F. B. Donisthorpe of Geneva is visiting daughter Miss Louise Donisthorpe of the public school corps.

Carlton Rowell came down from Benkelman, Friday, to attend the declamatory contest that evening returning home on No. 1, Saturday.

Mrs. Gruney Smith returned to her home in Stratton, on Monday morning, after a visit of several days with her son G. L. Burney.

Mrs. F. S. Harris returned to her home in Denver, Monday on No. 13, after a week's visit at the home of her father Joseph Menard.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Hanson departed, Sunday, for the west, going via Seattle, where they will briefly visit relatives of Mr. Hanson, afterwards going south to Santa Barbara, California, where Mrs. Hanson expects to make a long visit to an uncle. Mr. Hanson's trip will of necessity be shorter than Mrs. Hanson's, he returning to his work here in a few weeks.

SOME SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

The Friday Bridge whist club met with Mrs. A. Galusha, last week.

Mrs. A. McMillan will give a Dorcas Kensington at her home, Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bosworth entertained the Thursday Whist club, last week, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Stokes. A three-course seven-o'clock dinner was served at two large tables; the bon bon boxes indicated the approach of Easter tide, and jellies gave the floral touch of beauty. The assistants were Mrs. Robert Gunn, Mrs. Clarence Stokes, Mrs. Charles Davis and Mrs. J. G. Stokes. A number of guests increased the company to seven tables.

McCormell fills prescriptions.

Geese hunting has been the activity of the local nimerd for the past few days, with considerable success.

Miss Vera Fitzgerald arrive home from Kearney state normal Friday morning, and is visiting with the home folks.

Potato planters soon needed. We have the "Aspinwall" ready for you. The best planter made. McCOOK HARDWARE CO.

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Flour, feed and garden seed in packages and bulk all fresh and of the highest quality. Also seed corn tested to 99 per cent germination. Reclaimed alfalfa seed \$2.00 per bushel. McCOOK HARDWARE CO.

Dr. Leavitt of Omaha, representing the "Society for Friends" spent Sunday in the city, in the interest of prison reform, help for the friendless criminal, etc. He spoke in the Baptist, the Congregational and the Methodist churches of the city during the day, and in several Sunday school gatherings as well. This seems to be the psychological moment for such addresses, and that good results will come from the quiet and sane campaign being urged for prison reforms in Nebraska. Nebraska needs legislation on this matter and the people should be informed and advised as to needed laws, so that they may require their legislators to give them relief needed.

By the People's Water Committee.

Some Errors.

Mr. Editor: It has been the misfortune of mankind to have a few people among us who return evil for good, and like a certain other class, "they are always with us." The injustice of certain published articles and a sense of fair play, prompts this statement of facts of which the public may not be informed: At the time Mr. McAdams appointed Mr. Diamond (not "Water Commissioner," but "Water Commissioner PRO TEM," he stated among other reasons for the appointment that Mr. Diamond was the only applicant who would agree to furnish all clerk hire without expense to the city. On the evening of the appointment, when a remark by Mr. Diamond gave the impression that he would do not this, the mayor promptly informed him in the presence of the council that he would not be appointed, and had not Mr. Diamond at once explained that his remark did not have this meaning, he would not have secured the position; one of the principal reasons for his appointment being Mr. McAdams desire to save the city's money in every possible way. The mayor further stated that the appointment was, as the record shows, only a temporary one, requested that the appointee be given a trial, and promised that if after a trial of the appointee, a request be made that he be removed, he would remove him. When the request (in writing, signed) was made, the mayor kept his promise, just as he has at all times kept his word with the council.

In a published article, it was stated that there is now on hand with the city and county treasurers, in the water fund, \$18,000. This is untrue. The city and county treasurers' books show there is in the water fund, the sum of \$8,144.78. The statement that if the \$20,000 of water bonds sold to the state are not paid Jan. 15, 1913, they will continue in force twenty years, and that Mayor McAdams is opposed to paying or refunding them, is untrue and misleading. In the first place, those bonds were originally only 20-year bonds and were issued in 1908. In the second place, they can not be paid or refunded Jan. 15, 1913, they cannot be paid or refunded until June 15, 1915, nearly two and one half months after the 1913 city election. In the third place, they may be paid (or refunded at any time after June 15, 1913. Lastly, Mr. McAdams has consistently taken the position that every cent can be safely spared, shall be applied to reducing the water bond debt whenever there is an opportunity to do so. The untruth of this, and other, published statements is apparent. Would Mr. McAdams do anything to increase the taxes of others when he is himself a heavy taxpayer?

W. A. MIDDLETON
J. R. STANSBERRY
H. C. BROWN

Championship Contest

April 12th, at Minden, will occur the championship debate between McCook and Minden high school debating teams. McCook has already won two unanimous decisions. Minden has won one divided decision. This next debate will decide which team shall represent Southwest Nebraska in the state contest.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis departed on No. 6 Friday night, for Omaha, where he expected to undergo an operation for relief from appendicitis with which he has been threatened for some time.

A Clean Town

Mayor McAdams is not a man of fads and fanaticisms, but he is a man of family and has a father's interest in the moral status of the community in which he lives and rears his family. His course as mayor has been one of absolute fidelity to his oath of office. He has enforced the laws without fear or favor. Wrong doers have smarted, and no outrageous violations of law have been ventured upon, in view of the known courage, vigilance and fidelity of Mayor McAdams. Among his supporters for a second term will be found no vultures of society, hoping by his election to find opportunity for carrying on forbidden callings. Mayor McAdams will never be asked by the governor to resign because of nullifying the law. A vote for him will be a vote for continued good order.

Mr. McAdams' Qualifications

Mr. McAdams has a record of twenty-five years of successful business activities. His well-known record as a builder extends back to the beginning of McCook and covers the towns of the near-by counties. As a manufacturer of brick, he is known far and near. These lines have made him familiar with machinery and materials, excavations and other operations that largely figure in the city's activities. His judgment on all such matters is valuable. His career as a successful merchant shows his skill and knowledge as a buyer. His range is as wide as the city's needs. In addition his year as mayor has made him perfectly familiar with the affairs of the city. Let us draft him for another twelve months. Let your good business judgment control in this matter.

As to Taxes

The \$10,400 levied in 1911 on account of water bonds was required by the law. It could not have been less with the bonds standing the way they were voted four years ago. Mayor McAdams was not responsible for their form—but see what he has done to relieve the situation in the few months since July 1st, 1911: He has paid off \$15,000 of the \$85,000 bond issue. He has refunded \$50,000 of them from 6 to 5 per cent bonds. He has shown that under his management the water plant will at the 16 cent rate run itself and yield \$2,500 surplus applicable to payment on bonds, so that the tax levy for 1912 will only be \$4,876 as against the \$10,400 of 1911. Can there be any better management than this?

As to the taxes of 1910 under the previous administration, there was levied a water tax of \$3,869 which was mostly paid over to the water company for hydrant rentals, etc., securing no form of property for the city whatever, while the \$4,876 to be levied this year (1912 will chiefly (\$3676) go to retire that amount or water bonds; in other words, pay for that much of the water plant.

The water taxes of 1913 and each succeeding year will be smaller and taper off each year until all water bonds are paid.

Don't let any statements by ex-employees or others throw you off the track on this matter of the taxes. Give them the facts and they will quit talking. Mr. McAdams stands for economy and will protect taxpayers. Give him and the whole water ticket your vote tomorrow.

C. A. Leach departed, Friday night, for Lincoln, where he will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leach, and they will together leave for a visit of some length in California.