

# The McCook Tribune.

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McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 16, 1900

NUMBER 40

## The Merry Minstrels.

Standing room was at a premium, last night, in Menard's opera hall, to hear the annual minstrel show and society vaudeville by local talent for the benefit of the High School library fund; indeed, quite early in the evening it was necessary to discontinue the sale of tickets on account of the crowded condition of the hall.

The performance was modeled very much after the fashion of those of previous years, and like those of history was a rousing success, being warmly and enthusiastically received as to every number on the programme. It was a large success in every particular, and all concerned in the same are proper subjects for congratulations. The net proceeds will amount to a little over one hundred dollars, a sum that will be most helpful to the library.

The chorus work of the company was full and melodious.

Dr. I. B. Taylor received a warm applause for his ballad, "Sing Again That Sweet Refrain."

The end song, "Open Up de Golden Gates," by E. J. Mitchell, marked him as an artist.

J. R. McCarl's ballad, "Adrift," was rendered in splendid form and was enthusiastically applauded.

J. G. Schobel's work on the end, in monologue and song captured the gallery gods.

The sentiment and artistic rendering of "Every American Girl is a Queen" by Miss Nina Doan made a pleasant impression on all.

T. E. McCarl made his usual hit in singing the plaintive ballad, "Love's Sorrow."

The end song, "The Sweetest Thing in Town," as sung and acted by George B. Berry, was one of the scored hits of the evening.

Mrs. C. W. Bronson maintained her old popularity in her singing of "Little Miss Mignonne."

J. F. Forbes was a prime favorite in "Zizy Ze Zum Zum," and appeared to the best advantage in every turn attempted.

The second part was almost a complete change from the opening, but there was no change or diminution in the enthusiasm with which it was received.

The medley quartette by Messrs. T. E. McCarl, J. A. Beyer, J. R. McCarl and F. H. Strout was one of the excellent numbers of this part of the programme.

Elsie Campbell's song and dance, "Youse Got to Play Ragtime," was done very artistically, making her more than ever a general favorite with McCook audiences.

F. H. Strout's deep, mellow voice was exhibited most satisfactorily in the bass solo, "At the Sound of the Sunset Gun."

Mrs. C. W. Bronson, Miss Nina Doan and George B. Berry received not a few compliments for their trio and dance, "Everything Was Lovely on the Bowery."

The cake walk by Elsie Campbell and Mary Cole was cleverly executed and very vociferously applauded. It was a very cute feature.

Harry Wicks was just becoming interesting in his "buck and wing" dancing, when he "gave up the gun," his "saud ran low," or something of the kind, and he retired.

There were less local hits than usual, but those made were center shots, and were enjoyed loudly by all but the victims.

The instrumental work of the orchestra and pianist, Mrs. W. B. Mills, was up to the enjoyable mark throughout, and a feature of the entertainment.

The entertainment as a whole had the enthusiastic approval of the crowded house; and, with a few exceptions, was worthy a generous meed of praise.

McMillen's Cough Cure—is sure.

That steel cook stove on display in the window at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s store is the latest thing in cook stoves. It is next to a steel range and is bound to become popular.

Sic transit gloria mundi, Colonel Mitchell spells the sweet old girl's immortal name, "Perilla." But she is dead and there is no avenging hand.

Every one agrees that S. M. Cochran & Co. have the most complete, up-to-date stock in their various lines to be found in Southwestern Nebraska.

Band No. 2 of the Dorcas society will hold a social in the Congregational church, Tuesday, February 27. Particulars later.

Charles Dubarko and Annie Hamann have been granted license to wed, this week.

This morning was the coldest of the winter, 10 degrees below zero.

Give Loar of McCook your drug trade for 1900.

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## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

W. C. BULGER is back from his Hastings visit.

D. T. WELTY of Cambridge attended court here, Monday.

Mrs. J. K. COUZINS is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. H. Struve at Oxford.

MISS OLA RUSSOM has returned to her home in Broken Bow, this state.

LOUIS AND MARTIN THORGRIMSON were pilgrims to the "Queen City of the Plains," Sunday.

DR. J. A. GUNN has been in Joplin and other Missouri points for the past week on business.

MISS VERA MCINTYRE is in the city on a visit to relatives, and is a guest of Mrs. W. S. Morlan.

JAMES BORNEMAN was down from Denver over Sunday, greeting his many friends in the old home.

R. Q. STEWART, the Hastings deputy revenue collector, was in the city, Thursday, on revenue business.

H. W. COLE was in Boulder, Colorado, Saturday, on Star of Jupiter business, returning home on Sunday.

W. S. MORLAN was summoned to Cabool, Mo., Tuesday, by the news of an accident to his aged mother.

J. J. GARDNER shipped his goods to Holdrege, this week, and will make his home there, we are informed.

L. H. BLACKLEDGE was up from Red Cloud, early part of the week, in attendance upon the February term of district court.

MRS. MARY WALTERS was down from the Hayes county farm, Saturday, on a short visit to the children here, and on business.

MR. AND MRS. W. G. MANSPEAKER of Culbertson were down to the minstrel show, last night, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hupp.

J. H. GALLOWAY, the special agent of the pension department, has been up from Hastings, part of the week, on department business.

MISS MOLLIE BALLANCE of Germantown arrived in the city, Tuesday night on 3, and is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. H. H. Tartsch.

MRS. FRANK HARRIS came down from Denver, fore part of the week, on a short visit to McCook friends. She is the guest of Mrs. W. F. Lawson.

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT MCMLLEN gave a dinner party, last Friday evening, to a small company of friends. Games and social chat made an enjoyable post-prandial feature.

MRS. C. K. COLEMAN went down to Omaha, Wednesday night on 6, to meet Mabel and Harvey, children of Emerson Coleman, who will make a visit of some length. They arrived here, last night on 3.

MRS. J. B. MESERVE of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Mrs. Harmon Smith of Oakland, Iowa, her niece, came up from Lincoln, Tuesday night, on a short visit. They were guests of Mrs. F. M. Kimmell, returning to Lincoln this morning on 12.

MRS. MABEL STRANAHAN'S condition continues favorable and her recovery is expected by those in charge of her case. The latest word from Mr. Perry, who has been at her bedside for a number of days, is encouraging, though her condition is, of course, serious.

MISS LIZZIE STEVENS arrived in the city, this noon on No. 1 from Lincoln, and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Kendlen, until tomorrow, when she, Mrs. Kendlen and Mrs. Harry Barzatt will depart for Denver to enter a hospital for treatment.

JAMES W. DEN, who some time ago went to Phoenix, Arizona, in hopes of improving his failing health, breathed his last on Sunday night, February 4th, at 10 o'clock, the sad news of his death reaching his family and friends in this city, Monday forenoon. The body has been embalmed and will arrive here Saturday, the funeral taking place from the family residence on west Elm street, on Sunday at 2 p. m., and will be conducted by Rev. Howard Stoy of McCook. Relatives of the deceased will be present from Omaha, Brownville, Oregon, Missouri and Iowa, and friends from innumerable points will come to pay their last respects and shed a silent tear at the grave of their departed friend and chum, whose genial, sunny disposition and many good traits will long be cherished in their memories.—Arapahoe Mirror.

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## Their Annual Election.

The annual election of the stock-holders of The McCook Co-Operative Building and Savings association was held at the office of Secretary Pennell in the First National bank building, Monday evening, as per announcement, a legal per cent of the stock being represented.

The following persons were elected members of the board of directors: For three years—W. B. Mills, W. S. Perry and J. A. Wilcox; for two years—D. A. Lucas. The other members of the board are: T. B. Campbell, J. E. Kelley, J. J. Garrard, F. M. Kimmell and Emerson Hanson.

The work of the annual meeting being finished the stock-holders adjourned, and the board of directors went into session for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The result was as follows: President, T. B. Campbell; Vice-President, W. S. Perry; Secretary, F. A. Pennell; Treasurer, W. F. Lawson. These are all old officers except W. S. Perry, who succeeds J. F. Ganschow, resigned.

The above constitutes a strong and conservative directorate, with an efficient official management.

A new series of stock will be opened in the association on the 20th of this month and, as the enterprising newspaperman puts it, "Now is the time to subscribe."

## The Official County Paper.

At the meeting of the board of county commissioners, last week, THE McCOOK TRIBUNE was for the fourth consecutive time made the official county newspaper for publication of the commissioners' proceedings, the legal notices of the county of all kinds, and the delinquent tax-list. THE TRIBUNE is recognized for its accuracy and reliability by the board of county commissioners, as well as by a large proportion of the stirring, up-to-date people of Red Willow county. There is no other paper in the county "that will do just as well" as THE TRIBUNE. If you are not on its list of subscribers—well, you ought to be; and there is no better time than the present to get in line and march along with the procession. The subscription price is one dollar a year—cheaper than borrowing it, even.

## Meetings Closed Sunday.

The protracted meetings that have been in progress in the Christian church for a few weeks past, came to a close, last Sunday evening. The meetings have been characterized by good attendance and deep interest—twenty-two additions being made to the church by confession and letter.

Rev. J. W. Walker drove down to Red Willow, Monday afternoon, to open a two-weeks' series of meetings in the Christian church in that neighborhood, Monday evening. Mrs. Walker accompanied him.

## We Wish to Say!

That we have received a large portion of the largest and finest stock of wall paper we have ever bought and we believe that means the finest line ever shown in McCook. Some of the patterns are exclusive. Only sold by us and only enough for one room of a kind. We are ready to show New Goods in Tapestries, Denims, Burlaps, Ingrains, fine Gilts and White Blanks, also a large line of the cheapest grades. If you expect to use wall paper remember we are "It," this season.

## McCONNELL & BERRY.

### Smooth Insurance Sharpers.

George W. DeHaven and Roger Byrnes, who claimed Chicago for their home while in the city, the close of January, looking up a location in which to open an insurance office, were arrested in Alma, shortly after leaving here; but we do not know the nature of the charge, nor the disposition made of the men. It is alleged, however, that they are as smooth a brace of insurance sharpers as are often seen anywhere. They were unable to make any encouraging headway here, and soon departed for greener fields.

### For Sale.

Five-room house, barn, two lots, hedge and fruit trees; fine location—corner of Dakota and Manchester streets, McCook. Write H. G. DIXON, Kennett Square, Penn.

McConnell's Balsam cures coughs.

THE TRIBUNE and The Cincinnati Weekly Enquirer for \$1.50 a year, strictly in advance.

The snow-plow has been put in commission, this week. The snow is light and drifts easily. Trains are being more or less delayed.

Do you see the point? What? Why that you always find just what you want and in the nearest possible condition at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s?

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## RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Engineer William Wood has purchased property in West McCook.

Conductor William Cropp was up from Oxford, Saturday last.

Brakeman J. J. Barry has bought the Bates property on South Main street.

Fireman Walter Clark was up from Oxford, over Sunday, to see the folks.

C. R. Liggett is in the Red Cloud yard vice Switchman Perry, visiting in Chicago.

Grant Smith is in the McCook yard vice Switchman J. F. Amick, away on a visit.

Switchman J. F. Amick has taken a short vacation and is visiting his parents in Macon, Mo.

Conductor Frank Rank has been entertaining his father, W. J. Rank of Fairbury, this state.

F. D. Griffith has bought the half interest of J. W. Spencer in the Commercial house livery barn stock.

Engineer Neiling and Fireman Koebel were up from Oxford, close of last week, with their engine for repairs.

S. D. Bolles is off duty, this week, nursing a hand that he accidentally mashed in the shops, Monday.

It is reported at headquarters that John H. Watkins, Supt. Campbell's factotum, recently wedded a Denver lady.

Operator Albert Thorgrimson was up from Franklin, Sunday, which explains our "tilted" position on that day.

Samuel Rayer of Friend and Barbara Hahn of Indianola were given license to wed, this week, by the county judge.

Engineer Starks and Fireman Ford were up from Oxford, Saturday, having necessary work done on their engine.

Will J. Purvis retired from the company's service here, first of the week, and went to Denver to work at his trade.

Engineer Clark and Fireman Brisco made a 60-hour run, this week, on three hours sleep. How is that?—Oxford Standard.

Brakemen and switchmen! No more cracked or chapped hands. Use our new preparation, "Berry's Handhealer," warranted to cure.

Conductor B. L. McCarl and crew were laid up at headquarters, part of the week, on account of the snow storm, which laid off the work train, a few days.

Dispatcher and Mrs. T. B. Campbell went down to Tecumseh, Tuesday night, on a brief visit to Mr. and Mrs. Russell McMillen, returning home on Thursday night.

Monday, the pay-checks went into circulation, greatly strengthening the pulse of local business, and working a red-letter day in the railroad man's calendar.

Trainmaster Kenyon, Conductor H. H. Miller and crew were over on the Oberlin line, Wednesday, clearing up the snow blockade, in which they were successful.

When about two miles west of town on Monday, freight train No. 147 broke in two and was not discovered by the engineer until he had reached Edison. He ran back light, and brought up the loose cars.—Oxford Standard.

Operator Roy Kleven returned to work, Monday morning, after a short sick lay-off, and "Kid" Pate returned to Benkelman on No. 1, the same day. "They do say" that the "kid" is "one of the finest" on the division.

It is reported that the new time card will take Nos. 15 and 16 to Lincoln, which will take our old mail crew from us. Trains 17 and 18 will, after the new time card goes into effect, run from here to Kansas City, via Atchinson, Kansas.—Oxford Standard.

Frank Traver of the boiler gang lost the end of the first finger of his left hand, last Saturday, while assisting in placing an ash-pan under an engine. The ash-pan weighed about 500 pounds, and was upon blocks in readiness to be pushed under the engine. Frank was engaged in moving the blocks, when his finger was caught and badly mashed, making amputation necessary at the first joint.

Several representatives of the mechanical department of the Burlington system met, Tuesday afternoon, in a room of the Millard hotel at Omaha. They were in session for several hours and refused to disclose the object of the meeting. Among those who were present were E. J. Blake, chief engineer; George S. Yeomans, consulting engineer, and W. L. Breckenridge, all of Chicago; I. S. P. Weeks of Lincoln and two Omaha employes of the company.—Lincoln Journal.

## A Valentine Party.

Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the latter, Mrs. J. G. Schobel and Mrs. F. M. Kimmell entertained a score or two of their lady friends at a Kensington. The invitations, decorations, refreshments etc. were all heart-shaped or appropriate to St. Valentine's day. The decorations were in pink and green, and not a few of the guests carried out this color idea in their costumes or ornaments. It was a very dressy affair. The guests chose their partners for refreshments by an artistic design in hearts and arrows. There was a guessing game of hearts, as one of the entertainment features. Carnations, smilax and palms, together with numerous tasteful touches in drapery, brush and furniture, made an attractive interior effect. The refreshments were daintily served on small tables with pretty accessories. It was with a very pleasurable social event.

St. Valentine in his invitations required an acknowledgement in rhyme, and it is due the guests to relate that the result discovered to the hostesses the existence of quite a number of clever verse-makers, not to mention the neat effects in brush and paper.

A late fancy drink was served in the hall, from a tastefully arranged table, to which were draped from the ceiling ropes of smilax. Pink carnations were disposed in vases in the spaces between the anchorages of the ropes—making a very pretty effect.

Mrs. J. B. Meserve of Lincoln, Neb., Mrs. Harmon Smith of Oakland, Iowa, Miss Jessie Sprague of Elkhorn, Wisconsin, and Miss Mollie L. Ballance of Germantown, Neb., were among the out-of-town guests present.

Each guest carried home a floral memento—a pink carnation—of the day and occasion.

## District Court.

The February term of district court for Red Willow county convened in the court house, Monday morning, Judge Norris presiding and Reporter Eisenhart at his desk. Monday was consumed in the call of the docket, and on Tuesday, the replevin case of John F. Shafer vs. Jacob Lerch was taken up before a jury. This is the second trial of this case and the points were closely contested. The jury found for the defendant, rendering judgment in the sum of \$431.00 for Lerch.

This case disposed of, the rape case of the State of Nebraska vs. Bert Miller was taken up for re-trial, the jury not being able to agree at the first trial. The defendant has since been in the county jail at Indianola.

## The Shadeland Sale.

W. N. Rogers of the Shadeland stock farm loaded his two cars of Herefords, Saturday night last, and on the morning following started for South Omaha, where his great sale will take place, today. He shipped 47 animals for the sale and it is the judgment of those knowing ones who have seen them that a finer lot of Herefords has not been seen in the state in many moons. THE TRIBUNE hopes he may receive adequate prices for his splendid lot of animals.

## Athletics Will Celebrate.

On the evening of Thursday, March 1st, the members of the McCook Athletic club will celebrate the first anniversary of that organization by giving a reception and banquet to invited friends in the club rooms, with the most attractive social and gastronomic particulars. The banquet will be served in the club rooms by a section of the Dorcas society. It will doubtless be one of the social affairs of the winter.

## For Sale for Cash.

One road cart, nearly new; one set silver-mounted, double, buggy harness; my single driver, weight 1,050 pounds. ISAAC M. SMITH.

## Cleanlinc.

McConnell's new cleaning preparation, removes grease from any fabric; will not soil or spot the goods.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church announce that their Washington dinner will be served in the basement under the room until recently occupied by the Famous clothing store. Both dinner and supper will be served. Besides the ladies will have on sale many articles of a useful sort. They crave your patronage.

S. M. Cochran & Co. continue to add to their already splendid line of buggies, road wagons and surreys, the latest and finest things in the market. Rubber tires are the very latest. Seeing is believing.

Come in and examine our goods. We are always glad to show you through. R. T. ELLER & CO.

McConnell's Fragrant Lotion makes smooth, soft hands or face.

McConnell's Balsam cures coughs.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

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Another slight snowfall, Sunday night.

April 4th is the William Hawley Smith date.

New plaids for skirts at DeGroff & Co.'s.

Miss A. D. Wibley, trained nurse. Phone 86.

It is folly to cough; McMillen's Cough Cure is promptly effective.

Call up 19 if you have any newspaper or job printing business to do.

FOR SALE—A fresh milk cow. Gottlieb Feichtner, West McCook.

Telephone No. 31, when you want anything in the hardware line.

To make your hands smooth and soft use McMillen's Cream Lotion.

SCALE BOOKS—For sale at THE TRIBUNE office. Best in the market.

HOUSE FOR SALE—Seven rooms and three lots. J. H. BERGE.

XXXX, Lion or German coffee, 10 cents a pound at R. T. Eller & Co.'s.

Increase your supply of eggs by using McMillen's Egg Producer. Guaranteed.

The Republican put on a new dress, last week, as a visible evidence of prosperity.

FOR SALE—A good fresh cow. Write or inquire of James Cain, McCook, Nebraska.

Bring your poultry to J. A. Wilcox & Son and receive the highest market price in trade or cash.

Supt. Meeker is now engaged in drawing up plans and specifications for an attic and sub-cellar to the stand-pipe.

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for sale during the season. 30c per sitting. MRS. S. G. GOHREN.

If you try one pound of the "Batavia" coffee you will use no other. It has no equal on earth. R. T. Eller & Co. sell it.

"The Right Place" to call up is No. 12. You are sure of getting just as choice meats by phone as by personal inspection.

Take your prescriptions to Loar, for his goods are pure and fresh and his prices right. Opposite the Commercial hotel, McCook.

You can have your choice of five different kinds of sewing machines at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s, and they don't ask \$65 for them, either.

All the county treasurers of Nebraska have settled with the state treasurer. The total amount received by the state is \$7,868,844.78. Of this sum Red Willow county contributed \$16,397.56.

Our business for the first month has been far beyond our expectations, and is increasing every day. Good goods, square dealings, and low prices are the causes. R. T. ELLER & CO.

Wednesday evening, Miss Katie Garrard entertained a company of her young friends at a St. Valentine party in delightful style. Refreshments were served, games played and a most enjoyable time had.

If Pat Walsh should take a notion to peacefully annex the lot south of him and on the twin erect an opera house commensurate with McCook's needs and dignity; well, there wouldn't be a kick coming.

People looking for a large range for either cattle or sheep will do well to correspond with Arterburn Bros. of Imperial, Chase county, Nebraska, as they have several ranches for sale or lease in tracts of 320 to 10,000 acres.

Another car-load of implements unloaded at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s, this week. They seem to think that every farmer in this section of the state will need implements from the way they are shipping them in.

If he is worthy to be enshrined as a patriot who can make two blades of grass grow where one grew, what place in the hearts of his countrymen ought a man have who can store ten tons of ice in the capacity of one ton? What a capacity for romancing! What an imagination!

You will find at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s anything in implements from a garden plow to a threshing machine; in vehicles, from the common road cart to the finest rubber-tire surreys; in wagons, from the cheapest conveyance to the strongest and most complete lumber wagon; finest hardware furnishings for use anywhere from the kitchen to the parlor; the best makes of sewing machines; all kinds of wire, and the latest and best fences.

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