

The Excelsior laundry will reopen this week.

T. N. Arnold has a change of advertisement in this issue.

Clark B. Day spent several days of the past week in Chicago.

Miss Laura Kenny, of Earlville, is visiting with friends at Summit.

John J. Foley of Cedar Rapids, spent Friday with friends here.

The democratic state convention will be held at Cedar Rapids, August 16.

Elmer Hull, of Iowa City, spent Sunday at the home of W. W. Ford.

There have been no marriage licenses issued in this county since July 3rd.

The Manchester Lumber Co. advertises a stock of coal specially selected for steam boilers.

Miss Lina Loder departed Friday morning for Waterman, Illinois, being called there by the illness of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drew are expected home from Vermont this week where the latter has been for several weeks.

John Ward returned to Garbondale, Ill., Wednesday evening after a several days' visit with relatives and friends in this city.

Harry Stewart, of "Pure Food Grocery," is making a specialty just now of introducing Baker's Gold Blend Java coffee.

Clarence and Ethel Bush, of DeKalb, Illinois, spent Sunday in this city as a guest at the home of county Auditor H. E. Stetson.

The Session Laws of the Twenty eighth General assembly have been received at the Auditor's office and can be had upon application.

The report of the First National Bank of this city, in another column is a splendid showing, and one of which its officers and directors may well feel proud.

Cal Atkinson is the sole agent here for Bunker Hill coffee. He tells about it and other matters of interest to heads of families in his announcement this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Hollister left last Saturday for Arlington and Wadena to visit their sons. They were accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Miller.

A letter mailed by Andrew L. Barr at Skagway, Alaska, on July 6, was received here by the party to whom it was addressed on July 14. That letter made a pretty quick trip.

Mrs. Gus Barnd returned last Saturday from Alton, Illinois, where she was called by the illness and death of her sister, Mrs. Walls Wolfe, who was formerly a resident of this county.

Eaton, the Main street harness maker, asserts that he has the largest stock of new, second and summer stable blankets ever brought to this county. He wants to sell 'em. Interview him.

A. Smock who lives on the Bradley farm north west of this city, departed Monday morning for Meaderville, Penn. for a visit at his former home. This is his first visit there since he came west forty years ago.

The tax farmers working in Floyd county, it is estimated, will put into the treasury of that county between thirty and forty thousand dollars within the next sixty days. Already the doggers there have commenced shelling out, \$500 being disgorged in one day.

Mrs. G. O. Harrison and daughter, Mrs. Mae Southwaite, and children, went to Independence Saturday evening for a short visit, after which Mrs. Southwaite and children depart for their home at Pueblo, Colorado. They have been the guests in this city of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Harrison for the past three months.

Among those from this vicinity who are attending the institute at Manchester this week are the Misses Gertrude Delaney, Stella O'Brien, Luella Guthrie, Mary Magrin, Nora Behan, Millie Brayton, Grace Bescom, Carrie Mangold, E. Belle Huey, Anna Clark, Ella Lyness, Bertha Huey and Minnie Young-Ryan Reporter.

The democratic county convention to select delegates to the state convention has been called to meet at the court house in this city on August 11th. The chairman of the township committees are requested to send us promptly, calls for caucuses in order that due notice be given by publication in the Democrat.

The adjuster of the Concordia Insurance Co. was here last week and adjusted Geo. A. Ballard's loss by the burning of the Clarence house livery barn. The adjustment was satisfactory, the full amount insured by the policy \$1,000, being allowed and payment will be made within sixty days from date of adjustment as provided by the policy. S. W. Trenchard is the agent here for the Concordia.

Thirty-four tickets to Waterloo were sold at this station late Friday, the attraction being the joint debate between Congressmen J. P. Dolliver and Champ Clark at the Chautauqua. Excursions were run on all railroads running to that point and a very large crowd was in attendance. There was much disappointment from the fact that Champ Clark was unable to reach Waterloo until evening, depriving most of the excursionists of the pleasure of hearing him.

A stranger struck Ft. Dodge the other day. He wore a secret society pin. He was in distress so he pawned his watch with a brother of the same order for \$5. A little later a jeweler friend put in an appearance and the brother told the story and showed the watch. The jeweler glanced at the watch, gave the brother a withering look of scorn and told him if he wanted any more watches of the kind he could sell them to him at \$11 a dozen. The brother was wroth. He got a policeman and visited twelve saloons, in each of which he found a bartender wearing a watch and chain just like his. In all the follow he cleared up \$65 on \$11 worth of watches. He is not now to be found.—Ackley Phonograph.

—Railroad trains at this point were delayed six hours last Sunday morning in consequence of a slight break down on freight train No. 83, east bound, which is due here at 11:30 p. m. As the train was passing through the deep cut about one and one-half miles west of town the draw bar of one of the cars pulled out and became tangled in the running gear of the car following, which was loaded with shelled corn. The trucks were so badly damaged that the car could not be moved on them making it necessary to send to Waterloo for a wrecking crew to remove the car. On account of the high banks on each side of the track at the point where the accident occurred it was impossible to ditch the car and the track was moved to one side about two feet to allow trains to pass. In consequence of this mishap the west bound passenger due here at 11:30 a. m. and the east bound passenger due here at 4 a. m. were delayed until after 5 o'clock Monday morning.

—Miss Mary Tierney died last Thursday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Rooney, where she has made her home for the past three years. She was born in Ireland in 1818 and has lived in this county since 1857. She was a sister of the late John and Thomas Tierney, who were well known business men here before their death. Miss Tierney suffered a paralytic stroke on Monday of last week and this was the direct cause of her death. She has been an invalid for many years and her demise removes a beloved old lady. She was an aunt of Mrs. John Rooney and is survived by two sisters in Los Angeles, California, and one sister, whose home is in Chicago. The funeral services were held at the Catholic church in this city last Saturday morning, Father O'Meara officiating. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery in this city.

—Twenty-seven members of the local lodge of I. O. O. F. went to Delhi last Sunday to attend the funeral of their fraternal brother, Wm. Lewis. Mr. Lewis was an old and respected citizen and has resided in the vicinity of Delhi for the past twenty-five years. He was seventy-one years old and his death, which occurred last Friday, was due to heart failure. The funeral services were held at the M. E. church and interment was made in the Delhi cemetery. The members of the I. O. O. F. lodge attended the funeral in a body.

—Dr. W. E. Boynton expects to return to Chicago today where he will take a short vacation before he re-enters upon his duties as an eye and ear specialist. He has had an office in this city for the past month and has done a flattering business. Dr. Boynton has the chair of eye and ear at the Half Orphan Asylum in Chicago, and also has charge of the eye and ear clinic work at the Chicago Homeopathic Hospital and is on the staff of instructors at St. Anthony Hospital.

—About forty young people enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sabin last Friday evening at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Sabin who reside four miles north of this city. Games and various amusements kept the guests until a late hour and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served during the evening and music was furnished by the Ovide mandolin club.

—Letters addressed as follows are unclaimed at the postoffice in this city: Miss Agnes McVay, Miss Blanche Hotzman, Miss Mary Hubbell, Mrs. A. Robinson, Mrs. Stanley Elliott, P. B. Hardy, J. C. Beatty, John S. Coon, F. E. Jay, William Tate, C. G. Hodges, Carl Haller, U. V. Pierce, John H. Smith.

—There will be a base ball game Saturday afternoon of this week at the ball park between the Oelwein and Manchester teams. The reputation of the Oelwein team as good players is well known and our home boys will do credit to themselves if they come out of the contest victorious. Everyone should turn out and see the game.

—Miss Olaf Beeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Beeman, had the misfortune to run a needle into the bottom of her foot while walking about the house in her bare feet. The accident was very painful and it was necessary to cut the needle out.

—Rev. C. A. Highfield will leave next week for Indiana where he will spend his summer's vacation of four weeks taking a course of Bible study. Mrs. Highfield will visit relatives in Illinois during that time.

—Crescent Rebekah Lodge No. 142 installed the following officers on Tuesday evening of last week: Pearl Stewart, N. G.; Emma Otis, V. G.; Mrs. Rose James, Secretary; Wm. Haller, treasurer.

—Miss Bertha Huey, of Ehler, expects to depart in the near future for Idaho, where she has secured a position as a school teacher. Her friends here wish her success in her new home.

—During one of the severe rain and electrical storms of last week two calves belonging to J. J. Hoag were killed by lightning on his farm just east of the fair grounds.

—Mrs. Mary L. Rann has returned home from her visit with relatives in New York state. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Edith Rann, of Chicago.

—As will be seen by referring to its statement in another column the gross assets of the Delaware State Bank verges close to the \$400,000 mark.

—Mrs. E. G. Dittmer, who has been visiting at her former home at Morning Sun for the past month, is expected home this week.

—About twenty members of the Presbyterian church society enjoyed a picnic at Bixby's park last Friday.

—Geo. Harrison went to Independence Monday morning for a visit with friends and relatives.

—Miss Anna Koch, of Omaha, Neb., is visiting here at the home of her uncle, Hiram Arnold.

—Elmer Chapel is at home from Chicago for a short visit at the home of his parents.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sheldon, of Lamont spent Sunday in this city.

—Mrs. Riley Smith is very ill at her home in this city.

—Capt. J. F. Newby was in the city last Saturday.

—A good rain visited this section last Saturday evening.

—We don't hear anyone mourning for rain these days.

J. P. McIwen was in Chicago part of last week on business.

—The Catholic social last Thursday evening netted the church society \$40.

—A new cement walk has been laid in front of the Congregational church property.

—Miss Jennie Holmes is visiting at Maquoketa with her sister, Mrs. H. P. Langridge.

—Wm. Lathrop enjoyed a visit over Sunday from his mother whose home is in Marion.

—Miss Edith Fox returned home last evening from her visit with friends in Cedar Rapids.

—Miss Mamie Luke is visiting here, a guest at the home of her cousin, Mrs. E. H. Champion.

—A party of young folks enjoyed a picnic on the banks of the Maquoketa last Saturday evening.

—Henry Prowse, of J. H. Allen's clothing store, is taking a two week's vacation from his duties.

—Miss Ulric Lawrence went to Monticello Saturday morning for a visit with friends and relatives.

—W. C. Beeman started out on the road Monday morning in the interest of the Iowa Fence Company.

—Chancy Mead went to Toledo Ia. Saturday morning to visit his wife who is taking treatment at that place.

—Miss Bateman, milliner in Clark's dry goods store has gone to her home in Toledo, Ohio, for a visit with relatives.

—S. V. Haigh, of Adams township, left last week for Kipton, Ohio, where he has secured a position as a school teacher.

—Miss Etha Showalter of Lancaster, Wisconsin, is visiting in this city, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jacobs.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Salisbury, of Madison, Wisconsin, visited in this city last week, guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Taylor.

—Mrs. D. F. Young and Mrs. H. A. Dittmer went to Waverly last Friday for a short visit at the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Parsons.

—Judge A. S. Blair, Geo. W. Dunham and E. M. Carr went to Iowa City yesterday morning to attend the annual meeting of the Iowa Bar Association.

—Miss Irene Stiles, who recently resigned her position as teacher in the high school, has accepted a similar position in the Waterloo west side high school.

—Miss Lucy Beardale departed yesterday morning for her home at Elmira, New York, after a visit of several weeks at the home of her sister in law, Mrs. A. L. Beardale.

—Mrs. H. W. Lawrence departed last Friday evening for an extended eastern trip. She will be gone two or three months and will visit relatives in Vermont, Massachusetts and New Hampshire before her return.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Douglass enjoyed a visit last Friday from P. E. Greer, of Shenandoah, Iowa. Mr. Greer was sergeant-at-arms of the house during the last session of the general assembly of this state.

—The Kennedy Buggy Co. has completed a new water supply wagon for the city of Manchester to be used at fires in connection with the chemical engine. It is a fine piece of work and is a much needed addition to the fire department. It cost the city \$150.

—The Y. M. C. A. is contemplating a field meet for its members in the near future. The arrangements have not been fully made as yet but it is the intention to have a contest of sprints, jumps, hurdle races and bicycle race. Two prizes for each event are to be given, and one medal for the best all around athlete.

—Traveling fakirs of all kinds are "thicker than hops" this year. Last Saturday a gang of this class camped on the Clarence House corner, and during the afternoon and evening disposed of their trash at good round prices. They were required to pay a license fee of \$15. Their sales here are estimated at \$200, of which it is fair to presume more than half was net profit.

—The property owners residing on the north side of Delaware street in the block just west of the bridge have contributed from their own purses a sum sufficient to gravel the north half of the street and put it in good condition. The improvement of the street at this point is to be commended as is also the public spirit manifested by those who are causing the work to be done.

—The Manchester base ball team will wear new suits in the near future. The management ordered eleven last week from A. G. Spaulding, Chicago, and they are expected here soon. The suits are donated by eleven business firms, each giving one. The firms that donated the suits are L. R. Stout, W. A. Abbott, J. B. Hoag, Hollister Lumber Co., First National Bank, A. Miller, Manchester Lumber Co., Racket Store, H. Clark, Globe Hotel and Quaker Mill Co.

—A number from here attended the Waterloo-Edgewood ball game at Edgewood last Thursday afternoon. Nic Malven went along to play with the Waterloo team in place of a player who was injured here in Wednesday's game. The contest resulted in a victory for Edgewood by a score of 15 to 12. It was an exciting game, the score standing 12 to 12 when Edgewood went to bat in the ninth inning. Two men were out before a score was made but the home team managed to get in three extra tallies before they were retired.

—The Kennedy Buggy Co. and the Iowa Fence Co. are making arrangements to discontinue the use of steam power entirely and run their plants by water power. A large steel cable will be stretched across the river just below the dam connecting the Hoag water wheel with the machinery in the Kennedy Buggy Co. building. This arrangement will mean a great saving of fuel and also relieves the danger of fire and explosion which now and then results from the use of steam engines. The change will probably be made the last of this week.

—The Quaker Mill Co. began work yesterday rebuilding their private telephone line from the mill to the down town office. The old line which now runs north to the city limits on Franklin street will be torn down and the new line will follow a different course. It will run north to Union street, thence west on the north side of Union street to the river, thence north across the low lands adjoining the back water to Third street which it follows to the city limits.

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