

Band concert this Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. French are Jones County visitors this week.

Mark Taft of Chicago was the guest of Hugh Clemans Wednesday.

Col. and Mrs. B. W. Jewell of Omaha are visiting friends in this city.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Caul are the parents of a daughter born Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Griffin of Minneapolis is spending her summer vacation in this city.

Dr. Magee of Chicago was a guest in the H. A. Granger home part of last week.

Mrs. Catharine Griffith of Rockton, Illinois, is the guest of her daughter Mrs. Arthur Lindley.

Mrs. Jennie Walker of West Branch is a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boerner.

Mrs. W. S. Smarko enjoyed a visit from her sister, Mrs. J. D. Kline of Waterloo last week.

Mrs. W. F. Greenfield and Miss Hazard of Hubbard are here for a month's visit with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Gates.

Miss Mildred Brown visited the Worlds Fair last week having accompanied her aunt Mrs. Doney who returned to her home in Missouri.

Miss Gertrude Honan who was a guest of Miss Susie Coon for the past three weeks returned to her home at Reedsburg Wisconsin, Wednesday.

E. J. Breckon has just returned from a trip to Mississippi and tells in his advertisement about his trip and gives his conclusion as to the advisability of investing in real property in that state.

A. B. Holbert of Greeley was a Manchester business visitor Wednesday. While here he purchased of the First National Bank \$1000 worth of Express orders for use in Europe for which he departed Sunday evening.

Brown, the Manchester Furniture Man, is making special prices on bedroom suits. It goes without saying, as stated in his adv., that he carries the largest stock of furniture of any dealer in this county. It is worth ones while to look over his stock even if not wanting to buy at this time.

An article has been going the rounds of news papers stating that the last legislature passed a law compelling the painting of all cans used for gasoline red. We believe it is true that such a measure was passed to the legislature but it is not true that it passed unless you can read unless you want

The year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Weber, living near Petersburg, met with a sad and tragic end last Monday evening about 10 o'clock.

Two older brothers, the one about six, had him in charge the mother was busy about the house and upon her inquiry for the baby they told her he was playing in the water tank at the milk house.

Mrs. Weber ran to the place and found the baby nearly dead from its long bath in the cold water immediately after his rescue convulsions began and within half an hour the boy died. Little Oswald was a bright child, a favorite with the children and it is very peculiar how the older brother neglected him. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved parents, who are among the best known farmers of that vicinity. The funeral will take place at Petersburg to-day, Friday.—Dyersville News-Letter.

William H. Searles, a popular traveling salesman for Deere & Co., manufacturers of farming implements, with factories at Moline, Ill., has received notice that he has been given promotion to the position of general manager of the company's branch houses at Denver, Colorado, to take effect at once.

This will necessitate the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Searles from this city, which will be regretted by their many friends who have come to know them well during their residence here. They will leave the latter part of this week for Manchester, where they will spend a few days visiting relatives and will also go to Chicago for a similar visit before leaving for their future home in Denver.

The Minneapolis Tribune is now running a contest in which two automobiles, two \$750.00 pianos, and 104 round trips to the St. Louis exposition will be given away in prizes. Readers of The Tribune throughout its territory are to select by votes 52 most popular women.

Each of the 52 fortunate women of this remarkable honor will be allowed to choose any relative or friend as a companion, making a total party of 104 people. This distinguished company will be sent by the Minneapolis Tribune on a ten days' trip, including a week's tour of the greatest of all the great World's Fairs—absolutely all expenses being paid by the newspaper. Popularity of the nominees will be decided by the number of votes cast for them.

Names are absolutely free and can only be secured with cash payments on subscription. The contest, which is open to all, closes Oct. 1, 1904, and names and their friends may secure paid subscription's in any town or state to count in votes. Correspond with the Tribune and be furnished with detailed information.

Miss Floy Cooley is at home from Davenport.

Miss Amy Boggs was an Elkader visitor last week.

H. R. Holmes was home from Clark, S. D., last week.

F. B. Blair was a Marion business visitor Wednesday.

E. B. Hess of Greeley transacted business in this city Thursday.

Miss Florence Bailey is home from Devil's Lake, North Dakota.

Mrs. Will Beals of Hopkinton visited friends in this city last week.

Geo. Prevost of Dubuque is the guest of relatives and friends in this city.

E. L. Sweet of Greeley was a business visitor in this city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bronson are enjoying an outing at Lake Okoboji.

Mrs. W. T. A. Keyes who has been seriously ill is rapidly convalescing.

Miss Lena Knapp went to Walker Friday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Miss D. Faye Ford departed Thursday for Osage where she is the guest of friends.

Mrs. Mary Daker of Walker, was the guest of relatives in this vicinity last week.

Miss Kate Donnelly of Ryan was a guest last week at the Chas. O'Hagan home in Masonville.

Mrs. Wood and Miss Elizabeth Brown of Anamosa were guests in the U. A. Walters home last week.

The M. E. Sunday school are holding a picnic at Epworth Park in Coffins Grove this Tuesday afternoon.

In every department of banking, the State Savings bank announces its ability and desire to satisfy its patrons.

The Mesdames E. N. Wolcott and J. W. Lewis delightfully entertained a dozen friends at breakfast Tuesday morning.

Lost on the road between Strawberry Point and Thorpe, a mandolin, Finder please return same to this office and receive reward.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Pattengill of Adams, New York are the guests of Mrs. Pattengill's sister, Mrs. H. R. Holmes, and other relatives here.

Grassfield, the fitter of feet, is offering a special ladies' fall shoe, at a very low price. For a description and price of same see his new adv.

A. J. Andrews and wife, formerly of Golden, are now domiciled in the house formerly occupied by T. S. Doty and family on Howard street.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Grove departed last week for St. Louis for a visit at the exposition. From there they will go to Eldorado Springs, Mo., where Mr. Grove will undergo treatment in the hope of benefiting his health.

Daniel Kane, a former well known resident of this county, was a guest last week of John Mulvehill at Masonville. He was returning to his home in Plankinton S. Dak. from St. Louis where he attended the Democratic convention as a delegate from his state, and also visited at the Exposition.

The bachelor who reads this item will, or should be interested in the matrimonial card in the advertising space of the First National Bank, in this issue of the Democrat.

The picture therewith is we presume a fair representation of the young lady in quest of a husband. Note to whom she gives preference.

The following story of a man who passed a cemetery one night is not so bad: His hair rose and he lit out at a greyhound gait. After running two miles he sat down on a log to rest when to his surprise he found the ghost beside him. The ghost said: "We were going some, weren't we?" The man replied: "You bet, and as soon as I catch my breath we are going some more."

Joe Master was very seriously hurt while engaged in stacking hay Tuesday morning at John Moran's farm, near the town of Colorado, to take effect at once.

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Note the cut in prices in Gildner Bros. adv.

Fath Ryan of Ryan spent Tuesday in this city.

Mrs. Ward who has been quite sick is gaining rapidly.

The many friends of Mrs. Hennessey will be sorry to learn that she is no better.

Mesdames W. N. and W. E. Boynton spent Monday with relatives at Winthrop.

Unless all signs fail we are to have more and better attractions at our next county fair than ever before.

The Young Ladies' Society of the Congregational church are to meet Thursday afternoon of this week with Mrs. Alice Philipp.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen of Independence, were over Sunday visitors in the city, guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Malven.

Dr. W. E. Boynton departed Monday morning for Omaha, where he is attending a meeting of the Nebraska State Homeopathic Medical Society.

Father McMahan of the Servite Order is in charge of St. Mary's parish, Father Conden having returned to Granville the home of the priests of that order.

Commencing August 15th and continuing for one week only, two blue trading stamps on cash sales will be given at W. L. Drew's store. Consult his announcement in this issue.

John Malvin of this city has received notice that he has drawn number 10,555 in the Rosebud Reservation land drawing scheme, but as there are only 2,400 claims John's draw is nil.

James McElliott of Chicago attended the funeral of his uncle James McElliott whose funeral was held on last Saturday at the Belmont church, Ryan. It was the largest funeral ever held in that vicinity.

It has been estimated that the railroads received upwards of \$1,500,000 in railroad fares from those in Uncle Sam's lottery. The railroad companies could afford to buy up other large tracts of land and open them on the lottery plan, says an exchange.

Otto Fahnstock, son of a merchant of Emmetsburg and a graduate of the University of Minnesota, is believed to be dying as the result of smoking cigarettes. When the young man entered Minnesota University a few years ago he had no bad habits. Early in his college course he began the use of cigarettes and soon after returning home he contracted tuberculosis as the result of the habit. Physicians say he has only a few days to live. He is 21 years old.—Record-Herald.

Fair Secretary J. J. Pentony, has just closed a contract with Prof. John E. Baldwin, the national air king, ex-Spanish-American war balloonist and bomb shooter, for four of his high class ascenders. Prof. Baldwin has five parachutes in mid-air at one time, exploding dynamite bombs that can be heard from thirty to forty miles, also an imitation snow storm, special trapeze feats in mid air, concluding with his daring leap for life in his special red white and blue war parachute. Remember the dates September 6, 7, 8, 9.

A western editor retired from journalism and his goodbye is couched in these terms: "The undersigned retires from the paper with the conviction that all is vanity. From the hour his paper started to the present time he has been solicited to lie upon every given subject, and can't remember having told a wholesome truth without diminishing his subscription list or making an enemy. Under these circumstances of trial, and having a thorough contempt for himself, he retires in order to recruit his moral constitution."

An Iowa man moved to Kansas a few months since, and after trying the country through the blistering of the sand and sun, finally concluded that he had had enough of it and left the following farewell written on the wall of his Kansas residence: "Four miles from a democrat, five miles from a postoffice, twenty-five miles from a railroad, fourteen miles from a school house, forty-one miles from a church, bothered to death with republicans and fleas, half a mile from water and a quarter of a mile from h-l. God bless our home. Gone back to God's country Iowa—to get a 'fresh start.'"

Look out for this graft. It's a new one and is being worked in various sections of the county. A stranger approaches a farmer and offers to sell him a water tank which he guarantees will prevent water from freezing in zero weather. Failing to make a sale he induces the farmer to act as salesman and has him sign a contract for one tank to be used as sample. Mr. Stranger is very desirous to place one tank in each township. A few weeks later, a couple of accomplices come along with the contract transformed into a note and demand payment. Beware! Have a care! Give all strangers the marble hand and trade with your home merchant.—Lone Tree Reporter.

H. J. Coon, a milkhauler for the Spring Branch creamery, filed a bill of damages for \$25.00 the other day and asks the taxpayers to pay the sum. He tipped over with his load while going to the creamery and now he is crying over the spilled milk. He claims that the road was not built right and that the county is liable for his trouble. It is said as a fact, however, that Coon started to drive over a new turnpike with his heavy load and then changed his mind and concluded to go down along the fence. In driving off the pike he tipped over and the earth was fertilized with a load of rich cream. The board very thoughtfully turned the matter over to the township trustees for adjudication.—Hopkinton Leader.

An Odd Lot of Shirt Waists Almost Given Away.

Must clean them up. They are long enough to be worn in place of a shirt. Regular \$1.00 and \$2.00,—going at only **39c**. Sizes 14 1/2 to 16 1/2. Here is a chance to buy four for one. Do not let it pass.

Straw Hats—Although they are going fast at the reduced price, we still have excellent hats that are going at **69c**.

BOYS' STRAW HATS—Fine grades, now all going at **39c**.

Boys' Knee Pants—Best wool pant ever shown by us **50c** only.

Horse Covers—a few left—only **50c** each.

Gildner Bros.,

Your Clothiers.

Good News for Buyers of LADIES' TAILORED WEARING APPAREL.



The result of the unseasonable weather and the fact that we over estimated the demand for Ladies' Tailored Suits this season has left us with more on hand than ordinarily at this time of the season. Our stock must be reduced at once for we have gone into the price cutting without reserve so that whether you want the very highest grade of suits or less expensive you can buy them from 30 to 40% under early season prices.

35 SUITS—regular prices \$12.50 to \$14.50. Every garment beautifully made from Cheviots, Broadcloths, Fancy Mixtures in all the desirable shades. Marked to close at **\$8.95**.

20 SUITS—regular prices \$15 to \$18. Made from the best materials obtainable, beautifully lined and trimmed. To close these handsome garments, we have marked them **\$10.95**.

15 SUITS—regular prices \$20 to \$24. The cloths are fine fancy mixtures and Broadcloths most artistically made and lined with best qualities of satins and Taffeta silks, to go at **\$14.95**.

ABOUT 20 ODD SUITS—partly last season's styles that sold formerly at \$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.50, to close at... **\$4.50**.

Our shoe stock is much too large for the room we have, and in order to close down to our usual stock, we have marked just about 300 pairs at just one-half former price.

B. CLARK.

On Thursday Morning We Open Our Advance Sale on Cotton and Wool Bed Blankets and Comforters, and White and Colored Bed Spreads.

So come down and see our window display and get our prices and save at least 25%.

It won't cost a cent to take a look and see what you can save.

Our buy one dress, and we give you one free sale, is still good as long as our dimities, lawns and voils last, AT THE

People's Store.

P. NEWCOMB, Proprietor.

An Evening with the FILIPINOS Friday Eve., Aug. 12 at the M. E. Church.

MRS. LOTTIE PIERCE ROBERTS (whom everybody in Manchester knows and loves) has consented to give a talk on the Customs, Costumes, Habits and Manners of the Filipinos. Mrs. Roberts has recently returned from the Philippines, and in her own way will tell of those far away people.

MISS ALICE FRANCES STIRE, the modest but noted whistler who so charmed the great crowds at the Waterloo Chautauqua, has consented to entertain the audience with a few selections.

No One Can Afford To Miss This Entertainment

Admission, Adults, - - - 15 Cents.
Children under 12 yrs. of age, - 10 Cents.

Residence Property for Sale.

We are authorized to offer for sale the Dr. Sherman residence property on Butler street. For terms apply to BRONSON & CARR, tf.

Closing Out Sale.

H. C. Graham & Son are closing out their entire stock of groceries for strictly cash and all those indebted to this firm are requested to call and settle at once. 31tf

As I am expecting after Nov. 1st next to make my future home in Cuba I offer for sale my farm near Ryan at a very reasonable price. Also town lots from ten to twenty per cent less than former price. Now is the time to buy anything I have in real estate at a bargain. J. A. Thomas 24w-tf.

Harvest Hand Rates to Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

For harvest hands in parties of five or more traveling on one ticket, one way second class will be sold by the Manchester & Onida Ry. to points in Minnesota and North and South Dakota on Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Sioux Line, east of and including Fortia, Williston, and Dickinson, August 1st to 31st inclusive at very low rates. These rates and arrangements will apply only for parties of five or more traveling together on one ticket. J. L. Kealey, Traffic Mgr. 30w6

Probate of Will.

STATE OF IOWA, ss: DEWAS COUNTY. To all whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that the last will of Thomas W. Robinson deceased, has been filed, opened and read, and Monday, the 7th day of October A. D. 1904, fixed as the time, and the Court House in Manchester the place for hearing and proving the same.

Witness my hand and seal of said court this 5th day of August, 1904.

JOHN GEORGEN, Clerk District Court. 22w3

Advertisement for Bids.

The building committee of the I. O. O. F. and Masonic order are now ready to receive bids on a new building. All bids must be in by September 1, 1904. Plans and specifications will be found at the furniture store. The committee will reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Coleburg, Iowa, August 8, 1904.

J. W. FLATT, Chairman.
W. F. FARRIS, Secretary.
H. C. GERRIER, Clerk.
G. A. JACOB, Treasurer.
G. A. MALLORY, Committee.

For Lumber, Coal, Wood and Posts.

Go to the FARMERS' LUMBER YARD, West Main Street, near bridge.

W. O. Somes, Mgr.

Double Stamp Week.

Two for One. Two for One.

Commencing Monday August 15,

And to continue through the week, all merchants who have BLUE TRADING STAMPS will give double stamps on all cash sales.

Remember the dates, Double Stamps for one week only. Ask for Blue Trading Stamps on your cash purchases. Large stock of New Fall Goods to select from.

Respectfully,

W. L. Drew.

Two for One. Two for One.