

BRIEF MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Carr are Chicago visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnes are the parents of a baby boy born Monday.

The Democrat wishes each and every one of its patrons a Happy New Year.

Will Tierney is enjoying a visit from his friend, Richard Agnew, of New York City.

Born last Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Dunham of Clark, South Dakota, a baby boy.

Allan LeRoy and Harold Dunham, students at Beloit, Wis., are spending the holidays here.

Frank Helknap, who is at present located in Chicago, spent Xmas at the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. J. Pentony.

Miss Isabelle McIntosh, assistant librarian at the Normal is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents.

Troy Coulthard departed yesterday for Benton, Wisconsin, where he will remain for several days visiting friends and relatives.

Supt. and Mrs. J. R. Inman left Monday for Lena, Illinois, where they will visit with friends and relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob McIntosh of Tyndall, South Dakota, arrived in the city last week to spend the holidays with relatives.

Dolph Haene and wife of Enid, Indian Territory, are making a visit at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Huene.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl B. Stein of Cedar Rapids are making a holiday visit at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Pierce.

The Misses Nina Carhart, Nellie Hatch and Irene Thorpe, all of whom are attending school at the State Normal, have returned for their holiday vacation.

Mrs. Edna Northey, who has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bishop, returned today to her home at Huntington, Oregon.

A Hollister and family and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hollister departed Saturday for Delevan, Wisconsin, where they went to spend Christmas with Mr. Hollister's aged mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miles and daughter arrived last week from Choctaw, Oklahoma, for a short visit at the Miles home on Union street. Ben has disposed of his banking interests in Oklahoma, and has accepted a position as cashier in a bank at Kansas City where he will make his future home.

Prof. W. B. Guthrie of Columbia University, New York City, will deliver a lecture at the City Hall Friday evening, December 28. The Guthrie will have as his subject, "The Man with the Hoe."

This lecture is given for the benefit of the Public Library. Tickets will be on sale at Smith's drug store this Wednesday morning.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McNany were invited to their pleasant country home last evening to a party given in honor of Miss Mamie Fee, of South Dakota, who has been visiting with them. Cards were the principal amusement and a delicious repast was served at midnight. Those attending enjoyed the affair and voted Mr. and Mrs. McNany the best of entertainers.—Hyan Reporter.

About thirty-five of the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Shern Turner gathered at the Henry Good-lie home on Marion street last Wednesday evening for an evening of informal sociability. The gathering was in the nature of a surprise upon Mrs. Turner, who leaves for South Dakota the latter part of this week. As a material expression of their friendship, the friends of Mrs. Turner presented her with one dozen silver knives, forks and dessert spoons. She was also the recipient of a beautiful baking dish, the gift of Messrs. I. McGee, B. Acres and S. Harris.

Judge C. E. Ransier will enter upon his official duties January 1, and by request of the Delaware county attorneys will open court in Manchester for the trial of several important cases on January 1. Judge Ransier's court in this city will open May 27. He has responded Mrs. Nellie Corlis court reporter. Mrs. Corlis has occupied this position with Judge Blair for the past five years, and is counted by the judges and attorneys of this district as one of the most accurate and best court reporters of the state.—Independence Bulletin Bulletin Journal.

We have heard fish stories told by A. M. Sherwood, George Story and Joe Allen, disciples of the late departed Isaac Walton, but the following from an exchange lays their "whoppers" in the shade. "A remarkable case," it says, "has just come to light at the headwaters of Gander creek. Ten years ago Columbus Allcop went to that point to fish and cut a willow pole and set his hook and line, sticking the pole in the bank. He then got engaged in something else and forgot his fishing pole. After a lapse of ten years he thought of it a few days ago and went to the scene at once, and there he found that his pole had grown to be a tree three feet in diameter. The line was its usual size and when he raised the hook he found several generations of fish on it, the one that was originally caught on it having raised a school of fine ones each season. When Columbus drew up the old fish all the others followed and he loaded them all in his wagon and drove home wondering at the strange occurrence."

Dr. C. L. Leigh of Davenport is a guest of friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hruby of Dubuque spent Tuesday at the D. F. Young home.

The Misses Agnes and Ruth Love of Greeley, are the guests of relatives during the holidays.

James Burns, who is attending college at St. Mary's, Kansas, is spending his holiday vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson of Chicago are making a holiday visit with friends and relatives in the city.

Miss Anna Clark, instructor in the public schools, is spending her holiday vacation with her sister at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carter spent Xmas in Rockford, Ill., where they will be the guests of Mrs. J. G. Milner and other friends.

The Misses Helen and Katherine Nethercut of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, were guests at the D. F. Young home on Xmas day.

The Misses Bessie McGee and Hazel Barr, students at Sasinawa Mound, Illinois, are spending their holiday vacation at their homes.

W. A. Richardson and wife departed last Friday for Waukon, this state, where they will make a short visit with relatives and friends.

Hunt Armistead, who is employed in a bank at Blue Earth, Minnesota, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Armistead.

If you received money as a Christmas gift, read the advertisement of Brown, the Main street furniture man. Read it whether you did or not.

Mrs. Harry B. Parsons and child of Monticello arrived in the city yesterday for a short visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Dunham.

Capt. and Mrs. J. F. Merry are entertaining a large Christmas house party of friends from Chicago, Milwaukee, Beloit, Wisconsin, and Peconica, Illinois.

Miss Sadie Paxson, an instructor in one of the high schools at Omaha and Miss Ruth Paxson, national secretary of the Y. W. C. A., are spending the holidays at home.

Harry Seeds, Percy Strickland and Miss Emma Suckow of Grinnell; Harvey Hanna and Frank Sly of Ames; Floyd Arnold and Harry Davis of Iowa City, are spending the holidays at their homes in this city.

Harry P. Toogood concluded a several weeks visit with relatives and friends in Manchester last Saturday and left for Cleveland, Ohio, where he joins the Standard Male Quartette for a tour through Indiana and Ohio.

Joseph Nye, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nye of this city, was united in marriage last Thursday to Miss Merle Doland, at the home of the bride's parents in West Union. Mr. and Mrs. Nye were holiday guests at the home of the groom's parents in this city.

Supt. F. D. Joseph left yesterday for Des Moines to attend the 32nd annual convention of the State Teacher's Association which is being held in Des Moines this week. Mr. Joseph will speak before the county superintendent's round table today on the subject "Supervision in Detail."

Miss Alice Jones, music instructor in the public schools at Garner, is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jones. On Thursday, Miss Jones leaves for Des Moines where she will attend the annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association.

Chas. F. Heaner of Edgewood and Mrs. Lillian Cooper of Strawberry Point were united in marriage Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock at the Methodist parsonage in this city. Rev. J. E. Wagner performed the ceremony. The bride and groom departed immediately for Chicago, where they will spend their honeymoon.

As stated from unofficial information in last week's issue of The Democrat, a new time card went into effect last Sunday morning where by trains No. 5 and No. 21, the morning passengers from the east, arrive in this city several minutes earlier than heretofore. No. 5 now arrives at 8:10 a. m., instead of 8:30; and No. 21 arrives at 7:17 instead of 7:37. The train from the south arrives at 8:00 a. m. instead of 8:15 as formerly.

John Griffith and Miss Cora Michael were married on Saturday, Dec. 15, at the home of Frank Ray, at Marion. These young people are too well known in this community to need any introduction. They are of the best the community can boast of. We wish them many years of unalloyed happiness. Last Thursday Sam Culbertson and Miss Grace Edmunds surprised their friends by getting married. It is with pleasure we extend to the happy couple our congratulations and the wish for a happy and prosperous married life.—Greeley Home Press.

Citizens of this community will be interested in knowing that renewed interest is being taken in the extension of the proposed Manchester-Davenport electric line. The following report comes from Davenport: "Signs are multiplying here that the Manchester-Davenport interurban line will soon be a reality. It developed here today that Blood & Hale of Boston, who built the Moline-Waterloo electric line, have been figuring on the new line. The Manchester road would have the unique feature of tapping six trunk lines, including the Illinois Central at Manchester, from where the line is run to Monticello, then across the C. & N. W. at Amber, the Milwaukee at Ottumwa, the Northwestern at Stanwood, and the Rock Island at Tipton. So far it is an almost straight north and south line, which if continued would take it directly through Moscow to Muscatine."

Arthur Barry of Iowa City, spent Christmas in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sloan spent Christmas at the home of the former's parents in Strawberry Point.

Roy A. Coulthard enjoyed a visit the first of the week from his friend, Leslie M. Sawdey, of Warren, Illinois.

Mrs. Mary Daker, who resides south of the city, departed today for Walker where she will visit with her son, Homer Daker.

Mrs. John Fober departed last week for Norman, Oklahoma, where she will visit her brother, Wm. Tate, formerly of this city.

Herbert Flemming of Chicago, and Miss Isabel Jones of Cedar Rapids were guests at the Rev. T. E. Flemming home yesterday.

P. Swanson, an employee of Allen's tailoring establishment of this city, is spending the holidays at his home in Sycamore, this state.

Clarence O. Torry arrived Saturday evening from Chicago for a short visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Torrey.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Baker of Grand Rapids, this state, are guests at the S. Lien home on Union street. Mrs. Baker was formerly Miss Nellie Lien of this city.

Miss Laura Norris, who has been attending St. Katherine's School at Davenport, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Norris.

No one should miss hearing Prof. W. B. Guthrie in his lecture to be given at the City Hall next Friday evening on the subject, "The Man With the Hoe."

The Delaware County State Bank in its advertisement this week extends a New Year greeting, and invites one and all to call at the bank and receive one of its 1907 calendars that it is presenting to all who ask for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehan of South Dakota, visited friends in this city the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Lehan departed today (Wednesday) for Chicago where they will make a three weeks visit with relatives and friends.

The Ladies Aid Society of Sand Creek church will hold their next meeting at Mrs. Ed Bloch's Thursday, Jan. 3. This being the first meeting in the New Year, let us all go and make a big day of it.

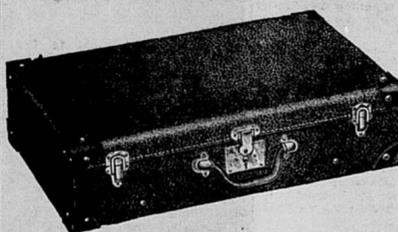
Albert G. House of Worthington and Miss Anna Ham of this city were married today at 10:30 o'clock at the Thomas home on Howard street, the ceremony being conducted by Rev. J. E. Wagner. The groom is a successful young farmer living near Worthington; and he has chosen for his bride a most estimable young lady of this city. The bridal pair left on the afternoon train for a short wedding trip after which they will make their home on the groom's farm. To this young couple who had the fortitude to embark upon the sea of matrimony the day after Xmas, we extend hearty congratulations.

J. J. Goen has recently converted the front room of the building on Main street occupied by him as a retail cigar store into an up-to-date cigar store. The interior of the room has been entirely redecorated; and suitable and attractive furnishings installed therein. For the entertainment of his patrons, Mr. Goen has provided a high grade Peerless electric piano which dispenses all the popular songs whenever a nickel is dropped in the slot. The store will be called "The Smoke House," a name which is particularly appropriate, as a large stock of tobacco and cigars of all kinds will be carried. "The Smoke House" will undoubtedly prove to be popular with the trade, and profitable to the owner.

Mrs. Daniel Gifford died at her home in North Manchester Wednesday, December 19, 1906, after a protracted illness. Funeral services were held at the Gifford home Friday morning at eleven o'clock. Rev. J. E. Wagner, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating. Mrs. Gifford was born in Hinsdale, New York, on the 10th day of May 1834, and moved with her parents to Edgewood, this state, in early life. She was married to Mr. Gifford on Sept. 10, 1866. Mrs. Gifford is survived by her husband; one daughter, Mrs. J. C. Amberg; three sons, Russell whose home is in California, Claude of Forestburg, South Dakota, and Clarence of Des Moines; a brother, Mr. A. N. Smith, of this city, and one sister, Mrs. L. R. Wisner, a resident of New York. The friends of the family sympathize with them deeply in their bereavement.

The auditorium of the Methodist Episcopal church was packed to its fullest capacity early last Sunday afternoon by the eager audience who assembled to hear Dudley Buck's beautiful Christmas cantata, "The Coming of the King," given by the choir of the church under the direction of Mr. Howard L. Rann. It was probably the most finished choral service ever rendered in this city by an amateur choir. There was a mastery of technique and a comprehensiveness of detail evidenced throughout that materially aided the successful rendition of such a theme. The solo parts interspersed throughout the service were sung by Mrs. E. W. Williams, soprano; Miss Blanche Baxter, mezzo-soprano; Mrs. W. E. Gilder and Mrs. H. L. Rann, contraltos; Mr. Noble Arnold, tenor; Mr. E. B. Stiles and R. C. Keagy, basses; and Mr. Alton Dunham, Baritone; all of whom fulfilled the expectation of their admirers. Much of the success of the occasion is due to the individual efforts of the chorister, H. L. Rann, and Miss Lillian Fleming, who presided at the organ with rare ability. For the benefit of those who were unable to gain admittance last Sunday, the choir will repeat the choral services next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Trunks and Suit Cases.



We are a traveler's friend without doubt we carry the largest line of trunks and suit cases in Delaware county. Buying in such large quantities for our different stores enables us to show an excellent line at a saving for you of about 10 per cent. We get carload prices. Try us and see.

TRUNKS in canvas cover, single or double tray bound with heavy brass trimmings, made with iron bottom, size 30 to 36, range in price according to size, \$4.50, \$6.00 and \$7.50

TRUNKS EXTRA FINE leather bound, heavy brass catches and locks, size 32 to 36. Price \$10 to \$15
IRON COVER TRUNKS, size 28 to 34. Price \$2.00 to \$3.00

SUIT CASES in karatol leather and canvas.
JAPANESE MATTING SUIT CASES light weight for ladies use, price \$3.00 and up

GILDNER BROS.

Men's and Boys' Outfitters.

Are you about to make a journey? If so you should read the advertisement of the travelers friends, Gildner Bros.

Miss Margaret Vance, formerly connected with the millinery department of Clark's dry goods store, renewed acquaintances in the city the first of the week.

Harlo Stevens, formerly connected with the Clarence House barber shop, has entered the employ of Gus Miller. Oscar Smith is temporarily assisting John Arduer until another barber can be secured.

The basketball game between the Manchester high school team and the team from the Waterloo high school resulted in a victory for the Manchester boys. The game was fast, and the local boys played an aggressive game, being hampered by lack of proper training quarters. The preliminary contest between the junior teams of the Manchester and Waterloo high school was won by the local team, the score being 14 to 15. Waterloo won by a score of 29 to 24.

The James Bishop home on Howard street was the scene of a most enjoyable Christmas gathering held in the city yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop were so fortunate as to have with them their daughter, Mrs. Edna Northey of Huntington, Oregon, and her presence together with that of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carpenter of Almaral, and Mrs. Grace Bishop of Golden, made the home circle almost complete, a most important attribute to a Merry Christmas in a home.

The City Council met Saturday night pursuant to adjournment. All members were present. The meeting was held primarily for the purpose of signing the amended contract for lighting submitted by the Manchester Light, Heat & Power company. The original contract had been rejected by the Council because of the fact that under its terms the city became liable for any damage or injury occasioned by the erection, construction or maintenance of the lighting plant. The amended contract submitted by the Council for approval provided that the effect that "the city shall not be responsible for any injury or damage occasioned by the erection, construction or maintenance of said plant," and "that should action be brought against the city for any damage or injury so sustained, and judgment rendered by the court, this company shall assume the full obligation of said judgment, and the fact that such judgment is rendered shall be sufficient evidence thereof." The prices submitted by the company, and accepted by the city are as follows: \$12.00 per year for each 16 3/2 candle power light, and \$6.25 per month for each candle light. The contract was dated September 1, 1905, and continues in force until Sept. 1, 1910.

Charlotte Preussner.

Charlotte Preussner, one of the pioneer settlers of this county died Saturday morning, December 22, 1906, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. V. Williams, of this city. She had been in failing health for several months, which, with the weight of her advanced years, made her demise not unexpected by her close friends and relatives. She was possessed of many endearing traits of character, and her kindly nature and interesting personality made her many friends who mourn her loss. She was loved and honored as a mother, not only by her children but by her large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Charlotte Behrens was born at Hanover, Germany, April 26, 1822. On June 30, 1841, she was united in marriage with Fredrick Preussner, and in the fall the same year they came to this country and located at Buffalo, New York. After living there over two years they came west and took up their home in Chicago, then a village of twelve hundred inhabitants. They resided there for five years and later, on a farm near that place for five years, after which they again decided to move westward, coming to Iowa and locating in Richland township, this county, in May 1854.

The deceased was the mother of five children, two of whom have preceded her in death. August Preussner died in 1864, Emma P. Carr in 1900, and Emma P. Carr in 1903. Mr. Preussner died in 1880. The three surviving children are Mrs. H. V. Williams and L. C. Preussner of this city, and Chas. Preussner of Dundee.

The funeral service was held at the Presbyterian church at 10:30 Monday morning. Rev. Eugene Melcher of the German Lutheran church at Ryan conducted the service, and was assisted by Rev. W. H. Ensign of this city. Interment was made in the Spring Hill cemetery.

Java's Population.

Java is very thickly populated, and cultivation is pushed to an extraordinary distance up the steep slopes of the hills. The plant of Leles in the month of July "is one sea of ripe golden rice, with here and there a village of brown thatched roofs nestling in a group of green coconut trees." In the middle of the island white chimneys of sugar mills peer above miles and miles of sugarcane fields.

Misses' and Children's School Shoes.

We have given the school shoe problem our careful attention. Now we can offer you one of the finest selections of Little Forks Shoe on the market today.

Infants as low as 50c. Children's 5 to 8 per pair 6 5/8, 7, 8 1/2, 9, 10, 11 per pair, \$1.15, \$1.35, \$1.50. Misses' 1 1/2 to 2, per pair, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50, \$1.75.

P. F. Madden.

Extraordinary Display

Of Specially Selected Holiday Goods at Attractive Prices.

The Late Copyright Books, Fancy Gift-Books, Japanese Baskets and Vases, Fancy Goods of All Kinds.

HAVE AN EARLY LOOK. Anders & Philipp CENTRAL PHARMACY.

Rollin Lewis, Dead.

Rollin Lewis was born in Lorain county, Ohio, seventy-six years ago, and was there united in marriage with Miss Mary Zimmerman in 1854. They came to this county a few weeks after their marriage and settled on the farm in Delaware and Honey Creek townships, on which they have ever since resided. He is survived by his wife and two children, Oliver H. Lewis of this township, and Mrs. Mary Rollin of Lorain, Ohio.

The deceased enlisted in Co. F, 27th Iowa Vol. Infantry and served as a member of that company for nearly three years, having been honorably discharged before the expiration of the term of his enlistment, because of wounds received in the line of duty, which prevented his further service, and rendered him a cripple for the remainder of his life.

By his death which occurred at his home on the 20th inst., this county loses one of its best citizens, his widow and children a kind and devoted husband and father.

All of the members of the family of the deceased, and his granddaughter, Alice N. Lewis of Jackson county, Minn., were present at the funeral. The funeral services were held at the family residence last Sunday. Rev. W. J. Suckow officiating. Interment in the Manchester cemetery.

JODA HAMILTON EXPIATES CRIME

Young Farmer Boy Hanged at Houston, Mo., for Murder of Parsons' Family.

Houston, Mo., Dec. 22.—Joda Hamilton, the 29-year-old farmer boy, was hanged here at 11:35 a. m. On October 12 last Hamilton killed Barney Parsons, a neighboring farmer; Mrs. Parsons and their three small children. Parsons rented a farm near that owned by Hamilton. He sold his crops to Hamilton and started with his family overland for Iowa. Hamilton had become dissatisfied with his bargain and by lay in wait in the roadway for Parsons. He asked Parsons to repay the money and upon Parsons' refusal, Hamilton shot him twice with a shotgun. Then he clubbed Mrs. Parsons and the children to death. Hamilton hauled the bodies to the creek and dumped them out, then drove home in Parsons' wagon. He was arrested promptly and confessed. The hanging was the first legal execution ever held in this country.

For Rent. Good farm for rent. 160 acres, good out building, fair house, flowing water. Enquire at Delaware County State Bank. 52 ft.

For Rent. Good, 160 acre farm in Richland township. Enquire of J. J. PEMPTON.

Farm to Rent on Shares for one Year With Privilege of Five. The farm of 510 acres known as the old Baker farm in Collins Grove township 4 1/2 miles west of Manchester. But little capital is required but the renter must be a good worker, a good manager, and an all round practical farmer. The farm is well stocked with horses, cattle and hogs, and a fairly good supply of farming tools. Highly satisfactory terms will be given the right man. 49w4 A. J. HERSBY, R. F. D. No. 6. Manchester, Ia.

To Rent. The Chas. Grommen farm lying four miles east of Manchester. Enquire of Mrs. D. Grommon or H. C. Haerberle, Manchester, Iowa. 46-

Farm For Rent on Shares. Two hundred and thirty-three acres, in Milo township seven miles south of Manchester and 1 1/2 miles south east of Golden Station. Call at premises or address S. W. CUMMINGS, Ryan, Iowa, 46t R. F. D. No. 2.

Holiday Shopping Time.

Our store is a vast emporium of pretty and useful things suitable for Christmas gifts. A satisfying sense of fitness permeates the whole place. In the line enumerated below there are many things which give latitude in selection and contain something suitable for most anyone you may have on your list:

More Christmas Handkerchiefs Than Ever Before ..

There is a wonderful assortment of ladies' pure linen hand embroidered fine hem stitched and scalloped embroidered.

Ladies' Fine Neckwear. Beautiful assortment of new holiday goods in lace and fancy stocks.

Christmas Fancy Goods. Large collection of pretty ideas for Xmas gifts at very little cost, an endless lot of linen drawn work pieces in all sizes and shapes.

FURS, That Will Satisfactorily Solve the Problem of What To Give. A collection of muffis, scarfs and throws in all the reliable and medium priced furs.

Men's Furnishings Goods. Our furnishing goods section embraces a most attractive line of holiday neckwear, scarfs, mufflers and handkerchiefs, including the newest styles and choicest fabrics.

B. CLARK

Ladies' Furs

We have a large and attractive assortment of Ladies Furs. The style and price will please you Ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$22.50.

Remember us when looking for Men's Fur Coats, Children's Cloaks, Ladies' Cloaks and Shoes and heavy foot wear of all kinds. Respectfully,

W. L. Drew

Sensible Xmas Presents.

Look over our line of women's over gaiters in black at 75c and \$1.00

We can show you wonderful values in Jersey cloth over the knee leggins in women's at 75c, Misses 60c, and child's sizes 50c. Men's Xmas slippers in leather at \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 and 90c.

Women's felt slippers fur trimmed and with leather soles \$1.40 and \$1.00.

Any of the above articles will make a sensible present and one which is always acceptable. Don't Forget Our Free Graphophone Offer. H. H. LAWRENCE Telephone 361. The Shoe Man.