

BRIEF MENTION.

Read Gildner Bros. adv. -D. M. Gilchrist of Ryan had business in town Monday. -To see when you can get the greatest value for \$10 read A. D. Brown's adv. -Miss Alma Fischer visited friends in Earlville the latter part of last week. -A. C. Carter is enjoying a visit from his grandson, Lucerne Milner, of Rockford, Ill. -Mrs. H. Hines died at her home in this city last Sunday at the age of 63 years. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the U. B. Church. -Mr. and Mrs. Warner, long time residents of this county, but who have been residing at Aberdeen, S. Dakota, are now making their home at Huron in that state. -Theater geers of this city are promised a treat this Friday evening when "On the Bridge at Midnight" will show at the Central Opera House. -Harry Hetherington, who has been here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hetherington, returned the first of the week to his home in DeGraaf, Neb. -Mrs. Frank Hall entertained at dinner Monday night in honor of her sister-in-law Mrs. J. W. Gemmill of Elkader, Iowa and her brother, W. A. Gemmill, of Great Falls, Minn., who are visiting at her home in this city. -Those from here who attended the presentation of the Show Girl at the Godey in Independence last Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lepley, Mr. and Mrs. George Kieser, Miss May Roney and Joe McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Andrews. -County Superintendent, Frank D. Joseph, will hold a teachers examination at his office, January 23, 24 and 25. This is the last examination before June so it is imperative that all who are not provided with certificates and wish to teach this spring should take this examination. -Don't throw salt on cement side walks, says an exchange. The composition out of which they are made won't stand for it. The salt has the effect of softening the cement and rendering the walls honey-combed. Ashes and sawdust are the proper things to place on them. The best way to treat them, however, is to use a snow shovel in good season and there will be no need of anything else. -Beginning March 1, the post-office department will supply books of one cent stamps, similar to the books of two cent stamps now in use. There will be four sheets of six stamps each in a book, interleaved with perforated paper, bound like the books of the two cent stamps. The books will be sold for twenty-five cents and only one size will be issued. There has been a demand for these books of one cent stamps, the books of two cent stamps having been found very convenient and popular. -The Eighth Grade graduating class will hold their graduating exercises at the City Hall at 7:30 Saturday, January 20th. A portion of the class will present a two act play entitled "Snow White". This is adopted from a fairy tale which is doubtless familiar to many. An admission fee of fifteen cents will be charged. Following is a list of the names of the graduates: Hazel Smith, Roger Lewis, Harry Pinch, Tommy Wilson, Leon Beardslee, Burr Finch, Nellie Cox, Hazel Alcock, Mabel Davis, Cora Crosier, Laura Roe, Barbara Pierce, John Gillilan, Lee Gilchrist, Arthur Hutchison, Verda Stinson, Thea Schneider, Margaret Gerstle, Rhine Sheppard, Margaret Smith. -Last Wednesday, the 18th, H. P. Jones and L. D. Snyder of Manchester also J. W. Robinson and Alex Robinson of Ryan attended H. J. Hess' great sale of Aberdeen Angus cattle at Waterloo. Mr. Hess has a notable record for breeding and buying the best Angus cattle to be found and the fine bunch that he put through the ring certainly showed themselves to be individuals of high merit, and their breeding was of the best. Forty seven (47) head were sold under the hammer and brought an average of over \$500 per head. Jones, Snyder and J. W. Robinson each brought home trophies to add to their growing young herds. -The annual statement of the Farmers Mutual Fire and Lightning Insurance association, of this county, made to the Auditor of State by A. S. Coon, president of the Association and M. E. Blair, its secretary, is an excellent showing. The amount of risks in force at the beginning of the year 1906, was \$773,868. Amount in force at the end of the year \$905,835. The total losses and expenses paid during the year was \$779,37, the increase in risks written during the year was \$132,007, and the cost of insurance to the members was only six mills on each \$1,000 insured. We repeat that the showing is an excellent one and reflects great credit on the management. -Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the Belmont Catholic parsonage occurred the marriage of Miss Winnie Turner and Lucius Uhl, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Lealy. The bride was becomingly attired in a dress of gray silk and the groom wore the conventional black. The bride is one of our most popular young ladies and is possessed of a light hearted amiable disposition. She no doubt will make a model helpmate for the man she has chosen. The groom has made Ryan his home for about two years. He is known as an honest and industrious young man and is well fitted to make home happy for his young bride. Mr. and Mrs. Uhl will shortly go to house-keeping in the rooms over Tieleben's drug store. That their married life may be filled with happiness is the wish of their many friends.—Ryan Reporter.

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Rev. Melchert of Ryan spent Sunday in this city. -Charlie Walters is confined to his home with illness. -N. Fischer is spending the week in Strawberry Point. -Mr. and Mrs. J. Hutchison are spending the week in Chicago. -Burton Clark advertises spring dress goods in his adv. in this issue. -Mrs. Mary Milligan visited friends in Earlville the first of the week. -Dr. C. S. Lister visited last week with friends at Burlington and Iowa City. -W. L. Draw quotes reduced prices on dress goods in his adv. this week. -Miss Grace Walters was accepted a position in P. Newcomb's dry goods store. -Mrs. Paul J. Gilbert of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting at the home of Mr. A. J. Jacobs. -Charlie Campbell who is now travelling auditor for the I. C. was in this city over Monday. -Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris of Schaller, Iowa are spending the week at the home of J. S. Downs. -Those who are in need of repairing and painting will do well to read Fisher & Son's adv. in this issue. -W. G. Kenyon returned last week from Platte, S. D. He was accompanied by an unwelcome car-buncle. -Mark Sheldon, who has been in Seneca, S. D. for some time past, returned last week to his home in this city. -Miss Florence Wilson went to Cedar Rapids Monday morning, where she will spend the week with relatives. -A Hoag and family expect to remove to St. Louis in the near future where they will make their future home. -Mrs. Isabel Garghill Beecher, fourth number of the Star lecture course, will be at the City Hall, Wednesday evening, January 30th. -Life is rather strenuous these days. Pedestrians are kept guessing as to what will happen next. Swimming, sliding or skating are among the possibilities. -G. W. Fairchild of Cedar Rapids was in this city last week. He and his family will leave in a few days for St. Petersburg where they will spend the winter. -Stearns & McCormick have rented the Ford building in the City Hall block and will move their stock of groceries and general merchandise into it in the near future. -Two games of basket ball will be played next Thursday evening at the Central; one between the local high school team and the high school team from Independence and the other between the Manchester and Hopkinton teams. -John Edmunds of Platte, S. D., formerly of this city was taken to a Chicago hospital last week. For a time his health was in a precarious condition but in a letter to his town paper the last of the week he stated that he was improving and expected to return home in about three weeks. -We think the weather man got next to the last comments on him that we hung on the copy book Friday and decided to take the tip and make a large display of winter specialties. No more swimming suits on the counter, just furs, skates and sleighs. -Every Senator in Des Moines has a clerk—that is a luxury that never happened in Iowa until real "reformers" got in. Now what will the senators do with their clerks? Even when only the chairman of committees had clerks the state house was filled with loafers. They ought to turn a man like John Cownie of the state board of control into a clerk. -Cedar Rapids Republican. -Friends of Mr. C. E. Sager of this city sympathize with him in the loss of his son, Erwin, his only child, which occurred at his home in Smithborough, New York, last Saturday. Erwin Sager was born within five miles of Smithborough in 1864 and always resided there. He is survived by his wife and one boy, Elroy, 13 years of age. On New Year's day he was taken with typhoid fever, from which he never recovered. Mr. Sager is so overcome by the sad news that his physician deems it advisable for him not to attend the funeral. -At the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Illinois Central railway held in New York last Wednesday, F. B. Harriman was elected general manager of the road. Mr. Harriman was born and raised in Dubuque and was superintendent of the Dubuque division of the Illinois Central until about three years ago. Mr. Harriman is well known here. His duties as superintendent brought him to Manchester several times every week, and his friends are pleased to hear of his rapid rise to one of the most important positions of the "old reliable." -J. C. Lash and family, who are occupying the farm belonging to his father, H. W. Lash, in East's Grove had an exciting time with fire Tuesday forenoon. Mr. Lash was out doing chores when the women folks notified him that the house was afire. The ceiling had caught near the stove pipe and must have been burning several minutes before being discovered as some of the partitions upstairs were burned and the fire had made its way into the attic. Many neighbors were quick in responding to the call for help and by cutting holes in the roof it was eventually gotten under control but not until it had caused quite a lot of damage. The loss is covered by insurance in the Delaware County Mutual and their adjuster, A. S. Coon, was on the scene in the afternoon, making the claim good. We are glad it did not result any worse than it did.—Edgewood Journal.

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