

BRIEF MENTION.

Walter Jones has gone to New York City for an extended business trip.

E. B. Bolander and family entertained F. M. Coon of Lohrville last week.

Mrs. Thomas Clabby of Independence was the guest of Mrs. C. E. Gleason part of last week.

Highland Noble's regular meeting next Thursday evening, March 26, at Noble Hall over Blake's store.

I. L. Walters was in Dubuque and other towns on the Illinois Central east of here in this state last week on business.

Louis Franks left for Wasta S. D. the first of the week, where he has secured employment, and may decide to remain for an indefinite time.

Miss Ella Smith started for Wasta, S. D., last Wednesday, where she will be met by her father, Richard Smith, who recently moved to that city.

Strawberry Point has a new bank, called the First National, with a capital of \$25,000. Its president is A. Hinson, vice-president, A. O. Kingsley, and cashier, E. J. Gessler.

Mrs. T. E. Sedgwick left last week for Westing, S. D., where she joins her husband, who has taken up a claim near that place and where they will make their home in the future.

The shop recently vacated by Messrs. Salsburg and Lyman who have been conducting a restaurant in that location, will be occupied by Miss Minnie Barr, who will open a large stock of millinery.

Burton Dadd and family, who live near this place, leave to-day (Tuesday) for Seattle, and will remain in the vicinity of that western city, having determined to make their home in that section.

Mrs. Lore Alford went to Cedar Rapids Thursday evening to visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Powell, and from there will go to her home in Waterloo. While in this city, Mrs. Alford was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Habert Carr.

The members of The Babcock team have ordered rubber coats and helmets for use at fires. These coats have been needed for some time, and the sum realized from the benefit dance given by the company some time ago will be divided and a portion go for the purchase of these coats.

It is of interest to know that for the past few months, Will Chapel of this city has been writing short stories for magazines in different sections of the country. A number of farm publications have accepted Mr. Chapel's work, as well as a biography of M. Van Dusen, the veteran butter-maker of the world. Mr. Chapel has been successful thus far in this new line, and his composition and style of writing bids fair to interest the managers of the larger periodicals.

Mrs. Caroline J. Friend sold her property on Wayne and Marion streets last week to Mrs. Kate Carney, the amount of the transaction being \$1,250. Mrs. Friend will visit for a time with her daughter and son who live in Delaware and Dubuque counties, and then expects to go to California, where she will make an extended visit with her son W. A. Friend. Mrs. Friend has been a resident of Manchester for a number of years, and her many friends learn with genuine regret of her intended departure.

It was a real pleasure that the friends in this city of Bill Miller of Earlville, who is a student at Cornell, learned of his appointment as one of the two men who are to be given Rhodes' scholarship at Oxford, England. Mr. Miller is a young man, who has made good in both collegiate work and in athletics, and the honor of appointment is well deserved. It is provided that each young man shall be given \$1,500.00 a year for the four years of university work, which will, no doubt, cover the necessities of school life, required at the English school of learning.

A salesman representing electric supplies was in town last week, and carried a recently patented electric heater. Several were purchased by patrons of the light furnished by the Manchester Heat, Light & Power company. Several appliances for electricity are in use in this city, water heaters, flat irons, etc., and prove satisfactory. Although no day current is provided, the power is used in connection with this modern equipment for the morning and evening meal. A number of requests have been petitioned for all day service, but as yet neither companies feel that they are in position to furnish such power.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Foster were guests at the home of Mrs. Fowler's sister, Mrs. R. A. Danton last week. The two gentlemen mentioned are a team under the management of the Orpheum Circuit and have a musical skit which has proven attractive and is improving steadily. Messrs. Fowler and Foster have been on the western coast during the winter, and from their visit in this city went to Chicago, where they will play this week, and from there go to Indianapolis.

It will be remembered that Charles Boehler, formerly of Manchester, is connected with the circuit mentioned, being the manager of the Chicago booking agency. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler went to Dubuque Friday morning to visit with their daughter, Miss Edna, who is attending school at Sinsinawa Mound.

D. H. Young was in Dubuque Saturday.

Fred Hruby of Dubuque was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. D. R. Young was in Dubuque last Friday.

Miss Gertrude J. Anderson left Sunday for Hoytville, Ohio.

H. S. Tubbs left for Cherokee Sunday night on business.

Mrs. F. E. Chapel was in Cedar Rapids Saturday and Sunday.

Hon. Lafe Matthews was in Cedar Rapids and Davenport last week.

Miss Minnie Barr was in Cedar Rapids last week purchasing millinery stock.

Mrs. W. E. Sedgwick visited with her son, Frank, at Independence last week.

Miss Daisy Lawrence was the guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence the past few days.

Misses Laura Hyde and Belle Graham and Percy Strickland are at home from Grinnell.

Among the visitors from this to Dubuque last Thursday, were Mrs. A. A. Hollister, Miss Ennis Boggs and Miss Grace Sheldon.

Mrs. S. E. Husted of Noblesville, Indiana, who is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Denton, was in Dubuque Thursday.

The Misses Alice Walters and Stella Drew visited at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Grace Millard at Montour, the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Blake of Clermont were in the city last week. Mr. Blake was formerly an employe in the News office, and is publishing a paper at his home town.

H. G. Goss and Earle Peterson were at Independence Friday evening, in regard to ascertaining the advisability of playing "The Runaway Princess" in that city.

In all probability, a new line of sewer will be laid this spring from Franklin at from Union to Clara avenue, providing the city council approves the petition of the property owners along these five blocks.

Mrs. David Vaughn met with an unfortunate accident last Thursday evening. She had nearly reached the top of a flight of stairs when she stumbled and in the fall broke her left limb fracturing the bone below the knee.

Miss Moore recently employed in the office of Turrill & Pierce has gone to Ryan, where she will be employed in the Cash Store, which has installed a carrier system, such as is used in the dry goods house of W. L. Drew of this city.

The friends in this city of Grinnell college will be pleased to learn that \$250,000 of the half million dollars has been pledged, through the efforts of Pres. J. H. T. Main. The other half of the sum will be secured, it is hoped, in the near future.

John Hogan of Aberdeen, South Dakota, was in the city last week, visiting with friends. Mr. Hogan and his brother Will, have been in the Dakotas for a number of years, and are more than pleased with conditions, and report an excellent business.

The officers of Company D of this city are pleased with the enthusiasm again awakened in the recruiting department of the company. The ranks have been filled, and efforts are now being made to make a good appearance at the time of inspection which occurred Friday, the 27th. New rifles will be issued in a few weeks, and improvements are being made in the rooms containing lockers and in the quartermaster's office.

Further reductions in expenses on the Illinois Central Railroad are being experienced, offices at small stations are being abolished, and train crews being re-arranged on a more economical basis. The general traffic manager of this company resigned the past week, which is an other indication of the persistent endeavors of the managers to reduce in every possible way expenses of all kinds.

One of the business transactions of the week was the sale effected between Messrs. J. J. Goen and William Halsey, the former disposing of his interest in the retail business of his "Smoke House" retaining the wholesale department. Mr. Halsey, at the time of selling the Franklin cafe to Harry Munson, expected to move to another city and establish an ice cream factory and conduct a business in connection with it, but has decided to remain here, and possibly use his machinery for the making of creams and ices with the other line.

What might have proven a disastrous fire last Wednesday night was fortunately soon under control, the work of the members of the protection company again proving their efficiency in such work. At about 9 o'clock, flames were discovered issuing from a large stable back of the Manchester House, and which, for many years, served as a livery and feed stable, but for many years, served as a store house for machinery. The building was burned to the ground in ten minutes, it being impossible to check the flames, which had secured much headway, and the department bent their energy in saving the nearby work-shops stores and residence buildings. The shop used by Fay French was slightly damaged, with other buildings, with in a few feet of the barn, were saved without any damage whatever. The origin of the fire is not known, although a number of plausible theories were advanced at the time and since. The people of the town appreciate the willingness and ability of the company who have always been prompt in answering an alarm of fire, and realize the meaning of having modern fire apparatus and a company of men who serve the best interests of the property of the city in composing a volunteer company of the best fire fighters in the state.

Next Wednesday is "All Fools Day."

Will Ward of Ryan was in town to-day.

H. J. Wilson is in Charles City this week.

See the notice in regard to pay your water rent.

F. A. Morse went to Des Moines this morning on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Munson were in Dubuque Monday.

Allen LeRoy is at home from Beloit, arriving in town Saturday.

Misses Jessie Maloy and Agnes Huyler were Dubuque visitors Monday.

Governor Cummins has designated Friday, April 24, as Arbor Day.

Mr. F. A. Mullen of Dubuque spent Sunday at the J. S. Maloy home.

David Miller was in Monmouth Illinois, recently visiting with relatives.

Jas. Odenbaugh of Independence was in the city the first of the week.

Mrs. W. A. Abbott of Lamont was in the city last week visiting with friends.

See the notice of the meeting of the township board of Milo, on Monday, April 6th.

Miss Idell Miles went to Chicago Monday night for an extended visit with friends.

A large number of men were in attendance at the horse sale held in the city Saturday.

Miss Georgie Tucker of Coggon is visiting at the home of L. J. Tucker this week.

Hillis Gray of Grinnell is a guest of his sister, Miss Ruth Gray, and Percy Strickland.

Mrs. W. H. Hutchinson went to Chicago Monday morning for a few days visit in that city.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peters of Evanston, Ill., Thursday, the 19th of March.

The shooting gallery closed Saturday night, the proprietors going to Cedar Rapids Monday morning.

Miss Vida Blanche of Coggon was entertained at the home of friends in this city the first of the week.

Allison Granger returned to Chicago today, to resume employment as an engineer on the Great Western.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Kenyon of Chicago spent Sunday at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. W. S. Kenyon of this city.

Sherman Turner of Dolan, S. D., was loading a car load of goods last week, and intends to leave to-day for his new home.

A. D. Long and son, Wade, left Sunday night for Sioux City, expecting to make a visit at Sioux Falls, before returning to this city.

Miss Bess Fleming, Roy Miller, and George Adams from Upper Iowa University are spending their spring vacation at home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson and children left Tuesday morning for Spooner, Wis., expecting to go from there to Spokane, Wash.

The Misses Belle Armistead, Clara Haeberle, Pearl Middleton and Maude Barr are at home from Cornell for their spring vacation.

The Inter county spelling contest between Blackhawk and Delaware counties will be held at City Opera house Saturday, March 28.

W. J. Davis, auditor of this county, has recently compiled a statement of the sixth annual financial report of Delaware county for 1907.

Mrs. Ada Long expects to make an extended visit in Wisconsin with relatives, and also at St. Louis, Mo., leaving this week for points in Wisconsin.

Mrs. H. A. Granger has been critically ill at her home for the past week. Her friends will be glad to learn that she is somewhat improved.

Lieut. J. Young went to Sioux City last week, and from there goes to South Dakota, where he will investigate land values, with the purpose of locating there.

James Kehoe of Union township announces in this issue his candidacy for the democratic nomination for Supervisor for the term commencing January 1909.

Harry P. Toogood is expected in the city within a few days for an extended visit with friends. Mr. Toogood is in Chicago at the present time, having completed his work for the season in quartette work.

Among the recent welcome callers at this office were Joseph Wessells; H. J. Kramer; J. L. Shepard; John Dugan; J. H. Lamers; William Bohenkamp; Henry Losche; Henry Bogge; Frank Zemanek; C. A. Snyder; O. J. Murray; George Seward; U. T. Wheelock; A. W. Rea; John Smith; J. P. Sabin; John Flanagan; H. J. Osterhaus; Mrs. Martin Somers; James Kehoe; John Naper; Bernard Kremer and Geo. W. Taylor.

Attention is called to the new advertisement of the Edgewood Nursery Co., which appears in another column of this paper. We can think of nothing better to say in favor of Mr. Platt's nursery than to note the fact that it has supplied the people of northeastern Iowa with nursery stock for more than half a century, and during all that time maintained the confidence and good will of its patrons.

We again call attention to the order made by the Postmaster General in relation to unpaid subscriptions to newspapers. A large number of the subscribers to the Democrat have within the past few weeks, made payment of their subscriptions and we trust that those of our subscribers who are in arrears, will make payment to us on or before April 1st. This request is made compulsory upon us by said order.

MEN'S SUITS \$15.00 - \$18.00



These are popular prices in suits and our lines are full and complete at this time of the year. They are all made up with hair cloth fronts, and guaranteed to hold their shapes. All the latest shades in brown, and the popular elephant gray striped patterns. Coats are made up with two or three button sack styles, with many different kinds of fancy cuffs. Vests are cut with long points, three and four button.

We are always in the lead with the up-to-date Men's Wear.

Try our 75c Overalls.

GILDNER BROS. CLOTHIERS 4 STORES

Willie Finch was in Coggon Thursday.
A. C. Phillip was in Iowa City last Thursday.
Miss Laura Tabbs spent a few days in Cedar Rapids last week returning to her home Saturday.
W. E. Clark went to Waterloo last Wednesday for a few days. He has been in charge of the Cedar Rapids store.
The Rev. J. J. O'Meara of Williams was in the town last week on business. Father O'Meara was formerly pastor of St. Mary's church here.
The Rev. and Mrs. A. King of Tipton are in the city visiting the Dorman home. Mr. King was formerly pastor of the United Brethren church in this city.
A number from here went to Arlington to attend the funeral of S. T. Oviatt yesterday. Mr. Oviatt was formerly a residence of Coffins Grove township and a man well known and highly regarded in this vicinity. His obituary will appear in next week's issue.

Austin Andrews, Sherman Harris, Miss Louise Porteous and Mr. Robert Harris.
The Bryce Club meets with Mrs. E. M. Carr today (Wednesday).
The Reading Club met with Miss Lydia Keep at the Summersides home last Saturday evening.
On next Friday evening, Roy Todd will give a dance at the Army, music to be furnished by Reiger's orchestra.
The K. P. boys will give another one of their delightful dancing parties on Tuesday evening next week, March 31, Carpenters orchestra has been secured for the occasion.
The Tourist club meets this afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. J. Schweitzer. A descriptive paper will be read by Mrs. C. Atkinson the subject of which is "Among the Hedgeways of Worcester." Mrs. Abner Dunham will talk of famous historical cartoons. Mrs. C. C. Bradley entertains the club April 7.

Social Events.

Kelly and Stuart will appear at Central Opera April 27, 28, and 29.
Mas. J. H. Allen entertained a small company of friends at dinner Thursday evening.
The men's club of St. Mary's church will give a dance at Central Opera house April 21.
Robert Harris gave a dancing party at his home south of the city last Friday evening.
Miss Idell Miles was hostess at an informal luncheon last Thursday in honor of Mrs. Lore Alford of Waterloo.
The last roller skating party of the season was given last Friday evening at Central Opera house, a large attendance marking the event.
The marriage of Mr. M. S. Tracy and Miss Bertha M. Barker occurred last Thursday, March 19th, in this city, the ceremony being read by the Rev. T. E. Fleming.
One of the attractions of the late season will be the "Texas Ranger," which will play at Central Opera house May 8th. This production carries special scenery, and is composed of a strong cast.

THE MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Butter, creamery (31 1/2), Eggs (18), Potatoes (60), Turkeys (11), Chickens (7 1/2 @ 8), Ducks (5 1/2 @ 7), Hogs (33.90), Beef, butcher (1 1/2 @ 2), Beef, canning (1 1/2 @ 2), Steers (4), Veal calves (5), Corn (50 @ 60), Wheat (7.00 @ 8.00), Hay (4.00).

It coaxes back that well feeling, healthy look, put the sap of life in your system, protect you from disease. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea has no equal as a spring tonic for the whole family. 50c. Tea or tablets.—R. A. Denton.

FOR SALE. My residence property and one acre of land in North Manchester. Well improved. Fine shade and fruit trees, and considerable small fruit. A very desirable home. Enquire on the premises of Wm. J. Millet.

BULL FOR SALE

One yearling high grade Aberdeen Angus bull for sale cheap. This is a fine growthy bull. I also have some fine full blooded Fox Terrier puppies for sale at \$1.00 and \$3.00 each. 2 1/2 miles southwest of town. L. D. A. SNYDER, MANCHESTER, IOWA.

A BARGAIN IN REAL ESTATE.

A 200 Acre Farm, 3 Miles South of Manchester, for \$75 per Acre.

The A. S. Coon farm, of 200 acres, lies in the 17th and 18th Sec. 17 and 18, Twp. 24 N., R. 18 E., S. 5. It is an all prairie farm with a road on the north and east side. The buildings are about the center east and west on north side, and on the east bank of a little stream that runs across the North West corner of land. It is a never failing stream, and comes from springs about a half mile from west side of farm. This farm is practically all plow land, but there is only about 80 or 90 acres under cultivation at present, the balance is meadow and pasture. The buildings consist of an L house with four rooms below and two sleeping rooms upstairs, and a good cellar, a hog house, 16x40 feet divided into five separate apartments and an alley on the back side so as to let the hogs into any pen desired. This was built about five years ago and has a cement floor, all in good repair; also a double corn crib 22x10 with drive way in center. This was built three years ago. The barn is 36x26 feet, with three places inclined to and from the ground. In this part of the state. The North end of basement has room for 8 head of horses, and in the balance of the basement there are cattle stanchions for 32 head, and a pen for calves. The cow part is a cement floor. Above the horses in barn proper is a granary, 16x26, with capacity for 2000 bu of small grain, balance of barn is for hay and corn fodder. The barn was built in 1895 and painted the next season. These buildings all have shingled roofs, and there is a hot house 10x16x7 with a board roof. The fences are in fair repair, the soil a black loam with two or three places inclined to and from the ground. This farm can be sold before March 1st, 1909. Seventy Five Dollars an acre will buy it, after that the price will be raised to \$5 per acre. As to terms we will be very liberal, but would require from one third to one half the purchase price down, and balance could be paid in yearly installments with the current rate of interest. For further information enquire of the undersigned or Bronson, Carr & Son, at Manchester, Iowa. A. S. COON.

Capt. Merry Re-elected an Official.

The Dubuque papers of this morning contain a notice of the re-election of Captain J. F. Merry as Assistant Treasurer and Secretary of the Dubuque and Sioux City Railroad, at the directors meeting, held in Dubuque Monday.

Annual Meeting of M. & O. Ry. Co. Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the M. & O. Railroad Company will be held on Tuesday, April 7, at 3 o'clock p. m. at the council rooms in Manchester, for the purpose of electing five directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the said meeting. H. O. HAEBERLE, Secretary. J. S. HUTCHINSON, President.

The Spring Season Has Begun in Earnest.

New Spring Merchandise and Spring Styles are now well represented throughout the store. The new arrivals give plenty of evidence of our success in obtaining better styles, better materials, better workmanship than heretofore, without increasing the cost to you.

Spring Dress Fabrics

In almost innumerable colors and weaves.

This department is now at its best. If you care for an early choice, it will be to your advantage to see them at once. The new fabrics in browns, tans, greens and grays are indistinguishable in beauty and variety.

Rugs and Carpets

The values offered at this particular time should meet with the approval of intending purchasers. The colorings and designs are all of a high character. Brussels, Axminster and Velvets in various qualities. Sizes from the smallest to extra size.

Tailored Suits and Jackets

This is a season of many changes in Ladies' Tailored wearing apparel. Never have we introduced so many new models, having so many of the distinctive style touches which immediately gain favor, all at prices very much less than can be purchased elsewhere.

New Shirt Waists

The styles and materials are varied. The unusual work in every waist is readily seen in the excellence of materials and superior workmanship. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$6.00.

Long Gloves

This department could not be better equipped to supply every demand for long gloves, in black and white and all the preferred shades in both silk and kid.

B. CLARK

CARPETS and RUGS.

We are now ready with our spring line of Carpets, Rugs, Mattings, Linoleums, and Oil Cloths. If interested, you should see our 9x12 Brussels, Axminster and Tapestry Rugs. They consist of a choice selection of patterns, at the right prices. Be sure and see them before you buy. Respectfully,

W. L. Drew

Butterick Patterns.

Have you a Fanning Mill? Oats are light this year and will need cleaning before sowing for seed. We have bought a stock of first-class Fanning Mills that we can sell you at a low price. And to save your tired legs when harrowing, we will sell you one of the best made Harrow Carts for \$6.50. Can you afford to walk when the interest at 6% on the price of the cart is only 39 cents a year? We still sell the old reliable Hoosier and Gorham Seeders. Both these seeders are standard makes. We also have a full line of other goods in our line. You should see our new Disk Harrow.

YOUNG & DOTY.

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 Shoes on the market today. Infants' as low as 50c. Children's 5 to 8 per pair 65, 75, 85 90c. Children's 8 1/2 to 11 per pair, \$1.15, \$1.35, 1.50. Misses' 11 1/2 to 2, per pair, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50, \$1.75.

P. F. Madden.