

TOWN TOPICS.

L. Matthews, Jr., was in Dubuque last week. J. A. Strickland was in Cedar Rapids Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Carr are entertaining at their home Mrs. Lore Alford of Waterloo. Calvin Yoran is in Charles City this week on business. Master Tom Norris now owns a black pony and cart, which he is enjoying to the fullest extent. Mrs. H. G. Pierce and Mrs. F. D. Joseph and son, Master Francis, were in Cedar Rapids Monday. Mrs. A. Bartlett has returned from an extended visit with relatives at Des Moines, Albia and Ottumwa. Edward Williams left last week for Iowa City, where he enters the State University for their course in medicine. Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Johnston left Sunday night for Washington, D. C., where Mr. Johnston was called on business. Jacob Bryan and daughter, Miss Myrtle Bryan, of Sioux Falls, are guests at the home of William Coffey here this week. Jesse Young left Monday afternoon for Wasta, South Dakota, where he will spend part of the winter on homestead land. Ray R. Robinson, who is attending the business college at Cedar Rapids, and Edwin Davis, a student at Coe, were at home Sunday. Miss Jessie Maley spent Sunday in Dubuque, a guest of her brother, Walter who is pursuing a course of study in St. Joseph's college. Miss Rose Zurtzman, who has been in the employ of A. H. Blake & Son, has resigned her position and returned to her home in Delaware. Albert Kling left Sunday for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he expects to receive treatment for rheumatism, from which he has been suffering for some time. Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Young left Monday for a month's visit in Ohio, expecting to spend some time in several cities in that state. Master Paul accompanied them. General J. W. Miles entertained his sister, Mrs. Sarah Downing, of Collins, last week at his home on Union street. Mrs. Deming left Saturday for Collins. The county clerk issued September 15 a marriage license to Wm. A. Truss and Miss Zelma P. Ealer, both of Delaware, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. E. R. Leamon. Dr. J. A. May advertises an auction sale to be held Friday, October 2, on the old May farm, 5 miles north west of Manchester, and 2 miles east of Lindsay bridge, at which time horses, cattle, farm machinery will be sold. P. A. Pressner, assistant cashier of the First National bank of this city, left Monday for Pueblo, Colorado, to attend the national bankers' convention, which is to be held in Denver this month. Mr. Pressner will be away several days. Eric Barr, who is visiting in town, is spending a few days in Newell with friends. Mr. Barr leaves Saturday, by way of Mount Vernon, for Annapolis, Maryland, where he re-enters the naval academy. His father, Andrew Barr, departed last week for his home in California. Mrs. Alice Kenyon of Portland, Oregon, who is visiting with relatives in this city, was in Waterloo Saturday, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. E. E. Thompson. Miss Pearl Kenyon formerly of Manchester, is in Berkeley, California, attending the State University. Mrs. Ruby Kenyon Wilder resides at Roseburg, Oregon. The board of supervisors was in session Monday morning, preparatory to making a trip into Honey Creek township to inspect public highways and bridges. Several complaints have been lodged with the board, regarding dangerous bridges and bad roads, and they decided to make a special tour of the roads in the northern part of the county at this time. Gildner Bros. advertise a guessing contest this week. As is well known, their signs on fences, barns and boards may be seen in all parts of the county. They have pursued this manner of advertising for several years. The cut contained in their advertisement this week shows a certain fence, somewhere within the county, and the figure of the painter. They offer prizes for several guesses. The Cedar Rapids carnival has secured from the Illinois Central authority to advertise a fare of \$1.20 round trip from Manchester to Cedar Rapids and return. Special trains will be run on Wednesday and Thursday, leaving Manchester at 11 a. m., returning from Cedar Rapids at 11 p. m. The regular trains leave Manchester in the morning at 8:20 and in the evening at 5:20, arriving in the Rapids at 10:30 and 7 o'clock respectively. The advertised features of the carnival are the trained elephants and seals. The 51st Regimental Band will be at the carnival during the week. On train No. 5 Monday morning, was attached Business Car No. 6, on which I. W. Bell, superintendent of machinery, and F. J. Bechely, superintendent of the Dubuque division, were making a tour of inspection of western lines. Mr. Bechely stated to a representative of The Democrat that business was improving steadily, and that the conditions seem favorable for continued passenger and freight traffic during the remainder of the fall and winter. No information has been received by western officials regarding additional train service in Iowa. Reports are heard occasionally of provisional plans of the Illinois Central to reinstate former passenger schedules but no immediate change may be expected.

Charles Hamblin of Earlville was in town Sunday. Mrs. H. R. Keagy of Independence visited in the city Saturday. Mr. W. A. Abbott of Lamont was in town last week and over Sunday. J. R. Lang of Greeley left the first of the week for Kansas and Colorado on business. Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Amund were in Independence Sunday, visiting with friends and relatives. E. F. Cruise of Dubuque was a guest at the home of his father, John Cruise, a part of last week. Miss Mabel Retz of Lamont was entertained by Miss Frances Lawman at her home in this city Sunday. Misses Nell Crawley and Julia Mullen of Dubuque visited at the home of Miss Jessie Maley last week. Burton Clark announces this week his fall opening of millinery, the latest creations and modes having been purchased and trimmed by Miss Lovelace. The fourteenth annual Ak-Sar-Ber will be held in Omaha September 23 to October 3. The railroads offer reduced fares to this well known yearly carnival. Sherman Harris left Saturday for Garden City, Kansas, where he will meet Mrs. Harris, and their trip will be continued into Colorado, expecting to return home next week. H. W. Welterlin has secured the contract of erecting a brick creamery building at Thorpe. The dimensions of the structure will be 26x80, and will have a 40 foot brick smoke stack. The outer wall will be hard brick, and the inner a hollow composition. A. J. Bruce has been awarded the contract for the erection of a brick store building at Prairieburg for E. S. Benson, 27x70. The structure will be but one story in height, but modern and well arranged for Mr. Benson's needs. The work will be finished this fall. An alarm of fire was turned in Saturday morning at 10:30, when a porch and a part of the east wall of the sacristy of Saint Mary's church was seen to be in flames. A few pails of water extinguished the fire, from which had probably been set by the careless dropping of a match in some dry grass. The management of the Manchester & Onondaga railway has created a new office in the city passenger and ticket office, employing Nelson Atwater as operator and assistant in the freight department. Mr. Atwater is an efficient telegrapher, and a willing and reliable employe, having been, for several years with the Illinois Central. I. B. Miller of Chicago was a guest at the home of his niece, Mrs. E. E. Brewer, Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Miller is interested and associated with the Mexican Lumber company of Chicago, and was in Manchester for the purpose of securing information regarding the Iowa and Montana land company, recently organized in this city. A serious wreck on Train No. 5, the last mail from Chicago, arriving in Manchester at 8:10 P. M. on the Illinois Central, was narrowly averted Saturday morning. As the train was about to leave the station, some one noticed that a part of the front truck on the express car seemed out of place. The attention of the train crew was called to the matter, and upon investigation, it was found that only a small band of iron held the truck in place, which had it broken would have allowed the heavy beams to fall to the track, and the car derailed, and perhaps the entire train, as speed of 70 miles an hour is maintained between Dyersville and Manchester. The treasurer of the Delaware County fair association makes an authorized statement this week to the effect that the gate receipts for the fair of 1908 were but \$200 less than that of last year, owing to the fact that the dates were later this season than usual. When the little folk are in school, and are aware that it is impossible for them to attend, no demands are made upon the parents to visit a fair as would have been the case, had the dates been one or two weeks earlier than they were. The annual election of officers for the association will be held the second Tuesday in November, which is on the 10th. At the First Congregational church, the Rev. Franklin William Keagy of Lewis, Iowa, occupied the pulpit both morning and evening. The Rev. Mr. Keagy was formerly of St. Louis, but was transferred to this state some time ago, and is in Dunlap this week, attending the state convention of Congregational ministers, where he will be ordained as a minister. Mr. Keagy was a member of one of the Methodist Episcopal conferences in the state of Ohio several years ago, going to Montana as a missionary. Later, he entered a Congregational seminary in California and entered the ministry of that society. His sermons of last Sunday evidenced ability as a pulpiteer, and were well received by his audiences. The local church has offered Mr. Keagy a call to this city. The Manchester baseball team, having disbanded for the season, is now merely a matter of history, and the fans and enthusiasts will spend many an hour in enjoying reminiscences of the work of the local bush league. Edwin Cobb, one of the two pitchers, returned to Iowa City Saturday afternoon, where he is studying medicine at the State University. Roy Allen left Monday morning for his home at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. Roy Crabb is in Greeley, and Ed Lindsay leaves for Montana, where he will spend the winter. John Schonebauer, who sustained a broken leg at the Independence game, is at home in Guttenburg and improving steadily. Homer Dowden, the ex-Indiana league shortstop, has returned to that state, and Joe Svacha is at home in Cedar Rapids. Of course, Jimmy Gorman and "Spud" Malven will remain in this city.

W. F. Bloodworth was in Dubuque last week. Mrs. Serepta Young is visiting in Chicago with friends. Dr. Harry Hoag of Gardner visited in town last week. Rev. W. J. Suckow was in the city last week on business. Miss Laura Norris was a guest of friends at Cherokee last week. Mrs. A. T. Reding is visiting with relatives in Waterloo this week. Mr. and Mrs. William Millett are in Waterloo for a several weeks visit. Mrs. C. E. Bronson and Mrs. R. A. Denton were in Dubuque Wednesday. Mrs. Julia Briggs and Miss Lena Knapp visited with friends in Mason City last week. Miss Marie Weidenbacher of Dyersville, a sister of Mrs. Arthur Holbrook of this city, was a guest at the Holbrook home last week. The W. L. Drew dry goods house announces their fall opening of millinery this week on Thursday and Friday. Read his advertisement. Miss Edith Melhop and Dr. S. S. Lindsey of Dubuque were guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Lindsey and Miss Florence last Friday. Glen Chapman resigned his position as bookkeeper of the Hollister Lumber company at Chicago Heights last week and is home for the present. Mr. and Mrs. C. Scott are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. E. H. Hollister, of Belvidere, Illinois. Mrs. Hollister arrived in town Wednesday afternoon. Chase, a member of the Cedar Rapids Three team, has signed with Boston for next season. Chase played a very clever game here last week with the locals. Mrs. Sherman Harris accompanied Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hewling for a western trip, which will extend as far as Denver. Mrs. Harris will be away several weeks. Col. W. B. Jewell of Omaha was in the city last week, enjoying a few days of the fair. The Colonel has been in the east for some time, and was on his way home. Lawrence Hollister and Percy Strickland was in Chicago this week. They were in Belvidere, Illinois, a part of last week, visiting at the home of E. H. Hollister. Mrs. H. J. Wilson, Clyde Wilson and Miss Irene, left last week for Portland, where they join Mr. Wilson, who has become owner of the Breslin, a leading hotel in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Woodruff left for their home in Sioux City Wednesday, after having been entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown for several weeks. Judge E. P. Seeds of Washington, D. C., who was in the city several days last week, left Thursday for Cedar Rapids and points adjacent, where he will make speeches for the republican party. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hann left Friday afternoon for a week's trip through Michigan, and a few days visit in Chicago. They will also be at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, during their absence. M. I. B. Richmond shipped a car load of mixed cattle to Chicago last week, hogs and veal calves. Hogs were quoted on the shipping day between \$6.20 and \$6.60, and veal calves from 5 to 6 cents. S. E. Dittmer of Colesburg was in town last week, as a guest of his brothers, Drs. H. A. and E. G. Dittmer. Mr. Dittmer intends to study medicine at Hahnemann college in Chicago this fall and winter. Mrs. Mary A. Rann is a guest of her daughter, Miss Edith V. Rann, in Chicago this week. Mrs. Rann and Miss Rann will visit at Whitewater, Wisconsin, joining Mrs. H. M. Conger of Los Angeles, a sister of Mrs. Rann. Rae Dunham returned home Thursday from Muskegon, Michigan, where he has been enjoying a vacation of several months. Mr. Dunham was in Detroit and points in Ohio during his trip. He is assisting in the work at the postoffice for a few days. Fred Rabenau was at home from Iowa City last week, for a short-visit with his father, R. W. Rabenau. Mr. Rabenau re-entered the State University the first of the week, where he is taking the medical course being in the same class as Edwin Cobb, who has been pitching for the Manchester baseball team this season. Some weeks ago, The Democrat contained a bit of information regarding the suit against Carl Clemans of Snookish Washington which was brought against him by one R. H. Dosh. The case was settled last week Clemans paying a fine of \$250, and a further payment of \$700 to Dosh. Clemans has brought suit against the Register and Leader for alleged libel. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway has appointed J. A. Strickland of this city immigration agent, with headquarters in this city. Mr. Strickland has been conducting an extensive real estate business for several years, working in conjunction with the Milwaukee people, and his appointment is the outgrowth of efficient service in land business. The general immigration agent of the Milwaukee has headquarters in Chicago, and three other representatives of that department are located in the west. Mr. Strickland will look after immigration matters in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Nebraska and South Dakota. This will mean his absence from Manchester the greater part of the time, and on account of his inability to personally attend to his personal real estate, he has turned the business over to his son, Percy Strickland, who has been at Iowa college for several years and is well prepared to enter upon active business life. Mr. Strickland will secure an office more commodious than his present location, in which he will establish his headquarters.

Howard Clemans of Cedar Rapids was in town last week. D. B. Allen has been in Michigan for several weeks, returning home a few days ago. Mrs. J. F. Merry returned home last week from Chicago, where she visited with relatives for several days. Miss Rhea Schneider left Friday afternoon for Minneapolis for a brief visit with her mother, before returning to Villa Marie at Fontenac, where she re-enters school. Mrs. W. J. Lawrence of Pasadena California, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Goodhill, expecting to remain for several weeks. N. F. Lawrence of Pasadena is also in town. Miss Laurene Walker is a guest at the homes of S. A. Steadman and H. H. Lawrence. Miss Walker expects to be in the city until the first of the year. She has been visiting in Chicago and in northern Michigan for several weeks. Mrs. E. G. Dittmer returned home Monday from a month's visit in Morning Sun, being accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. C. Bell. Mrs. James Hogg, of Chicago, a sister of Mrs. Dittmer, is also being entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Dittmer. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Colvin of Winnebago, Minnesota, were entertained at the home of W. H. Magill last week, making their trip overland in Mr. Colvin's car. Mrs. Magill and Mrs. Colvin are sisters, and until several years ago, both Mr. and Mrs. Colvin made this city their home. Mr. Colvin is interested in a telephone system in Winnebago, being general manager of the business. SOCIETY. The Modern National Reserve will hold their regular meeting in the Ford building on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, September 25. At the armory Thursday night, about one hundred and fifty couples enjoyed the informal hop given by local management, the music being furnished by a harp orchestra from Oelwein. The colonial cafe served supper to the dancers during the evening. The Central Opera house and City Opera house are again closed for the present, the repertoire companies, which entertained the theatre-folk last week, having left for other cities. At Central Opera house Saturday night, Mr. Guy Hickman announced their return date for the Fair next year. Mrs. Wilson Acres entertained last Wednesday at dinner twenty two North Manchester ladies. After dinner was served, Mrs. Acres made a presentation of a gift to Mrs. Evans, in whose honor the affair was given. Mrs. Evans greatly appreciated the complimentary party and the afternoon was most enjoyably spent. Mrs. Thomas E. Fleming entertained Friday afternoon, from 3 until 5 o'clock, in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Albert M. Clark, the invitations including a large number of Manchester women. Mr. and Mrs. Cloud will have apartments in the residence of the Hon. J. W. Miles. At the First Congregational church, Friday evening, October 2, at 8 o'clock, Miss Maude M. Marshall, soprano; Miss Ada B. Campbell, pianist; and Miss Jean Briggs, violinist, will give a concert under the auspices of the choir of the church. Miss Marshall possesses a clear, high soprano voice of beautiful quality which to gether with a captivating spontaneity of style, makes her singing a never-failing delight. She commands a voice of wide range and excellent power of interpretation. Miss Campbell is a pianist of rare talent and is said to be an accomplished violinist. Miss Briggs is a talented young violinist and a graduate from the Manger Violin school. Music lovers, as well as those who enjoy a song by a great singer, will hear with pleasure this excellent company. NEWS OF THE CHURCHES. Methodist Episcopal. The pastor will preach at the morning and evening service. Communion and reception of members at the morning service. Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:30, which everyone is invited to attend. First Congregational. The committee appointed by the church to secure ministerial supplies during the time the parish is without a pastor have not secured a preacher for next Sunday. Therefore, no preaching services can be authorized for Sunday. The Sunday school and Christian Endeavor will meet at the usual time. BAPTIST. The pastor wishes to urge that the church social to be held tonight (Wednesday) be well attended. Preaching services next Sunday at the regular hour. Presbyterian. Communion service at 10:30 A. M., preceded by three preparatory services on Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:03, and Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. Theodore Morning of Independence will preach on Thursday evening. All are invited to these services. ZACHARIAS MATTICE. Zacharias Mattice died Friday evening, September 18, 1908, at the home of his son, J. W. Mattice, in Richland township, at the age of 71 years and 6 months. He was born in the State of New York, and moved to Illinois with his parents, locating at Sycamore. Later his family journeyed to Iowa, settling in Richland township, this county where he purchased a farm and engaged in agriculture. He was married to Ellen Sedgwick of Aurora, Illinois, January 17, 1861, and to them were born four children, two sons, J. W. Mat-

\$10 IN PRIZES GIVEN AWAY. Whose Gate is it? What is the Man Doing? How Tall is the Painter? What Size Overalls does he Wear? Gildner Bros. STAR-BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER. MANCHESTER, IOWA. P. S.—This gate is located in Delaware county. The sign was painted about September 1st, 1907, and is one of about 400 similar ones in the county. PERHAPS THE GATE IS YOURS. Owner of Gate... When Painted... Height of Painter... Size of Overalls Worn... Sign your name here... (Dem) tice and E. F. Mattice, both of Richland, Iowa, and Forella H., both of whom died several years ago. Mrs. Mattice died six years ago, and Mr. Mattice was again married in 1905 to Josie Bamber of this city. He was a longtime resident of this county, was industrious, of strict integrity, a good citizen, neighbor and friend. Mr. Mattice had not been a member of any secret lodge or of any church, but the funeral services, which were held from the home Sunday, were conducted by the Rev. W. H. Ensign, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Interment was made in the Manchester cemetery. FEED STORE FOR RENT. The undersigned offers for rent on or after November 4, 1908, his BRICK FEED STORE building, situated on Lower Franklin street in Manchester, Iowa, including Wagon Scales adjoining store, also Warehouse on track of M & O railway. The above building is 22x90 feet, cement floor and cellar, also upper floor, 22x90 feet, being best location for feed store in Manchester, and was built for feed store. For further inquiry, address the undersigned at Manchester, or call at residence on Gay street, 2 wks. Peter Boardway. Household Goods for Sale. Including stoves, sanitary bed, steel folding bed, kitchen cabinet, parlor writing desk, Guitar, clock lawn mower, ice cream freezer, etc. Mrs. Barlett, in Chas. Thorpe cottage, Madison street. For Sale at a Bargain. 2 houses and 2 acre lots in North Manchester, together or separate. Enquire of C. H. Chapel, 38-4 Adm. J. L. Chapel estate. House for Sale. A well improved residence property with two acres of land for sale at a bargain. Two blocks from Fair Ground. Inquire of Bronson, Carr & sons, Manchester, Iowa. For Sale. A good light wagon. Inquire at the home of Vern Burrington. Notice of Appointment of Executor. STATE OF IOWA, Delaware County, SS. Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as executor of the estate of Thomas Cole late of Delaware County, Iowa, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them, duly substantiated, to the undersigned for allowance. DATED September 22, 1908. 31-1. C. L. BRUDE G. COLE, Administrator. 80-Acre Farm for Sale. If you want to buy a good 80-acre improved farm in this county, located within two miles of a railroad station, we have such a farm for sale. The farm is all under cultivation. It is a good dwelling, is well fenced, partly with woven wire, two wells, new buggy shed, hen house and garage. For a person who wants to purchase a small farm, this is a splendid opportunity. For terms and further information, apply to BRONSON, CARR & SONS, Agents for owners. SACRIFICE SALE. A modern cottage, 6 per cent. investment annually. Enquire of this office. Another cottage for rent situated on Union street.

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Millinery - Opening. Ladies you are invited to be present at our Millinery Opening, which will take place Thursday and Friday, September 24th and 25th. Grand display and sale of Patterns, ready-to-wear Hats and Fashionable Millinery of all kinds. Respectfully, W. L. DREW

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