

TOWN TOPICS.

Hubert Carr was in Dundee Saturday. Mrs. Cecil Cotter was in Dubuque Saturday. Rae Dunham and Glenn Chapman were in New Vienna Saturday. Mrs. H. J. Schwietzer was in Chicago Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. C. M. Day and Mrs. Nelson Bishop were in Cedar Rapids Saturday. Mrs. David Malvin returned home Saturday from a visit at Newton with friends. Mrs. Mary E. Hines visited at Newtonville Sunday with her son, T. H. Hines. Mrs. Robert Allen of Independence was in the city Saturday, visiting with relatives. T. T. Carkeek of Dubuque was in the city Sunday, as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Keyes. A. J. Lemper of Waterloo was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Lister Saturday. Henry Brayton was in town Saturday, going to Iowa City that evening to consult an eye specialist. W. D. Hoyt has purchased from Dr. P. E. Triem the white Jackson 20 horse power car, the sale being made last week. Miss Elsie Scott and Lyle Scott enjoyed a week-end vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Scott, from Waterloo, where they attend the college of commerce. L. F. Bradke, who until recently conducted the automobile repair business here, has filed his petition in bankruptcy. He lists debts to the amount of \$5,200 and assets at \$381. P. H. Evers, Jos. Evers, F. E. Dutton of this city, and W. H. Ward of Ryan left this (Tuesday) morning for Dallas, South Dakota, where they intend to file for homesteads. The Messrs. Evers will spend a few days at O'Neill before returning home. On the Taff special train, which recently passed through Iowa, William Arnold Shanklin, D. D., president of Upper Iowa University, was a guest of the party. Dr. Shanklin is a personal friend of John Schoelkopf, Sherman, candidate for vice president of the republican party, and of which city Mr. Coon has a run as mail clerk on the Chicago Great Western railway to Clarion. Mrs. Manchester friends regret their departure from Manchester, but cordially wish them success and happiness in their new home. The Sunday Chicago Tribune contained, in the workers' magazine, a sketch of G. A. Cooley of Chicago, superintendent of that city's public schools, whose father still resides at Strawberry Point. Mr. Cooley has been a successful educator, and has recently returned from a tour through Europe. At the Northeastern Iowa Teachers' association, to be held in October 15, 16 and 17 at Waterloo, Bishop William Fraser McDowell of Chicago, William Arnold Shanklin, D. D., president of Upper Iowa University at Fayette, Dr. E. A. Steiner of Grinnell, the Hon. Nathan Schaeffer, state superintendent of schools, in Pennsylvania, and Miss Bertha Payne, instructor from the kindergarten training school of the Chicago university will speak. Thursday afternoon, Engine No. 60, a large mogul locomotive, hauling a train load of full freight cars, ran through an open switch in the yards of the Illinois Central in this city, near Second street crossing. Upon the arrival of the south passenger at 5:00 P. M., the engine was dragged back onto the tracks, having slid nearly twenty feet on the ground and along the ties. No particular damage was done, although it cost the train crews several hours delay. Manual training in wood carving has been added to the course of study in the Sixth "A" class. J. R. Inman instructor. The girls are to receive the benefits of a department of manual training, sewing now being taught in the Seventh and Sixth grades by their respective teachers, Miss Jennie Robbins and Miss Lillian Stewart. The Frane Art system was installed in the public school, First to Eighth grades, inclusive, last week. A. Teal, representing the Prang Education people, being in town, to assist in installing this study. Supt. J. R. Inman stated to a representative of this paper that the cooking department of manual training was expensive, and very few schools in the state attempt to carry this course, although the sewing is generally carried. The Merchants Trade Journal, a magazine published by W. J. Pilkington, at Des Moines, has written to Gildner Bros. in regard to their recent force gate advertisement, desiring to know the method used and what results were enjoyed. Hundreds of answers and inquiries were sent to this clothing firm, relative to its advertisement of prizes for the closest guesses as to where the gate was when it was painted, the height of the painter and what size overalls he wore. Harry Dakar, who lives near Manchester, was the first party to find the gate, which belongs to G. R. Hamblin. His answer was filed September 21, and was awarded a prize of a \$250 pair of shoes. Geo. L. 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Mrs. J. A. Strickland was in Earlville Thursday. Judge E. P. Seeds left for Washington D. C. today. W. H. Norris was in Waterloo the first of the week. George Clemens of Cedar Rapids was in town last week. Capt. J. F. Merry is at home from a month's trip in Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jacobs and Mrs. C. Norton were in Earlville Thursday. Gildner Bros. advertise a linen handkerchief sale this week Saturday. Read their advertisement. E. Lepley left Thursday morning for Conde and Redfield, South Dakota, on a business trip. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Yoran go to Mount Vernon Friday to attend the annual Upper Iowa conference. Mrs. R. C. Norton returned to Chicago Monday, after a weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. T. J. Jacobs. Mrs. A. T. Conside and daughter of Fairbanks are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrison. Charles Mattox is again in charge of the baggage department at the Illinois Central station, after a several weeks vacation. H. F. Pitner of Cedar Rapids, assistant cashier of the Commercial National bank of that city, was in town Monday on business. Mrs. Rebecca Carpenter is in Chicago, being a guest at the Lynch home. Mrs. Carpenter will remain in Chicago for some time. D. B. Young left Sunday for Sioux City, and then to South Dakota, where he goes to file for a homestead in the Rosebud country. Mrs. E. W. Williams and Miss Alice Walters went to Montour last week to spend several days at the home of Mrs. Grace Walters-Millard. Contracts are being received in large numbers by the painters and decorators in town for fall house painting. The residences of the Hon. J. W. Miles and the Hon. W. H. Sawyer are being repainted. Owing to the dry condition of the grass and weeds adjacent to the railway tracks, a large portion of the Illinois Central right-of-way was burned over Sunday afternoon, the fire being set by sparks from the afternoon train. Those immediately notified of the fire and soon had it extinguished. Mr. and Mrs. Theo. A. Coon have removed to Oelwein, out of which city Mr. Coon has a run as mail clerk on the Chicago Great Western railway to Clarion. Their Manchester friends regret their departure from Manchester, but cordially wish them success and happiness in their new home. The Sunday Chicago Tribune contained, in the workers' magazine, a sketch of G. A. Cooley of Chicago, superintendent of that city's public schools, whose father still resides at Strawberry Point. Mr. Cooley has been a successful educator, and has recently returned from a tour through Europe. At the Northeastern Iowa Teachers' association, to be held in October 15, 16 and 17 at Waterloo, Bishop William Fraser McDowell of Chicago, William Arnold Shanklin, D. D., president of Upper Iowa University at Fayette, Dr. E. A. Steiner of Grinnell, the Hon. 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Foy of Medford, South Dakota, have moved to this city, Mr. Foy being engineer and buttermaker for the Dairy City Creamery company. A. Thorpe, Jr., leaves in a few days for Put-in-Bay, Ohio, where he has been stationed by the United States Fish commission, recently being re-instated in that department. A Junior Linotype is being installed in the Manchester Press office this week, a machine like the one now in use in The Democrat. The Press has been using a Simplex typesetting machine for the past ten or twelve years, but has discarded the Simplex for a Junior. Miss Laurene Walker, who was called to Peru, Illinois, on account of the death of her grandmother, which occurred last week, returned to Manchester, Iowa, accompanied by her father, William Walker, Jr., of Goodland, Kansas. Mr. Walker leaves the latter part of the week for Goodland, while Miss Walker intends to remain in the city until after the holidays. E. E. Brewer and J. A. Strickland were in Independence Friday evening on business, securing interested parties for the excursion to Montana, which left Manchester this (Tuesday) morning. About twenty-five prospective investors and land seekers took advantage of the low rate, filling the Tourist car comfortably which was chartered for the trip. Tomorrow (Wednesday) P. M. at 4:15 o'clock, Buster Brown and his dog Tige will give a public exhibition on a platform to be erected in front of the H. H. Lawrence shoe store. The Brown Shoe company of Saint Louis has secured Buster Brown, a man of perhaps 40 or 50 years of age, who is youthful only in stature and spirit. He is famous on account of the series of colored pictures which have appeared in the Sunday comic supplements of Chicago and other city newspapers. Buster does curious stunts, peculiar to himself, and with his dog Tige make happy the youngsters, and incidentally amuse the old folk. Buster and his dog are touring the west under the management of the Brown Shoe company, and they have pleased and furnished amusement for the hundreds of children who have seen them thus far. The concrete viaduct over the dry run on Butler street is in process of construction, a large force of working men being engaged in the building of the structure. This improvement is but another indication of the city's intentions to make our system of streets and roadways as perfect as possible, with limited means. Considerable expense has necessarily been borne by the town this season; many cement crossings being laid, as well as a walk on West Marion street on the city's property. Oftentimes mild epithets are hurled at the council, for not attending to matters of seeming importance to the residents of the village, but due consideration should be given the financial condition of the treasury, which can only be drawn from as in private business affairs when the money is depleted, the city is obliged to postpone certain work until the revenue is again secured. A meeting of the baseball association of the city was held Thursday evening in the council chamber to elect a manager for next year and consider advisable means of procuring funds for future use. W. D. Hoyt was elected president pro tem and E. E. Gildner temporary secretary. The manager's report was read for the base ball season just closed, and it was found that the treasury contained \$28.38 net all bills having been paid in full. B. W. Grems, who has acted as manager of the 1908 team, was elected to that position for next season unanimously, and consented to accept the work. Mr. Grems deserves considerable credit in having managed the Manchester base ball team so successfully since July, and the fans will give him united support for the season of 1909. Discussions followed, regarding the best method to pursue in securing monies to purchase a team to play in Manchester next summer, and several home talent theatrical productions or minstrel shows were approved of, Calvin Martin and H. L. Rann being appointed to investigate the advisability of presenting such entertainments during the winter for the base ball fund. The light opera "Pinafore" is being considered as a fetching and desirable musical, and several enthusiasts are confident that a minstrel show might easily be produced, a show including the latest vaudeville stunts, and electrical stage effects, together with choruses and solos. It is hoped that these enter the winter season, not only in the interests of the base ball association, but for the pleasure of the town people.

Linen Handkerchief Sale.

Next Saturday, October 10th, we will have the greatest Men's Linen Linen Handkerchief Sale ever offered in Manchester. Pure Irish Linen Men's Handkerchiefs, full size, with or without border, regular 25c values, on Saturday only

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Displayed in our window sometime this week. Don't miss it, for it is seldom in a lifetime such values are offered. It is only on account of buying a large quantity at once that we are able to offer these excellent fine Linen Handkerchiefs at this remarkably low price.

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Miss Idell Miles was in Dubuque Monday. Mrs. J. W. Benda visited at Delaware last week. Leonard Brender of Chicago was in the city Sunday. M. H. Williston was in town a part of last week and over Sunday. Mrs. E. H. Hollister returned to her home at Belleville, Illinois, Monday. W. E. Lepley returned home Monday night from a trip into South Dakota, near Dolan. Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Myers entertained Mr. and Mrs. Oehler of Hopkinton the first of the week. Mrs. L. G. Tucker visited at Coggon and Cedar Rapids a part of last week and returned home Monday evening. The river has been very low for the past few weeks, the recent rains seeming insufficient to bring the water up to normal. Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Cary and Mrs. L. L. Platt of this city returned home Sunday night from a week's visit at Peatonico, Illinois, with relatives. Mrs. Frank Boardman and son of Nevada is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lepley. Mrs. Boardman and Mrs. Lepley are cousins. Mrs. Bessie Edmunds of California who has been visiting in Iowa for several weeks, is a guest of relatives in Manchester, and will remain in town some time. William McIntosh is seriously ill at his home on Main street. Mr. McIntosh suffered a stroke of paralysis on Friday of last week, and since that time has been under constant care of his physicians. Will Cass, who lives south of town, met with an unfortunate accident last week. In operating a corn shredder, his hand was drawn into the machine and the fore finger of his left hand was torn and lacerated. Fred Kruger, who lives near Greeley, made a quick trip to Independence Monday night. W. H. Gill taking him to that city in his Cadillac. Mr. Kruger had received word of the serious illness of a sister, who is in Independence, and not being able to make the trip by train until 11:32 P. M. secured Mr. Gill's car. A party of about twenty-five people left the Manchester & Oneida station this morning at 3:45 on the C. & St. P. tourist car, "Red Wing," destined to spend three nights and two days on a long journey to west of Montana, via the Milwaukee and the Milwaukee extension to the coast. J. A. Strickland, traveling immigration agent for the Milwaukee, was in charge of the car, which was a twelve section and drawing room sleeper. A meeting of the Northeastern Iowa short course committee is to be held in this city today (Wednesday) at the office of F. D. Joseph, county superintendent. Messrs. Henry Brayton, H. E. Robinson, George Lister, C. A. Clute, J. E. Fretress, of West Union, Jos. Baird of Peosta and Lewis Fisher of Edgewood are members of this committee, and will discuss plans as to advertising the course, which is to be held in Manchester the last week in February, which is about one week later than the course of last winter. This season's study will be more extensive than that of a year ago because of permitting new students to enter the first year work and give the members of last winter's classes an opportunity of taking advanced work. At a meeting of the various short course associations of the state, which was held at Des Moines September 4, the Iowa Short Course association was organized. Judge H. E. Deemer of Red Oak elected president. Hon. J. H. Trewin of Cedar Rapids, vice president; Senator W. B. Sealey of Mount Pleasant, secretary, and Hon. G. W. Dunham of Manchester chairman of the executive committee. An annual meeting of this association will be held at Des Moines in December of each year the first convention to be held December 9, 1908, at the state capitol building at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. At the recent meeting held at Des Moines September 4th, plans for endeavoring to induce the extension department to put on a car of live stock which would be taken to the various short courses for class work, and that this car would be used to carry baggage and other paraphernalia now transported by express, each course bearing its proportionate share of expenses, in the event it could not be borne by the extension department. Mrs. C. A. Peterson was in Strawberry Point last week. Hon. W. J. Bryan will speak at Cedar Rapids this evening. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Klaus of Colesburg were in the city Saturday. Mrs. A. A. Palmer and daughter, Miss Ruth, were in Hopkinton Sunday. Additional local will be found on the seventh page of this weeks paper. Miss Lydia Keep and Miss Anna Schroeder were in Dubuque Saturday. Miss Laura Hyde will spend a few days at Grinnell with friends this week. Mrs. E. B. Stiles visited in Lamont last week, as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hoyt. Miss Jessie Butler of Pasadena, California, is a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. C. A. Boggs. Mrs. Charles Miller of O'Neill, Nebraska, is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. M. Davis, expecting to remain in the city several weeks. Mrs. Sarah Bradley is remodeling the exterior of her home on Fayette street, having the roof re-shingled, and a new porch built on the three sides of the house. Harry Seeds and Percy Strickland intend to leave for Grinnell this afternoon or tomorrow morning in Mr. Seeds' Buick car, expecting to be away until the latter part of the week. Scott D. Prowell of Waterloo, who formerly was a teacher of violin in Manchester, passed through town this morning from Chicago. Mr. Prowell is conducting the Waterloo Conservatory of Music. C. L. Adams, the florist, calls attention this week to bulbs for winter plants which he has for sale. Nearly fifteen hundred chrysanthemum plants are in bud at the green house, and three thousand carnations are being cultivated for winter use. The ladies aid society of Saint Paul's church is making an autograph quilt, which, when completed will be sold to the highest bidder. It requires four hundred and twenty names to make the quilt, and signatures are accepted for 5 cents a piece. On Friday the members of the society will meet with Mrs. Frank Chopel to resume work on this quilt. Mrs. Charles Gleason and children, will remove to this city the first part of November from Independence where they have made their home for several months. Mr. Gleason intended to settle in the state of Washington, but having decided to remain here, will bring his family to Manchester. He has rented one of the A. J. Bruce houses on Fayette street. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jackson of Chicago, who have been spending the summer in the city, are parents of a son, which was born recently. Mr. Jackson is a graduate of the Moody institute at Chicago and an evangelistic singer. He leaves in a short time with Evangelist Scott for work during the winter. Mr. Jackson possesses a clear and pleasing tenor voice, and has been heard in song several times while in Manchester. Hon. Claude R. Porter will speak at Manchester on Thursday evening of this week at the Central Opera house. This is the only opportunity during the present campaign that Delaware county people will have to hear this gifted man. The state committee is flooded with applications from every part of the state asking for him and it was only after much effort that he was secured for a speech at Manchester. It will be remembered that in his race for governor two years ago, he received a majority of the votes in Delaware county. This is his first speech in Delaware county. Come and hear him. At 10 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning, fifteen members of the Delaware County Farmers' Mutual Fire and Lightning Insurance association met in annual session in the court room at the county building, and transacted routine and considerable important business. The election of officers was held this afternoon, resulting as follows: A. S. Coon, president; A. D. Long, vice president; Thos. Wilson, secretary; F. M. Brooks, treasurer, and R. G. Brooks, director. Mr. Coon has served the association for twelve years as its president, and Mr. Blair has faithfully performed the duties in the office of secretary for eight years. Mr. Burbridge was re-elected, as was Mr. Brooks, whose term expired this fall.

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