

TOWN TOPICS.

—L. S. Perkins of Winthrop was in town Monday.
—Rev. H. W. Tuttle of Grinnell is in the city on business.
—J. E. Nye went to Cedar Rapids this morning on business.
—Mr. and Mrs. Stephen S. Popham of Lamont were in the city Monday.
—Read the advertisement about the Novelty Stables, found on this page.
—Hon. E. C. Perkins was in the city the first of the week from Des Moines.
—Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Newberry of Strawberry Point were in town last Friday.
—E. Cass of Chicago was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams the past few days.
—The Charity League will meet with Mrs. Preussner next Friday, March 5, 1909.
—Attorney D. W. Clements, of West Union, was in the city last week on business.
—A. Hollister was at home Saturday and Sunday, returning to Chicago Monday afternoon.
—Senator and Mrs. E. H. Hoyt were guests at the homes of R. A. Denton and L. L. Hoyt Sunday.
—Burt Russell leaves this week for Foreman, North Dakota, where he will locate permanently.
—Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Patterson of Fayette were in the city a part of last week, visiting with friends.
—Mrs. Katherine Cummings of Cedar Falls is visiting in this city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. P. Smith.
—Miss Ethel Dunham visited in Cedar Rapids the past few days, returning to this city Monday evening.
—Miss Belle Bailey was in Des Moines and Grinnell the past few days, returning home Monday afternoon.
—Ralph M. Hicks of Marshalltown was a guest of Will Scanlon last week, returning to Marshalltown Saturday.
—Miss Hazel Barr is spending a few days with her parents, Miss Barr attends school at Sissinewa Mount.
—Charles Lampman of Cedar Rapids was visiting in town the first of the week, and was a guest of his brother, I. W. Lampman.
—Rev. A. King of Tipton was in the city last week. Rev. Mr. King was formerly pastor of the United Brethren church in Manchester.
—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Pierce attended the funeral of Mrs. John Simpson of Waterloo Monday. Mrs. Simpson formerly resided in Earlville.
—Rev. P. W. McClintock, a returned missionary from India and China, gave a very interesting address at the First Presbyterian church Friday evening.
—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sedgwick of Independence were guests at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Sedgwick, Sunday and Monday.
—Mrs. Paul J. Gilbert and children of Duluth, Minnesota, are visiting in the city, and are being entertained at the home of Mrs. Gilbert's mother, Mrs. T. J. Jacobs.
—P. H. Smith and family are to remove to Oregon City, Oregon, expecting to leave this week. Mr. Smith has been farming south of Strawberry Point for several years but believes that better opportunities prevail in the west.
—Miss Antoinette Rudolph from Washington, D. C. visited here at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. U. Schelling for a few days last week. She was on her way to Canton, S. Dak., where she will make an extended visit with relatives.
—A. O. Stanger arrived in the city Friday morning from Palm Beach, Florida, where he has been enjoying a several weeks vacation with his family. Mrs. Stanger and Miss Margaret will not return until warmer weather in the north is assured.
—The lines of the Western Union Telegraph company in and about Manchester were being repaired the first of the week by a gang of workmen from Dubuque, which temporarily completes the repairs made necessary on account of the breaking of poles and entanglement of wires during the storm of a week ago.
—John A. Seely, who has been associated with his brother, Mortimer Seely, at Stewart for several years in the jewelry business, has accepted the position as a salesman in the Glanier Brothers clothing store in this city, and will return to this city about April 1 to enter upon his duties with that business house. Mr. Seely's many friends will be pleased to learn of his return to Manchester.
—Dr. C. S. Lister opened his dental office Monday, which have been occupied by Dr. E. E. Newcomb. The arrangement of the suite has been changed, by having a half partition divide the front room, thereby providing a waiting and operating room. The offices will also be papered and painted, and refitted with electric lights. Dr. Lister uses a device whereby night work can be successfully done by means of electric light.
—The numbering of the residences and business houses is about completed, and the work will be finished by the end of the week. Certain improvements have yet to be made on sidewalks and street crossings, as well as placing new plates of streets where the work was not completed before the postoffice department will be notified that the city has performed its agreement in the matter of securing city free delivery.
—Mrs. Nelle Medbury of Chicago is a sister of G. C. Armistead, who is planning to make a trip through Europe in June, and upon her return to Chicago will assume management of the housekeeping department of a new hotel in that city, which is to be completed during the summer. Mrs. Medbury has been connected with the Palmer House for many years, and her change will be of interest to her friends in this city.

As Told in 'The Hills' is booked for the City Opera house for Wednesday, March 10.

The Delaware County State bank publishes a statement of the condition of that institution at close of business February 29, 1909. The total assets reach \$722,419.77 and its deposits aggregate \$585,865.58. The bank is enjoying a splendid and healthy growth and this statement proves its sound condition.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

William H. Parkinson, 30; and Bertha Retherford, 25; February 24. Joseph Taylor, 23; and Susie Bowlers, 18; February 24. Norman M. Boelinger, 35; and Edna C. Craig, 37; February 25. Charles Dudley Fierstine, 23; and Mina Rose Scott, 25; February 27. George E. Clemans, 34; and Grace Sheldon, 28; February 27. D. Ross Conklin, 24; and Lucy Ritzler, 19; February 28. Amos O. Effa, 28; and Mattie Pratt, 28; February 27.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

At the monthly meeting of the city board of education held Monday evening in the office of the secretary, all members were present, except H. C. Smith. Several matters of importance were disposed of, among which was the ordering of a caucus to be held Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock in the City building, for the purpose of nominating two directors in the places of H. C. Smith and Dr. J. J. Lindsay, whose terms expire this year.

CREAMERY REPORT.

Report of Manchester Co-operative Creamery company for January, 1909. Milk received 165,761 pounds. Average price per 100 pounds for milk \$1.37. Highest price paid \$2.03 for 5.8 test. Lowest price paid \$1.12 for 3.2 test. Pay day last Saturday in the month except when Saturday is the last day of the month, pay day will be one week earlier. M. S. VanAuker, President. James Bishop, Secretary.

TODAY IS "ALLISON DAY."

This is the eighteenth anniversary of the birth of Senator William Boyd Allison, and subscriptions are being sent to the treasurer of the commission which has in charge the raising of funds for the erection of a monument to the memory of the Senator. Governor Carroll signed a bill last week for an appropriation of not more than ten thousand dollars for the pedestal, and the commission looks to the people of Iowa to respond to the call for contributions to erect a monument. Gen. G. M. Dodge of Council Bluffs is chairman of the commission, and H. L. Rann of this city is a member of the Third district committee, to whom donations may be sent. The same will be forwarded to Hon. W. W. Morrow, state treasurer of the Allison Monument commission.

OUR NEW SERIAL STORY.

The Democrat will offer to its readers as a serial story "The Barrier" by Rex Beach, also author of "The Spoilers." "The Barrier" is a story of fierce conflicts in the Klondike country, a story that takes the longest hold upon the reader's imagination. The author has excelled himself in depicting primitive passions of people in the far north weaving a powerful romance, vivid and picturesque. The story is divided into nineteen chapters, and the book is illustrated by Berger. This is one of the best offerings of fiction The Democrat has made, and everyone should read the installments as it appears from week to week.

CURTIS REMEMBERS IOWA.

William E. Curtis, the world-known correspondent for the Chicago Daily Record Herald, recently addressed a personal letter to Capt. J. F. Merry of this city, in which he recalled the very pleasant journey made through the state, while touring the country in the interests of his newspaper. Mr. Curtis also referred to the trip made with Captain Merry the second time through the Southland, stating that both had been among his most pleasant travels.

M. & O. DIRECTORS MEET.

The regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Manchester & Oneida railway was held at the office of the president, Joseph Hutchings, last Wednesday evening. In addition to the transaction of the ordinary routine business, the Board ordered the payment of the interest on the company's bonded indebtedness which is due the first of next month. One satisfactory feature in connection with this order for the payment of interest is the fact that the company's bank account is sufficient to pay its interest and every other debt that it owes.

W. C. T. U. MASS MEETING.

On Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, a mass meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance union of Manchester will be held at the home of Mrs. Helen Dorman on the corner of Gay and New streets.

CHANGE IN ASSISTANTS.

Carl Rabenau, who has been employed in the lumber yards of the Standarm Lumber company in Mordello, has returned to Manchester for the present, as an assistant to his father, J. W. Rabenau. Roy Ellis, who for the past year, was a clerk in the local yard, has gone to Adams, Minnesota, to accept a position with another company.

BUILD MORE WAREHOUSES.

A warehouse for the use of the Stearns & McCormick Department store has been erected immediately east of the building to be used by Messrs. Lovett and Davis for a poultry and egg house. A. B. Hetherington is also having built a warehouse directly across the track from the Stearns & McCormick property, and will use the same in which to store farm implements.

Saturday, March 6

Will be Hat Day At Our Store.

Our new spring "Longley" hats are the finest and nobbiest colors and shapes we have ever had, consisting of the new Trooper, Telescope, Fedora, Turban and Crusher shapes. The "Longley" hat is leader in the middle west.

Cut Out This Add.

and bring it to us next Saturday, March 6th, and we will allow you 25 cents credit on any \$2.00, \$2.50 or \$3.00 hat.

This add is worth a quarter to you.

Gildner Bros.

Clothing and Shoes.

P. S.--Watch our adds each week during this month for we will pay you something for them each time.

DENTIST. Dr. C. S. Lister, dentist, successor to Dr. E. E. Newcomb, office over Burton Clark's, Manchester, Iowa.

WANTED. Lady or gentleman of fair education to travel for a line of household articles and specialties. Salary \$3.50 per day above expenses. Address, The Alexander Supply Company, No. 356 Dearborn st., Chicago, Illinois. Jan. 13-8 wks.

FOR RENT. In Coffin's Grove township 80 acres of good pasture land, well fenced and cross fenced; spring water. Inquire of Dr. H. M. Bradley, Manchester, Iowa.

WANTED. Cohn & Davis of St. Louis will be at the Novelty Stables on Friday, March 5, to buy 100 head of horses and mules. Weight, 500 pounds up. Bring in your good ones; will pay the highest market price. 9-1w.

WANTED--Success Magazine requires the services of a man in Manchester to look after expiring subscriptions and to secure new business by means of special methods unusually effective; position permanent; prefer one with experience, but would consider any applicant with good natural qualifications; salary \$1.50 per day, with commission option. Address, with references, R. C. Peacock, Room 102, Success Magazine Bldg., New York. 2 weeks-9

FOR SALE. 290 acres of land, 65 acres in cultivation, more can be broken. 40 acres of timber and some saw timber, 1000 cords of wood can be cut. A fair house, few other outbuildings, not very good. Lies a mile and a half from market. This land can be bought for \$15.00 per acre this is a bargain that will not be on the market very long. Write me for full particulars. C. J. Wagner, Lansing, Iowa.

FOR SALE. 220 acres of land, 130 acres in cultivation 30 acres more can be opened balance fine pasture and timber. About 100 fruit trees. Fine 8 room house newly painted, all in good shape, horse barn, cow barn, granary, 2 corn cribs, 2 wagon sheds, chicken house, 2 cisterns, good well and wind mill. All three wire and cross fenced. 120 rods hog wire and board fence. This farm can be bought for \$29.50 per acre, is cheap at \$40.00 per acre. Must be sold to settle up with heirs of estate. Time can be had on about one half of it. Enquire of C. J. Wagner, Lansing, Iowa.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS GOOD. On account of the convenient location of stock yards and loading accommodations at the Hockaday crossing, the Manchester & Oneida railway is enjoying heavy stock shipments over its line, from that point. Harlo Coon shipped a car load of high grade cattle to Chicago Sunday afternoon, loading the shipment at the crossing mentioned.

TO ATTEND INAUGURAL. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Schwetert left Friday afternoon for Washington, D. C., to attend the inaugural ceremonies to be held Thursday of this week. They will enjoy several days visit in the city and in other eastern points before returning home.

Dr. W. A. Cole, an orthopedist of Dubuque who has been in the practice of his profession in Dubuque for several years, recently sold his practice in that city and will be in this city Tuesday and Friday of each week. Mr. Cole has decided to remove to California but will remain in this section until June in order that his daughter may finish her schooling at Dubuque.

BURTON CLARK

Final Mid-Winter Clearance Sale.

The special feature of our store during the next few weeks will be that of closing out all odd lots and broken lines left from the winter's selling at prices so low that they will immediately appeal to every one as phenomenal opportunities for saving. You will be surprised to find that so many good things are still here to select from, and what is more, that these articles are just as desirable as those that were picked up so fast during the season.

B. CLARK

1909 WALL PAPER ANNOUNCEMENT.

Our shop, in its spring attire, offers countless attractions to the Home Decorator. This year's productions unite the practical with the beautiful. Never has our stock and display of attractive Wall Paper been so complete as now, and owing to an advantageous purchase we give you prices that will interest you. Would be pleased to show you.

Anders & Philipp.

WINTER GOODS.

For Real Bargains in Ladies, Misses and Children's Cloaks, Men's Fur Coats, Men's, Youth's and Boys' Overcoats and Suits. Give us a call, as we have in stock a large assortment in the above lines, especially in the line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks of which we have a large assortment from which to select. They Must and will be Sold. Call and secure the benefit of the low prices before assortment is broken. Respectfully, W. L. Drew.

LAST FREE VOTE OFFER IN PIANO CONTEST.

\$25.00 Graphophone or Gold Watch--Special Prize.

The attention of the Piano Contestants is directed to the following three offers. They are the best that will be made in this Piano Contest:

No. 1--Free Votes. 30,000 free votes will be given with every \$20.00 turned in at any one time during the week, from March 1 to 6. The free votes will diminish 1,000 per week until the close, making 29,000 next week, 28,000 the following, and so on.

No. 2--\$25.00 Graphophone or Gold Watch. The one turning in the most votes between March 1 and 20, will be given the choice of a \$25.00 Graphophone and a \$25.00 Gold Watch, barring the winners of the coffee set and the gold watch already given away.

No. 3--Free Jewel Box. To every contestant turning in \$10.00 by March 6, who has not already received one, will be given a handsome Jewel Box. This is the last jewel box offer. It is your last chance to get one.

The contest will close at an early date, and as soon as the weather opens up we will announce the date.

CHANGE IN TELEPHONE OFFICE.

Miss Clara Duster has resigned her position with the Delaware County Telephone company and today begins work as bookkeeper and stenographer in the Dyersville office of the Interstate Telephone company. Miss Duster's home is in that place, and for that reason, she leaves Manchester to accept employment in her home town. Miss Duster has made many friends since her residence of two years in Manchester, and her efficiency in the local exchange as an operator was not only appreciated by the management of the company, but by many of its patrons. No successor has as yet been appointed in Miss Duster's place, and as Clarence Jones, who has been an assistant to the line man, and night operator, is to have charge of out of town offices, two new girls will be employed by the company in the near future.

K. P. DISTRICT CONVENTION.

A. C. Phillip and E. E. Brewer attended the joint district convention of the order of Sir Knights of Pythias which was held at Oelwein Friday. The convention was attended by representatives of the various lodges from the Fourth and Fifth districts, which comprises the counties of Winnebago, Allamakee, Fayette, Clayton, Buchanan, Delaware and Dubuque. The meetings were held in Castle hall of Pahadane lodge, No. 194, in Oelwein, and the program, including a reception for grand lodge officers and visiting knights, was one of the most complete ever arranged. Grand Chancellor Ferguson spoke before the assembly on "The Domain of Iowa," and Supreme Representative Saling was heard on the subject, "Everyday Pythianism." The banquet was served by the Juinita temple, Pythian Sisters, of Oelwein, after which toasts were responded to by a large number of prominent men in the state order.

WAGNER TO DEDICATE CHURCH.

Rev. James E. Wagner of Enid, Oklahoma, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church of that city and formerly of this city, will lay the corner stone for a new church edifice in a few weeks, the contract calling for the completion of the building by December 1. The church will cost fifty thousand dollars, and will seat six thousand people. Rev. Mr. Wagner is now corresponding with certain builders of pipe organs, and a five thousand dollar instrument is to be placed in the auditorium. The dedicatory services will probably be held sometime in December, and a number of Manchester people are planning to attend the same. Rev. R. A. Barnes, pastor of the local church, was formerly rector of the Enid parish.

LAWRENCE BUYS THE FORTNER.

H. H. Lawrence has purchased from E. G. Kinne the Fortner hotel at Waverly, possession being given Monday, March 1. Waverly is a prosperous Iowa town of nearly five thousand inhabitants. Three railroads, Rock Island, Illinois Central and Chicago Great Western, enter the city, and the hotel named has in the past been a profitable one. There are 42 rooms in the house, and each of the three stories is fitted with bath. A chef will be employed by Mr. Lawrence, as well as two clerks and nine servants.

REVIVAL MEETING.

A series of meetings will begin at the Baptist church Thursday evening, March 4th. Rev. F. H. Ward, evangelist of Shellburg will preach. He is a young man of experience and power and knows how to interest and enlist men. A good revival is earnestly desired. The meetings will be held each evening and everyone is invited and urged to come to the first meeting and attend throughout and hear the gospel forcefully and interestingly preached. XX.

REGULARS PASS THRU CITY.

A train load of army men and officers from Fort Snelling, Minneapolis, passed through Manchester Friday morning on a second No. 2, bound for Washington, D. C., where they will attend the inaugural ceremonies to be held Thursday in the Capitol. The train was made up of seven cars, and in the baggage car was a piano, which was strenuously used by the regulars on their long journey. Although the train passed through this city at an early hour, the men were making merry and having the time of their lives in the baggage car.

PURCHASE NOVELTY STABLES.

C. W. Nickerson and Will Nickerson of White Water, Wisconsin, have purchased the Novelty Stables in this city, possession being taken yesterday. A. E. Aldrich of White Water constructed the stables several years ago and has owned the property since that time. The business will be managed by Will Nickerson who has moved to Manchester with his family.

ISSUE MONTHLY PAPER.

The Dairy City Creamery company has just issued its second monthly publication, "The Dairy City News." It contains the first chapters of a serial story written by N. S. Andrews, an uncle of Austin Andrews, manager of the company. The story is of the cow "Pearly," and is written along the lines of "Black Beauty," and deals with the life of cattle.