

T. WN TOPICS.

Calvin Yoran was in Charles City this week on business. Mrs. Oscar Dornan and children are visiting with relatives in Edgewood. Theo. Hatch visited with relatives in Farley and Dyersville last week. Mrs. A. M. Cloud, Miss Bess and Miss Sue Fleming were in Dubuque Saturday. Miss Mabel Reitz of Lamont was a guest of Miss Frances Lawman last week. Charles E. Cawley left today for Aberdeen, South Dakota, on a business trip. Mrs. C. J. Friend leaves today for Lavinia, Montana, where she will take up a homestead near that town. Mrs. Austin Griffith and son of Albert Lea, Minnesota, are guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott. Mrs. J. B. Hoag and son Joe of Monticello are visiting at the home of Mrs. Hoag's sister, Mrs. W. H. Hutchison. Mrs. Bertha Harrington and daughter, Miss Hazel, of Strawberry Point are visiting at the O. E. Huene home this week. Leon Beardslee returned home Saturday afternoon from Chicago, where he enjoyed a several days visit with friends. Mrs. Carl Johnston and Miss Lena Brush of Osage were guests at the homes of F. J. Sheldon and F. B. Blair last week. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Riddell of Strawberry Point were guests at the home of A. E. Peterson and C. E. Peterson last week. O. E. Huene, who has been seriously ill at the home of his daughter in Chicago, is reported as being much improved. Miss Helen Bradley and Miss Isabel Graham are at home for a week's vacation from Grinnell, where they are attending college. H. O. Harris of Aberdeen, South Dakota, who is engaged in the real estate business in that city, is visiting with friends in town. Mrs. W. W. Ford and son William went to Osage Thursday for a few days visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Sweeney. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webster, N. A. Webster and Miss Fannie Potter of Waucoma were guests at the home of B. I. Bright last week. L. H. Schroyer returned Friday from Chicago where he enjoyed a weeks vacation. Mr. Schroyer is an instructor in the High school. Rae Dunham went to Cedar Rapids Monday to enter a business college, expecting to take a course in stenography and bookkeeping. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Huene of Monticello are in town, as guests of Miss Hazel Huene. Mrs. Huene will remain for several weeks. H. J. Wilson of Portland, Oregon, was in town last week, as guest of his daughter, Mrs. H. T. Smith. Mr. Wilson had been in New York on business. The families of Archie Pinch and Luther Taylor left last night for Leavenworth, Washington, near which city they will occupy the ranch owned by Dr. P. E. Triem. J. F. Thomas went to Fairbanks to attend his father who is critically ill at his home in that place. Mr. Thomas is in the employ of the Manchester & Oneda railway company. R. Robinson leaves this week with his son, Ray, for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the young man will receive treatment for inflammatory rheumatism, with which he has been afflicted for several weeks. John Seelye arrived in town Thursday from Stewart, and has entered the employ of Gildner Brothers as salesman in their store in Manchester. Mr. Seelye was formerly associated with this firm, and his return to this city will be welcomed by his many friends. The office of the American Express company is now located in the McIntosh building on Main street. The agent and his assistant transferred the office furniture and fixtures from the building occupied by the company for six years to their new quarters last week. New furniture will be installed in a short time. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Franks and son left today for Wash, South Dakota, near which place Mr. Franks has a homestead. After a ten days leave of absence, Mr. Franks will return to Manchester and resume his work as brakeman on the Manchester & Oneda railway. During his absence, William Schmidt will take his place as a member of the train crew. The large implement building to be erected by W. E. Wolcott for the use of W. D. Hoyt, is soon to be built. The walls are to be made of concrete, and will extend four feet above the level of the floor. The lot has been cleared of the barn and sheds which were located upon it, and as soon as the frost is out of the ground, the work will be rapidly pushed. Gildner Brothers fooled folks about town Thursday morning by one of their unique advertising efforts. The manager of the local clothing house have been saving envelopes which were addressed to the store for several weeks. When enough had accumulated they were distributed over town. Each envelope contained a letter written presumably by some out of town gentlemen, praising the store of Gildner Brothers. Innocent people picked these letters up in front of their homes, and either read them or else returned them to the store. How easy it is to fool people and how good naturedly we all take it.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Arnold were in Dubuque Wednesday. Mrs. James Brazelton of Ryan was in town Thursday. Mrs. G. W. Miller visited with friends in Dubuque last week. A. M. Cloud arrived home from Washington, D. C., Friday night. Miss Margaret Jones is at home from Ames, where she attends school. Mrs. A. C. Pease visited with friends in Strawberry Point last week. Mrs. J. C. Roney and daughter, Miss Mae Roney, were in Dubuque last week. W. S. Beels, editor and publisher of the Hopkinton Leader, was in town Monday. The first strawberries were received by local merchants Wednesday of last week. Col. and Mrs. B. W. Jewell of Omaha are in town for a few days visit with friends. Mrs. J. E. Lighty and Miss Jessie Fleming are visiting with relatives in Edgewood. Miss Alma LeRoy is at home from Chicago, and Miss Dora LeRoy is expected home this week. Mrs. Chas. E. Bronson visited in Dubuque last week with her granddaughter, Miss Gail Bronson. The Manchester students from Iowa City will be at home this week for their annual spring vacation. Mrs. Thos. Wilson and daughter, Grace and Agnes visited at the home of John Wood in Earlville Friday. Miss Dora LeRoy is visiting with friends in Streator, Illinois, and expects to arrive home this week. Miss Nellie Hatch is at home from Ackley, where she is engaged as a teacher in the public schools. Miss Bess Fleming is spending the Easter vacation at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Fleming. Henry Dufroy of Aurora was in town Thursday to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Harriet Dufroy. Clark Satterlee is visiting in town for a few days. Mr. Satterlee is a teacher in the Atkins public schools. Miss Eula Davis visited with friends in town last week. Miss Davis is now living with her parents near Liptoft. Mrs. H. A. Dittmer and daughter, Miss Margaret, and Mrs. M. F. LeRoy were visiting in Dubuque Wednesday and Thursday. R. W. Godell of Chicago, division freight and passenger agent of the Chicago Great Western railway was in town Friday. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Terrill left last week for an extended visit through the eastern part of the United States. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Worden of Des Moines were guests last week at the home of Mrs. Worden's sister, Mrs. P. E. Triem. W. B. Smith and H. C. Smith were in Volga City last week visiting at the home of their daughter and sister, Mrs. J. D. Welch. W. H. Allen visited with friends in Independence last week. Mr. Allen is night engineer for the Manchester Light & Power company. Will Daisy of Cedar Rapids was visiting with friends in Manchester last week. Mr. Daisy was formerly employed as night clerk in the Clarence house. Mrs. H. W. Lawrence went to Waverly Thursday afternoon to make an extended visit at the home of her son, H. H. Lawrence, who recently removed to that place. L. L. Hoyt was in Des Moines last week as a guest of his brother, Senator E. H. Hoyt. He was also in Grinnell, and has been in Chicago the past few days on business. Mr. and Mrs. James McCormick are at home from Albuquerque, New Mexico, where they enjoyed a several months visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Allison Doolittle. Miss Nina Carhart visited last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carhart. Miss Carhart is a member of the High school faculty at DeKalb, Illinois. Fred Rabenau, a son of R. W. Rabenau of this city, is seriously ill at Iowa City from an attack of typhoid fever. Mr. Rabenau was called to that place Thursday to assist in the care of his son. W. J. Davis accompanied John Brayton to Gregory, South Dakota, where Mr. Brayton has a homestead which he secured at the government drawing some months ago. Mr. Davis expects to return home next week. Kinne & Wright advertise spring oxfords in this week's issue of The Democrat. As Easter will be celebrated next Sunday, a man or woman's raiment will not be complete without a pair of the latest creations in spring footwear. Joseph Hutchison arrived home Friday from a several weeks business trip to Southern Pines, North Carolina, Washington City and other eastern points. While in Washington, Mr. Hutchison met Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Tirrell, who were guests of Hon. and Mrs. E. P. Seeds. Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Triem left today for Seattle, Washington, where they expect to make a month's visit at the home of their son, Paul E. Triem. From Seattle, Dr. and Mrs. Triem will remove to their large ranch, which is located about one hundred and fifty miles east of Seattle. A Monticello school teacher received the following note the other day from the mother of one of her pupils: "Dear Miss—You fit me about whipping my son. I hereby give you permission to beat him anytime it is necessary to learn his lessons. He is just like his father who has to learn him with a club, pound knowledge into him, I want him to get it and don't pay no attention to what his father says I'll handle him."

H. D. Mueho of Dyersville was in town Monday. J. G. Catron of Earlville was in town Saturday. B. I. Bright is in Waucoma today on business. Capt. J. F. Merry went to Buckingham this morning on business. S. Collard went to Cedar Rapids this morning to visit his son, Fred Collard. J. B. Smith was taken to the hospital at Independence yesterday afternoon for treatment. Miss Mildred Becker of Lamont has been employed as a clerk in the W. L. Drew dry goods store. Dr. H. A. Dittmer, H. F. Arnold and I. M. Gibson went to Charles City this morning on business. Mrs. Sarah Giles, of Kansas City is visiting for a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Allen. The Bright & Webster Dry Goods company advertises a continuation of its closing out sale until April 15. Miss Anna Lillis of Masoville visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Gleason, the first of the week. Miss Ruby Addenbrook of Chicago has charge of the millinery department in the W. L. Drew dry goods store. Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Lindsay and daughter, Miss Florence Lindsay were in Chicago last week, returning home Friday night. Byron Baker, formerly of Greeley, D. A. Preussner each scored 439, which was the highest record made by any company of the Fifty-third regiment. The out-door rifle practice will begin about May 1, and the local company expects to again occupy the range used last summer, which is on a tract of land lying along the west bank of the river. The topography of the range is such as conveniently provides various ways of practice, and might be suitable for sham battles, if the company concludes to take up skirmish methods in its out door work during the summer. Revival meetings at the Methodist Episcopal church will continue during the week. There will be preaching services every night beginning at 7:30 o'clock, except on Saturday night. On account of the Chautauque to be given in the church Friday at 8 o'clock, the pastor will open the meeting that evening at 7 o'clock, which will dismiss shortly before the time the revival will commence. S. H. Jackson of Chicago, who has been conducting the music, has been called to Indiana to assist in evangelistic services, and will not return to Manchester for several weeks. The new April shower. The honored April shower made its first appearance Friday afternoon, with bursts of sunshine, a young windstorm, and a predicted snow flurry. The shower worked steadily for a minute, and then suddenly he thought itself of the usual custom, and waited "until another day." But these sprinkles of rain have made the grass turn green, and the weeds spring up, while the buds on the trees are opening in a business like manner. Manchester wins. At Independence Friday evening, Manchester won in a warmly contested game of basket ball from the Independence High school team, the score resulting in favor of the visitors, 46 to 32. The game was played in the Armory and was witnessed by a small audience. The line up was as follows: Howard Drew, rf; Carl Rabenau, lf; Henry Klauz, c; Ben Adams, rg; Clarence Atkinson, lg. E. H. Newcomb was referee. Free delivery June 15th. An United States civil service competitive examination will be held in this city Saturday, April 24. Applications may be addressed to E. H. Newcomb, general delivery clerk. All applications must be received on or before Tuesday afternoon, April 20, at 4:30 o'clock. Advices from the postoffice department are to the effect that Manchester will be given city free delivery beginning June 15. Markets offer delicacies. The fruit and vegetable markets about town are well supplied with early garden truck. Strawberries are selling at 15 cents a box, rhubarb at 10 cents a bunch, turnips at 5 cents, onions 10 cents for 2 bunches, lettuce at 5 cents a head, radishes 15 cents for two bunches, tomatoes at 2 cents a basket, parsnips at 3 cents a pound, and celery at 10 cents a bunch. Manchester to celebrate. Manchester is to celebrate the Fourth of July in such a style as will invite the attention and attendance of people living in eastern Iowa. Olive Branch, Modern Woodmen of America, is to unite with the city in making the celebration one long to be remembered. Committees will be named and will jointly serve in making arrangements which will make the day a success. Remodel residence. A. J. Bruce is remodeling his home on Union street. The roof of the rear portion of the residence has been raised. A modern bath has been installed and other improvements added. School opened Monday. The public schools of Manchester re-opened Monday morning, after a week's vacation. The spring term is of nine weeks duration; the school closing June 7.

THE GRADUATING CLASS. The graduating class of the Manchester High school will present "The Spanish Gypsy" Thursday evening, June 3, at Central Opera house, as the concluding feature of the program during commencement week. The girls of the class will present a light comedy theatre Wednesday evening, to be followed by the delivery of several orations. "The Spanish Gypsy" is a five act drama with a historical setting, which deals with the religious warfare waged between the Moors and the Christian church of the Fifteenth century. The costumes will be secured from out-of-town, and the entire affair promises to be one of considerable interest. The cast is as follows: Fedalma, the Spanish gypsy, Mildred Brown. Myrtle Rutherford. Ruby Stewart. Bess Anderson. Mayne Champlin. Sue Fleming. Don Silva, a Spanish knight, Lawrence Hollister. Clarence Ash. Earl Durey. Father, a priest, Henry Klauz. Lord of Aquila, Clarence Klauz. A juggler, Arthur Newcomb. Don Alvar, Clifford Fischer. Juan, Clifford Fischer. RIFLE RANGE TO BEGIN. One week from next Thursday April 15, Capt. H. G. Utley will report to the headquarters of the Iowa National Guard the standing made by the indoor rifle team of Company D during the winter. One year ago, Captain Utley and Sergeant D. A. Preussner each scored 439, which was the highest record made by any company of the Fifty-third regiment. The out-door rifle practice will begin about May 1, and the local company expects to again occupy the range used last summer, which is on a tract of land lying along the west bank of the river. The topography of the range is such as conveniently provides various ways of practice, and might be suitable for sham battles, if the company concludes to take up skirmish methods in its out door work during the summer. REVIVAL MEETINGS CONTINUE. The revival meetings at the Methodist Episcopal church will continue during the week. There will be preaching services every night beginning at 7:30 o'clock, except on Saturday night. On account of the Chautauque to be given in the church Friday at 8 o'clock, the pastor will open the meeting that evening at 7 o'clock, which will dismiss shortly before the time the revival will commence. S. H. Jackson of Chicago, who has been conducting the music, has been called to Indiana to assist in evangelistic services, and will not return to Manchester for several weeks. THE NEW APRIL SHOWER. The honored April shower made its first appearance Friday afternoon, with bursts of sunshine, a young windstorm, and a predicted snow flurry. The shower worked steadily for a minute, and then suddenly he thought itself of the usual custom, and waited "until another day." But these sprinkles of rain have made the grass turn green, and the weeds spring up, while the buds on the trees are opening in a business like manner. MANCHESTER WINS. At Independence Friday evening, Manchester won in a warmly contested game of basket ball from the Independence High school team, the score resulting in favor of the visitors, 46 to 32. The game was played in the Armory and was witnessed by a small audience. The line up was as follows: Howard Drew, rf; Carl Rabenau, lf; Henry Klauz, c; Ben Adams, rg; Clarence Atkinson, lg. E. H. Newcomb was referee. FREE DELIVERY JUNE 15th. An United States civil service competitive examination will be held in this city Saturday, April 24. Applications may be addressed to E. H. Newcomb, general delivery clerk. All applications must be received on or before Tuesday afternoon, April 20, at 4:30 o'clock. Advices from the postoffice department are to the effect that Manchester will be given city free delivery beginning June 15. MARKETS OFFER DELICACIES. The fruit and vegetable markets about town are well supplied with early garden truck. Strawberries are selling at 15 cents a box, rhubarb at 10 cents a bunch, turnips at 5 cents, onions 10 cents for 2 bunches, lettuce at 5 cents a head, radishes 15 cents for two bunches, tomatoes at 2 cents a basket, parsnips at 3 cents a pound, and celery at 10 cents a bunch. MANCHESTER TO CELEBRATE. Manchester is to celebrate the Fourth of July in such a style as will invite the attention and attendance of people living in eastern Iowa. Olive Branch, Modern Woodmen of America, is to unite with the city in making the celebration one long to be remembered. Committees will be named and will jointly serve in making arrangements which will make the day a success. REMODEL RESIDENCE. A. J. Bruce is remodeling his home on Union street. The roof of the rear portion of the residence has been raised. A modern bath has been installed and other improvements added. SCHOOL OPENED MONDAY. The public schools of Manchester re-opened Monday morning, after a week's vacation. The spring term is of nine weeks duration; the school closing June 7.

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MRS. J. S. DRYBREAD.

Mrs. J. S. Drybread of Greeley, one of the early pioneers of this county, died at her home in this town Monday morning at about 6 o'clock, aged 82 years. Mrs. Drybread came to Iowa in 1854, and has made her home here since. She was the wife of John Drybread, who was a pioneer settler in this county. She was survived by two sons, John Drybread of Nevada and Henry Drybread of Greeley; also two brothers, Harry Wilson of Greeley and Peter Wilson who lives in Missouri, and one sister, Mrs. S. E. Johnston of Buchanan, Michigan. Mrs. Drybread was a member of the Universalist church, and a woman much respected and beloved by a large circle of friends and relatives. The funeral will be held this (Wednesday) morning at 10 o'clock from the home.

MAY ADVISE A SUBWAY.

Considerable interest is manifest regarding the proposed subway on South Third street underneath the Illinois Central tracks. It is estimated that an expenditure of three thousand dollars would necessarily be made by the railroad company, but that town's proportion it is thought would scarcely reach a three hundred dollars. Considerable annoyance and anxiety is experienced every day on the part of those driving to and from town, and pressure is being brought to bear upon the new council to help make the improvement.

CHAUTAUQUA DATES MADE.

Manchester will enjoy its third summer Chautauqua season this year from July 26 to August 1, according to a letter received by this office from Keith Vawter, manager of the Redpath-Vawter Chautauqua system. These dates are correct and final, as the company has definitely decided on its routes and connections, readjusting dates for the entire season. The Chautauqua will be held at Trenchard park, and a splendid course is to be offered to the people of Adams county this summer.

TOURISTS LEAVE FOR WEST.

J. A. Strickland, traveling immigration agent for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, left this afternoon with a party of thirty land investors for Lavinia, Montana, in a special Tourist car. The party included a number of men from West Union, Van Horn, Cedar Rapids and Edgewood.

NEW ROADSTER MOTOR CAR.

W. D. Hoyt has purchased a new, high-wheeled, 5-passenger car of the Fuller Automobile company. The car is built for use on country roads, having a high wheel base and solid rubber tires, which, it is said, are used satisfactorily on all kinds of roads.

PIERSON APPOINTED OFFICER.

B. W. Pierson has been granted a three months vacation by the Illinois Central railroad, and will go to Illinois next week to assume charge of the business of Modern National Reserve in that state, having been appointed district manager. Mr. Pierson will continue this work until July 14th.

PIANO TUNER HERE.

Prof. J. Gelling, an expert piano tuner and organ repairer, will be at the J. G. Lewis Music House on Tuesday, April 12. Leave your orders with the undersigned.



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