

TOWN TOPICS.

—Miss Alma LeRoy was in Dubuque Friday.
—L. L. Hoyt was in South Dakota on business, last week.
—A. W. Stearns was in Independence Thursday on business.
—Vote for your favorite in the piano contest. It closes May 29.
—Miss Margaret Lindsay visited with friends in Earlville last week.
—Frank Kelsner was at home from Cedar Rapids Saturday and Sunday.
—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Smith Friday, May 7, 1909.
—Mrs. Gertrude E. Cole of Greeley was in the city last week, visiting with friends.
—Mrs. Hubert Carr visited at the home of her mother, Mrs. L. Alford, in Waterloo last week.
—August Miller has added another chair in his barber shop which is served by John Logan.
—Rae Dunham was at home Saturday and Sunday from Cedar Rapids, where he is attending a business college.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Reilly and Miss Winnie O'Hara of Ryan were visiting in town the first of the week.
—Mrs. Susie Brockton and daughter, Miss Margaret, went to Earlville Thursday evening for a visit with relatives.
—Miss Clara Haeblerle was at home the past few days from Cornell college, Mount Vernon, where she is attending school.
—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. B. Richmond were in Cedar Falls the latter part of last week, visiting at the home of Henry Stiles.
—Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Lister have rented the H. F. Arnold cottage on Butler street, expecting to occupy the place immediately.
—Captain Vernham and his crew of assistants left Manchester Monday night on Car No. 1 for Preston, Minnesota, with a consignment of fish.
—The members of the graduating class of the Earlville High school were in town Friday for the purpose of having taken a photograph of the class.
—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCormick are visiting with relatives in town, expecting to leave for Sioux City this week, where they will make their home.
—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sedgwick of Independence were entertained at the home of the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sedgwick, the first of the week.
—Miss Jessie Tyler and Miss Marjorie Connelly have gone to Sumner, Iowa, where they will continue their employment with the Grange Webster Dry Goods company.
—Rev. A. King, returned to his home in Tipton Friday morning, after a week's visit with relatives in Manchester. Rev. Mr. King was formerly pastor of the United Brethren church in this city.
—The people of this community will be grieved to learn that Mr. J. Hoag is critically ill at his home in this city. His son, Dr. H. M. Hoag of Garner, Iowa, was here to see his father last Monday.
—Miss Mamie Asemus of Independence was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Asemus on Delaware street last week, returning to Independence Friday afternoon.
—Mrs. D. W. Levar of DeKalb, Illinois, enjoyed a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graham last week, leaving for DeKalb Saturday morning. She was accompanied to Cedar Rapids by Miss Maude Graham.
—Ex-Sheriff Cowles and his brother, H. D. Cowles, of Lamont visited with Manchester friends the fore part of this week. Notwithstanding his nearly 80 years of age, the ex-sheriff is as bright and active as many of the young men of today.
—Miss Lydia Keep has been called to Harlan, the home of her father, who is seriously ill. Miss Keep will not be able to return before the close of the school year, and her position as teacher in the first grade has been filled by Miss Henrietta Miller.
—W. W. Ford, who has been connected with the Bright-Webster Dry Goods company of this city for several months, will represent a wholesale house of Cedar Rapids, and will have for his traveling territory the western part of the state and part of South Dakota.
—Miss Kate Smith, the 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith, is seriously ill at the home of her parents. Her condition is somewhat improving this morning. Master Hubert Smith, a son of Mrs. I. Smith, is also quite ill, suffering from kidney trouble.
—The state papers announced last evening the death of the Rev. Father L. J. Vaughan which occurred at Mercy hospital in Dubuque. Father Vaughan was known throughout the country as a priest, author, lecturer and scholar, and his death is mourned by countless friends and acquaintances.
—R. R. Robinson arrived home Saturday from an extended trip through the southwest, and while away visited his son, Ray R. Robinson, and Miss Ethel Boggs, who are at Hot Springs, Arkansas, receiving treatment in the sanitarium. Both Miss Boggs and Ray are improving slowly. Mr. Robinson also visited several points in Texas and Oklahoma, and says that the extremely cold weather has done much damage in that section. A killing frost was reported in several towns on the 2nd day of May. It seems that good old Iowa is not alone in handling out diversified weather conditions.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ford were in Dubuque today.
—A. Thorpe was in Dubuque Saturday on business.
—W. N. Wolcott was in Cedar Rapids Friday on business.
—A. P. Telebela of Ryan was in town Saturday on business.
—Mrs. J. J. Lindsay is confined to her home on account of illness.
—Melvin Richardson was in Cedar Rapids Sunday, visiting with friends.
—Mrs. J. B. Hoag of Monticello was a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Hutchinson, last week.
—Supt. F. D. Joseph went to Des Moines today to attend a meeting of county superintendents of that state.
—Mr. and Mrs. George Clemans leave in a few days for Seneca, South Dakota, where they intend to spend the summer.
—Alvin C. Johnston of Dubuque was a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnston, Saturday night and Sunday.
—E. P. Fogg, field secretary for Cornell college, was in town last week on business and was entertained at the home of his sister, Mrs. John F. Graham.
—N. H. Hyde went to Waterloo this morning to attend a meeting of the annual state convention of photographers. Mr. Hyde will return home Friday afternoon.
—Among out of town callers last week were A. E. Hubert, T. B. Armstrong, I. C. Odell, W. E. Noble and W. P. Harris of Greeley, and S. W. Klaus of Earlville.
—W. L. Drew has a change of advertisement this week, in which he calls attention to ladies' muslin wear, and the Henderson corset. His announcement will interest women readers of The Democrat.
—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Beels of Hopkinton were in town Saturday, arriving in the morning from Charles City where they attended the annual meeting of the Northeastern Iowa Editors' association.
—T. F. Graham, a representative of the Redpath-Vawter Lyceum bureau, of Cedar Rapids, was in Manchester Saturday, and at that time arranged with Hon. R. W. Tirrell for the use of Tirrell park for the Chautauqua.
—The warm weather has opened the wild flowers, and violets are now being sought by the members of the botany classes in the public schools. Along the west bank of the river near the Main street bridge, this favorite flower blooms in profusion.
—Dr. J. M. Dorman of Peoria, Illinois, intends to remove to Manchester and enter into partnership with his brothers, Drs. George W. and Oscar Dorman, and occupy their dental offices on Franklin street. Dr. Dorman's family will make its home in this city later.
—Mrs. D. B. Allen is confined to her home on West Howard street on account of illness, which is supposed to result from a tumorous growth in the stomach. Mrs. A. S. Hart of Cedar Rapids, has been caring for her mother, and hopes for her recovery are still entertained.
—O. E. Huene is at home from Forsythe, Montana, where he has been visiting his son, Dr. H. A. Huene. Through the Dakotas and in western Minnesota, the ground was covered with snow and small lakes and ponds frozen over at the time Mr. Huene was making his return trip.
—Harry Kelsey goes to Albert Lea in a few days to accept apointment in the Freeborn County Creamery company, of which Austin Griffin is manager. Mr. Kelsey has been employed in the Dairy City Creamery company for several years as an expert tester, and will have charge of similar work in his new position.
—General J. W. Miles arrived at home from an extended visit with his son, B. F. Miles, who lives at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. General Miles is in his eightieth year and still enjoys excellent health, which was greatly benefited during his winter's sojourn in the warm climate of Oklahoma and other southwestern states.
—Rev. S. S. Stephenson, who recently resigned as pastor of the Baptist church, intends to remove from Manchester about the middle of June, and as yet is undecided regarding a new location. A church in southwestern Iowa has offered to Rev. Mr. Stephenson a call, but he may decide to move into the western country, taking up homestead lands in Montana or Idaho.
—Mrs. Mary L. Gates has returned from Rochester, Minnesota, where she was taken by her son, L. J. Gates, for an examination by surgeons at the well known Mayo hospital. The Drs. Mayo were of the opinion that an operation would not be advisable, and Mrs. Gates is now at home, and being cared for by her family. The many friends of Mrs. Gates hope that a complete recovery may be possible.
—The Democrat piano contest closes May 29. One piano will be given to the country girl having the most votes and one piano to the city girl having the most votes. The vote as it stood at noon May 11 is shown in another column. The girls are having a hot finish. Don't wait until you are solicited. Help out your favorite by sending in a year's subscription to The Democrat. One subscription may decide who will have the piano in either contest.
—Albert King, arrived in town Saturday from Enid, Oklahoma, where he has been employed on one of the daily papers in that city. Mr. King reports that the Methodist Episcopal church being built under the pastorate of the Rev. James Elvin Wagner, formerly of Manchester, is to be one of the most beautiful edifices of its kind in the state. Enid is a railroad center, having eleven lines constantly running on sand bars, which were formed during the winter and early spring, the current changing the course of the river considerably since last fall.

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GILDNER BROS. Head-to-foot Clothiers

—L. F. Bradke of Dubuque was in town the first of the week.
—Chas. E. Cavley is in Auburn, Nebraska, this week on business.
—Earle Kelsey of Anamosa was in town last week, visiting with friends.
—Mrs. John Marshall goes to Chicago today for an extended visit with Mrs. Rose Brink Garmshousen.
—Senator and Mrs. E. H. Hoyt of Lamont were in the city the first of the week, as guests at the homes of R. A. Denton and L. L. Hoyt.
—Miss Agnes Cross of Wilson, Kansas, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry Stimson, left for her home in the west Saturday afternoon.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall went to Strawberry Point this morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Chas. Roides, who is a sister-in-law of Mrs. John Marshall.
—Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCormick left Monday morning for Sioux City, by way of Cedar Rapids. During the present month, Mr. McCormick will be acting city editor of the Sioux City Journal, during the vacation of the holder of the office.
—W. S. Smarza of New York City, formerly of this place, will be in town for a few days on business. Mr. Smarza is one of the expert butter testers in the east, having been recognized as such on account of his record in Iowa as assistant dairy commissioner.
—Jay Matthews will be employed by the Redpath-Vawter Lyceum bureau this summer as advance salesman, expecting to begin his work the latter part of this month. Mr. Matthews was engaged last summer by same bureau, traveling in this state and Missouri.
—W. C. Blake left Monday afternoon for Aberdeen, South Dakota. Messrs. A. H. and W. C. Blake have purchased from Hogan Brothers of Aberdeen, a half section of land in Brown county, for \$10,000. Mr. Blake will also visit at Claremont, near which place G. C. Edmunds is engaged in farming.
—The river at the present time is lower than it has been for some time. During the recent high water, the high current carrying debris down the stream swept over the dam and broke away the top boards which are kept attached to the cement work by the Hoag Electric Light company. As a result, the gasoline launches which have been making their maiden trips up stream were constantly running onto sand bars, which were formed during the winter and early spring, the current changing the course of the river considerably since last fall.
—Fred Hruby of Dubuque was in town last week.
—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Asemus were in Independence Sunday.
—Mrs. Adolph Schultz was in Dubuque the first of the week.
—Home grown asparagus has made its appearance on the local market.
—The fishing season for bass and other fresh water fish opens next Saturday, May 15.
—Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Munson were visiting with friends in Independence last week.
—J. B. Satterlee of Washington, D. C., arrived in Manchester Sunday for a few days visit with former friends.
—L. F. Smith of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, a real estate dealer, was in town the first of the week on business.
—Arlene Lyman has accepted a position as salesman in the W. L. Drew dry goods store, having resigned his position as clerk for J. H. Allen.
—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence G. Yorlan and son are occupying apartments in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Yorlan, arriving in the city last week.
—P. F. Madden, who advertises an oxford that never slips at the heel, calls attention to the Florsheim brand in summer shoe, oxford and other footwear. Read his advertisement.
—Kinne & Wright, the shoe men, are using the columns of The Democrat this week to advertise their line of foot wear for men and women and children. Their advertisement may save you money.
—Miss Nina Carhart, who is an instructor in the high school at DeKalb, Illinois, expects to take a course of study during the summer at the University of Wisconsin. Miss Carhart will not be at home until perhaps the first of August.
—Anders & Philipp brought in a change of advertisement too late for publication. They call attention to a line of wall paper and paint and anyone desiring anything in these lines should not fail to visit the Central Pharmacy before buying.
—Gildner Brothers occupy a quarter page advertisement in this issue of The Democrat, and quote attractive prices on clothing, foot wear and furnishings. The season for spring clothes has been late, and this firm still have a choice and well chosen stock from which to select a summer suit. The line of shirts, neckwear and other haberdashery was just received, and accredited to be the latest patterns.

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