

TOWN TOPICS.

Mayor A. D. Long was in Ryan Thursday.

G. W. Young of Epworth was in town Saturday.

W. B. Robinson and son were in Grovelly Thursday.

F. M. Draper was in Dubuque Thursday on business.

Mrs. F. L. Crozier and daughter of Dubuque were in the city Saturday.

Miss Mabel Drexler of Coggon was a guest of Miss Mildred Smith the first of the week.

Earle Dickey arrived home Thursday from Chicago where he had been visiting his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnston of Dubuque were guests of relatives in town the first of the week.

L. J. Boyce and family left Monday for Cass county, Minnesota, for a ten days visit and vacation.

Mrs. H. G. Utley was visiting with friends in Marion last week, returning home Saturday morning.

W. G. Williams of Des Moines, formerly editor and publisher of The News, was in town Sunday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Williston were guests of relatives and friends in the city from Saturday until this morning.

Miss Olive Tucker of Chicago is home for a month's vacation, as a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tucker.

M. K. Brown is at home for a vacation, and with his family are enjoying the summer at their country residence north of the city.

Miss Florence Riddell returned to Strawberry Point Thursday morning after a week's visit at the home of her aunt, Mrs. C. A. Peterson.

Fred Rabanus has been in town a few days from Iowa City where he is connected with the state tuberculosis sanitarium, being a medical student at the university.

Mrs. Florence Hetherington-Gray, bill of Bartelsville, Oklahoma, arrived in town Friday evening for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hetherington.

Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Alford and so of Waterloo were guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Carr last Tuesday, making the trip in their Studebaker touring car. Mrs. Alex Stearns accompanied them on their return to Waterloo.

Harry Tucker of Minneapolis was visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tucker, the past week. Mr. Tucker is a representative of a machinery concern, with a territory lying in the northern part of Wisconsin.

Mrs. G. F. Hollister and daughter, Miss Grace Hollister, and son, Master Earle, of Waterloo, have been visiting at the home of W. H. Hollister on Franklin street. They go to Arlington today for a few days, and later to Fayette.

S. L. Cary of Jennings, Louisiana, was in town Thursday for a short visit with friends, having arrived in the north last week, and is visiting in Dubuque for a few days. He and Mrs. Cary will remain in Iowa for about two months.

B. W. Pierson has returned from a two months vacation and resumed his position as an operator in the Illinois Central depot. Mr. Pierson has been spending a part of this time in the State of Illinois as a deputy for the Modern National Reserve.

Mrs. L. B. Carhart of Marion was in town the past few days. Mrs. Carhart formerly lived in Manchester, but for several years has given her time in finding private homes for parentless children, and her work is recognized by the churches of the state and charitable institutions.

B. T. Jackson of Cedar Rapids, who, with Mrs. Jackson formerly visited at the home of Mrs. Jackson's parents, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Pratt, during their residence in this city, was in town a few days last week on business. Mr. Jackson was recently elected president of the National Grocery Men's association.

Last Saturday John F. Carr of Lamont was operated upon for an exceedingly serious internal malady at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minn. Doctor William Mayo performed the operation, and no living man could have done it better than he did. Mr. Carr is recovering from the operation better than it was expected that he would, and he has fully nine out of ten chances for complete recovery.

Fred Hensley visited at the home of Henry Meyers in Dyersville Saturday. Many Manchester people are not aware that Mr. Hensley conducts a small but a very busy cooper shop, which gives employment to a number of workmen. Mr. Hensley told a reporter of this paper that the demand for butter tubs was so great that his shop was unable to turn out finished products fast enough. Co-operative creameries from all over the country buy of Mr. Hensley, and call for the goods at the shop. More than eighty tubs are manufactured a day, and a reasonable profit is realized from each article.

The attendants at the morning service held in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning were given the privilege of hearing the Rev. Dr. P. S. Stocum, principal of Epworth seminary. Dr. Stocum is a pleasing speaker and delivered a scholarly sermon choosing for his text, "He saved others, Himself He could not save." His interpretation of the passage was full of special interest, and in delivering the sermon characterized by his ability as an able pulpiteer. Dr. Stocum also addressed the union evening service which was held at the First Congregational church.

G. G. Pierce was in Winthrop today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Abbott of Lamont were in town the first of the week.

Mrs. H. G. Pierce and little daughter, Miss Gertrude, are visiting with friends in Sioux City.

Fred Walker of Dyersville, formerly of this place, visited in town the first of the week.

Miss Maude Knight visited in town last week, leaving this morning for her home in Alta.

Chester Bronson of Chicago is visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Bronson.

Mrs. E. M. Carr returned from Grinnell the first of the week, where she had been visiting relatives.

E. M. Carr was in Rochester, Minnesota, a part of last week with his brother, John Carr, of Lamont.

Mrs. E. G. Dittmer and daughter went to Morning Sun today for a several weeks visit with Mrs. Dittmer's mother.

Supt. P. D. Joseph is confined to his home on account of illness. His office work is being handled by Clark Satterlee.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Myers left this morning for Norton, Kansas, where they will visit Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Lathrop.

Mrs. H. W. Lawrence leaves in the morning for Buckston to make a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Austin.

Mrs. Hubert Carr and daughter Virginia were guests at the home of Mrs. L. Alford in Waterloo from Saturday until Tuesday.

Jay Matthews left this morning for the western part of the state on business connected with the Redpath-Verter chautauqua system.

Miss Elsie Case of Lone Rock, Wisconsin, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. L. Hoyt, left Thursday for Des Moines, where she will spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. George W. Storey arrived home Monday evening from a several months trip through the west, having visited in Montana, the Pacific coast states and at the exposition.

Mrs. Rosanna Crouse met with a painful accident last night while entering her home on East Fayette street. She fell from the porch in such a manner as to brake the bones in her right arm.

M. H. Williston left this morning for the western part of the state on a short trip and from there will go to Canada on business, meeting Mrs. Williston at Glenora. They will go to Seattle and visit the Alaskan-Yukon exposition, remaining in the northwest until fall, expecting to spend the winter at Los Angeles.

FOURTH A GLOOMY DAY.

After the crowds of pleasure seekers had returned home Saturday from the several towns which had celebrated the Fourth, preparations were made for the reception of the guests of the Woodmen on Monday, but a cold, driving rain on Sunday dampened not only the earth but the spirits of all merry-makers and it was decided to postpone the picnic. A few of the braver patriots burned ammunition and colored powder Saturday and Monday nights, entertaining themselves and neighbors with the fireworks. But the noisy, banging, crackling bombs and torpedoes were not used as generally, and few revolvers were seen.

During the evening, the down town streets were thronged with pleasure seekers and visitors from out-of-town, who sought amusement in the common and ordinary happenings seen on the street. The electric theatre handled an enormous crowd and gave satisfactory programs. The announcement of the fact that the Woodmen picnic was to be held on Friday gave the disappointed ones some comfort, and plans are now being made to make Friday a bigger and better day than Monday was to have been.

NEW DRINKS AT SODA FOUNTAIN.

"You would be surprised," said one of the employees of a certain drug store the other day, "to know how many people order root beers at the soda fountains. I would say that we serve from a hundred to a hundred and fifty glasses of root beer as a daily beverage. Yes, people eat ice cream and drink milk, but the root beer is the favorite.

"We have a few new drinks: Jersey Cream and Iroquois, and a grape juice high ball, all non-alcoholic beverages, but not one seems to be as popular as root beer."

It is surprising the number of soda fountain "fiends" there are. The business of running such a business is considered a profitable one during the warm, summer months, and the liberal patronage afforded the local stores in which are established fountains maintains the general belief that the appetites of sweetening mankind demand the expending of nickels and dimes freely and liberally for a cooling drink.

DEATH OF JOHN PORTER.

John Porter died at the home of his son, E. B. Porter in Delhi, Sunday, June 26, 1909, being in his 87th year. Mr. Porter was born in Colchester, Vermont, May 14, 1822, coming west in 1842, settling in Garden Prairie, Illinois. Five years later moved to Chicago, and owned considerable property in that city. Later, he went to Waukegan, and then to Bellevue, Iowa, coming to Delhi in 1854. In Delaware county he has made his home for the past fifty years. Mrs. Porter died in 1892, and he was married to Mrs. Clara Myers, who lived but a short time. He was the father of eleven children, only two of whom survive him: E. B. Porter, with whom he has made his home and H. H. Porter, both of Delhi.

Mr. Porter was a type of the early pioneer who helped make the country what it is today. His rugged health and many admirable traits of character abled him to accomplish much for himself and for others. He was always a public spirited man and exceptionally well informed on all current events. His life was lived up to the hilt before men, and his business relations were without fault or question. His death is a personal loss to the many friends who knew him well, and a great bereavement to his sorrowing sons. The funeral service was held from his late home June 29th, Rev. R. C. Lusk officiating.

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SHERIFF NOTIFIED TO ARREST CHINAMAN.

Sheriff M. P. Hennessy has received a copy of the circular which has been sent over the world by the police commissioner of New York City requesting the arrest of Leon Ling, a Chinaman who murdered Miss Elsie Stiegl in New York last month.

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