

TOWN TOPICS.

—Hugh Clemans was a business visitor in Dubuque Friday.
—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheldon were Dubuque visitors Thursday.
—L. C. Preussner was a guest of relatives in Iowa Falls last week.
—P. F. Woods of Coggon was a business visitor in town Friday.
—F. E. Patton of Coggon was a business visitor in town Saturday.
—Mr. and Mrs. A. Henderson of Coggon were visitors in town Saturday.
—Norman Ackley left Saturday afternoon for Dubuque to visit with friends.
—B. W. Grooms is moving into his new residence on East Union street this week.
—Mrs. William Miner of Winthrop was a guest of friends in town Thursday.
—Mrs. Chas. Simons and Mrs. Wm. Wolcott were visiting in Chicago last week.
—J. W. Funk left Wednesday for Kansas, where he is looking after his farm interests.
—Carl Clemans of Snobomish, Washington, was a guest of friends in town last week.
—Mrs. L. Matthews Jr. and sister, Miss Blanche Otis, were visiting in Dubuque last week.
—Mary Patton of Coggon spent the latter part of last week in town visiting at the home of friends.
—Miss Winifred Maley left Wednesday for Dubuque, where she enters school for the coming year.
—Miss Celia Messing left Friday morning for Dyersville where she was a guest at the home of her parents.
—The surveyors of the new interurban line were in the city yesterday surveying the ground for the new railway line.
—W. S. Fear of Webster City concluded several days visit at the home of relatives in this city Saturday afternoon.
—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clemans of Jeneca, South Dakota, are visiting in the city, expecting to remain for some little time.
—Alonso Wells arrived home Thursday afternoon from an extended trip through the east, visiting at Washington, D. C., and other places of interest.
—Mrs. P. A. Peterson is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peterson at Osage, going there Wednesday.
—The cement walk on the north side of the buildings occupied by J. H. Allen and A. B. Hetherington & Son has been completed.
—Kinna & Wright talk about school shoes for boys and girls in their change of advertisement this week. Read what they have to say.
—E. S. Crosby has as his guest his cousin, Mrs. Flude of Hopkinton. Mrs. Flude has spent the past two years in California returning by way of the Yellowstone Park.
—Miss Edna Cowles, who is attending school at Ellsworth college at Iowa Falls, was a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cowles over Sunday.
—Miss Florence Riddell of Strawberry Point was a guest at the C. A. Peterson home several days last week, leaving on Thursday morning for Lincoln, Nebraska, to enter school.
—Miss Laura Norris departs this week for Wellesley, Massachusetts, where she is to attend school the coming year. Her mother, Mrs. W. H. Norris accompanies her as far as Chicago.
—Rev. W. J. Suckow arrived in the city Monday evening from Grinnell. Rev. Suckow is one of the speakers at the meeting of Congregational churches and ministers being held in this city this week.
—Mrs. J. S. Cole of Des Moines, who has been visiting in the city at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Gill, left for Independence on Wednesday to visit friends for several days, going from there to her home.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Cruise left Thursday evening for Billings, Montana, where they are guests of relatives and friends for a few days, from there they go to other places of interest in the west, including the Seattle exposition.
—The first frost of any consequence came Sunday night, September 26th, and it did little or no damage. Delaware county is well ripened and a bumper crop. In fact all crops in this part of Iowa have been more than ordinarily good this year.
—Miss Mae Foster and mother, formerly of Earlville, but who have been residing at Webster City for the past several years, have removed to Manchester, where they are to make their future home. Miss Foster has entered the employment of A. H. Blake & Son.
—Arthur Pagels, who played shortstop for the Manchester ball team during the first of the season and who ended the season playing with Jacksonville of the Central association, which closed its season on Sunday, September 19, was in the city last week, leaving on Thursday for his home at Greene, Iowa.
BASEBALL DANCE TONIGHT.
A dance is to be given this (Tuesday) evening at the Central Opera house for the benefit of the base ball association. Now is the time to begin to raise funds for a ball team for next season and everyone should plan to attend this social event. Music is to be furnished by the Carpenter harp orchestra and supper will be served at the Baltimore Oyster House.
GRANGE MEETING.
Their will be a Grange meeting held in the Hall over A. H. Blake & Son's store on Saturday, October 2, at 10 o'clock for the purpose of conferring degrees on candidates and dinner will be served at noon.
—E. C. Perkins of Delhi was a business caller in town Monday.
—Thomas Cornwell of Coggon was calling on friends in town Monday.
—E. E. Gildner returned Saturday morning from a two weeks' vacation in the west.
—Mrs. J. A. Strickland was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Newcomb, in Earlville last week.
—Read what Gildner Bros have to say in their change of advertisement this week in regard to clothing.
—The married men of this city are at Edgewood this afternoon playing ball against a similar aggregation of that place.
—James Gates departed Monday afternoon for Madison, Wisconsin, where he enters school for the ensuing year.
—The late Marshall Field had as one of his mottoes, "nothing except the merit can make money without advertising."
—E. A. Hastings, formerly drug clerk for H. C. Smith, has accepted a similar position with the Anders & Philipp pharmacy.
—Mrs. H. H. Lawrence of Waverly arrived in the city Saturday evening for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Steadman.
—Mrs. L. Wellman of Salt Lake City and Mrs. N. N. Kenyon of Masonville were guests at the Geo. Newman home last week.
—R. C. Keagy left Thursday afternoon for New York City to enter upon his work which was spoken of in these columns last week.
—Mrs. H. J. Schwieter left Saturday afternoon for Omaha, where she is to visit her husband, who is traveling with an exhibit car.
—I. M. Gibson arrived in the city Saturday morning from Dubuque where he has been in the interests of the Modern National Reserve.
—Miss Edith Anderson returned last week from Lamont where she had been visiting for several days at the home of her aunts, Mrs. Ben Taylor and Mrs. J. J. Taylor.
—E. E. McCloud of Ryan was in the city one day last week, having just returned from Edmondton and other points in Canada, where he had been on an extended business trip.
—Harry G. Ash of Los Angeles, California, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ash. It has been nearly five years since Mr. Ash has paid Manchester a visit.
—Ray Robinson was at home Saturday and Sunday from Cedar Rapids, where he is attending a business college, visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Robinson.
—Anders & Philipp have a change of advertisement in this week's issue of The Democrat which calls attention to their reduction in wall paper. Read what they have to say.
—D. Brown and daughter, Miss Mildred Brown, left last week for Oberlin, Ohio, where the latter entered school for the coming year. Mr. Brown returned home the latter part of the week.
—C. W. Keagy left Saturday morning for Waterloo, where he was a guest of relatives, going from there to Mason City to attend Upper Iowa conference, which is in session in that city this week.
—The Ladies of the Maccabees will hold an apron sale and serve supper at their hall over Blake's store on Friday, October 1st. Supper from 5 until all are served. Everyone come and get a good supper.
—Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Snow of Chicago are making an extended visit at the home of Geo. W. Snyder in Prairie township. Mrs. Snow is Mr. Snyder's youngest sister, whom he has not seen in many years.
—The Central Opera house has an advertisement in this issue of The Democrat which calls attention to the show, "The Man on the Box," to be given on next Monday evening, October 4. Read the advertisement.
—Lyle Congar of Oneida arrived in the city Saturday evening from Iowa City, where he had been visiting his mother, Mrs. A. L. Congar, who had recently undergone an operation. Mrs. Congar is improving as fast as could be expected.
—Miss Lillian Fleming left Friday afternoon for Enid, Oklahoma, where she is to be organist in the new Methodist Episcopal church at that place, of which Rev. J. E. Wagner, formerly of Manchester, is pastor and she will also teach music.
—E. E. Brewer, traveling immigration agent of the Milwaukee railway, is spending this week in Manchester arranging for the shipment of his household goods to Chicago, where he intends to reside in the future. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer made many friends in Manchester, who will regret their change in residence.
—The Chicago Daily Record-Herald and the Manchester Democrat, both for one year for \$3.60. This price is good until October 1st only, after which date this combination will cost 50 cents more, owing to the advance in price of the Chicago daily to us. Renew your subscription while the low rate is available. The new rate goes into effect October 1.
—While making an excavation preparatory to putting in a break water wall on the east bank of the river near the dam, Monday, two skulls and some other bones were unearthed. A Hathaway, who is one of the oldest residents of our city, says he remembers that more than sixty years ago, when there were several tribes of Indians in this part of the state, two Indians were buried at that point. A thirty-two 4 revolver was also found, which no doubt was dropped there at a later date.—Independence Conservative.

ANNUAL METHODIST CONFERENCE.
The Upper Iowa annual conference will meet at Mason City Wednesday of this week, for a six days session. Among those from here, who are in attendance are Rev. T. E. Fleming, district superintendent, Rev. R. A. Barnes and the following delegates from the local society: Geo. Klaus, C. O. Torrey and Mrs. Nancy Graves.
The following dispatch sent out from Mason City forecasts some of the matters that will have attention.
"A great program has been arranged for the week. Bishop Berry will lecture every day on very timely subjects among which will be "A Minister of Sunshine and Sense," and "The Minister's Chief Peril." Several of the leading men of the church at large will be present and deliver addresses, among them being Dr. E. M. Randall of Chicago, Dr. Ward Pratt of Philadelphia, Dr. M. C. B. Masch, the noted and eloquent colored minister of New York City, and Dr. Edgar Blake of Chicago.
Reduction of Districts.
Considerable agitation is being experienced relative to the reduction of the six districts of the conference to four. Rev. George P. Crinklaw of Charles City and Rev. A. T. Bishop of Iowa Falls have both prepared similar and feasible plans for redistribution. Both plans propose to do away with the Marshalltown and Decorah districts and place the charges of those districts in the other four. The conference is quite evenly divided in the matter, with possibly a small majority in favor of the change. While it is believed that a reduction of the districts as to number will be brought about in the near future, it is hardly thought probable that the reduction will take place at the coming session. The great illness which has overtaken Dr. H. W. Troy of the Decorah district is arousing greatly the minds of many of the preachers that there is yet plenty for a district superintendent to do in caring for a district as they now stand, each district numbering from twenty-eight to thirty-six pastorate charges.
Many Changes.
Several will step aside from the active work of the ministry this fall, while several will transfer to other conferences. Dr. George H. Birney, who for the past three and one-half years has been the popular pastor at Cedar Falls, is scheduled to go to the leading town church of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. L. C. Clark of Iowa City is respectfully released from the church there to spend a year in one of the universities of Europe and a three months' tour of the holy land. Rev. W. H. Donor of Conrad seeks a milder climate and becomes pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Houston, Texas. Rev. L. C. Gallager of Steamboat Rock fires of the Methodist way of doing things and becomes pastor of the Congregational church at Green Mountain, Iowa. Rev. C. E. Baker of Low Moor, goes to Coleville, N. J., and will be a student in Drey theological seminary. Rev. T. H. Gallagher of East Dubuque goes to Boston theological school. Rev. W. M. Lomax of Clarence takes up secular work in the east and Rev. J. R. Warren goes to Missouri.
There is great regret throughout the conference over enforced stepping aside of two of the strongest preachers of Iowa Methodism—Dr. H. W. Troy, superintendent of the Decorah district, because of illness must rest for a time, while Dr. J. C. Magee, pastor of the church at Fayette, feels unable to continue in the active work.
The stepping aside of three of the leading men of the conference and the transfer out of the fourth creates a serious problem. To get men to take the places of Drs. Troy, Magee, Clark and Birney is no easy task. The appointment of a district superintendent on the Marshalltown district in the place of Dr. Pitner, who again takes up the work of the pastorate, helps to make the problem more serious.
Many Changes Rumored.
A goodly percentage of the men of the conference will move to new pastorate. One district superintendent reports that half of his men will move. It is also rumored that a large number of the leading charges will have a change of pastors. Among the number mentioned are Toledo, Mason City, Cresco, Osage, Fayette, Getwain, Independence, Waverly, Tows City, Cedar Falls and Traer.
There will not be so great a scarcity of men as was anticipated a while ago. There is a possibility of being short about ten men. Among the number who will return to the active ranks will be Dr. E. L. Miller, S. S. Smith and R. V. Porter. Only a small class will be recommended for admission on trial, the applicants for the ministry still continuing to be scarce.
A great deal of interest will center in the appointment of district superintendents on the Marshalltown and Decorah districts. Only two men are mentioned for the former—Dr. N. A. Mershon and W. W. Carlton. A half dozen candidates are mentioned for the latter: John Gammons of Cresco, F. P. Shaffer of Osage, T. E. Taylor of Independence, W. G. Crowder of Waverly, J. R. Saffin of Charles City and Dr. Fred G. Young of Decorah. The large number mentioned in the latter case will possibly result in the appointment of a dark horse."
MARY W. BROKAW.
Mary W. Brokaw died at her home at Hopkinton on Friday, September 17, 1909. She was born on January 1, 1859, on the "Willow Farm", the old homestead near Hopkinton. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and will be greatly missed by her many friends who deeply sympathize with the bereaved relatives in their loss. She leaves to mourn her loss three brothers and one sister, Mrs. May Grantfield of Hartline, Washington.

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MEETING OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS.
The joint fall meeting of the Dubuque and Northeastern Iowa association of Congregational churches and ministers is being held in this city this week beginning Monday and continuing to and including Wednesday. An excellent program has been arranged for the occasion and this is expected to be one of the most important meetings ever held by either of the associations. A large number are present and considerable interest is being taken in the meeting. The following is the program to be carried out this (Tuesday) evening and for the sessions tomorrow:
Tuesday, September 28th
EVENING.
7:30—Opening service.
7:45—A Brotherhood service. The Brotherhood Movement—Geo. E. Pike, president of the State Congregational Brotherhood, Waterloo.
The Brotherhood in Its Religious Aspects—S. D. Tompkins, Cedar Falls.
General discussion of the Brotherhood movement.
Wednesday, September 29th
MORNING.
8:30—Separate business meetings of the Dubuque and Northeastern associations.
9:00—Address—Miss Lydia Finger, Chicago.
9:30—Systematic Benevolence in the Living Church—Dwight P. Breed, Grinnell.
10:00—Devotional hour, led by Jas. E. Snowden of Cedar Falls.
11:30—Practical values.
Of the prayer meetings—Warren W. Tuttle, Waucoma.
Of the evangelistic methods, Albert B. Rice, Waverly.
Discussion.
AFTERNOON.
1:30—Business.
1:45—Practical Values continued: Of other church organizations, M. Luther Stinson, Elkader.
Of our associational relations, W. J. Suckow, Grinnell.
2:45—Discussion.
HUNTER'S LICENSES.
The following is a list of the hunters of the county who have purchased licenses since September 15th:
F. W. Arnold, Ryan.
M. Billstine, Earlville.
H. P. Bancroft, Earlville.
Clyde J. Boininger, Colesburg.
Roy Noyes, Manchester.
Fred Cole, Colesburg.
James Cole, Colesburg.
Wm. Confare, Manchester.
Lester Cross, Manchester.
Perry Davis, Colesburg.
Buford Donnelly, Ryan.
Geo. W. Eigenberger, Earlville.
Leon Fischer, Manchester.
Earl Farley, Manchester.
Kenneth Farley, Manchester.
Gus Fry, Greeley.
Lewis Fry, Greeley.
L. J. Gates, Manchester.
John Jones, Delhi.
J. V. Kephart, Manchester.
K. Kesler, Manchester.
Geo. Long, Sand Springs.
Wm. Mauer, Manchester.
J. D. Moulton, Hopkinton.
J. V. Murray, Hopkinton.
John Noyes, Manchester.
B. H. Morris, Delhi.
Harry Noyes, Manchester.
Frank D. Noyes, Manchester.
Roy Noyes, Manchester.
Geo. W. Parker, Earlville.
L. C. Preussner, Manchester.
G. W. Pulver, Delhi.
A. J. Rector, Greeley.
J. W. Rector, Greeley.
T. Raymond, Manchester.
Vern Roben, Delhi.
Archie Smith, Manchester.
Robert Shearer, Hopkinton.
Thos. Simons, Delhi.
Thomas Sandilands, Manchester.
B. A. Sherman, Dundee.
Harry Schneider, Greeley.
H. Theel, Manchester.
Fred Thillen, Ryan.
Wm. Ylerow, Dundee.
Stephen Uhl, Ryan.
Ernest Yelden, Delaware.

SOCIAL.
The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. H. C. Haebler on Iowa street Friday afternoon.
Harry Davis very pleasantly entertained the senior class of the Manchester High school at his home on Monday evening.
Tomorrow (Wednesday) evening at the Central Opera house will be presented "Jayne Eyre" a celebrated play of Charlotte Brontë's.
The senior class of the Manchester High school were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Miss Lizzie Cook, northwest of this city, Friday evening.
The members of the Rebecca lodge held one of the most enjoyable social affairs of the season in the I. O. O. F. hall on last Tuesday evening, it being the fifty-eighth anniversary of the lodge.
MRS. WILLIAM WARNOCK.
Mrs. William Warnock died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Graham, in this city Sunday morning. Mrs. Warnock was born in Ohio and at the time of her death was nearly eighty-two years of age. She suffered a stroke of paralysis about three weeks ago followed by apoplexy. She leaves to mourn her death three sons and one daughter; William of Leon, Kansas, Millard of Oregon City, Oregon, Frank of the west and Mrs. John Graham of this city. Mrs. Graham and William being the only children who were able to be present at the funeral. The funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Graham on East Union street Monday afternoon, Rev. R. A. Barnes assisted by Rev. J. F. Moore officiating. The remains were taken to her home this (Tuesday) morning for interment.
Mrs. Warnock was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a pioneer resident of Delaware county. The many friends of the family deeply sympathize with them in their bereavement.

EDGWOOD MARRIED MEN WIN FROM MANCHESTER.
The married men of Edgewood defeated the Manchester married men at the local grounds Thursday afternoon by a score of 6 to 3. No runs were made on either side until the first half of the third when Manchester scored two runs and Edgewood received one in the last half of the same inning. Edgewood scored three runs in the last half of the fifth inning and in the last half of the eighth scored two more. Frank Joseph was on the mound for Manchester in the first five innings and Burdette Young in the last half of the game.
BRUSH LEAGUE PENNANT.
Cascade claims the championship of the Brush League with a percentage of 580. The following is the standing of those teams playing in the so-called "Brush League", an unorganized association consisting of six teams that have been playing together during the past season:
W. L. Pet
Vern Roben, Delhi.
Archie Smith, Manchester.
Robert Shearer, Hopkinton.
Thos. Simons, Delhi.
Thomas Sandilands, Manchester.
B. A. Sherman, Dundee.
Harry Schneider, Greeley.
H. Theel, Manchester.
Fred Thillen, Ryan.
Wm. Ylerow, Dundee.
Stephen Uhl, Ryan.
Ernest Yelden, Delaware.
ATTENDING BASE BALL MEETING.
A. D. Long left this morning for Anamosa where he is attending a meeting of base ball fans from several eastern Iowa towns. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the question of forming a league in eastern Iowa. The teams that will probably constitute this league are Anamosa, Manchester, Strawberry Point, Cascade and Monticello and possibly Cedar Rapids (to be represented by the Rail Splitters) and Waterloo.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
The following is a list of the real estate changes recorded at the county recorder's office during the past week:
Evan S. Dufoe and wife to Clara A. Walpole. Lots eleven and twelve in block eight in town of Hopkinton. Consideration \$2400.
W. S. Fear and wife to Wm. Kaster, et al. Part of the north half of the South West quarter of section 32, township 89, north range 4. Consideration, \$1100.
Isabell Hendershot to Earnest C. Munger. Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 in block 3 in village of Thorpe. Consideration \$1.
Patrick Leahy to John J. Keane. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 in block 19 in the town of Ryan. Consideration, \$800.
Fred Y. Barnes and wife to Elizabeth Littlefield. The west half of the southeast quarter of the north west quarter of section 15 in township 87, north range 4.

AN EDGWOOD COLONY IN SOUTH DAKOTA.
A large party of Edgewood people departed Tuesday of last week for South Dakota where they have taken up land (or expect to) and will settle on the same at once. Ira Beyer, who sold his 100 acre farm north of this place to Robert Gill of Colesburg for \$65 an acre has gone to South Dakota and taken up a claim. Albert Beyer has also taken a homestead near Ira's and we understand that Myron Mellen and daughter Grace have gone there for the same purpose. Jet Stone, Charley Stone, Jasper Spores, H. F. Beyer, Francis Funk, Frank Wiley, W. T. Palmer, E. Wandel and Jim Cross are among those who left here Tuesday for the northwest.—Edgewood Journal.

WM. MERCER DEAD.
Wm Mercer, the jockey who was so badly injured in a running race at the fair, died at 12:30 Sunday morning without ever regaining consciousness. A swelling started on one side of the man's neck last Wednesday evening, followed by another Friday morning, which puzzled the doctors caring for him, finally diagnosing the case as mumps. He lived for over a week and was never at any time able to take much nourishment. The funeral was held Monday at 2:30 p. m. This will be sad news for the people of Strawberry Point to hear, who sympathized with the young man and his parents.—Strawberry Point Mail-Press.

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Newest Fall Dress Goods.

Of course you're anxious to see the new fall Dress Goods, and should be too, for its many a long year since they were as pretty. Choicest weaves seen in the leading fashion centers. French diagonals, worsted suitings, two tone effects in narrow and medium stripes, These are the already acknowledged fabrics for the fall and winter season.

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