

PURELY PERSONAL

Rev. W. E. Kunz spent Sunday in Des Moines. J. M. Harmon had business in Davis City Monday. Ed. H. Sharp had legal business at Davis City Monday. Forest Lorey was visiting friends at Pleasanton last Saturday. Miss Madge Hamilton, of Kingston, was a Leon visitor Monday. Capt. J. D. Brown made a business trip to Orient last Thursday. A. P. Olson was transacting legal business at Lamoni Monday. John Ledgerwood had business at Osceola the fore part of the week. C. Cross, who lives near Pleasanton, was a Leon visitor last Thursday. S. C. Wolf and wife, of Van Wert, were Leon visitors last Thursday. Mrs. W. C. Hamilton, of Davis City, was visiting in this city Tuesday. W. H. Colter, of Decatur City, had business in this city last Saturday. Walter H. Dewey, of Chariton, had business in this city last Thursday. B. E. Rushing and wife, of Leroy, were visiting in this city Monday. Patrick Griffin, of Grand River, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday. Miss Ida Creal, of Decatur City, was visiting friends in this city Tuesday. Mrs. S. Johnson returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in St. Joe. J. D. Bennett, of Pleasanton, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday. W. B. Redman, of DeKalb, was a business visitor in this city last Friday. J. W. McLaughlin, of Decatur City, had business in this city last Saturday. C. E. Buchanan, of Humeston, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday. F. J. Honnold, of Pleasanton, was a business visitor in this city last Thursday. W. H. Knott, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city last Thursday. J. W. Attebury and family visited over Sunday with relatives at Davis City. Misses Millie and Bessie Thompson, of Kingston, were visiting in this city Monday. Miss Lois Royal, of Garden Grove, was visiting with friends in this city Monday. W. S. Brannaman and wife, of Grand River, were visiting friends in this city Tuesday. Frank Greenland, of Grand River, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday. James Lane and wife, of Woodland, went to Des Moines Saturday to visit a few days. W. H. Jenkins went to Van Wert Monday to do some work on his farm at that place. Miss Agnes Shell, of Decatur City, was visiting with friends in this city last Saturday. Mrs. C. B. Simpson was visiting at the home of her parents in Davis City last Thursday. Mrs. Bert Trisler and Mrs. Isaac Love, of Garden Grove, were visiting in this city last Friday. Prof. J. C. Cozad, principal of the Decatur City schools, was a Leon visitor last Saturday. Hon. G. P. Arnold, of Garden Grove, was visiting with his many friends in this city last Friday. Solon McCroskey and wife, of near Van Wert, were visiting with friends in this city last Friday. Misses Phoebe Cross and Sylvia Vandal, of Pleasanton, were visiting in this city last Saturday. S. G. Mitchell, wife and little daughter visited over Sunday with relatives and friends at Davis City. Mrs. H. J. Close returned today to her home at Joplin, Mo., after visiting for several weeks in this city. Miss Nellie Joslyn returned Monday to her home at Gravity after spending several weeks in this city. Mrs. Fred Smith, of Blockley, came Monday for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stanley. T. T. Beck, one of the prominent citizens of Grand River, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday. R. J. Bathurst and wife, of Horton, Kas., spent a couple of days in this city the latter part of last week. Miss Janie Evans, who is teaching school near Garden Grove, was visiting friends in this city Saturday. J. H. Stanley and wife went to Pleasanton Tuesday to visit her sister Mrs. Geo. W. Davis, for a few days. Ferd and Henry Rauch, of Lamoni, spent a couple of days in this city on business the first of the week. Mrs. W. J. Williams returned Saturday to her home near Garden Grove after a visit with friends here. Mrs. O. P. Barnett went to Corydon Saturday to visit a few days at the home of her son near that city. Abe Blaksley came in Tuesday from Buffalo, Kan., and will spend the holidays with relatives in this city. Charles Keim, of Center township, went to Osceola Friday to visit a few days with friends in that vicinity. E. Wiley and wife, of Lamoni, visited over Sunday in this city at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. V. Lemley. Mrs. J. W. Delk and children departed Friday for a two weeks visit at the home of her sister in Seward, Neb. Mrs. A. B. McClaran and daughter Miss Veta, of near Pleasanton, were shopping in this city last Saturday. W. M. Still returned Saturday to his home at Davis City after visiting a few days with relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. Mart Pickering went to Decatur City Monday and visited over night with relatives at that place. Miss Blanche Acton, of St. Joe, came last Thursday for a visit at the home of her uncle, W. H. Acton, in this city. J. C. Springer and wife left Monday for a visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. E. Whetstone, at Hamburg, Ia. Mrs. C. E. Brown left Friday for Kansas City, where she is visiting at the home of her brother-in-law, B. Brown. C. A. Hubacher, of St. Joe, came up Monday to assist with the annual invoice at his lumber yard in this city. Ed. Coffin, of Council Bluffs, came in Monday to spend the holidays with his brothers and many friends in this city. Miss Blanche Acton, of St. Joe, who was visiting relatives in this city, went to Davis City Saturday for a short visit. Jacob Ross returned Monday from Weldon, where he was visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. H. Mitchell. Mrs. J. M. Longacre, of Davis City, visited over Sunday in this city at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bert Parker. Mrs. Edith Ferren returned Saturday from Osceola where she had been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Atz, for a few days. Mrs. Dora Hewitt and Mrs. Laura Bryant, of Garden Grove, were visiting with friends in this city the first of the week. G. T. Robinson and wife returned Tuesday to their home at Helena, Mo., after a visit with relatives at Grand River. Mrs. A. J. Allen left Saturday afternoon for Albia in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of her mother. County superintendent J. W. Long and family went to Davis City Thursday and visited a couple of days with friends. Mrs. Jas. A. Armstrong went to Grand River Thursday to assist with the meetings being held at Pleasant Valley church. W. S. Dickinson, of Lock Springs, Mo., arrived Tuesday at the home of his niece, Mrs. Charles Offield, north of town. Oscar Judd, of Davis City, stopped off in this city last Saturday, being on his way home from a business trip to Ottumwa. Mrs. J. A. Keeran, of south of town, went to Van Wert Friday and visited over Sunday at the home of her father, G. W. Craft. Mrs. J. F. Howell, of north of town, went to Des Moines Friday to visit a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. B. Hurd. Morris Gardner and wife went to Yorktown, Iowa, Friday and visited over Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. John Powers. Mrs. W. H. Albaugh returned Friday to her home at Des Moines after a short visit in this city at the home of her son, J. E. Albaugh. Mrs. L. Osborn, of Davis City, visited over night Friday at the home of U. R. Perks, being on her way to Cainsville to visit relatives. Miss Dora Landis returned Saturday to her home at Grand River after a visit in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Harris. Wm. Hoffman went to Des Moines Thursday to spend a few weeks with his son Percy, and may decide to remain there for the winter. E. O. Pierce returned Saturday to his home at Grinnell after visiting for a week in this city at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. C. Clark. Mrs. J. D. Burns returned Saturday to her home at Garden Grove after a short visit in this city with her niece, Miss Harriet Metier. L. P. Van Werden and son Benjamin, went to Des Moines Tuesday and visited a couple of days with his brother, Dr. Will Van Werden. Brice McDonough and wife left Tuesday for Enid, Okla., where they will visit during the holidays with his sister, Mrs. W. A. Royer. Mrs. J. I. Trisler and son Artie, of Garden Grove, came Thursday and visited a few days in this city at the home of her son Earl Trisler. G. E. Campbell and wife left Tuesday for Iowa Park, Texas, where they will visit during the holidays with Mr. Campbell's two sisters. Miss Rachel Latta returned Tuesday to her home near Pleasanton after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Tom Smith, west of town. Mrs. F. E. Thompson, of Des Moines, came Tuesday and will visit in this city until after the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. W. Warner. Mrs. T. A. Jackson, of east of town, went to Humeston Saturday to visit a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Caldwell. J. R. Bowsher and Guy Farmer were at Pleasanton Thursday making the annual invoice of Bowsher & Bowsher's implement store at that place.

Miss Alice Jeffries returned Saturday to her home at Davis City after spending a few days in this city at the home of her brother, Dr. W. G. Jeffries. Carey Thompson and wife went to Grand River Tuesday and will spend the holidays at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Chandler at that place. Mrs. W. C. Gibson and son, Bert, of near Crown, left Thursday for Haviland, Iowa, being called there by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Hendricks. Mrs. G. Hammond returned Thursday to her home near Grand River after a pleasant visit in this city at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Brannaman. Mrs. C. M. Wheeler returned Thursday to her home at Pleasanton after visiting a few days in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. F. Grimes. Mrs. C. I. Evans, of Page county, and her mother, Mrs. Georgia Still, of near Davis City, were visiting with relatives in this vicinity the latter part of last week. Hillery Osborn, of Davis City, was visiting with friends in this city last Thursday, being on his way to Decatur City to visit a few days with his mother. C. W. Hoffman returned Saturday from Des Moines where he spent a week on legal business and also attended the annual meeting of the State horticultural society. Mrs. S. C. Boyd returned Friday to her home at Burrows, Mo., after visiting for a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Elliott, south of town. John Ledgerwood returned Saturday from Des Moines, where he attended the annual meeting of the State Fair association he being the director from the eighth district. Mrs. Tom Smith, of west of town, returned Friday from a visit with relatives at Pleasanton. Her sister and brother, Ella and George Latta came home with her for a short visit. M. C. Betts, a former well known farmer of Hamilton township, who moved last spring to Washington, came in Tuesday and is spending a few days here looking after business matters. Wood Binning, a prominent citizen of Grand River, was a business visitor in this city last Thursday. He was compelled to hobble around on crutches, as he was suffering from a sprained ankle. Mrs. O. D. Laffoon who has been visiting in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. H. Graham, returned Tuesday to her home in Kansas City. Mrs. Howard continues in very poor health. Mrs. L. E. Vanderbeek, of Stafford, Neb., who was visiting in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ed. H. Alexander, went to Humeston Friday to visit a few days with relatives in that vicinity. Mrs. Claud Lorey and daughter Margery left Monday for French, New Mexico, where they will spend the holidays with Mr. Lorey who is employed on the Santa Fe R. R. as station agent at French. George Frizzell and daughter Miss Minnie, of Newton, who were visiting in this city at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Guy Farmer, left Monday for Corpus Christi, Texas, where they will spend the winter. O. E. Tullis returned Tuesday to Chariton after spending a couple of days with his family in this city. Bert was caught for \$280 in the Chariton bank failure, but is smiling to himself that it is no worse. Henry Engleking, of Atlantic, an old friend of C. F. Wright of this city, was in Leon several days last week, looking at real estate and has about made up his mind to come down here and buy one of our good farms. J. E. Macey and daughter, Mrs. A. E. Northrup, returned Tuesday from Rock Island, Ill., where they were visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edith Shirkey, and getting acquainted with his new granddaughter. Mrs. Robert Melkos returned Thursday to her home at Garden Grove after a pleasant visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mills, south of Leon. Mrs. Mills went home with her to visit a few days. Dr. B. R. McAllister, a former well known physician of this city, now physician at the insane hospital at Cherokee, passed through Leon last Thursday on his way to King City, Mo., to visit a few days with his mother. Rue Stone, of northwest of town, returned Saturday from Stockton, Kas., where he had been visiting for a couple of weeks with his brother, Orr Stone, and also stopped to visit his sister, Mrs. E. J. Brown, at Paola, Kas. Mrs. R. J. Smith and grandson Clifford Merwin, who has been visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. W. A. Alexander, in this city for several months, left Saturday for Iola, Kas., to visit her daughter, Mrs. John Merwin. Mrs. Ed Moore, of Kellerton, visited over Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Elliott, south of town. Monday in company with her sister, Mrs. L. M. Booth, she went to Cainsville to visit a few days with relatives after which Mrs. Booth will leave for her home at Anadarko, Okla.

HURST BROS. Wish You a Merry Christmas No time for you to waste. Only six more shopping days left before Christmas. We suggest that you do as much of your shopping during the early morning hours as is convenient for you. But if the afternoon suits you best come along for we have increased our selling force so you will be waited on promptly. Open at Night Until Ten O'Clock GIFT RUGS Big or little, they make most acceptable presents—At no time has our showing in the rug section been more beautiful than at the present. Splendid floral or oriental patterns in soft warm colors and all at Christmas prices. We have filled in most of the breaks caused by the brisk selling during the past ten days. Every rug in this big stock is underpriced for the Christmas shopper. TABLE LINENS Many of our customers took advantage of the splendid values offered at our linen counter, but we still have a nice line of patterns at prices you will appreciate when you see the quality. This counter is very interesting to gift buyers. Pure linen, bleached, 72 inches wide, \$1.25, \$1.90 and 85c. FURS Ladies' neck pieces, scarfs and four-in-hands are shown here in a wide range of prices. All are carefully selected and are made from prime furs only. Our most popular fur is the Isabella fox scarf at each \$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.00. Hundreds of other appropriate gifts.

Christmas Candies. We want you to know about our candies this year sure. Iowa has the best and most stringent pure food laws of any state and our STATE inspector is using every effort to see that they are enforced. Our candies are all made in Iowa. The factories have been thoroughly inspected and you are assured of Pure Healthful Candies. Nothing but fruit colors and pure sugar. We haven't a pail of cheap candy in our stock. Best stick, pound... 12 1/2c Shell mixed, pound... 12 1/2c Broken cream, bar... 15c Yankee Peanut, pound... 15c Hoarhound stick, pound 15c Machine Chocolates, lb. 20c Sour Drops, pound... 20c Darling Creams, pound. 20c Tiptop Caramels, pound. 15c Special Prices on Large Lots for Schools and Churches. Christmas Tree Decorations We have a most beautiful selection of decorations for trees. All beautiful, bright colors. Birds, Fruits, Beads, Harps, etc. HOLLY—Our Delaware Holly will be here Friday. Full of berries, bright and red. Per pound. 20c BON BON BOXES—We have an elegant display of fancy candy boxes, both empty and packed. Australian leather glove box... 25c Crescent paper box, heart shape... 30c English Walnuts—All good, no bad meats, per pound... 20c Dates—In pound packages, no dust on them... 10c Smyrna Figs—All tender and sweet, per pound... 20c HAZEL NUTS—Hand shelled, no earthy taste, per quart... 10c Hickory Nuts—Small shell barks, per peck... 40c Black Walnuts—Nicely cleaned and all dry, per peck... 20c Kalamazoo Celery—bunch—Thursday... 5c Select Oysters—Any quantity—pint... 25c Special Christmas Prices on Cigars by the Box or Tin Can. Any Quantity. Harry J. Vogt & Co.

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