

PURELY PERSONAL

C. M. Keller had business at Lamoni Monday.
 W. L. Bary had business at Davis City Tuesday.
 Charles Hull had business at Kellerton Tuesday.
 H. Spencer was a business visitor at Davis City Tuesday.
 Henry Ross, of Leroy, was a visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Lloyd Jenks had business calling him to Osceola Monday.
 Joe Tye, of Pleasanton, was a visitor in this city Saturday.
 Sheriff J. E. Andrew had business at Pleasanton last Thursday.
 A. B. Stearns visited over Sunday at his home in Garden Grove.
 Geo. B. Cooper was a business visitor at Davis City last Saturday.
 Attorney C. W. Hoffman had business at Garden Grove last Saturday.
 Charles Norton returned Thursday from a business trip to Ridgeway, Mo.
 Harry Bell returned last Friday from a business trip to Stanberry, Mo.
 J. E. Sutherland, of Davis City, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Miss Myrl Lillard, of Garden Grove, was a visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Ira E. Brown, of Grand River, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 James Rutter, of Pleasanton, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Guy Davis, of Pleasanton, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday.
 Editor Ray Nicholson, of Lamoni, was a business visitor in this city Monday.
 Curt Farmer, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city Monday.
 Abe Goodman, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Mrs. Doss McDowell went to Davis City Monday to visit a few days with relatives.
 Bud Brown, of Grand River, was transacting business in this city Tuesday.
 Harry Clark, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 B. F. Sutherland, of Davis City, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday.
 Lloyd Jenks returned Friday from a business trip to Osceola and Montezuma, Iowa.
 James Alexander went to Chariton Monday for a short visit with friends in that city.
 Chas. P. Schofield, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Fred Smith, of Van Wert, came Tuesday evening to visit a few days in this city.
 W. L. Barry was looking after his implement business at Davis City last Saturday.
 A. T. Ross, of near Pleasanton, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday.
 Merritt Reynolds, of Decatur City, was a business visitor in this city last Thursday.
 J. K. Beasley, of near Davis City, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday.
 Roy Hoadley, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in this city last Thursday.
 John Akers came in from Ottumwa Saturday and visited over Sunday at his home in this city.
 Dr. J. O. Woodmansee was called to Ottumwa Tuesday afternoon on professional business.
 A. Fulton, of Davis City, came up Monday afternoon to attend to some business in this city.
 G. M. Jennings returned last Friday from Cainsville, where he had been visiting a few days.
 Mrs. George Jennings returned last Thursday from a few days visit with relatives at Humeston.
 Bert Parker, of Davis City, came up Tuesday afternoon to attend court, being on the trial jury.
 Marion E. Wasson came in off the road Saturday and visited over Sunday with his wife in this city.
 Vern Booth, of Cainsville, was a visitor in this city last Thursday, being on his way to Des Moines.
 Frank Bullard went to Shenandoah Monday and expects to remain there if he secures employment.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Davenport returned last Friday from Eagleville, Mo., where they had been visiting for several weeks at the home of Mrs. Davenport's mother.

A. E. Ellis, of west of town, came in Friday from Ottumwa, where he had been with a shipment of stock.
 Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lanier, of Humeston, came last Friday and will make their future home in this city.
 C. W. Robinson returned Monday afternoon from Davis City, where he visited over Sunday with his parents.
 C. E. Roberts, of St. Joe, came up last Wednesday afternoon and visited until Monday with relatives in this city.
 Miss Grace Cornett returned to her home at Lamoni Tuesday after visiting a few days with relatives in this city.
 Mrs. Lew H. Young, of Ottumwa, came Monday evening to visit a few days in this city at the home of Jas. W. Hurst.
 Rev. J. S. Coffin went to Moravia Monday to spend a few days looking after matters on his big farm near that place.
 Mrs. Ethel Pickering and little son returned Tuesday evening from a few days visit with relatives at Decatur City.
 Ray and Thomas Tripp returned Friday from Lamoni, where they had been visiting a few days with relatives and friends.
 Mrs. C. C. Little returned Saturday from Albia, where she had been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Moore.
 Rob Akers returned to Allerton last Thursday afternoon after visiting a couple of days at the home of his parents in this city.
 Mrs. G. W. Hoadley returned to her home at Garden Grove Thursday, after visiting a couple of days with friends in this city.
 Mrs. J. W. Honnold returned last Wednesday from a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Charles Brant, at Peoria, Ill.
 Mrs. M. A. Sanders, of Saline, Mo., was a visitor in this city last Saturday, being on her way to Unionville, Mo., to visit relatives.
 Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, of Davis City, came Tuesday afternoon to visit a couple of days in this city at the home of George Johnson.
 Miss Kate Burrell returned to her home at Davis City Tuesday after a visit in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. B. Simpson.
 J. A. Daniels, county bridge foreman, returned to his home at Garden Grove Saturday after spending a few days in this city on business.
 Fred Jones, of near Blockley, was a business visitor in this city last Saturday. M. F. Truitt went home with him for a few days visit.
 L. P. Landphair, of Pleasanton, was in Leon Tuesday, being on his way to Lamoni to look after some business matters at that place.
 Mrs. J. W. Atteberry and children went to Davis City Tuesday to visit a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Brown.
 Mrs. C. E. Walters returned to Davis City Thursday after visiting a few days in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Epperley, near Des Moines, came Tuesday evening for a few days visit in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jas. W. Hurst.
 Misses Velma and Ruby Maxwell, of Cainsville, passed through this city Saturday, enroute to Davis City to visit a few days with relatives.
 Mrs. Israel Post, of Davis City, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Williams, of St. Joe, came Monday to visit a few days with relatives in this city.
 Miss Esther Luce returned last Wednesday evening to her home at Mt. Airy, having spent a week in this city, the guest of Miss Freda Teale.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lillard returned to their home at Garden Grove last Thursday after visiting a few days in this city at the home of F. P. Allen.
 Stephen Osborne departed Tuesday for his home at Cherrysville, Kas., after a visit at the home of his brother-in-law, Chet Pullen, near this city.
 Mrs. Fay Bagley and sister-in-law, Miss Vivian Bagley, of Des Moines, came Tuesday evening to visit a few days with relatives and friends in this city.
 Mrs. A. Biddison, who was called to Woodland by the death of her father, Mr. H. D. Richardson, returned to her home at Cainsville last Saturday.
 Mrs. Fred Lee and Miss Nettie Hamilton returned Monday to their homes at Davis City after visiting a few days in this city at the home of George Braham.
 Ed Anderson, who is employed as engineer on a railroad steam shovel in New Mexico, came in Saturday evening to spend a few days in this city looking after some business matters and visiting with his many old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fisher, of Ft. Scott, Kansas, were in Leon Tuesday, being enroute home from a visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mitchell, at Pleasanton.
 Judge R. L. Parrish, of Des Moines, came Tuesday evening to look after a case in the district court and visit a few days with his friends in this city.
 Leon boy, but for several years foreman of Tobey & Beckett's cigar factory at Albia, was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.
 Mrs. Harry Crago returned Tuesday to her home at Garden Grove after visiting a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pickering in this city.
 Mrs. B. W. Lanning returned last Thursday from a four weeks visit with relatives at Pittsburg and Atchison, Kansas, and with her parents at New Hampton, Mo.
 D. E. Morgan and wife, of Humeston, came down last Thursday. Mrs. Morgan returned home the same evening and Dave remained here for several days on business.
 Jap Carr, who was visiting with old friends in this city, went to Kellerton last Wednesday evening for a short visit and from there returned to his home at Peoria, Illinois.
 Mrs. Anna Woodbury, of Newton, who had been visiting with relatives at Garden Grove, came last Wednesday and visited a few days at the home of Mrs. B. L. Eiker in this city.
 E. M. Umphress, who is employed on telephone construction work at Red Oak, returned to that city last Thursday after visiting a few days with relatives and friends in this vicinity.
 J. E. Jaquis, of Corydon, was in Leon Tuesday looking after some business matters. He went to his former home at Garden Grove Tuesday afternoon to visit over night with old friends.
 J. A. Misner and wife and Mrs. P. W. Pigley, of Ridgeway, Mo., were compelled to remain over in this city last Thursday while enroute home from a visit at Lake City, Iowa, on account of the snow blockade.
 Judge H. K. Evans and court reporter S. S. Wright, of Corydon, arrived Tuesday noon to open the January term of court. They were scheduled to arrive Monday, but the K. & W. train was stuck in the snow.
 Frank Spurrier returned to his home at Lamoni Saturday after visiting a couple of days in this city with his daughter, Miss Hazel, who was operated upon at the Leon Hospital last week for appendicitis, and is getting along nicely.
 Harry Sheffer, the Garden Grove undertaker, was in Leon last Thursday, being in charge of the H. D. Richardson funeral from Woodland. He drove from Garden Grove to Woodland and then to Leon, and it was a pretty cold drive.
 Joe Bailey, that unfettered democrat of near Garden Grove, was in Leon Tuesday and came in to see what in thunder was the reason he did not receive his Reporter last week. He came in with blood in his eye, but went out wearing a broad smile, for he carried with him a receipt for The Reporter up to Jan. 1st, 1912.
 Ronald Monroe returned to Ames last Thursday to resume his studies at college after spending the holidays with his parents in this city. Raymond Hurst returned to Ames the same day, and the boys spent all that night on the train which was stuck in a snow drift near Prole, not reaching Des Moines until Friday afternoon.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Stewart departed Monday afternoon for Chicago, where they will visit a few days while Mr. Stewart is selecting new furniture stock for his stores in this city and at Afton. There is a big furniture exhibit being displayed at Chicago and Mr. Stewart went when he could have the biggest and best lines to select from.

SCHOOL NOTES.

EDITORS: Edith Chambers, Grace Bowman.

"Come what, what may; Time and the hour runs through the roughest day."—Shaks.
 Everybody is happy over examination grades.
 Mrs. L. P. VanWerden and Mrs. Geo. T. Ogilvie visited High School Wednesday.
 Lavere and Clyde Lanier entered Miss Crawford's room Monday. They have recently been attending public school at Humeston.
 Misses Teale and Luce entertained the High School one day last week with some very fine music, which was enjoyed by all.
 Mrs. J. R. Pease visited Miss Pryor's room Wednesday of last week.
 Leo Tullis, Hugh Walton, Willard Stover and Andrew Scott entered the 9th grade Monday.
 On account of snow drifts and trains not running, a few of the High School pupils were unable to reach school for examinations last week, but had the pleasure of taking them the first of this week.
 Olive Arney and Ray Boyler entered High School Monday.
 Leo Hoffman and Victor Ogilvie visited High School Tuesday afternoon.
Notice of Probating Will.
 To All Whom it May Concern:
 You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Decatur county, an instrument in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of H. D. Richardson, late of said county, deceased, and that 2 o'clock p. m. of the 19th day of March, 1912, has been fixed for the probate of said will, at which time you can appear at the Court House in said county and show cause, if any there be, why said Will should not be admitted to probate.
 In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Leon, Iowa, this 11th day of January, 1912.
 J. L. MENDENHALL,
 Clerk of District Court.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

Items Taken from the Files of the Reporter Published a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Miss Lottie Woodbury, of Osceola, was visiting with Miss Lulu Young. An application was made to the board of supervisors to send Cyrenius George to the Soldier's Orphan Home but the application was rejected.
 Dr. H. R. Layton was appointed county physician to look after the patients at the county farm and all county charges within a radius of five miles of Leon, at a salary of \$100 per year, he to furnish all medicines.
 George William, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Albaugh, died with croup, after an illness of only a few hours.
 Miss Mall Atlee pleasantly entertained a party of young folks.
 Mr. Hugh Hazlet, a well known farmer of Eden township, died and was buried in the Chastain cemetery.
 Mrs. Jane Bigley died on Jan. 17th at the age of 50 years.
 Lon H. Boydston and J. W. Sell purchased the furniture business of S. A. Hamilton.
 W. A. Ketcham was re-elected as steward of the county farm.
 Rev. C. L. Nye was conducting a series of revival meetings at the M. E. church.
 The conspiracy case of State vs. Pugsley, which was on trial at Leon on a change of venue from Ringgold county, was continued after the jury was empaneled on account of important witnesses not appearing.
 Capt. J. A. Ray, county chairman of the National Greenback party, issued a call for a county convention at Leon on Feb. 11th, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the congressional convention and requested that all members of the Farmers' Alliance and Knights of Labor meet with them.
 The residence of M. Mayer was slightly damaged by fire and water.

Mrs. Watson Cain.

Julia Ann Alldridge was born in Iola, Clay county, Ill., May 20, 1837, and died in Leon, Iowa, Jan. 10, 1912, at the age of 74 years, 7 months and 20 days.
 On July 2, 1857, she was united in marriage with Watson Cain. To them were born two sons, W. H. Cain, of Collinsville, New Mexico, and J. R. Cain, of Grand River, Iowa, who were present at the funeral.
 The deceased also reared two foster children, Arthur Cain and Mrs. Vern Hull, both of Leon.
 She leaves 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, three brothers and one sister, Mr. B. D. Alldridge, living here.
 Mr. and Mrs. Cain came to Iowa in March, 1896, since which time they have resided near and in Leon. In early life Mrs. Cain united with the Missionary Baptist church in Illinois, and has ever lived in the faith of her early life.
 The deceased leaves to mourn her departure a husband and two sons, three brothers and one sister, besides many neighbors and friends who had learned to love and respect her.
 The funeral services were held at the residence at 3 o'clock p. m., Thursday, conducted by Rev. E. M. Hoff, pastor of the M. E. church, and the body laid to rest in the Leon cemetery.

Mrs. Stephen Hilliker.

Paulina Bishop was born Aug. 20, 1830, near Pulaski, Oswego county, N. Y., and died Jan. 10, 1912, at the home of her son, H. A. Hilliker, 214 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.
 She was united in marriage to Stephen Hilliker September 15, 1847, to which union three children were born. Mary Jane who died at the age of 13 years, H. A. Hilliker, with whom she has made her home for the past five years, and Chas. L. Hilliker, who died May 15th, 1909, in Pulaski, N. Y.
 She became a christian and united with the Methodist church when but a young girl, and like her husband, who preceded her in death five years had lived throughout her life a christian.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hilliker came to Iowa 30 years ago, settling in Leon where they made their home until Mr. Hilliker's death. Although an invalid for more than two years her last and fatal illness was of short duration and at the noon hour she passed peacefully away.
 The burial took place in Leon, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. M. Hoff, pastor of the Leon M. E. church.

Death of Rev. W. S. Hooker.

Dr. W. S. Hooker, mention of whose serious illness was made in The Reporter last week, passed away at the home of his son at Blanchard, Iowa, on Saturday, Jan. 6th, his death following a brief illness.
 Dr. Hooker was 76 years of age and had been in falling health for several years. He had served as pastor of all the important churches in the M. E. conference of this district and for many years was financial secretary of Simpson College at Indianola. Funeral services were held at his former home in Indianola on Wednesday of last week in the M. E. church, which structure he had superintended remodeling and rebuilding while he was pastor of the church a quarter of a century ago.
 He is survived by three sons, Rev. Conrad Hooker, of Rochester, N. Y., Frank Hooker, of Blanchard, Iowa, and Will Hooker, of Hamilton, Mo., and one daughter, Mrs. John Joy, of Blanchard, who were all present at the funeral.
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