

Happy Holidays!!

ONCE MORE THE STAR AND HERALD
WISHES ITS READERS AND THE PEOPLE
GENERALLY A

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and HAPPY NEW YEAR.



The past year has been one of prosperity to nearly everybody, prices have been good and people have money, and we extend congratulations and best wishes to all.

While the weather conditions have not been just exactly what they might have been to induce trade, we cannot have everything to suit us. The trade has been fair and probably as many Christmas presents have been and will be bought as ever in the history of Dwight.

Dwight merchants are enterprising and liberal and satisfied to live and let live and are always prepared to furnish everything needed in all lines at reasonable prices.

As the holiday season approaches the churches are making preparations to entertain the public and especially the little ones, and old Santa Claus is in demand everywhere and good cheer prevails.

Those who are abundantly able will look after the comfort of the poor, we hope.

As usual, the merchants of Dwight have a full and beautiful display of holiday goods, both useful and ornamental, and by a close inspection of the following, one can find out where to buy almost anything:

Grand Central Hotel.

Under this head we place one of the finest hotel accommodations in this part of the state, and draw the attention of the traveling and resident public to it with the assurance that they will find thoroughly satisfactory service for a long or short period, for board or for any of those accommodations a first class hotel is supposed to offer.

The Grand Central has been greatly improved since passing into the hands of its present proprietors, and has been remodeled, better light having been put in, several minor accommodations added, call bells and new furnishings in many respects have been added.

The proprietors, Al R. Ficke & S. M. Pagels are very pleasant in business and conduct a hotel which is bright and attractive. The rooms have been thoroughly renovated and improvements are being made daily as much as possible under the crowded condition since the change of management.

Rates \$1 and up per day and \$5 and up per week.

A. K. Beltzhoover, Drug Store.

This progressive and well stocked store is doing an excellent and reliable business in the postoffice block. It contains a fine assortment of perfumes and candies and a side line of fine stationery. The many things carried by an up-to-date drug store are here offered and the service is prompt and reliable. The prescription department is carefully and promptly attended. It is an emporium of drugs and you will be suited as to price and quality at A. K. Beltzhoover's.

J. J. Knudsen.

Jens Knudsen has been in business in Dwight for many years and has by enterprise and thorough business methods built up a steady trade. He handles staple and fancy groceries, vegetables in season and all that a first class grocery store offers. Patronized once he is patronized always.

He offers the farmers a good price for their produce and is conducting a reliable business.

Gordon Bros.

This enterprising firm has constantly added to its stock and enlarged its store and now has one of the finest in the country. They handle dry goods, clothing, dress goods and all kinds of summer and winter wear for men, women and children. They are general dealers and have built up a reputation for fair dealing and good goods. The store is stocked with rubber goods and gents' furnishing goods in great variety.

Their business covers a large territory and their business methods are self-evidently successful. Patronize them for bargains.

Flagler & Potter.

This firm has been in business in Dwight for many years and carries heavy and light hardware, stoves, agricultural implements and tinware and has built up a large and permanent business by honest dealing and enterprising spirit. Their stock is the new and is ordered frequently. Their prices are right and you cannot do bet-

ter than to patronize these gentlemen for anything from a stew pan to a furnace when you fit up your house or your place of business. Their long residence and reputation in this locality guarantees that you will receive the very best and reliable goods there. Patronize them and realize a decided satisfaction over your purchases. In heating they make a speciality of the 20th century furnace and have placed them in many homes in Dwight and vicinity and even in other counties during the last year.

Dr. E. R. Weart, Dentist.

The dental parlors of Dr. Weart in the Mazon block are equipped with apparatus for comfortable dentistry and the extraction of teeth without that terrible pain everyone dreads.

He has very modern office furniture and up-to-date service in every respect. He is a pleasant gentleman to deal with and has been practicing here for some time. In social and business circles he has been very successful.

C. R. Smith.

An up-to-date place for a single or double rig and a fast or slow horse, anything to your taste at C. R. Smith's livery barn, opposite the water works. He is doing a good business and will treat you right.

Buggy rides are something all of us ought to take. The doctors say so. Be wise and do likewise. Get a rig and drive around the block.

Reeb Bros. vs. Ross.

Monday morning at the town house the case of Reeb Bros. and Ross, the latter claimant for \$12.75 for hauling of stone for three days and incidentals, came up before Justice Wilkinson. It seems that Ross was engaged to haul stone for Reeb Bros. but not being able to do it he engaged Mr. Lightholder to do it for him. The case was decided against claimant.

Reeder & Chester.

These gentlemen are well known and popular dealers and carry fancy and staple groceries, giving the purchaser the best goods at moderate prices and always keeping stocked with fresh produce in season. Vegetables in season and everything in groceries in season may be found there. They deserve your patronage and will give you satisfaction in their line.

Hornberger & Allen.

The leading feed, meal, corn meal, buckwheat flour and white flour depot of Dwight has been in the city for several years and have established a reliable reputation. They will treat you right and once their customer, their customer you will become.

Hornberger & Allen are located on East Mazon Ave. at the old stand.

Dr. Herbert E. Lehr, Dentist.

This gentleman has his office in the postoffice block and he does guaranteed work at very reasonable rates. He is proficient and will give you satisfaction. Dr. Lehr has practiced dentistry for several years and thoroughly understands it. His office is equipped with the most modern dental outfit and he keeps up with the times.

Hahn & Simantle.

They are located in the southern part of town and doing a large grain business. These two gentlemen have become known in Dwight and throughout this and adjoining counties. They treat everybody alike which has won them a host of friends. Their elevator has a steady patronage and they offer the farmers a good thing. They have been in Dwight and locality many years.

E. B. Losee.

I am still buying poultry at the old stand and we think there was 2,500 chickens in town on Tuesday, not including ducks or turkeys. I think Dwight is one of the finest poultry towns in this section.

Now is the time for you to get your traps oiled up and catch skunk, mink and opossum hides and see Ed. Losee.

Beautiful Jewelry Store.

"That's the finest jewelry store on the line of the C. & A. road," is a remark often heard regarding the establishment of Everett Lewis on East street, Dwight, Ill.

When it comes near to the holidays everyone is looking around for something appropriate for remembrances for their friends and naturally the jewelry store is looked to probably more than other place. One thing sure the people of Dwight and vicinity have a most complete establishment to visit. Mr. Lewis not only has elegant appointments in his store, but his whole stock is in unison with the handsome surroundings.

The wishes of the plain and the most fastidious can be satisfied. Anything from a beautiful diamond ring to the plain one, diamond ear rings, medium and plain ones, clocks, watches of all grades and designs, all kinds of jewelry, silverware of the very best makes, and all guaranteed. It would take all day to name the nice things in stock at Lewis' and the whole paper so we will just satisfy ourselves by saying that you can get what you want there and

pay a reasonable price for first class goods.

All goods engraved free of charge if desired.

Kern Bros.

Kern Bros. George and Pete, conduct a grocery business that is second to none in the state. They are well known in Dwight and for miles in every direction their reputation as thorough business men is established. They are genial and pleasant to deal with and their store is literally filled with fresh groceries, canned goods and everything to be found in a first class grocery store. They pay the highest price for butter, eggs, etc.

Their meat market is an extensive adjunct to the business. They are careful in selecting their meats. They also deal in poultry, hides, etc.

C. M. Baker.

Mr. Baker's store on East street carries a handsome line of Christmas goods. His store is full of handsome articles any of which would be a beautiful present. The furniture department has an extensive assortment of everything in house furniture, carpets, wall paper, window shades, awnings and paints are found there.

The school department has a large supply of everything needed in the schoolroom including stationery, etc.

His prices are as low as any. Patronize him.

P. D. Weicker.

P. D. Weicker, successor to his father is running a fine restaurant, bakery and lunch counter at the old stand. He is a very pleasant and enterprising dealer and will fill your order in the bakery or restaurant with despatch and neatness. He has in connection a handsome room for the use of select parties where he will serve banquets or lunch as desired. He serves oysters in any style and quantity and he keeps everything in his line in season.

His place of business is on East street opposite the C. & A. depot. Patronize him.

John Geis.

Is at the old stand and continues to sell choice cigars and tobacco. He has been selling them for many years and has established a reliable business by strictly reliable dealing. His pleasant methods and his genuine stock have won him a large and desirable trade. Smoking tobacco, cigars and smokers novelties he carries. Patronize him.

Dwight Greenhouse.

The feature of the city conducted by Messrs. Hause & Brooks is a great credit to the place and is one of the finest of its kind in this part of the state.

Indoor or outdoor flowers in any quantity and all kinds are here offered the fancier of what is beautiful in greenhouse stock.

These gentlemen have added extensive improvements to the place and during this year have greatly changed its appearance. The public is sure to find a cordial welcome and reliable dealing at this place.

C. E. Crandall, Photographer.

The reliable photographer and enterprising business under this head has been offering reliable work and been doing a good business for several years and will take your likeness, like you, in large or small pictures, anything in his line you will find at C. E. Crandall's gallery.

McWilliams & Smith.

The above firm has been doing business in Dwight for many years and is thoroughly reliable, carrying every thing in dry goods, clothing and groceries. The firm is composed of E. McWilliams and Manning Smith. Their three stores are the largest in the county.

The clothing and gents furnishing departments are always filled with a full line in season, with the latest styles and lowest prices for good goods prevail.

The grocery department is filled with fine staple and fancy groceries, crockery, etc.

It is the place to get substantial and useful presents and their goods are perfectly reliable. During this year they have greatly improved their stores, and it is the place to find genuine goods at a bargain. Patronize them and you will become their regular customer.

Geo. N. Flagler.

Mr. Flagler has furnished material for much of the building that has been done in Dwight, and considerable for the Keeley Institute.

He carries lumber, lath, shingles, doors, blinds, nails, stone, sand and every class of stock used in building. He ships many car loads to towns outside of Dwight. He handles hard and soft coal extensively and is reliable and fair in dealing.

Mr. Flagler is an enterprising and genial man in the business.

Leach & Reeb.

One of the finest business houses in Dwight is the harness and boot and shoe store of Leach & Reeb. They are very popular and trusty business men, which accounts for their great success. They handle the best footwear on the market and no better place can be found to make purchases. They make a speciality of hand made

harness, doing this work themselves and under their supervision they also make a speciality of fine surreys and buggies.

John Quedens.

John Quedens is still at the old stand where he has for years been dispenser of fine cigars and confectionery. He is pleasant to deal with and has established a steady business.

Miller Bros.

In the history of Dwight as it will be repeated there will be no business house which has taken a more prominent part in the building up of the city and in business enterprises than Carl and Joe Miller, of the firm of Miller Bros. the dry goods and clothing merchants of East street.

They have been in business in Dwight for many years and their trade has grown all the time, and there is only one construction to put to that and that is that they have always been reliable and always sold what the people wanted.

One can go into their big stores and get anything in the dry goods line or millinery line, boot and shoe, clothing line and their merchant tailoring department presided over by Captain Bovik, cannot be beaten in the west.

The ladies can rig themselves out from head to foot with the best the market affords, and the men can dress in any style or price they desire, and the girls and boys can be made happy at all times. There is no better place to get good, reliable sensible Christmas presents than at Miller Bros.

Call on them and you will find them and their worthy assistants always ready and willing to show you their goods and they are sure to please you.

Wm. Roeder, Barber.

This place has received extensive improvements during the last year and a new set of barber chairs of the latest style and in which it is a real comfort to be treated by their proficient tonorial artists. Beautiful mirrors have been placed therein, the interior is re-furnished and the shop is attracting a steady and increasing business. The proprietor has been in Dwight many years and will treat you right.

Gibbons & Neville.

Successors to B. A. Buck, hardware are conducting a business in heavy and light hardware, agricultural implements stoves, and tin ware, they have fine cutlery and are selling their well assorted stock at very nominal figures. The members of this new firm are well-known in this part of the country, and are reliable business men, conducting their business affairs with the greatest fairness. As a side line they have a fine stock of air rifles, which would be just the thing for a Christmas gift to the boys, they have good action and will allow accurate aim.

S. H. Boyer, Livery, Boarding and Sale Stables.

A well appointed livery stable is absolutely necessary, and we have it at Mr. S. H. Boyer's place. Mr. Boyer has comfortable rigs, single or double, gives you any kind of horse you desire, has a great variety of vehicles, and can certainly suit your tastes. He can furnish commercial travelers with just what they require and can furnish a horse gentle enough for family use or fast enough for a race. Patronize him.

Roeder & Wright.

This enterprising firm have made wonderful improvements during the last year and are now carrying a stock of genuine and well assorted jewelry. They handle new goods and order frequently. For anything in holiday presents or durable, lasting gifts patronize this firm.

Their store is on East street and you will find it filled with desirable goods. Novelties in jewelry also handled.

Knudten Bros.

This double store and emporium of furniture and house furnishing goods is one of the finest in this part of Illinois. It has a varied stock of house furniture large and small, stoves, bedsteads everything that is signified by furniture business. The firm is composed of very agreeable men and they do the square thing offering you good goods at moderate terms. Pianos are a special feature of their business and they sell the best makes at prices which will certainly suit you. Their holiday assortment of presents is always desirable.

Mrs. C. A. Cooke.

Mrs. Cooke on Prairie avenue conducts a well stocked millinery store, where you can find millinery in season and in style. Mrs. Cooke offers bargains in her line and has a reliable and new stock. Her clearing sale of trimmed hats is now in progress.

S. Bloom.

This enterprising gentleman has a double store which is fully stocked with a variety of goods in different lines and which is well named the Bazaar. He has a large assortment and is ordering frequently. His store-rooms in the Kepingler block are full of dry goods, clothing, groceries, crockery, tin-ware, novelties and a variety of bargains are offered the purchaser. Patronize him.