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### NEW YEAR CONCERT.

The Sunday Evening Club Choir Gives a Very Successful Concert under the Direction of Mr. Oscar Gordon Erickson.

On Wednesday evening, January 1st, Dwight musical circles were accorded a great treat by the concert of the Chicago Sunday Evening Club Choir which was given at the Methodist Church. The programme was as follows:

Concert Overture, in C Minor.....Hollins  
Mrs. Katherine Howard-Ward  
By Babylon's Wave.....Gounod  
The Choir  
My Love Is Like the Red, Red Rose..... Mae Dermid  
Uncle Rome..... Homer  
Tom O'Devon..... Russell  
Mr. William Beard  
Cherubim Song (from the Church Russian)..... Tschakowsky  
The Choir

(a) List the Cherubic Hosts (from the Holy City)..... Gaul  
Miss Allen, Mr. Beard and Women's Chorus  
(b) A Joyful Christmas Song.....Gevaert  
The Choir

Love's Symphony.....Huhn  
Winds in the Trees.....Thomas  
Banjo Song.....Homer  
Mrs. Rose Lutiger Gannon  
The Omnipotence.....Schubert  
Miss Allen and the Choir  
(Intermission)

Faschingschwauk, auf Wien (First Movement).....Schumann  
Mr. Edgar A. Nelson  
Evening Hymn.....Reinecke-White  
Mr. Miller and the Choir

Love's Echo.....Newton  
The Little Pink Rose.....Bond  
Spring's Singing.....Mac Sabyen  
Miss Leanoire Allen  
Your Thankful Songs Upraise (Jubilee Cantata).....Weber  
The Choir

Awakening.....Mason  
Krishna.....Branscombe  
Ecstasy.....Rummel  
Mr. John B. Miller  
Blessed Be Thou Lord God of Israel.....Matthews  
The Choir

There were forty-eight in the company including the soloists and accompanists. The members of the choir wore black surplices, thus presenting a uniform appearance.

The entry of Mr. Oscar Gordon Erickson was the signal for an enthusiastic round of applause. Dwight was evidently glad to welcome him once more, recognizing, as the audience did, what he had done for the musical development of the village. It is needless to say that Mr. Erickson directed the programme efficiently and fearfully.

The large and enthusiastic audience which was present welcomed the soloists in a hearty manner also, most of whom had already established their reputations in Dwight, not to say other places. Mrs. Rose Lutiger Gannon, Mr. John B. Miller and Mr. William Beard, as well as the other soloists, met with warm receptions. While there were no encores, due no doubt to the fact that the programme was a long one, the audience evidently desired some, judging by the applause with which each number was greeted. Miss Leonora Allen was never in Dwight before, but she created a very favorable impression by the manner in which she took care of the numbers assigned to her. Particular mention should also be made of Mr. Edgar A. Nelson, the pianist. Mr. Nelson's accompaniment was as near perfect as could be; while performing all the duties that an accompanist should, at the same time his work was unobtrusive and no attempt made to make it more conspicuous than the occasion demanded. Mr. Beard's rendering of his numbers was sympathetic and expressive and all were well received.

The selections rendered by the choir, notwithstanding the commendation they had received elsewhere, were surprisingly good and it is easy to understand how much this organization contributes to the success of the Sunday Evening Club. The voices were good and there was no part neglected; the trite term "well balanced" would apply admirably to that body; the sopranos, altos, tenors and basses all being well represented, there was none of the obscurity which sometimes is found in similar organizations. The parts were all well sustained, and each singer sang with sympathy and expression; it was particularly noticeable how responsive and well drilled the chorus was and how completely Mr. Erickson had them under control.

This concert and the opportunity to hear this choir was as we have said, a great musical treat and adds another to the list of Mr. Erickson's successes with our musical people. There was a large audience present, including a number of people from out of town; after the concert closed there was no criticism but on the other hand an abundance of unstinted praise.

### WILLIAM MORRIS HOME

#### PARTIALLY DESTROYED.

Firemen Battle Bravely Against Fire and Smoke to Save Residence.

Last Saturday about 12:45 o'clock the residence of William Morris, on West Chippewa street, was partially ruined by fire. Mr. Morris and family were seated at the table eating dinner when they discovered that the roof of their house was on fire.

The alarm was immediately sent in and the fire bell was sounded which soon gathered a large crowd to the scene.

Many assisted in saving all the furniture that was possible, but owing to the smoke and heat very little was taken from the second floor until after the fire and it was then practically ruined.

The fire company responded quickly to the call and only after they had battled for nearly an hour were they able to get control of the fire which had a good start and was fanned by a strong south wind.

The upper part of the house, which is a two story frame, was ruined but the insurance carried on it will put it in first class condition again.

The cause of the fire was thought to be a fallen spark from the chimney.

NOTES OF THE FIRE.  
Several people who volunteered to help the fire company fight the fire were only rewarded by having their overcoats which they had taken off stolen by some unknown person. Also a number of articles were stolen from the Morris furniture after it had been taken from the burning house. Such work as this is certainly a disgrace to the town, and if necessary plenty of police protection should be used on such occasions.

### SCHOOL OPENED THURSDAY.

Teachers and Children All Enjoyed a Week's Vacation.

The public schools of this city opened on Thursday morning, January 2, after being closed for the past week for the Christmas vacation. The weather has been fine during the holiday season and the children and teachers both have thoroughly enjoyed the week's rest.

Many of the teachers who spent the holidays at their homes in other cities returned here Wednesday and with the teachers of this city were ready to take up the work of the New Year.

During the middle of this month the first semi-annual examination will be conducted.

### ENTERTAINS CHILDREN.

Matinee Given in Opera House Tuesday Afternoon by Mrs. Oughton Enjoyed by Large Number.

The children's matinee at the Opera House Tuesday was a great success. The weather was fine, the pictures were good, the children adorable, and if enthusiasm and bright faces mean anything, they all had a good time. Mrs. Oughton wishes to express her appreciation of the ladies who so ably assisted her in looking after the comforts of the little ones.

### PRIVATE DANCE.

Third Dance of Series Given Last Friday Evening.

The third dance of the private series was given in Mazon Hall by the Dwight Private Dancing Club last Friday evening. A large number were present and enjoyed the pleasures of the evening immensely.

Sweet's orchestra, of Joliet, furnished excellent music for the occasion.

The out of town guests were Harold Hansen, of Chicago; Miss Bailey, of Peoria; Miss Florence Elsie, Miss Margaret Young and Miss Evelyn Morgan, of Pontiac; Miss Hossack, of Odell, and the Misses Steger, of near Campus.

### Letter from the Hetzels.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26, '12.  
STAR AND HERALD, Dwight, Ill.

Dear Dwightites:—We do not wish to get on without your newsy paper and therefore enclose M. O. for \$1.50 for 1913, to above address.

While your young people are skating on ice and make sleighbells jingle ours use roller skates and autos, of the latter of which we have difficulty in keeping out of the way when crossing streets. There must be about 90,000 in this state; saw license number over 87,500. Christmas shopping was equal to what I found it in Chicago.

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