

ANNOUNCEMENT

The organization Committee of the SPENCER HAY PRESS COMPANY wishes to announce that application has been made for a Charter and that stock subscription will now be received by the members of this Committee. An appraisal of the stock and machinery has been made and reported by the Coats & Burchard Co., showing actual market value of approximately \$70,000.00. Only enough additional will be required to construct buildings, and those desiring stock should subscribe at once. In the event that more stock is subscribed for than will be issued the stock will be apportioned pro rata. The par value of the stock will be \$100.00 per share. This is the first opportunity that the people of Dwight and vicinity have had to purchase stock in a home grown institution which has been built up here from a small beginning to a large money-making institution. All of the officers, directors, etc. will be local men of unquestionable standing and the success of the Company is practically assured.

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SCHOOL NEWS

All but ten are absent from the first grade this week.

Excellent tomahawks were modeled of clay in the second grade this week. Christian Jensen left the sixth grade this week for the remainder of the school year.

The six grade learned the poem "Sir Lark and King Sun," by George McDonald, the past week.

The history work in the sixth grade this week has been the review of the stories of Joliet and Marquette, La Salle and James Wolfe.

The seventh grade is now studying "wheat" and the process of converting that cereal into flour. An exhibit sent by the Gold Medal Flour Co., is being used.

The seventh grade history classes have taken, as supplementary work, the canals of the United States, and are studying the progress of states, as a result of these improvements.

The third grade in the second room is making a study of the surface of the earth and its relation to rivers and river systems. The study leads to lessons on transportation, water supply, water power and drainage.

The third grade children in second room are making booklets containing all the poems they have learned during the first three years. The poems are all written from memory, and this makes necessary the correct spelling of every word, giving good drill in both spelling and penmanship.

The grades will give a May Festival on the high school lawn, Thursday afternoon, May 29, at 2 o'clock. We would like to see 400 parents and friends present. Come and see the children enjoy themselves. Following is the program:

- Chorus—Boys of 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Grades.
- Dumb Bell Drill—Boys of 3rd and 4th Grades.
- Wreath Drill—Girls of 1st and 2nd Grade, West Side.
- Games—
 - 1. Lads and Lassies.
 - 2. The Tree's Friends.
 - 3. Greeting Song.
 - 4. German Folk Dance.
- Flag Drill—2nd Grade, East Side.
- Fairy Dance—Girls of 3rd and 4th Grade.
- Games—Girls and Boys of 3rd and 4th Grade.
- Folk Dances—Second Grade, East Side.
 - 1. Morning Greeting.
 - 2. Shoemaker's Dance.
- Chorus—Boys, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Grades.

(We intended to have this on May 1, but had to postpone it, on account of the great numbers absent because of the measles.)

West Side Notes.

The second room has a fine new border of swallows. They look alive.

The second graders made some very fine bird houses in their construction work this week.

The farmers of the west side are the second graders. They have planted corn, oats, beans and peas in their sand table. They expect to reap a very good crop.

High School.
The two literary societies of the high school will give a Declamatory Contest at the Opera House Thursday evening, May 29. Admission is 10 cents. Come out and see which society can win. Medals for winners are in E. B. Lewis' jewelry store windows. Following is the program:

DECLAMATORY CONTEST—OPERA HOUSE, MAY 29, 1913.

- 1. Music, Serenade (Franz Schubert)—Girls' Glee Club.
- 2. Lady Jocelyn (from "To Have and to Hold")—Agnes Korsgaard.
- 3. The High Hat at the Theatre—Icy Orr.
- 4. With Boots On—May Judge.
- 5. A Few Bars in the Key of G—Harold Brown.
- 6. The Living Song (Franz Abt)—Girls' Glee Club.
- 7. Dolores and the King (from "In the Palace of the King")—Rebecca Taylor.
- 8. "Ask and It Shall be Given"—Dorothy Baker.

The Benedicts are represented by Harold Brown, Rebecca Taylor and Agnes Korsgaard and the Bernicians by Icy Orr, Dorothy Baker and May Judge.

The last program of the year. Joint literary program, high school, June 2, 1913:

- 1. Piano Solo.....Lillian Peterson
 - 2. How Spud Drove Old Ironsides....
 - 3. Handy Andy at the Post Office..... Hazel Ely
 - 4. The Value of Public Speaking in the High School..... Ruth Peterson
 - 5. The Mother..... Esther Knudsen
 - 6. Piano Solo.....Walter Empie
- Debate—Resolved that Boys are a greater Expense in the Family than Girls.
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LETTER FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. Arthur Halse, a Dwight Boy, Writes of His New Work in Historic City.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 16, '13.
Mr. Wm. G. Dustin:—

In view of your long, untiring service in the printing business and your knowledge of the doings of the masters of that craft, you will perhaps be interested in knowing something of the organization with which I am connected, namely The Printers Board of Trade and Typothetae of Philadelphia.

This Typothetae holds the banner for having the largest membership of all the locals and is one of the oldest, having been chartered twenty-five years. The Board of Trade is also one of the oldest and largest, its origin dating back thirteen years. These two organizations are now under the same management and are planning an amalgamation which will be consummated by June first, under the Typothetae charter.

In the Board of Trade we operate a Credit and Collection Bureau; a Labor Bureau for supplying our members with competent help and the workmen with positions; a Publicity Department, of which I am in charge, for keeping the trade journals and the trade in general in touch with our many general activities; a Cost Accounting Department which has evolved, in the estimation of the eastern printers at least, a cost system which is unsurpassed in simplicity and efficiency, and which also installs this system and does other accounting work for the trade; an Estimating Department which makes and checks estimates for our members, conducts a school of estimating and printing office efficiency and endeavors in other ways to assist the printers to obtain a right price for their work. We arbitrate disputes that arise from time to time between our members, endeavor to correct trade abuses and assist wherever we can in the uplift of the printing trade.

The Board is divided into six divisions: the Master Printers, composed of the smaller shops, operating not more than one cylinder; the Manufacturing Printers, the larger shops; and the Bookbinders, Electrotypers, Machine Composition and the Paper Trades Branches.

In order to keep our members always supplied with the latest and best there is to be obtained and keep them from losing interest we have lectures by prominent printers, type founders, and other supply men of more than local prominence. We conduct outings of pleasurable and instructive nature and serve "get together" luncheons. The 25th of April we conducted an

outing to Jersey City, New Jersey, where we were entertained by the American Type Founders Co. by a trip through their foundry and lunch in their dining rooms. Leaving Jersey City we continued on to New York and attended in a body, the Advertising, Printing and Allied Arts Exposition in the Grand Central Palace. Many of the party remained in New York over Sunday. The 14th of June we are going to hold an all day picnic at historic Valley Forge, and are already making plans for fifteen day trip by rail and water to the United Typothetae Convention at New Orleans in October.

We have recently moved our headquarters and now occupy a five story brick building which was at one time a fine residence. The entire first floor is devoted to the offices; the second floor to a beautiful library and club room and board meeting room; a dining room where lunch is served every noon and suppers and banquets when desired, and the kitchen occupy the third floor. The fourth floor is made into one large meeting room and the fifth floor will probably be converted into a billiard room. This being the first printers organization to operate a club of this scope, the interest manifested by the trade throughout this section is not small.

This quaint old town is full of historical interest and the people are actuated by a reverence and patriotism that is more or less concealed in the western states. It is considered almost a crime to tear down any old building that was in any way connected with the stirring times made memorable by the fathers of our country, and you will find Independence Hall, the Betsy Ross House, Christ Church and countless other famous buildings intact, exactly as they were when in use during the Revolution. In Christ Church the pews occupied by George and Martha Washington, LaFayette, Benjamin Franklin, William Penn, Betsy Ross and many other notables are marked with bronze tablets and the church is still in daily use. Benjamin Franklin was on the committee that built this church and it was his intention to try his experiments with his kite from the steeple.

I could write indefinitely about the wonderful things of this old town, its narrow streets, the Naval Yard with its squadron of battle ships, United States mint, ship building yards, locomotive works, ocean liners, and about the cities and towns I have visited near here, notably New York, Atlantic City, Chester, Germantown and Camden, but I fear I have transgressed on your powers of indulgence already. So, with kindest regards to you, Mr.

Holbrook and Dwight in general, I will close.
Sincerely,
ARTHUR F. HAISE.
1116 Girard Street.

Advertised Letters.
List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Dwight, County of Livingston, State of Illinois, unclaimed May 22, 1913.

To obtain any of the following letters, call for Advertised Letters, giving date of list.

- If not delivered will be sent to dead letter office June 5, 1913.
 - 1. Collara Francesco di Domiana
 - 2. Collara Francesco di Domiana (Foreign)
 - 3. Macey, Miss
 - 4. Wilkey, Mrs. John
- Wm. G. DUSTIN, Postmaster.

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