

THE LODGES OF DWIGHT

This City Has Many Fraternal Organizations, Beneficial, Social and Patriotic—List Follows

Fraternity creates a bond that makes mankind akin. The golden chain of fraternal love links together in strong embrace the membership of any organization.

Dwight is blessed with a large number of splendid fraternal lodges, whose precepts and principles embrace the mighty teachings of friendship, charity, benevolence, love, truth, loyalty and patriotism. These local lodges are all in a flourishing and prosperous condition, many of them having large memberships, and many of them being beneficial, carrying sick and death benefits, which in time of need and distress prove to be very helpful.

The Dwight Lodge of the Masonic order meets in Larsen Hall every first and third Monday of each month. The head officer is called the Worshipful Master, and is Mr. Julius M. Wright; the Secretary is Mr. Frank Ford, who has held this office for the past thirty years.

Affiliated with the Masonic lodge is the Order of Eastern Star, the ladies' organization, which meets the second and fourth Fridays of each month in Larsen's Hall. Mrs. H. C. Rosendahl is Worthy Matron, and the Secretary is Mrs. S. C. Wilkinson.

The Odd Fellows of this city meet in Odd Fellows Hall every Thursday evening. Mr. Albert Nelson is the Noble Grand, and Mr. Martin Nelson, the Secretary. In connection with this order is an organization known as the Encampment, the representative body in Dwight of which is Pacific Encampment No. 125, I. O. O. F., which meets in Odd Fellows Hall the second and fourth Monday of each month. The highest office, Chief Patriarch, is held by Mr. Carl Erickson, and the Scribe is Mr. Albert Grahn.

The ladies organization connected with the Odd Fellows is known as the Daughters of Rebekah. They meet each first and third Tuesday of the month in Odd Fellows Hall. The present Noble Grand is Mrs. Etta Brown, and Mr. Albert Grahn is Secretary.

The Knights of Pythias, a beneficial as well as social organization, has a large representation in Dwight. The lodge meets every Wednesday night in Larsen's Hall, and the Chancellor Commander is Mr. Clyde Thompson, with

Mr. John B. Hayes as Keeper of Records and Seals.

Affiliated with them is their auxiliary known as the Pythian Sisters. They meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, and their head officer is Mrs. Jos. Wright, called the Most Excellent Chief, with Mrs. Wm. Hoffman, as Mistress of Records and Seals.

The Modern Woodman, an insurance organization, meets the second and fourth Tuesdays in Larsen's Hall. The head officers are: Venerable Consul, Mr. T. E. Weary; Clerk, Mr. Edw. M. Hoffman.

The Royal Neighbors is the sister organization of the Woodman lodge, and meets the first and third Tuesdays in Larsen Hall, with Mrs. Chadz Bell as Oracle, and Mrs. Robt. Orr as Recorder. The women's lodge is also a beneficial one.

The Grand Army of the Republic is a patriotic organization, composed of those who gave life, health and strength for the saving of our great nation. Thus it cannot be recruited like other organizations can, and in time, as these grand old men answer to the last Roll-call, the order will pass out of existence, and the name, Grand Army of the Republic, will be but a memory. The Dwight Post is few in numbers, the membership becoming less each year, but the "old boys" still hold occasional meetings in Odd Fellows Hall, and gather for social occasions with the other patriotic organizations of the town. The Commander of the Post is Mr. E. O. Welsh, and the Adjutant is Mr. W. B. Brown.

The order of Sons of Veterans is also a patriotic organization, founded for the purpose of keeping green the memories of their fathers. The Dwight Camp meets the first Friday of each month in Odd Fellows Hall.

The Commander is Mr. Elmer M. Seabert and the Secretary-Treasurer is Mr. Louis A. Weicker.

The ladies organization connected with the Sons is called the Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, and they also meet the first Friday evening of each month. Mrs. Maud Seabert is the President, and Mrs. Etta Brown the Secretary. The new president for the

coming year will be Mrs. Annie Graham.

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic organization and meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in K. of C. Hall. The Grand Knight is Mr. Austin Gibbons, and Mr. M. Halloran is Secretary.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians is also a Catholic organization and meets the first Sunday of each month in K. of C. Hall. Mr. J. W. Dawson is President and the Secretary is Mr. Wm. Carey.

The Maccabees is also an insurance organization and the meeting night is the fourth Friday of each month, Mickelson's Hall. M. J. Bagnell is the Commander and R. L. Pierce is the Secretary.

The Court of Honor is an insurance organization paying death benefits; no regular meetings are held. Mr. Will Morris is Chancellor, and Mr. George Baker Recorder.

The Danish Brotherhood is also a fraternal organization and meets in Mickelson's Hall the second and fourth Thursdays. Mr. Carl Clausen is President, and Mr. Andrew Broodersen is Secretary.

Their auxiliary is known as the Danish Sisterhood, which meets the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. Mrs. N. K. Nelson is the President, and Mrs. L. C. Nelson the Secretary.

S. of V. Elect Officers.

At a meeting of the S. of V. Auxiliary held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Boyer recently election of officers were held as follows:

President—Mrs. Annie Graham.
Vice President—Miss Bessie Baker.
Treasurer—Miss Bonnie Baker.
Secretary—Miss Jennie Thole.
Guide—Miss Irma Jones.
Asst. Guide—Miss Hazel Scott.
Chaplain—Mrs. Nellie Tanner.
Patriotic Instructor—Mrs. Charlotte Holbrook.
Inside Guard—Miss Mary Dunlop.
Outside Guard—Miss Edith Welch.
Pianist—Mrs. Etta Brown.
Trustees—Mrs. Kitty Boyer, Mrs. Sigourney Cummings, Mrs. Etta Brown.

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There were 165 in attendance at the Methodist Sabbath School service last Sunday morning. Were you there? Come out tomorrow any way. We want an attendance of 280.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ELECT OFFICERS.

One of Dwight's Largest Fraternal Lodges Hold Annual Election of Officers, Followed by Social Evening.

On Wednesday night of this week at their Castle Hall, Hebron Lodge No. 175, Knights of Pythias, elected their officers for the ensuing term. The following officers were elected:

C. C.—Clyde H. Thompson.
V. C.—O. H. Wilson.
Prelate—Edw. Kirkendall.
M. of W.—J. E. Garrett.
M. of E.—Frank Reeb.
M. of F.—W. C. Bell.
M. of A.—Lester Reeb.
K. of R. & S.—J. B. Hayes.
Inner Guard—Marion Drew.
Outer Guard—Martin Swanson.
Trustee—J. E. Garrett.
Pianist—Leslie Short.
Caterer—Geo. N. Flagler.

After the election a lunch was served in the banquet room and a good time was enjoyed by the many present. The Knights of Pythias as an order have been coming to the front in Dwight with rapid strides the past year. Within the last two weeks nineteen applications for membership had been received, and a number of others have signified their desire and intention of becoming members in the near future. The Knights now have a good live bunch of young members and some of the other fraternal orders had best look to their laurels or they will be outdistanced by the Knights. This year the District Convention will be held in Dwight, and already the local lodge of Knights are planning a good time for that occasion, which will be on February 11th.

Club Entertained in Honor of Mrs. Geo. C. Jenkins, of Dwight.

On Friday evening, Nov. 28, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Erft entertained the Formal Club at their home in Momenca in honor of Mrs. Geo. C. Jenkins of this city, the latter's mother.

Mrs. Erft was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Thos. Upham.

Progressive 500 was the enjoyment of the evening. Later in the evening a delicious two-course luncheon was served consisting of deviled sandwiches, olives and pickles and cocoa. Ice cream was served in grape fruit cups covered with candied cherries also cream puffs. Mrs. Geo. Jenkins won the honors by carrying away the highest score.

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Share Your Fortune

AMID all the happiness and joys of the merry Christmas season think of those less fortunate—of those on whom the sun of plenty has failed to shine during the past twelve months. Think of the heart-ache that will be theirs on Christmas morning; think of the tear stained eyes of the little children weeping because Santa Claus could not call at their homes. Half of your pleasure at Christmas will be derived from making others happy, from sharing your good fortune and sowing seeds of kindness wherever you happen to be on Christmas day. Give something, be it ever so trifling, to the little child to whom Christmas otherwise would mean nothing. You can keep tears of sorrow from those eyes and brighten the day a hundredfold for yourself. Try it.

FORMER DWIGHT RESIDENT DEAD.

Henry Roeder Passes Away at His Home in Streator.

Mr. Henry Roeder, who was a Dwight resident a good many years ago, living on his farm south of town which a year or so ago was purchased by Mr. Chris Paulson, died at his home in Streator Thursday of last week. He was related to the Kelches of this city and also to the Roeders.

Henry Roeder was born May 7, 1842, at Langenstein Kries Kirchhain, Germany, and died Nov. 27, 1913, at Streator, Ill. As a boy of 18 years he came to America locating first at Peru, Ill. Later he went to Chicago, where he was married to Miss Anna Catherine Weber, but who was called by the Angel of Death a few years after.

In 1871 he was married to Wilhelmina Schwenke, locating then on a farm at Forest, Ill. In 1872 he moved to Dwight on a farm one mile south of Dwight.

In the year 1884 he moved to Streator, Ill., remaining there until his death.

He is survived by his sorrowing

widow, and children, Anna, Henry and Esther, at home, Daniel at the old homestead, and Ferdinand a mile west of Streator; 11 grand children, 3 brothers and 3 sisters, and a large circle of relatives and friends. One daughter preceded him in death.

The funeral was held Sunday in Streator.

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