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DWIGHT.

The home of 2,500 of the best people on earth. Twenty miles from Pontiac and twenty miles from Morris, twenty miles from Streator and thirty miles from Kankakee. Splendid territory for trade in every direction.

Dwight is surrounded by as good farm land as there is in the world, and the farmers are up-to-date and successful.

Dwight has splendid public schools, well conducted and well patronized. Dwight has beautiful churches of almost all denominations.

Dwight has liberal merchants and business men who command trade for miles around.

Dwight is seventy-four miles southwest of Chicago, and has fine railroad and shipping facilities—the Chicago & Alton, the C. I. & S., and the Peoria Branch.

Dwight has a fine printing plant, not excelled anywhere and newspapers which cover the north half of Livingston county and the south half of Grundy county and for twenty miles east and west. We publish news from Livingston, Grundy, Kankakee, La Salle and other counties. Our advertisers reap rewards and we make a living. Our circulation is reaching close to the 2,000 mark. We print anything any printing office prints. Our paper is \$1.50 a year, absolutely in advance, and you don't have to worry about it being continued after the time is up, because it will be stopped promptly if you don't pay after being notified by us that your time has expired, just the same as if you were taking a big daily.

We cordially invite strangers to locate in Dwight, and all the people to trade with our business men and to call at our office or call us up and tell us your troubles. Local and Long Distance Phone No. 7.

All of our one hundred exchanges contained lots of holiday advertising and many of them contained extra pages. The newspaper is fast becoming the most popular way of reaching the people.

Among the many exchanges we receive the following issued very creditable holiday numbers: The Momenue Press-Reporter, Sycamore Republican, Washington Post and News, El Paso Journal, Harvard Herald, Odell Gazette and Reporter.

Free trade always results in a bankrupt treasury, labor generally out of work and out of wages, money hard to obtain even at big interest, dependence upon the outside world for support, and no money to buy with. History has proved it. Protection has always given us work and wages, individual and national greatness and independence.—Henry Republican.

The Dwight Star and Herald office last week got out a thirty-two page paper. In the writer's opinion it was the handsomest and best printed paper ever issued in Livingston county. While the Dwight office is equipped with a linotype and fast press yet no one but a printer can appreciate the amount of work connected with getting out a thirty-two page paper in a country office.—Cullom Chronicle.

Thirty-two pages instead of the regular twelve pages were used in the edition of the Star and Herald, published at Dwight, Ill., last week, the edition being a special holiday number replete with events of the local and state fields. Dustin & Holbrook own and edit the Star and Herald, which is a distinct credit to Dwight and Livingston county because it is one of the best conducted weekly papers in Illinois.—Harvard Herald.

The Chicago Tribune, from all reports, has engaged Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, former superintendent of schools in Chicago, to conduct an educational department. The Tribune is simply foxy and it will be difficult to make anyone believe that the Tribune cares anything for Mrs. Young any further than they can use her for their selfish aims. Mrs. Young will not gain anything in popularity by being in the employ of the Tribune.

The State Food Commission has called the attention of the housewife to one excellent substitute for eggs as an edible of every day use. It is the humble bean that receives this attention and the commission declares that for five cents one can buy enough beans to equal a dozen eggs in nourishment. During the winter season when the cook stove is kept hot most of the day it is an easy matter to have a pot of beans in the bake oven and with a slice or two of pork covering them they may be baked for one dinner and the process repeated for the next day, the beans improving with each baking. With a little sugar added to placate the taste of children the bean becomes an important element in the sustenance of a family—nutritious, wholesome and inexpensive. Fortunately the market this season abounds in an excellent quality of this useful article of food.—Pantagraph.

The value of the road drag as a maker of hard roads is clearly and unequivocally demonstrated on a section of road in Saratoga township along the old homestead of the late J. D. McVicker. The tenant on his farm, Breese Spangler, has continuously and intelligently worked the

road along the farm with a road drag until now at all seasons of the year and under all circumstances the roads are fine. Any one who has kept hogs in numbers will know how hard and smooth the earth becomes about the edge of a wallowing hole, almost as hard and smooth as a piece of concrete. Just on the same principle is the use of a road drag when repeatedly used when the surface of the earth is wet. By smoothing down again and again, the surface becomes puddled, almost impervious to water. Under such conditions if surface drains are kept open a good road is made of either clay or the black muck soil. It is in this manner Mr. Spangler has made along the farm he rents one of the best roads in Marshall county. Praise be to his name and kind.—Henry Republican.

The Marshall County Democrat says: "It is a noticeable fact that the railroads of the country are receiving very little sympathy in their fight to increase rates. There is a general sentiment of opposition to railroads in all parts of the country, and they themselves are wholly to blame for it. Instead of the average railroad being run for the convenience of the public, it appears to have no interest at all in their welfare, strange as the assertion may sound. Take it right here in Lacon, for instance. For months the people of this city have been practically isolated from the rest of the world while the new bridge is being constructed. It would have been an easy matter for the Alton to have arranged its train schedule so that passengers could have gone to Peoria on the morning train and returned in the evening and the same is true of Chicago. That the railroad would thus have received a liberal patronage from our people there is not the shadow of a doubt. And the chances are that once the people of our city formed the habit of going to these places on the Alton they would have continued to patronize the road even after the new bridge was completed. The lay mind cannot but marvel at such short sighted policy on the part of a corporation that is supposed to be up to snuff, and that one would naturally suppose would be alive to turn a dollar at every point."

This paper has never been against railroads, but on the other hand, favors them. There is no question but they have made this country. They have opened up a vast domain of territory all over the country, and there is more money invested in railroad enterprise than anything, and today we believe, the investment brings the smallest dividends of any big business.

ness. For years the legislatures of the country have handicapped the roads, and reduced their income and at the same time the increased cost of maintenance, and the demand of labor has increased their expenses. It is a fact that \$10,000 invested in a railroad will not pay near as much as the same amount invested in almost any business in the country. These are facts, but the railroads are to blame to some extent by unbusiness-like policies. They often handicap the people they depend upon for support and seem to be short sighted in their policies. While Dwight probably does not amount to so very much in the whole patronage of the Chicago & Alton, it has surely been one of the best feeders along the line and as a unit deserves consideration. For several years the service in and out of Chicago has been good, but all of a sudden, with no warning and without the slightest consideration for the people, every fast train into Chicago from 2:55 p. m. to the same time the next day, was ordered not to stop. There may be some good reason for this, but five minutes difference in the arrival of trains into Chicago would make mighty little difference to anyone, and that's about what a stop here would mean. Is that good business policy? Even the Hummer, the Kansas City train north in the morning, goes through about thirty or forty miles an hour, and we understand they even refuse to sell tickets from Kansas City to Dwight for through service, and that passengers have to go to Chicago or get off at some station, and wait three or four hours and get here the best they can. Is that business? The Branch train comes into Dwight about ten minutes after the Peoria State goes south and passengers have to wait here about two hours for the red train south. Is that business? Why, if a local business man conducted his business along such lines, he wouldn't last a month, and still a railroad wonders why they get unpopular with the people. Is it any wonder legislatures and most everybody takes a whack at them. Gentlemen of the railroads, as big as your business is, it is none too big to be criticised and you are none too big to be fair, and if you are not you'll be the sufferers in the end. We can all walk if we have to.

GET TOGETHER.

Progressive party leaders in the national campaign of a year ago like Frank A. Munsey, editor of many daily papers and publisher of Munsey's Magazine; Wm. A. Prendergast of New York, who placed Col. Roosevelt's name in nomination for the presidency at the Progressive nation-

al convention in Chicago; and Dan R. Hanna, son of the late Mark Hanna and editor of the Cleveland Daily Leader, have announced their intention of returning to the Republican party and uniting with it in future campaigns. The signs everywhere point to a union of the two parties—the Republicans and Progressives—to the end that a united front may be presented in the next national campaign.—Harvard Herald.

TARIFF A FAILURE.

Hon. Fred A. Britten, in the current issue of the "Reflector," calls attention to the fact that the Wilson-Underwood bill has failed to meet the expectation of the Democrats by reducing living costs and has been a bitter disappointment to the public. "Many of us," he says, "have received letters direct from British manufacturers saying frankly that they are now able to enter the American market and their goods can be seen at such and such places. Isn't it plain enough, even for a blind man, that every bit of the foreign-made stuff not previously sold in the United States represents that much less work for our own toilers? We are certainly not going to buy more, and if we buy foreign-made goods, some American manufacturers must be short that much business, and some American workmen losing that much labor. "Don't think the American wholesalers are making more money than previously by pocketing the difference in the tariff and keeping prices just where they were. The foreigners are too foxy to let the difference pass out of their own hands. In other words the American tailors handling high-grade goods if the English makers haven't raised their prices since the Wilson tariff became operative. So the German cutlery manufacturers, who are selling vastly more goods in America since this Democratic tariff, have raised their prices. "The Democrats have been mighty kind to the foreign manufacturer and the foreign workman, but it is at the expense of Americans. No wonder the British are enthusiastic about Woodrow Wilson. They say he's the greatest president since Lincoln."

Get acquainted ladies, with the Hastings cabinet. Glad to explain it to you, at the West Side Furniture Co.—Adv.

A real "Comfort Rocker" of the "Taylor" quality will please the parents for Christmas, and make them happy indefinitely. Sold only at C. M. Baker & Son's.—Adv.

THAT REMINDS US

That a good plan for the kind husband to follow, if he expects to get a present, is to see that the family has the money.

That someone says "It's a pretty bad citizen who cannot get a good obituary notice." Yes, but suppose the newspaper and minister told the truth?

That we are very sorry that Mona Lisa is found. We were in hopes she would remain in seclusion and keep off the first page for awhile.

That Ella Flagg Young, Joe Tinker and Mona Lisa appear to have the floor at present.

A ladies' or gent's traveling bag makes a useful Christmas gift. Frank Reeb & Sons.—Adv.

Sanitary base raises cabinet from the floor—easy to sweep under. West Side Furniture Co. sell it.—Adv.

We handle Palmers complete line of perfumes and toilet articles in Xmas packages. O'Malley's Pharmacy.—Adv.

Time will show the difference in the wear of silver and the color of glass. Products handled by us are of the best and have stood the test for years. E. B. Lewis.—Adv.



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