

## TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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always circumscribed by the existing needs of the present hour only, all progress would cease.

The maxim of the sage of Concord, "do and dare," is the vital, ethical principle of the age. Ideally located, air and sunshine flood every room and department. The school's proud boast is its perfect system of light and ventilation. Each room is supplied with an automatic heat regulator; when the heat exceeds a certain indicated temperature the metal coils within this delicate instrument expand and automatically act upon a damper, which shuts off the heat; likewise, if too cold the metal contracts and opens a corresponding damper in the boiler room, which forces up the heat.

The program clock in the hall is a weird contrivance, with its electric communication with every room, that sounds all the signals. The sanitation of the building is hygienically perfect. Pleasant environment and perfect equipment make it a pleasure for teachers and pupils alike. The class rooms are all large, bright and airy. The physical, chemical and biological laboratories are superbly equipped with the latest and best scientific apparatus available. In the physical laboratory we find even the X rays, and a system of wireless telegraphy; the chemical laboratory is conceded to be one of the finest and most complete in the United States.

The board room and office are most attractive. A unique feature is the emergency room, with its supply of remedies, to be used in case of accident or sudden illness. The room is comfortably and cozily furnished with every convenience. There is a room for the teachers, where they can rest at noon and enjoy their luncheon in quiet. There is a fine library that has just been scientifically catalogued according to the Dewey system.

There is an excellent art department, where drawing and modeling are taught. In the basement we find a splendidly

equipped gymnasium, with its lockers, dressing rooms and shower. The board is agitating the advisability of installing a lunch counter this term, where the students can be served a warm wholesome luncheon at minimum cost.

The boiler rooms and engines possess great fascination for the mechanical mind.

The school has a "crown jewel" in its janitor, who is a licensed Chicago engineer and electrician, whose faithful and untiring devotion to duty and the interests of the building have won for him the respect and admiration of all.

The manual training shop is also located in the basement. The various tools made by the boys, picture frames, cabinet boxes for laboratory apparatus, and various articles of furniture, even to a quarter-sawed oak chair, all testify to the practical, thorough nature of the work done in the shop. This department has already solved the problem of placing several boys in "the right place," and so much of a boy's future success or failure depends solely upon this—learning, in time, the work for which he is best fitted.

There is a fine lecture room, a finely arranged assembly hall, with its reference library and its embryo collection of historical pictures. The one of Washington bidding farewell to his officers was presented by the North Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; a very fine engraving of Abraham Lincoln is the gift of Edgar M. Snow.

There is an enthusiastic camera club that has done some very creditable work.

Another interesting feature is a wonderful set of relief maps of all countries that are marvelous in their detail.

When we consider that our boys and girls spend ten months of the twelve in the schoolroom, and that a good education is the best equipment that can be furnished them, the citizens, and parents in particular, cannot fail to appreciate the advantage of this model school.

There is an enthusiastic alumni association of seventy-five members, which meets annually. Members of the board are invited

to address them, and following the program is the banquet. This fosters a spirit of comradeship among the members and a spirit of loyalty toward their alma mater.

One need only meet some of these bright boys and girls and hear their enthusiasm and pride in speaking of their school work to realize that the high school is more than worth while.

The school is on the accredited lists of the universities of Wisconsin, Illinois, Lake Forest, Colgate and the Northwestern, and Knox, Beloit, Hamilton and Amherst colleges.

The fall term will open Wednesday, September 10, with Prof. W. A. Wilson as principal. That this is Mr. Wilson's eighth term speaks volumes for his ability as an instructor and organizer, and for the estimation in which he is universally held. Miss Maude G. Stewart enters upon her eleventh year in charge of the departments of science; Mr. Wilson will instruct in mathematics; Miss Ethel Pardee, English history; Miss Adele Easton, Latin, ancient history and girls' physical training; Miss Fannie B. Bliss, French and German; Miss Bradshaw, drawing; James G. Scrugham, shop work and boys' physical training; Miss Eva Emmett Wycoff, singing.

The members of the board of education are as follows; James H. Shields, president; Rev. P. C. Wolcott, secretary; K. R. Smoot, Daniel Pease, Charles E. Schaufler. The township is to be heartily congratulated on its efficient, conscientious corps of teachers and board of directors.

Mr. Wilson and his work are on such thoroughly congenial terms that he cannot fail of success. The school is most fortunate in having a principal who enters mind, heart and soul into his work and the interest of his school. The cordial relations between board and faculty and the faculty and students prove what may be accomplished by harmony and unity of purpose. Fra Ebertus may not always preach to our edification, but that he does occasionally give utterance to a pungent, pithy truth there is no gainsaying. He declares, "It is a great thing to teach. To

give yourself in a way that will inspire others to think, to do, to become—what nobler ambition? The teacher is one who makes two ideas grow where there was only one before." He adds, "Just here seems a good place to say that we live in a very stupid old world, round like an orange and slightly flattened at the poles. The proof of this seeming pessimistic remark, made by a cheerful, hopeful man, lies in the fact that we place small premium in honor or money on the business of the teacher. I will never be quite willing to admit that this country is enlightened until we cease the inane and parsimonious policy of trying to drive all the really strong men and women out of the teaching profession by putting them on the pay roll at one-half the rate, or less, than what the same brains and energy can command elsewhere. In this year of our Lord, 1902, in a time of peace, we have appropriated \$400,000,000 for war and war appliances, and this sum is just double the cost of the entire school system of America. It is not the necessity of economy that dictates our action in this matter of education—we simply are not enlightened. But this thing cannot always last—I look for the time when we shall set apart the best and noblest men and women of earth for teachers, and their compensations will be so adequate that they will be free to give themselves for the benefit of the race. A liberal policy will be for our own good, just as a matter of cold expediency—it will be enlightened self-interest."

### HIGH STREET WAITING STATION.

Mayor Evans and Alderman Everett last Saturday afternoon met with the officials of the electric railway company and selected a site for the new waiting station, which the company purposes to erect at High street for the accommodation of the Moraine guests. Work will begin at once.

### LOST.

Saturday morning, August 2, parcel containing a light tan broadcloth cape, lined with pink silk. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to the Sheridan Road News-Letter.

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