

DEDICATION OF HARMAR SCHOOL

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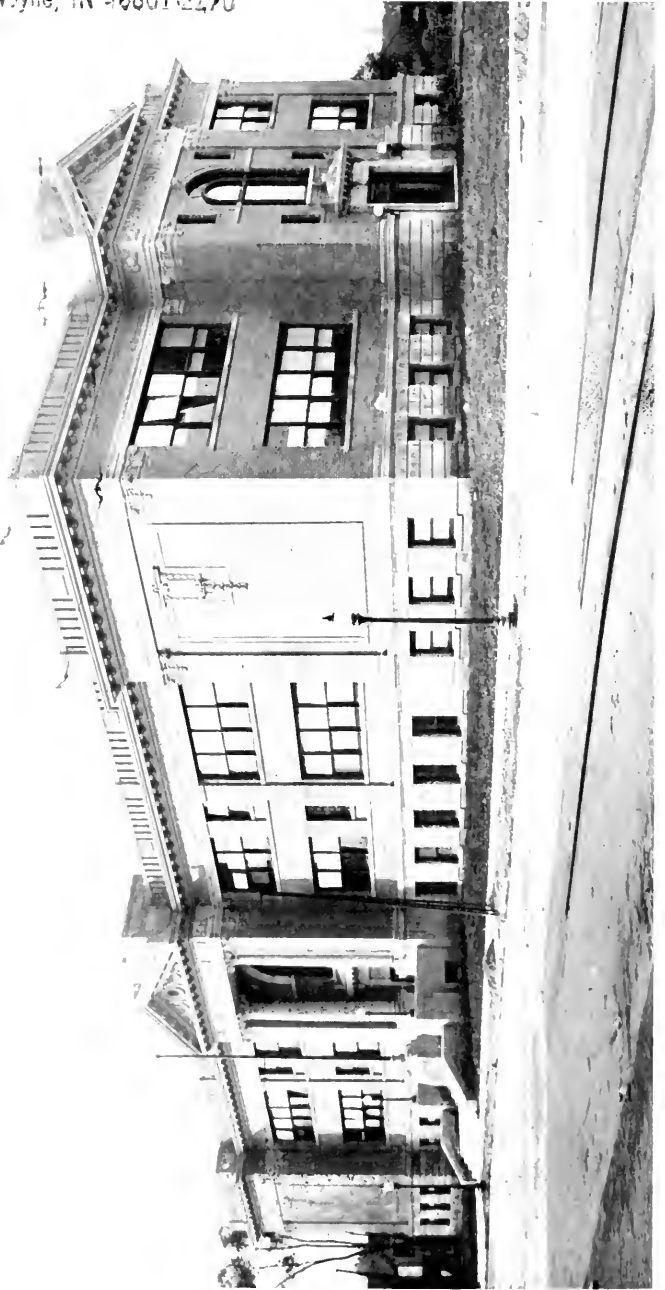
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of
Harmar School

on
Friday, October Twenty-Two
Nineteen Fifteen *



Fort Wayne, Indiana

Franklin County Public Schools
500 Webster Street
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NEW HARMAR SCHOOL

Griffith & Fair, Architects

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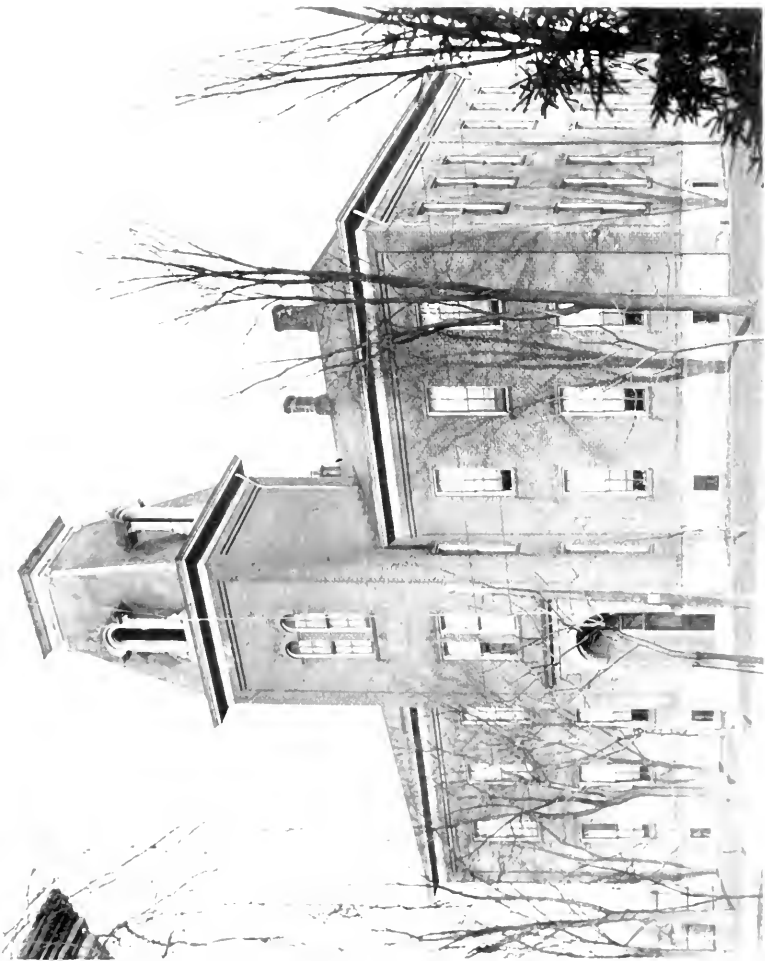
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PROGRAM

Rendered in the Afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 by the
FORT WAYNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ORCHESTRA

Geo. J. Thompson, Director

- Overture—*The Conqueror* R. L. King
- March—*Joy Riders*
- Selection—*Reminiscences of Stephen Foster*
- Trombone Solo—*Drinking Song* Fisher
- Valsette—*Sirène*
- Cornet Duet—*Selected*
- Potpourri—*Arcadia—Erin* Folk-songs
- Caprice—*Danse des Diables* LeRoy
- March—*Triomphe* R. L. King



OLD HARMAR SCHOOL

PROGRAM

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Evening at 8:15 o'Clock

March—"Our President"	Pryor
Jacob Hartman	Introductory Remarks
Supt. J. N. Study, Chairman	Our School System
Hon. Wm. J. Hosey, Mayor	Our City
Mr. W. H. Shambaugh	Our Playgrounds
Mr. E. G. Hoffman	Greater Fort Wayne
On Jhelem River, " <i>Kashmiri Love Story</i> "	Amy Woodford Finden
(a) <i>Introduction and Boat Song</i>	
(b) <i>Will the Sun Never Set</i> (Trombone Solo)	
(c) <i>Only a Rose</i> (Euphonium Solo)	
Selection from " <i>High Jinks</i> "	Friml
Mr. E. W. Cook	History of Harmar School
Mr. Harry H. Hilgemann	Education
Mr. Jesse Macbeth	Growth of Our School City
Prof. Louis Dorn	Civic Progress
Tango Maxixe, " <i>LaGitanelle</i> "	Valverde
Valse Lento, " <i>Reviens</i> "	Foagson
U. S. A. National March	Panella

Music by Fort Wayne B. P. O. Elks—City Band
John L. Verweire, Director. Louis S. C. Schroeder, Mgr.

HISTORY OF HARMAR SCHOOL

by E. W. COOK

Harmar Street and Harmar School were both named for General Harmar, who had charge of the frontier troops of the United States about 125 years ago. At that time the country surrounding Fort Wayne was a wilderness and not more than four or five people lived outside of Fort Wayne within a radius of 100 miles from this city. Fort Wayne could then only be approached by boat on the rivers or by Indian trails. A battle was fought by General Harmar with the Indians at the foot of Harmar Street—formerly called Harmar Ford—which crosses the river to Lakeside.

In 1868 the School Trustees, who were at that time Pliny Hoagland, A. P. Edgerton and O. P. Morgan, purchased from Horace and Elizabeth Hanna lots 318, 319 and 320, Hanna's Addition, for \$1,700.00, to be used for school purposes. An old frame building, located where the Old High School now stands, was removed and placed on these lots in 1870.

Only one teacher was employed at that time, but the number of scholars having increased two rooms were added in 1871. For a number of years this answered the purpose, but the city having increased rapidly in this direction it was found necessary to erect a new school.

The Trustees employed as architects Sutermeister and Birkner to make plans for the new eight-room school. The contract for building the same was let to Charles G. French on April 1, 1876, for \$11,487.00. The old building standing on the ground was sold to Frederick J. Hayden for \$125.00, who sold it to W. D. Page. He removed it to Jefferson Street and after remodeling the same lived there until he permanently left the city to reside in California.

The school was opened in the fall of 1876 with an enrollment of 89 girls and 90 boys, with classes in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades. The Principal was Nettie Marks, assisted by Margaret Armstrong, Anna Payne, Mary Abel, Marietta M. Lewis and Clara A. Bowen. The Principal received \$650.00 per year for salary and the teachers received salaries ranging from \$360.00 to \$500.00 each. Susan A. Gavin was janitress and received \$20.00 per month for her services.

In 1893 it was found necessary to furnish additional room for the increasing number of scholars and Messrs. Moritz, Morgan and Hoffman, Trustees, ordered a four-room addition erected, and awarded the contract to William Moellering for \$4,898.00. This building continued to be used until it was found that the enrollment continued to increase, and that the building was obsolete, and the Trustees decided it was necessary to erect the present building.

The present enrollment of pupils—exclusive of the Vocational School—is 507; divided, boys 245, girls 262. The present building is the finest ward school in the city of Fort Wayne and architects from different parts of the country have examined it with the view of utilizing some of the new ideas incorporated in the building. Griffith and Fair were the architects and the building complete will cost about \$150,000.00. The School Trustees are proud of it and I am sure that the citizens of Fort Wayne are also.



