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This is the last week of the old
year. It's time to clean up everything
and start the New Year with a clean
plate.

These are good days for the fire
demon and he has been grinning and
smiling the past few days as he
watches us shovel the coal in and for-
get every thing except getting the
house warmed up. The only way to
fool him is to be careful.

Decatur had four fires Sunday,
somewhat over our average for one
day and perhaps a record. The ladies
did excellent work and the losses
were all small for which every one
is grateful.

The high school alumni banquet
and reunion is in progress and from
reports they are having a fine old
time. A number are here especially
for the occasion and the list of ac-
ceptances amounts to over three
hundred. All who have attended high
school are invited to attend the even-
ing entertainment and you will en-
joy it if you go.

From zero down to fifteen below
were the reports for the past twenty-
four hours, the government station at
Fort Wayne reporting five below at
seven A. M. Sunday. We have heard
several arguments, useless too, for
any way we all agree it was old-
fashioned winter and too cool to be
comfortable sitting out in the park.
The weather man says it won't be
quite so cold tomorrow so go ahead
and smile.

A tablet bearing the inscription
"Thomas R. Marshall, vice-president
of the United States, 1913-1921; gov-
ernor of Indiana, 1909-1913, born on
this spot March 14, 1854. Died June
11, 1925," has arrived and will be
placed in the entrance to the Law-
rence National bank at North Man-
chester. The old Marshall homestead
stood there but was torn down a few
years ago to be replaced by the hand-
some bank building. Dedication ser-
vices will be planned soon.

A forty-four-year old newsboy who
died in Portland, Oregon, a day or
two ago left \$50,000 to the United
State bureau of education and they
don't need the money. The poor fel-
low went clad in rags, denied him
self every comfort and his life was
joyless. He should have planned for
an occasional good time or given his
money where it would have produced
some pleasures and real good. The
government can raise money too
easily to appreciate it and those who
benefit from the bureau take it as a
matter of course.

Today is the sixty-ninth birthday of
the late war president, Woodrow
Wilson, and more than five hundred
banquets and dinners will be held
over the United States this evening,
honoring his memory. The tendency
today to those ideals to which the
president devoted the latter years of
his life, world co-operation which
would prevent war and assure greater
happiness and prosperity, is stronger
than any time since his return from
Europe and the memorable confer-
ence.

A New Year resolution to help
boost this city and county is the most
important one you can make, or at
least its one of them. There are a
lot of things we can do as a com-
munity which will benefit every one.

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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This is one of the best towns in the
middle west and in one of the very
finest counties, but like individuals
we cannot stand still. Either we go
forward or we slip back. If we can
step ahead just a little the next few
months you will notice it for we are
just at that stage where we must
build more homes to take care of the
population, we must arrange to take
care of the people and we must do
things which will take energy and a
little effort. Help push her along and
lets make 1926 such a year that it
will be unanimously declared the
greatest of them all.

A recent report of the Michigan
state parole commission reveals
some thought-provoking facts. A
total of 1,701 paroles have been is-
sued by the state's Governor since
January 1. In August the number of
paroles exceeded the receipt of pris-
oners at the state prisons. During
the same period 197 parole violators
had to be rearrested, some of them
for violation of their parole pledges
and others because of new crimes
committed. Similar distressing facts
may be found in other states. Ma-
Ferguson's record as wholesale pard-
oner is well known. A Chicago gun-
man convicted and sentenced only
three years ago to life imprisonment
for murder, was recently released on
parole, but the wave of popular re-
sentment, plus abject fear of police-
men, caused the return of the convict
to prison. Other cases might be
cited from many other communities.
There is a growing outcry against the
present pardon and parole systems.

Some persons believe that until this
means of easy exit from prison is
eliminated there will be no possible
checking of the crime wave. Cer-
tainly it seems foolish to spend so
much time capturing, trying, convicting
and sentencing criminals if their
release from punishment can be ef-
fected so soon and so easily and on
such slight pretexts. But simply do-
ing away with parole commissions and
paroles won't end crime. It will
only keep proved criminals under
guard. The real causes and cure of
crime are still to be sought.—Elkhart
Truth.

**Big Features Of
RADIO
Programs Today**

MONDAY'S RADIO FEATURES

WEAF, and hoots up, 10 p. m. (E.S.)
9 p. m. (C.S.T.) — Grand opera
"Ernani."

WJZ, New York, 454-9:30 p. m. (E.
S.T.) — Russian string quartet and Joe
Barnes Wells' tenor.

WLS, Chicago, 345-6 p. m. (C.S.T.)
— WLS Blue Ribbon artists.

KOA, Denver, 322-8:30 p. m. (M.
S.T.) — KOA staff artists.

WSM, Nashville, Tenn., 283-7:30
p. m. (C.S.T.) — Community program.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Daily Democrat File
Twenty Years Ago This Day

December 28, 1905.—Over two thousand
and teachers are attending the state
convention at Indianapolis.

Fair association meets at Berne and
select dates for 1906 fair, August 25th
to 30th.

Judge Fox orders night sessions to
hurry along the big ditch case.

K. C. initiates class of thirty-five
candidates.

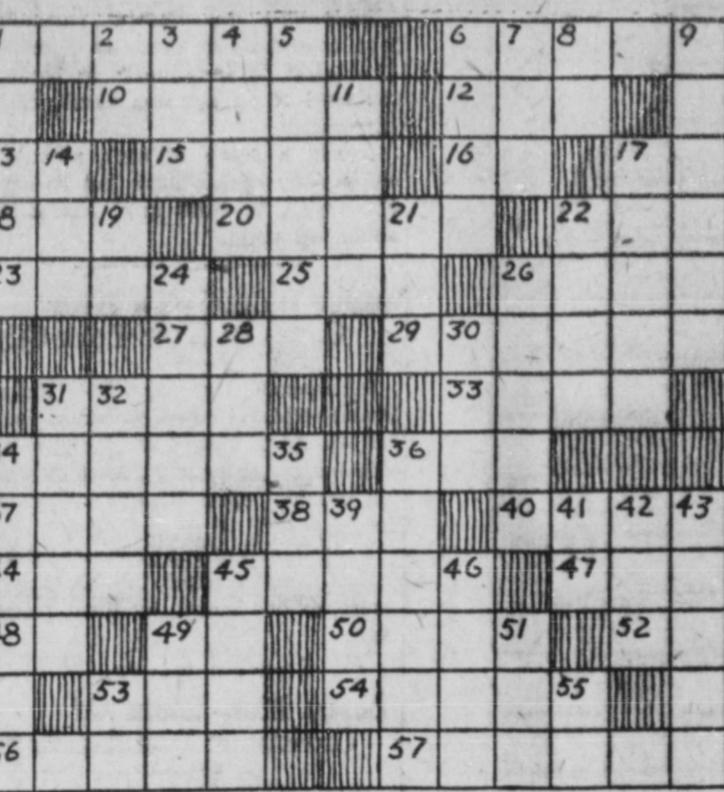
Measers. Burns and Martin will be-
gin terms as councilmen next Tues-
day. Under the new law the city will
have eight councilmen until May and
after that, five.

Ira Oswald is at Fort Wayne taking
treatment for rheumatism.

Marriage license—Fred W. Peters
and Anna Hilgeman.

Miss Rodd of Toledo and Miss Ger-
trude Sherman of Louisville are guests
here.

DAILY DEMOCRAT CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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Horizontal.

- 1—To crave food
- 2—Schemes
- 3—Lubricated
- 4—Month of Hebrew calendar
- 5—Fighting feet
- 6—Thus
- 7—Greek letter
- 8—Torn piece of cloth
- 9—Wants
- 10—Large serpent
- 11—Stage curtain
- 12—Platform
- 13—Gaudy
- 14—Small plateau
- 15—Long staff
- 16—Place to keep food
- 17—Not many
- 18—To be carried along
- 19—Small implement
- 20—Bird's home
- 21—Announcements
- 22—Melodies
- 23—Part of "to be"
- 24—Three-toed sloth
- 25—Tidy
- 26—Vase
- 27—Devoid of contents
- 28—To bring forth
- 29—45
- 30—50
- 31—53
- 32—54
- 33—57
- 34—45
- 35—38
- 36—39
- 37—40
- 38—41
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- 44—48
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- 50—54
- 51—55
- 52—56

Solution will appear in next issue.

Just Folks.

by Edgar A. Guest

THREE YEARS OLD

There may be lovelier treasures on
this earth
Than little girls just passing three
years old,
But, Janet, as your beauty I behold
And listen to your flood of song and
mirth,
And think about the marvel of your
birth
I tell myself, in all man's minted gold,
In all of nature's wonders manifold,

Nothing exists that's comparable to
your worth.

There is no music like your golden
voice.

Earth holds no rival to your lovely
face.

Weighed down with care, my heart
would still rejoice

To feel those gentle arms my neck
embrace.

Oh, lovely child, I wonder must it be
That age will ever make you old
like me.

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Vice Breaks Out Anew
In Philadelphia Friday

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 28.—(United
Press)—With General Smedley D. But-
ler, Philadelphia's cleanup crusader,
definitely in retirement, the war be-
tween vice and the law broke out anew
over the holidays.

Resorts of various kinds were re-
ported to have thrown open their doors
Christmas Eve and yesterday as the
first move in their campaign to tilt the
lid Butler has been sitting upon for
two years.

The law answered with forty raids
and many arrests, indicating that it
will require considerable force to keep
the lid tilted and that there is no in-
tention of making a "free and easy
town."

Young Coolidge, home from Amherst
college for the holidays and the most-
sought-for guest in the capital, was in-
vited to a party at the Archabold
home, given in honor of the debutante
daughter, Lydia. He had forgotten his
card and gave the butler only his
name.

"Ah, yes, of course, very sorry, but
your name is not on the list. Call
me some other time."

The butler was prevailed upon to
call Miss Lydia and John got in.

**Two Youths Arrested
For Attempted Assault**

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 28.—(United
Press)—Charged with attempted
criminal assault and possession of
liquor, Clyde Mooney, Terre Haute,
was released today, under \$2,000 bond
and Ray Van Orsdel Jones, 25, West
Terre Haute was in Vigo county jail.

Attracted by screams early Chris-
tmas morning a family residing two
miles south of Seelyville called Mar-
shal Meredith Woods. On his arrival
at the scene, according to Woods,
he found two girls bitterly resisting
the youths. The girls' clothing ac-
cording to the officers was all but
torn from them and one of them was
almost stripped. He took Mooney
and Jones to jail and the girls re-
turned to their homes in Brazil.

The girls, who gave their names as
Florence Martin and Edith Nissoon,
told the officer that they had attended
a dance in Terre Haute and had
allowed the boys to escort them home.
Instead of taking them home the
youths took them to a deserted high-
way south of Seelyville where the of-
ficer found them, according to the
girls.

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—The Daily Democrat—Your Paper

**Gas Company Employees
Get Insurance Policies**

Employees of the Northern Indiana
Gas and Electric Company received
life insurance policies as Christmas
gifts from the management of the
company again this year. It was an-
nounced today by William O'Brien lo-
cal manager. This is the third Christ-
mas that this form of gifts have been
made to employees.

Employees are also given the oppor-
tunity to subscribe for additional in-
surance, duplicating the amount given
them by the company. They can ac-
quire this additional protection at the
group insurance rates.

The amounts of the certificates
range from \$500 to \$1,500, depending
upon the length of service of employees.
The insurance will remain in force one
year.

The minimum certificates were given
to persons whose service has been
for more than six months, but less
than a year, and the maximum for six
years or longer.

"In wishing you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year, it is a pleasure
to present you with a certificate of
life insurance in evidence of the
company's appreciation of your contin-
uous and loyal service," Samuel In-
sull, president, stated in a letter which
accompanied the policies.

The amount of the insurance given
by the company totals more than
\$1,254,000 and 1,488 employees bene-
fitted. The insurance is in the form
of a group policy and was written by
the Aetna Life Insurance Company, of
Hartford, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Vere Mack and son,
of Theodore, Miss., and Miss Mar-
garet Vesey who recently returned
from South America are visiting at
the E. W. Kampe home.

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Bleeding,
Itching
and
Blind
Piles.

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from your druggist; or if you prefer,
send stamps or money order direct.

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Beaumont and Pine Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

**Nationally Known
Engineer Is Dead**

Youngstown, Ohio, Dec. 28.—(United
Press)—Edwin GrayRust, 56, district
engineer for the Youngstown Sheet and
Tube company, and nationally prom-

inent in engineering circles, died at his
home here Friday. Death was due to
pneumonia.

Moose Card Party and Dance
—Wednesday evening at the K.
of C. Hall. 305-21

Shirt-sleeve Management

HERE are no soft jobs in this Company.
The men of the Standard Oil Company
(Indiana), from directors to the last office
boy, form a shirt-sleeve organization, out to do
real work.

Everybody is a laborer, from the chief executive
down. Executives manage details, for in the oil
business details are of major importance