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Suppose you are getting used to writing it 1928 by this time.

E. W. Marland, a millionaire oil operator of Ponca City, Oklahoma, will marry his adopted daughter, Lydia Roberts Marland. Now does that make Lydia her own mamma?

If a miracle should occur and Senator Jim Watson be elected president, would he turn the lantern of investigation on Indiana and clean it up? Its a lead pipe cinch he wouldn't do it before.

The experts writing from New York City and Washington declare the farmers did fairly well in 1927. Now isn't that fine? Some of the farmers have had some doubts about it. Now they know what a fair year is.

Well, this is interesting—Albert D. Lasker and wife have given a million dollars to medical research fund to increase the life expectancy of those over fifty years of age. Of course we who have reached the afternoons of life are strong for that and hope there is no delay in its success.

Secretary Mellons favors Senator David A. Reed, of Pennsylvania for the republican candidate for president. He would. Reed is his lawyer and a business associate in the aluminum business. While we recognize the power that will fall in behind him we doubt if it can be put over this year.

Mr. Walb has resigned, effective next Tuesday. Whether his successor will be selected at this time or the old ship left to drift until after the primaries will be decided on Thursday. Its a tough old game and one in which troubles multiply unless conducted as squarely as any other line of endeavor.

Every citizen of Adams county should be a booster for Old Home Week to be held here next autumn. It is to be a great holiday and the more you enter into the spirit of it, the more you will enjoy it. Plans of the organization will be announced soon and then we hope you get back of it one hundred per cent. If you do it will be an event to be talked about in the years to come.

Carl McGee, fighting Scripps-Howard editor, now with the Oklahoma News, declares that Governor Johnston used a hundred thousand dollars to influence the state senate which refused to impeach him and the sad part of it is that heretofore McGee has known what he was talking about. He is the man, you may remember, who dug up the facts which brought about the Teapot Dome investigation, while he was editing a paper in New Mexico.

It seems rather useless now that the devil has been done, to go to the expenses of a law suit and a lot of fussing around to oust the clan from Indiana. They have ousted themselves to a large degree and grandstanding at this time won't give Mr. Gilliom or any one else the credit for it. Such organizations are at best short lived and especially so when the public learns of the graft connected with them.

From now on there will be politics a plenty. The democratic national committee is in session in Washington, will decide upon the convention

city and close with a big banquet Thursday evening. Indiana republicans will meet at Indianapolis Thursday to discuss Chairman Walb's resignation and other questions of importance and to fix the date for the state convention. Candidates are announcing locally and in the state and it will be "hot" before long.

L. M. Busche, county agent here for seven years, has resigned to accept a better position in Madison county. Mr. Busche has made good here. He is a hard worker and with great ability along his line. Hundreds of farmers will regret his decision to leave for he has been of unquestionable aid to them in many ways. His organization of junior clubs among the boys and girls of Adams county has created much interest in calf raising, in corn and beet growing and in other lines. Congratulations, Mart, on your promotion and best wishes for every success in your new field.

Less than a year ago a fish fry or a love feast or a meeting of some kind was held at Lake James, during which speeches were made by Attorney General Gilliom and others exalting the administration in Indiana and declaring that in the years to come it would be known as the best ever. Since then twenty-three members of the administration and hangers on have been indicted on various charges of graft and corruption. The list includes the governor, the state chairman, the mayor of Indianapolis, bank commissioner and assistant, a former state treasurer, Marion county bosses and so on and so on. It is a serious condition not only politically but in every other way. Indiana is now the laughing stock of America and has brushed old Arkansas off the stage when it comes to being the butt of jokes. If we were ever in earnest in politics it should be this year.

## BIG FEATURES OF RADIO

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WOR, hookup, 8:00 p. m.—Columbia programs.  
WEAF, hookup, 8:30 p. m.—General Motors Hour, with Titta Ruffo, operatic baritone.  
WEAF, hookup, 7:30 p. m.—Gypsies.  
WJZ, hookup, 6:30 p. m.—Roxy and his gang.  
WGY, Schenectady, 380, 6:30 p. m.—General Electric band.

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WEAF, hookup, 8:00 p. m.—Ever-ready Hour.  
WJZ, hookup, 7:00 p. m.—Stromberg Carlson Hour.  
WJZ, hookup, 8:00 p. m.—The Continentals.  
WEAF, hookup, 6:00 p. m.—National League of Women Voters.  
WEAF, hookup, 7:00 p. m.—Selberling Singers.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Daily Democrat File  
Twenty Years Ago Today

Jan 9—Stokes Jackson elected state chairman by Democratic committee on the 41st ballot.

Frank Leichty purchases Monroe street meat market.

Handsome electric lights placed in front of library at cost of \$115.

M. J. Hyland elected clerk of the city of Youngstown, Ohio. He is a brother of P. J. Hyland, of this city.

Major and Mrs. R. B. Allison leave for Florida.

Eggs are 23c and butter 18 c.

Judge Gault is busy scoring the 800 fowls exhibited at the county poultry show.

Mrs. EH Meyers hostess for the Entertainers Society.

Jerry Coffee is suffering from eye trouble and is out of his restaurant.

W. M. Rice ships crate of his geese to Dixon, Ohio.

## THE GREAT WAR 10 YEARS AGO

Official Washington sees Woodrow Wilson's statement to an ultimatum to the Central Powers.

Dogs are eaten in Germany as food shortage becomes acute.

Labor and press of Great Britain praise Wilson's speech to the U. S. Congress, outlining his 14 points for peace.

Mrs. Jack Meyers and Mrs. May Meyers visited over the weekend with Mrs. Mike Meyers in Rome City.

Mr. G. H. Wehmeyer and daughter, Helena, attended the Decatur-South Side basketball game, Saturday evening, in Fort Wayne.

## HICKMAN MUST THINK IT'S FUNNY



Notice the broad grin on William Edward Hickman's face as he's being led into the Los Angeles court by Jailer Dewar. Hickman has pleaded insanity as his reason for the kidnapping and murder of little Marian Parker.

(International Newsreel)

## "Your Health"

This Column is conducted by the Adams County Medical Society and the Indiana State Medical Association in the interest of the public's health.

### Health Resolutions

"Get disease before disease gets you."  
"Go to your doctor before he has to come to you."

"Have your family physician give you a thorough 'once over' early in the New Year so you may be better assured of getting a flying start toward good health in 1928."

These are three New Year resolutions suggested in the first 1928 weekly bulletin issued today by the Publicity Bureau of the Indiana State Medical Association. For several years, the Bureau of Publicity of the Indiana State Medical Association speaking for 2700 of the leading physicians of the state, has issued these health bulletins through the press of Indiana.

The program of education for 1928 promises to be more interesting and useful than ever before for the citizens of the state. From week to week the Bureau will keep the public of Indiana informed on the progress made throughout the world by scientific medicine in combating and overcoming disease. The bulletins will discuss the latest developments of medical science in a language that the layman can understand and from time to time will tell the reader how to distinguish the charlatan and the fraud from the competent physician. Above all, these bulletins will attempt to show how you may best guard your health and that of your family.

In this first bulletin the Bureau gives five excellent resolutions for the New Year.

1. I will not eat too much nor will I exercise too little during the coming year; I will eat a variety of foods in order that my body may be adequately nourished; I will not forget the importance of eating fresh fruits and vegetables.

2. I will work hard during working hours and I will play hard when I play. I will seek to avoid late hours and I will not neglect to take my annual vacation.

3. I will learn all that I can about the care and preservation of my health and will strive to apply the knowledge I gain faithfully and conscientiously.

4. I will go to my doctor for an annual or semi-annual health examination in order that he may help me to keep well.

5. I will consider the health and welfare of others and will give my moral support to those physicians who are charged with the duty of protecting the public health.

## REPPERT AUCTION SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ahr, managers of the National Hotel, gave a Sunday dinner to the Students who are rooming with them. All that the boys have talked about since, was that chicken dinner, and they certainly have a warm spot in their hearts for Mr. and Mrs. Ahr, and appreciate the many courtesies that have been extended. About 20 students attended the

## World's Oldest Methodist Minister Asks For Rebirth Of Revival Spirit

Malden, Mass.—(UP)—The church's greatest need at present is for a larger evangelistic emphasis—the revival spirit, in the opinion of the Rev. E. Stuart Best, 103, the world's oldest Methodist minister.

Born only 15 years after Lincoln, Dr. Best, after a career which could scarcely be crammed into two ordinary lifetimes, still enjoys good health and hopes to celebrate many more birthdays.

His kindly face, unmarked by the burdens of a century, glowed with a still youthful enthusiasm as he told the United Press, in an interview, his views on church progress of recent years and on the outlook for the future.

Asked if the youth of today were as interested in religion as those of half a century ago, Dr. Best said:

"The young people in older days were more enthusiastic about their religion. Now they are wider and deeper in their thinking—more systematic."

"It is harder to turn one away from religion now, when one has settled the matter, because it has been thought through more thoroughly."

"How do the ministers of today compare with those of earlier years?" he was asked.

"Nowadays ministers are deeper thinkers," he replied. "They are more original. Ministers of the past were more fervent."

A combination of the evangelical fervor and the intellectual advantages of the day was desirable, he believed.

Dr. Best said the greatest advance made by the church recently was in the matter of intellectual progress.

"The people will not revert to the

earlier ways to attain the deeper spirituality," he continued, "but it will have to come through a greater revival than any that has gone before."

Dr. Best was asked what he considered the prospects for world peace.

"I think that wherever the gospel goes it will change whatever it touches," he answered.

Asked what chapters in the Bible had meant the most to him, he said: "I have always chosen to remain close to the words of our Lord. My favorite passages were the things that He said. If I could have but one portion of the Bible, I would choose the Sermon on the Mount."

The world's oldest Methodist clergyman was born in Ireland on Sept. 3, 1824. During his half century as an

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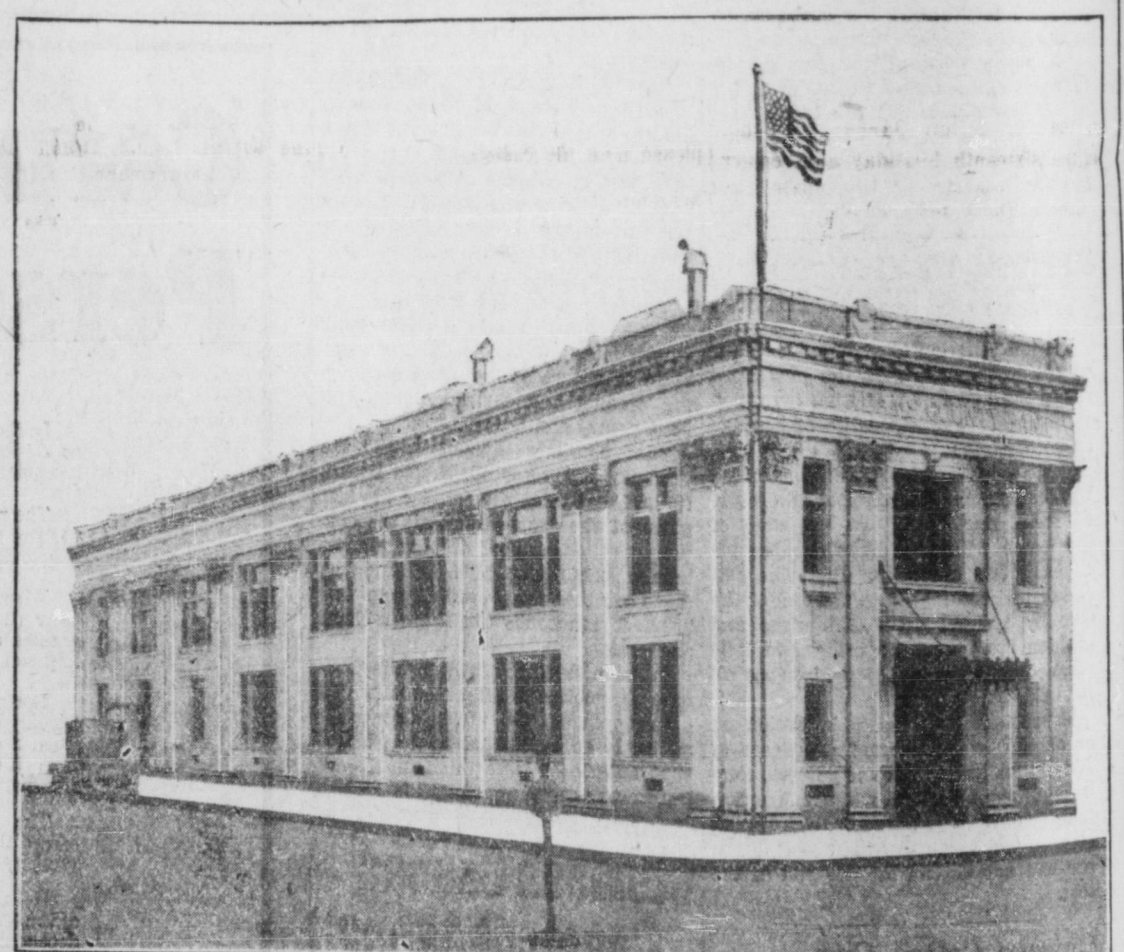


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Resources	
Loans and Discounts	\$992,495.51
Overdrafts	2,104.61
U. S. and Other Bonds	34,971.14
Banking House	93,605.01
Furniture and Fixtures	10,063.38
Other Real Estate	68,817.75
Cash and Due from Banks	223,071.47
Other Assets	1,733.10
	\$1,426,862.00
Liabilities	
Capital Stock	
Surplus and Undivided Profits	\$ 120,000.00
Bills Payable	36,252.77
Deposits	25,000.00
	1,215,609.23
	\$1,426,862.00

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