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The Indiana League of Home Dailies.

Put on one of the red, white and
blue buttons. They look good.

Wear your Old Home Week Club
button. Its a sure sign that you are
not only patriotic and loyal but that
you are willing to back this organiza-
tion.

The winter has slipped by rapidly,
or at least it seems so to us. We
have just got used to it and we
notice the baseball teams are heading
south for spring training.

Watson for president, Jackson or
Robinson for senator, Schortemeier or
Jewett for governor, gosh what a pill
to swallow. And the scandals go right
along uninterrupted.

Bill Rogers says that Hoover is
for both the wets and the dries and
they are for him. That's the kind of
a fellow who seems to be able to win
just now, a good "winker" who can
fool both sides partly.

If they want Ed Jackson to resign,
seems as though somebody ought to
get him a job. There's Harry New
and Will Hays and James Watson
and Will Woods and several others
with enough pull in Washington to
land him a place in the Philippines
or some other foreign seaport. Use
your heads boys.

The Decatur Rotary Club has en-
dorsed Old Home Week. We knew
they would and we are sure every
organization in the city will, by not
only adopting resolutions but like-
wise by joining the Old Home Week
Club one hundred per cent. Keep
the good work going. Lets make
every week a better one.

The Brotherhood of Baptists,
meeting in Vincennes and represent-
ing twenty southern Indiana churches
does not mince words in the resolu-
tions adopted by them, demanding
the resignation of Governor Jackson.
There is no question that the people
are determined in their belief that
the governor has violated his oath of
office sufficiently to make his resig-
nation necessary.

Gosh, the bank robbers are using
machine guns now. Guess they figure
everybody has got so used to having
a gun poked in their face that they
had to do something more startling.
In Kansas City yesterday a dozen
men backed by a regular machine
gun held up seventy people and help-
ed themselves to some fifty thousand
dollars, which is going some even in
this age.

The Decatur light plant showed a
profit of more than \$35,000 last year,
on a total business of \$155,000 which
shows excellent management, a good
field and a fine investment. The
plant in the meantime is being built
up and now has a total valuation
of nearly half a million dollars. The
improvements made this year alone
amounted to nearly thirty thousand
dollars. The wonderful showing the
past year was made also in the face
of a reduction to the patrons. Just
now we are reaping the harvest of
years of effort and investment.

The time is slipping along. It will
soon be the first of March and if we

wish to give a real Old Home Week
we should be getting ready. Invita-
tions should go out soon so that
those a great distance away can make
their plans. Before we can do any-
thing we must raise the finances and
that's what the club now under way
is for. All you have to do is to send
in five dollars to one of the banks or
to this office. If we can raise \$5,000
we can have a grand old time in the
late summer or early fall. Help a
good thing along.

President Coolidge has signed a
bill which appropriates a hundred
million dollars for postoffices and
federal buildings in the United States.
That's enough money to build a lot of
buildings and will. Decatur's was in-
cluded in it originally but was lost
track of for some reason or other
which has never been satisfactorily
explained. Evidently those here who
could have influence with the depart-
ments at Washington do not care to
do so. It would be fine to have such
an edifice here and since Portland,
Bluffton, Elwood and other towns this
size have them, there can certainly
be no good reason for not having it
except that Congressman Vestal hasn't
pushed it. He ought to tell us why.

The Medical Journal for this month
contains an interesting story of the
needless operation performed upon a
young woman in Chicago by Henry
Junius Schireson, self-styled plastic
surgeon with "a record that reeks to
heaven." The story shows X-Ray pic-
tures of the girls legs, which were
straight before the operation and
pictures of the results which necessi-
tated amputation. The magazine also
gives a record of Schireson since
1911, proving him to have been a
fakir of the worst kind in numerous
cities and in several states. The
terrible results of this case should
serve as a warning to those who be-
lieve every statement of cure-alls.
Usually they are fakes designed to
secure your money and often results
are serious.

BIG FEATURES OF RADIO

Saturday's Features
CFCA, Toronto, 357, and CKAC, Mont-
real, 411, 8:30 EST—Mark
Hambourg, noted British pian-
ist.
WBZ, Springfield, 333, 8:30 EST—
Boston Symphony Orchestra.
WJZ, hookup, 8 EST—Walter Dam-
rosch and Symphony Orches-
tra.
WJZ, hookup, 9 EST—Philco Light
Opera Hour.
WNAC, Boston, 461, 8:30, EST—
Triangular track meet, Har-
vard, Cornell-Dartmouth.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Daily Democrat File
Twenty Years Ago Today

Feb. 25—Six affidavits filed against
French township farmer for hauling
heavy loads over soft roads.

Dewitt Miller lectures at the opera
house on "Love, courtship and mar-
riage."

Six men added to the force at the
Decatur furnace plant.

Famous Paylor-Studabaker case is
reversed and must be tried over for
fourth time.

Myers-Dailey Clothing Company is
installing the rack system to display
clothing.

Miss Isabelle Spuller and Mr. Jo-
seph Meyers married at St. Marys
church.

Mrs. Elsie Stalter weds Mr. George
Thomas. It was the brides sixth ven-
ture.

Sleighting parties are still in order.
Freinds assist Miss Leona Harting
celebrate her birthday anniversary.

J. J. Helm will sing "I read it in a
book" at the Uncle Rube show.

THE GREAT WAR 10 YEARS AGO

Chancellor Von Hertling tells the
Reichstag that utterances of President
Wilson in his famous "fourteen
points" speech of Feb. 11 show "small
step toward peace," but adds that such
sentiment has not been shown by any
entente government.

U. S. built 14-inch guns, having a
range of 17 miles, pound the Austrians
in Italy, receiving praise from Italian
war department.

Largest "Old Master"
The "Paradise" of Tintoretto, which
hangs in the palace of the Doges in
Venice, is the largest picture ever
painted by the old masters.

USE Lumberloft Washing Powder

Annual Report of the Electric Light Dept. Of the City Plant

JANUARY 1, 1927—DECEMBER 31, 1927

The Electric Light and Power department of the City Plant, Decatur, Indiana, in 1927, did a total busi-
ness, including non-operating revenue of \$155,835.89.

Operating expenses amounted to \$104,685.78, depreciation \$15,864.20, leaving a net operating profit of
\$29,466.67. Non-operating revenues amounted to \$5,819.24, making a total gross income of \$35,285.91.
Deducting a charge of \$3,900 for interest and a payment of \$5,000 on bonds, the department showed a net
profit of \$26,385.91.

During the year improvements and new equipment to the amount of \$29,725.44 were added, giving the
department a value of \$402,513.69. The total power generated during the year was 5,689,510 K. W. H.
As taxpayers of the City your attention is called to the following report:

CREDITS	
PLANT INCOME	
Commercial Lighting Earnings.....	\$42,400.17
Municipal contract lighting earnings.....	\$ 7,500.00
Commercial power earnings.....	\$82,434.10
Municipal power earnings from W.W. Dept.....	\$10,983.25
Earnings from Monroe, Preble, Union township and Pleasant Mills.....	\$ 6,699.13
Total.....	\$150,016.65
INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES	
Paid to treasurer for ornamental posts, 1927.....	\$ 3,528.40
Received from insurance, sale of lamps, meters, labor, poles, etc.....	\$ 2,290.84
Total Revenue.....	\$155,835.89

DEBITS	
COST OF STEAM POWER GENERATED	
Steam generated, coal, freight, hauling.....	\$46,839.20
Operating labor.....	\$17,403.96
Miscellaneous power plant supplies, expenses.....	\$ 7,742.21
Maintenance of power plant equipment.....	\$ 6,355.31
Maintenance of buildings, fixtures and grounds.....	\$ 1,183.37
Total cost of power generated.....	\$79,524.05
DISTRIBUTION COSTS	
Operating labor.....	\$ 1,327.90
Distribution system, supplies and expenses.....	\$ 2,620.01
Total.....	\$ 3,957.91
MAINTAINANCE COST	
Maintenance of distribution system.....	\$ 4,602.69
Maintenance of transformers.....	\$ 5.40
Maintenance of meters.....	\$ 54.81
Total distribution cost.....	\$ 9,120.81
MUNICIPAL CONTRACT LIGHTING COSTS	
Commercial consumption.....	\$ 297.99
Trimming and inspecting lamps.....	\$ 602.40
Municipal contract lamp renewals.....	\$ 154.85
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Miscellaneous municipal contract lighting sup- plies, expenses and posts.....	\$ 6,485.16
Total municipal contract lighting.....	\$ 8,079.99
COST OF COMMERCIAL LINES	
Reading meters, collection and expense.....	\$ 1,080.00
Promotion of business expenses.....	\$ 225.92
Total.....	\$ 1,305.92
GENERAL EXPENSES	
General office salaries.....	\$ 1,705.42
General office supplies and expenses.....	\$ 339.23
Public services commission expenses.....	\$ 92.52
Insurance.....	\$ 2,990.49
Stationery printing.....	\$ 160.00
Operation of utility equipment.....	\$ 221.74
Maintenance of utility equipment including new truck.....	\$ 1,102.76
Maintenance of buildings, fixtures and grounds.....	\$ 42.85
Total general expenses.....	\$ 4,517.84
SUMMARY OF COSTS	
Total of all operating expenses.....	\$104,685.78
Depreciation on building, plant and equipment for 1927.....	\$ 15,864.20
Total operating expenses.....	\$120,549.98
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS	
Income from plant operations.....	\$150,016.65
Operating expenses, including depreciation.....	\$120,549.98
Credit balance.....	\$ 29,466.67
Net operating revenue.....	\$29,466.67
Non-operating revenue.....	\$ 5,819.24
Gross income for year.....	\$35,285.91
Less interest on debt.....	\$ 3,900.00
Less paid on bonded debt.....	\$ 5,000.00
Net income after payment of all expenses, interest and bonds.....	\$26,385.91
DEPRECIATION SUMMARY	
Station building.....	\$ 29,008.65 2%.....\$ 580.17
Plant equipment.....	\$184,741.12 4%.....\$ 7,389.64
Distribution system.....	\$ 73,480.78 5%.....\$ 3,674.03
Boiler plant equipment.....	\$104,359.59 4%.....\$ 4,174.38
Utility equipment.....	\$ 870.45 15%.....\$ 45.93
Total depreciation.....	\$15,864.20

ASSETS		
	Cost beginning year	Addition during year
Land.....	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Building and fixtures.....	\$ 29,008.65	\$ 29,008.65
Plant equipment.....	\$165,871.85	\$18,869.27
Distribution system.....	\$ 26,698.50	\$ 1,283.21
Boiler plant equipment.....	\$102,010.53	\$ 2,349.06
Transformers.....	\$ 15,222.48	\$ 532.56
Meters.....	\$ 3,699.99	\$ 479.88
Municipal contract lighting system.....	\$ 20,223.15	\$ 5,341.01
General office equipment.....	\$ 431.00	\$ 431.00
Stores depart. equipment.....	\$ 406.10	\$ 406.10
Miscellaneous equip.....	\$ 216.00	\$ 216.00
Utility equipment.....	\$ 870.45	\$ 870.45
Total.....	\$372,788.25	\$29,725.44
Total.....	\$402,513.69	

SUMMARY PLANT ASSETS	
Cost beginning of year.....	\$372,788.25
Addition during year.....	\$ 29,725.44
Cost close of year.....	\$402,513.69
Less depreciation 1927.....	\$ 15,864.20
Total.....	\$386,649.49

LIABILITIES	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$65,000.00
Accounts payable on silos.....	\$ 3,133.34
Total.....	\$68,133.34

CASH ON HAND	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1928.....	\$25,578.01
Material supplies.....	\$ 1,231.00

LIST OF PLANT EQUIPMENT	
4—400 H. P. Kingsford Webster Water Tube Boilers	
1—3000 K.W. G. E. Electric Turbin complete with surface condenser, pumps and motor	
1—1000 K.W. G. E. Electric turbin complete with surface condenser, pumps and motor	
1—500 K.W. G. E. Electric turbin complete with baromet- er, condenser, pumps and motors	
2—Coal silos, capacity 800 tons	
1—Weigh Lairy coal handling equipment	
1—Wayne water softener	
4—Retort Westinghouse underfeed mechanical stokes, fully equipped	
1—Blue Vermont marble switchboard with complete in- struments and switches, cables and supports	
2—Steam turbin driven boiler feed pumps	
1—Pump and motor with pipe line to river	
1—Spray pond 160 ft. long, 80 ft. wide, fully equipped with pipe valve nozzle	
1—Ash handling equipment	
1—Coal unloader motor	
1—Coal conveyor motor	
1—Feed water heater	
1—75 K.W. Synchronous motor exciter set	
1—Feed water heater pump and motor	
Steam piping valves, traps, miscellaneous fittings.	

POWER STATION STATISTICS	
Total amount generated for all purposes.....	5,689,510 KWH
Maximum amount in any one day Jan. 12, 1927.....	22,620 KWH
Minimum amount in any one day May 15, 1927.....	5,580 KWH
January.....	533,250
February.....	483,180
March.....	521,860
April.....	491,060
May.....	472,660
June.....	438,840
July.....	424,120
August.....	409,260
September.....	447,560
October.....	460,100
November.....	474,660
December.....	532,960

Post Street and Alley Lights Jan. 1, 1928	
448 single light ornamental posts	
51 suspended street lights	
50 police and alley lights	
40 miscellaneous street lights	

POSTS INSTALLED IN 1927	
Monroe street.....	46
Winchester street.....	67
North Second street.....	55
Total.....	128

Respectfully submitted,
M. J. MYLOTT, Superintendent

Electric Light & Power Dept. CITY OF DECATUR