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## Congratulations

The Decatur General Electric plant completes this month its 40th year of operation. While the plant itself is having a series of "family-style" celebrations, the event is quite meaningful to everyone in Decatur.

If we remember back to what a sleepy little village Decatur was in 1919 when it was announced that General Electric would build a fractional motor factory here, we can get some idea of the changes brought about by the "industrialization" of our city. In 1920, Decatur's population was 4,762, just 620 larger than it was in 1900. By 1930, the population of our city grew to 5,156, and despite the depression years increased in 1940 to 5,861.

About this time the General Electric plant, spurred to growth by the Second World War, increased greatly in size, and payroll.

For example, during the first 20 years, the plant's payroll amounted to \$7½ million. This seems like a lot of money until we discover that the enlargement of the plant during the 1940's resulted in a payroll for second score of years that amounts to \$55 million—more than 7 times the payroll for the first 20 years!

The city's population has reflected the enormous growth of General Electric here — The 1950 census showed a population of 7,271, passing in size all the cities of the 4th congressional district, except Fort Wayne. The present census will tell if Decatur will continue in growth and leadership.

Yes, Decatur's GE plant has produced a payroll of some \$63 million in the past 40 years. And every dollar of the payroll has actually provided four or five dollars worth of business as it changed hands time and again.

Decatur can be proud of the men and women who, by working together, have provided the fine record of the Decatur GE plant. George W. Auer, the present plant manager, is ably assisted by a large and competent staff, and all are working for the betterment of General Electric and the Decatur community.

With more than 700 persons regularly employed, GE is the largest single business in the city of Decatur.

The people of the city salute the General Electric Company, and wish it increased prosperity and the steady growth of understanding between the community and its industrial leaders.

A number of stories throughout the remainder of the week will explain the story of the General Electric plant in Decatur, and how the progress here has been accomplished.

## TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

WANE-TV	
Channel 15	TUESDAY
6:00—Amos & Andy	
6:30—Tom Cullen—News	
7:00—Edwards News	
7:00—Hotel De Paree	
7:30—Bishop Sheen Program	
8:00—Dennis O'Keefe	
8:30—Futura	
9:00—Nightdrops	
9:30—Red Skelton	
10:00—Perry Mason	
10:30—Phil Wilson News	
11:15—Whole Town's Talking	
WEDNESDAY	
7:30—Peppermint Theatre	
7:45—Willy Wonderful	
8:00—CBS News	
8:30—Gangaroo	
9:00—Coffee Cup Theatre	
10:00—Red Rose Show	
10:30—On The Go	
11:00—Lulu's	
11:30—December Bride	
Afternoon	
12:00—Love Of Life	
12:30—Loving For Tomorrow	
12:45—Guiding Light	
1:00—Ann Colone	
1:25—News	
1:30—The World Turns	
1:40—For Better Or For Worse	
2:00—Houseparty	
2:30—The Millionaire	
3:00—The Rival	
4:00—Brighter Day	
4:15—Secret Storm	
4:30—Edge Of Night	
4:45—Dance Date	
Evening	
6:00—Amos & Andy	
6:30—Tom Cullen—News	
7:00—Edwards News	
7:00—Lock Up	
7:30—Be Our Guest	
8:00—Into Space	
8:30—Millionaire	
9:00—I've Got A Secret	
10:00—Bill Wilson News	
11:15—Secret Fury	

## WPTA-TV

Channel 21

TUESDAY

Evening	
7:15—Tom Atkins Reporting	
7:30—Bronco	
8:30—Wyatt Earp	
9:00—The Millionaire	
9:30—Coronado 2	
10:00—Alcoa Presents	
10:30—Promenade 21	
11:30—Jubilee U.S.A.	

WEDNESDAY

Morning	
11:00—Homecoming	
12:00—Restless Gun	
12:30—Love That Bob	
1:00—Agent Faces	
2:00—Day In Court	
2:30—Gale Storm	
2:45—Time Machine Clock	
2:45—Who Do You Trust	
3:00—Popeye And Rascals Club	
7:15—Tom Atkins Reporting	
7:30—Music For A Spring Night	
8:30—Felicita	
10:00—Fighters	
11:00—Terror At Midnight	

## WKJG-TV

Channel 33

TUESDAY

Evening	
6:00—Gateway To Sports	
6:15—Jack Gray—News	
6:25—The Weatherman	
6:30—Edwards News	
6:45—Huntley-Binkley Report	
7:00—Brave Stallion	
7:30—Felicita	
8:00—Arthur Murray Party	
10:00—M-Squad	
10:30—Dell Silence Show	
11:15—Sports Today	
11:30—Jack Paar Show	

## Soya Executive Is Institute Speaker

Dr. J. L. Krider, Central Soya vice president, today told the annual convention of the animal health institute in Washington, D. C., that the feed industry and members of the institute are jointly dedicated to the production of animal products safely, efficiently and abundantly for the food consumers of America.

"We share these objectives," Krider said: "(1) to promote efficiency in the production of meat, milk and eggs, (2) to help produce safe, wholesome, and health-giving foods from animal agriculture, and (3) to operate sound, successful businesses to serve the joint interests of producers of animal products and U. S. food consumers, who number about 180 million."

Krider said that the revolution in agriculture of the past two decades has enabled each U. S. farmer to produce food and fiber for himself and nearly 27 other people. "These dynamic changes," he said, "have resulted in our food consumers spending less than 22 per cent of their income for the best food available to man, leaving the balance for purchasing other goods and services which contribute to our high standard of living."

"Much of this progress," he added, "can be credited to animal health products, feed additives, and scientific feeds developed by research."

Krider predicted that there will be an additional \$5 million food consumers in the U. S. by 1975. To feed them, he said, "will require an increase in our output of meat, milk and eggs amounting to slightly over 30 per cent. Even with improvements in the nutrition, sanitation and health management of our livestock and poultry which will contribute to further efficiency, we have a big job ahead of us."

To do the job, he observed, "livestock and poultry producers need and demand the best animal health products and feed additives that will produce a unit of product most economically. This places a great challenge before our industries, as we help producers provide food consumers with the safe, nutritious and wholesome protein foods they prefer and need."

## 20 Years Ago Today

April 19, 1940—Members of the Zion Reformed church have filed a petition to change the church name to the Zion Evangelical and Reformed church.

Forty students of the Monroe high school, accompanied by R. P. Sprunger, principal, spent the day in Chicago.

Baccalaureate services for the 63 graduates of the Decatur high school will be held May 19, with the Rev. Ralph W. Graham, pastor of the First Methodist church, as the speaker.

The local Moose is planning to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the lodge May 14.

Christian Bauman, 63, native of Switzerland, died at his home near Berne after a lengthy illness.

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## Awards Presented County Rural Youth

and how it is divided in Indiana. Mixers and recreation were led by the district recreation committee with Carolyn Moore representing Adams county.

The following twenty-two members and guests represented the local club: Legora Markle, Alan Habegger, Leslie Plough, Carolyn Moore, Lou Anne Affolder, Jane Duff, John Meshberger, Denby Geren, Carol Fox, Martha Brewster, Derryle Pharr, Ted Lipper, Larry Dubach, Delbert McCune, Sally McCullough, Delores Rodenbeck, Jerry Sprunger, Larry Meyer, Larry Habegger, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller, Farm Bureau advisors, and Leo N. Seltzner, extension advisor.

The next district meeting will be held in July with Adams county as the host club.

## Six-Year-Old Boy Is Drowned In Pond

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Six-year-old Steven Allen Davis drowned Monday when he fell into a pond on his parents' farm south of Indianapolis. His mother, Mrs. Clarence Davis, 35, found the boy's body floating in the shallow pond after he disappeared from the yard. The youngster apparently climbed on top a wooden pile at the water's edge and lost his balance.

Jim Haupert, district president, conducted the business session. Legora Markle, district vice president, announced the counties in the district who reached their membership goals as Adams, Huntington, Tipton, and Wells. These counties will receive a portable lectern with their club's name on it, which will be presented at the state membership dance May 21 in Indianapolis. Members of these counties will also receive free admission to the dance.

Announcement was made of the district bowling tournament to be held at Marion Sunday, May 1. The local club will be represented by teams in this district tournament.

The district square dance date was announced as Saturday night, June 18. June 3-5 are the dates of the state rural youth weekend camp to be held at Oliver Lake in LaGrange County. This is a leisure time weekend camp and classes will be offered in various leisure time skills.

The attendance cowbell was awarded to Blackford county.

Vance Denny of the Farm Bureau tax and legislative department gave the educational feature for the evening. He pointed out where some of the tax money goes

## COURT NEWS

## Estate Cases

The inheritance tax appraiser's report was filed in the John H. Duff estate, and a notice issued, returnable May 11. The total net value was listed at \$24,807.

The final report was filed with notice ordered issued returnable May 11, in the Edward D. Engeler estate.

In the Mathias Baker estate, the schedule to determine inheritance tax was filed with reference to the county assessor.

The value of the Mary C. Holt house estate is listed at \$17,685.51 with a tax due in the sum of \$385 and the county is allowed \$30.80 for fees and services.

## Complaint Case

In the Marie Lambert vs Lawrence A. and Faye Michel case, the cause of action is continued by agreement of both parties.

John L. DeVoss entered his appearance for the defendant in the Richard Mishler vs Bernard Roy Rabbitt suit.

## Horse, Pony Club

Adams county 4-H Horse and Pony club will hold a meeting at 7:30 p. m. Thursday at the Farm Bureau building in Monroe. All members are reminded to bring record books.

## Union Pals

The Union Pals 4-H club completed their community project Good Friday when they toured the county home and entertained the residents.

The club also furnished bags of candy, cookies, and Easter eggs for everyone at the home.

Lois Jean Gerke was mistress of ceremonies. She introduced the group and explained the purpose of 4-H clubs. The entire group then sang several songs, accompanied by Mrs. Benjamin Gerke. Next, a skit was given by Sandra Grote, Judy Thieme, and Dorothy Blecke, followed by a duet by Lois and Brenda Crozier. Other selections included a piano solo by Barbara Gerard, a quartet composed of Susan and Kathy Thieme, Nancy Krueckeberg, and Pat Ruble, and the closing song and prayer by Dorothy Blecke and Nancy Adamson.

The group was accompanied to the home by Mrs. Benjamin Gerke, and Mrs. Richard Marbach, leaders, and Miss Deanna Small, Mrs. Elmer Allison, and Mrs. Cloyce Crozier.

## Kekionga

The Kekionga 4-H club of St. Mary's township met Thursday at the Pleasant Mills school. Linda King was in charge of the meeting. After pledges had been led by Sherie Smiley and Jackie Longenberger, Mary Lee Longenberger led