

Our 175th Year · 1833-2008

# A JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAST 1857-1858

*As we celebrate 175 years, we take a look at our history and the world around us through News-Sentinel archives.*

## **1857**

- ◆ Ashbel Parsons Willard elected Indiana governor; he died in office in 1860.
- ◆ U.S. Supreme Court hands down the Dred Scott decision.
- ◆ Samuel S. Morss chosen as mayor.
- ◆ City Council orders Calhoun Street planked between Lewis and Berry streets.
- ◆ Local railroad shops sold to

the forerunner of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

- ◆ Opening of Clay and Jefferson schools.
- ◆ Gregory McDougal, a local horse thief, was executed.

## **1858**

- ◆ Kekionga Guards formed.
- ◆ First overland mail bound for California leaves St. Louis.
- ◆ Queen Victoria of England sends the first cable message

- to President James Buchanan.
- ◆ First city directory published.
- ◆ Present corporation seal of the City came into use.
- ◆ Minnesota admitted to the Union as 32nd state.
- ◆ Luxury of public bath house comes to Fort Wayne.

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