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J. J. Weber, Proprietor, Consumers Coal Company423 North Vine Street, Plainfield, Indiana

J(acob) J(ohn) Weber, b. in Ripley Co., Ind., Feb. 12, 1879;
s. of Jacob J. and Lena (Leares) Weber.

Jacob J. Weber, b. in Germany. He emigrated to America about 1850, and subsequently became a shoemaker and farmer in Ripley Co., Ind. He died in 1889. His wife, Lena (Leares) Weber, who was b. in Ind., died in 1885. She was of German descent. They were the parents of twelve children, Jacob John being the ninth child in order of birth.

J. J. Weber, the subject of this sketch, graduated from high sch., in Batesville, Ind., about 1897. He was employed as a cabinetmaker by the Union Furniture Company, in Batesville, 4 years, after which he was a cabinetmaker for the Ennis & Pearce Furniture Company, of Rushville, Ind. He remained with the latter firm, 30 years, during which time he was promoted to supt. of the company. In 1933, Mr. Weber purchased from Hubert Brown, the Consumers Coal Company, in Plainfield, Ind., which business was established in 1886. Mr. Weber is sole owner of the company, which is located at 423 North Vine Street. He is a Republican, a mem. of the I. O. O. F., the Hendricks County Chapter of the Citizens Hist. Assn., and the Christian Church. His favorite recreation is baseball.

On Feb. 18, 1900, J. J. Weber married Lena Cochran, dau. of William H. and Mary Elizabeth (Hufford) Cochran. William H. Cochran, who came from N. C. to Ind., was a farmer in Rush County. Mrs. Weber was b. in Rush County, Ind. Children: (1) Wilbur, who was b. in 1901, and died in 1917. (2) Russell, b. in 1903. He resides in Indianapolis. He is not married. (3) Ruth, b. in 1907. She married Arthur Gammon. They reside in Rushville, Ind., and are the parents of one child, Donald, b. in 1928. (4) Forest, b. in 1918. He is a student at Purdue Univ. (5) Richard, b. in 1920. He is attending high sch., in Plainfield.