

Homer R. SCHAMP, manager of the Portland branch of the Union Heat, Light and Power Company of Winchester and recognized as one of the active young factors in the general industrial life of Portland, was born in that city on January 20, 1892. He is a son of George H. and Beulah (BUCK) SCHAMP, the latter of whom, born in the state of Kansas, was but a child when she came with her parents to Indiana, the family locating at Portland, where she was reared. George H. SCHAMP, a well known shoe merchant of Portland, was born in Darke county, over in Ohio, but has been a resident of Portland ever since he was a child, his parents having come over here from Ohio years ago. He and his wife have four children, the subject of this sketch having three sisters, Hazel, Bernice and Margaret.

Reared at Portland, Homer R. SCHAMP was graduated from the high school in that city in 1910 and then went to Mishawaka, Ind., where he took service in the production department of the plant of the Mishawaka Woolen Company, and was thus engaged for about two years, at the end of which time he went to Gary, Ind., and was for five years thereafter engaged in the drafting and designing department of the great plant of the Illinois Steel Company. He then transferred his services to the Youngstown Steel and Tool Company and was located in the offices of that company at Youngstown Ohio for about a year, at the end of which time he returned to the office of the Illinois Steel Company at Gary and there remained until in September, 1919, when he returned to Portland to take the position of manager of the Portland branch of the Union Heat, Light and Power Company, a position he since has occupied, in general charge of all the operations of that company in Portland and vicinity. Mr. SCHAMP is a Republican and is a member of the Portland lodges of the Free and Accepted Masons and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also is a member of the Delta chapter of Phi Delta Kappa at Portland, and in the affairs of these several organizations takes an active interest.

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