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A JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAST 1866-1867

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

1866

- Fire destroys center of Portland, Maine.; 2,000 homeless.
- The first American YWCA opens in Boston, Mass.
- Cholera epidemic spreads across the country.
- The nickel is introduced.
- Indianapolis hosts the first national encampment of Civil War Union veterans.

1867

- Conrad Baker elected Indiana governor.
- Alaska purchased from Russia.
- Fort Wayne High School built on Wayne Street between Calhoun and Clinton streets.
- Henry Sharp becomes Fort Wayne mayor.
- Nebraska admitted to the Union as the 37th state.
- Christopher Latham Sholes invents typewriter.
- First, second and third Reconstruction Acts passed; led to the unification of the North and South.

 Spring floodwaters cover the Nebraska neighborhood. Flood spreads all the way north and east to Spy Run Creek.
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