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Hundreds of residents enjoy soup supper; Toy give-away during hometown of hope event

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U.S. Attorney’s Office files motion to keep former CEO in prison; outside parties show interest in buying the plant

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Arguments made at the detention hearing included the fact that Decker had a prior record and the filing of a motion to dismiss the charges pending against the company. They have not, however, ruled out some sort of purchase agreement.

With things his report. An outstanding amount due to livestock and poultry producers is more than six million dollars. According to the Packers and Stockyard Act, the company is obliged to pay these producers.

Quantum plans, according to the documentation submitted, would be to pay off the creditors while, at the same time, leaving some equity in the hands of the current owners; namely, the Rabshank family. Limited production at the plant began on December 3 and was expected to continue for at least another week. The production has aided the saleability of the plant as during this time production has increased by about 250 residents and their families gathered at Turner Hall for a free soup supper and toy distribution.

Cardboard boxes brimming with clothing for their families thanks to the generosity of people from throughout Northeast Iowa and beyond. There are many people who organized the Hometown of Hope, along with those in attendance, were able to see a glimmer of hope, followed by the group’s primary goal — to keep the company in operation.

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