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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: December 31, 2008

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Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: TERRY L BLAKER  
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Person signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Terry L Blaker  
Title: Senior Vice President  
Phone: (765) 747-1570

Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

Terry L Blaker Muncie, IN January 12, 2009

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FORM 13F SUMMARY PAGE

Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: None

Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 217

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Form 13F Information Table Value Total: \$197,290,000

List of Other Included Managers:

None

NAME OF ISSUER	TITLE OF CLASS	CUSIP	FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE				
			VALUE (X\$1000)	SHARES/ PRN AMT	SH/ PRN	PUT/ CALL	INVSTMT DSCRETN
ACCENTURE LTD CLASS A	COM	G1150G111	881	26860	SH	SOLE	
ACCENTURE LTD CLASS A	COM	G1150G111	21	650	SH	DEFINED	
INGERSOLL RAND CL A	COM	G4776G101	812	46850	SH	SOLE	
INGERSOLL RAND CL A	COM	G4776G101	63	3605	SH	DEFINED	
AFLAC INC	COM	001055102	406	8850	SH	SOLE	
AFLAC INC	COM	001055102	2	50	SH	DEFINED	
AT&T INC	COM	00206R102	3494	122601	SH	SOLE	
AT&T INC	COM	00206R102	282	9880	SH	DEFINED	
ABBOTT LABS	COM	002824100	4059	76060	SH	SOLE	
ABBOTT LABS	COM	002824100	293	5489	SH	DEFINED	
ALBERTO CULVER CO NEW	COM	013078100	352	14350	SH	SOLE	
ALBERTO CULVER CO NEW	COM	013078100	7	300	SH	DEFINED	
APACHE CORP	COM	037411105	434	5820	SH	SOLE	
APACHE CORP	COM	037411105	7	100	SH	DEFINED	
AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING	COM	053015103	4620	117426	SH	SOLE	
AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING	COM	053015103	39	990	SH	DEFINED	
BB & T CORPORATION	COM	054937107	350	12750	SH	SOLE	
BB & T CORPORATION	COM	054937107	53	1925	SH	DEFINED	
BP PLC - SPONS	ADR	055622104	3216	68810	SH	SOLE	
BP PLC - SPONS	ADR	055622104	1465	31339	SH	DEFINED	
BALL CORP	COM	058498106	2588	62237	SH	SOLE	
BANK OF AMERICA CORP	COM	060505104	925	65716	SH	SOLE	
BANK OF AMERICA CORP	COM	060505104	62	4400	SH	DEFINED	
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP	COM	064058100	488	17226	SH	SOLE	
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP	COM	064058100	5	160	SH	DEFINED	
BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC	COM	071813109	868	16190	SH	SOLE	
BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC	COM	071813109	9	170	SH	DEFINED	
BED BATH & BEYOND	COM	075896100	388	15285	SH	SOLE	
BED BATH & BEYOND	COM	075896100	23	895	SH	DEFINED	
BEST BUY COMPANY INC	COM	086516101	546	19429	SH	SOLE	
BEST BUY COMPANY INC	COM	086516101	25	878	SH	DEFINED	
CATERPILLAR INC.	COM	149123101	1247	27928	SH	SOLE	
CATERPILLAR INC.	COM	149123101	16	356	SH	DEFINED	
CHEVRON CORP	COM	166764100	6290	85038	SH	SOLE	
CHEVRON CORP	COM	166764100	257	3475	SH	DEFINED	
CHUBB CORP	COM	171232101	744	14582	SH	SOLE	
CHUBB CORP	COM	171232101	26	510	SH	DEFINED	
CISCO SYSTEMS	COM	17275R102	1855	113895	SH	SOLE	
CISCO SYSTEMS	COM	17275R102	28	1695	SH	DEFINED	
CITY NATIONAL	COM	178566105	497	10215	SH	SOLE	
CITY NATIONAL	COM	178566105	59	1210	SH	DEFINED	
COCA COLA CO	COM	191216100	1103	24364	SH	SOLE	
COCA COLA CO	COM	191216100	109	2400	SH	DEFINED	
COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO	COM	194162103	1480	21596	SH	SOLE	
COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO	COM	194162103	127	1850	SH	DEFINED	
CONOCOPHILLIPS	COM	20825C104	2231	43073	SH	SOLE	
CONOCOPHILLIPS	COM	20825C104	85	1650	SH	DEFINED	

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COVANCE INC	COM	222816100	583	12660	SH	SOLE
COVANCE INC	COM	222816100	20	425	SH	DEFINED
CULLEN FROST BANKERS	COM	229899109	213	4195	SH	SOLE
CULLEN FROST BANKERS	COM	229899109	23	460	SH	DEFINED
DNP SELECT INCOME FUND		23325P104	433	70399	SH	SOLE
DNP SELECT INCOME FUND		23325P104	22	3600	SH	DEFINED
DANAHER CORP	COM	235851102	1084	19155	SH	SOLE
DANAHER CORP	COM	235851102	40	700	SH	DEFINED
DEERE & CO	COM	244199105	254	6630	SH	SOLE
DEERE & CO	COM	244199105	21	550	SH	DEFINED
DISNEY WALT COMPANY	COM	254687106	1415	62395	SH	SOLE
DISNEY WALT COMPANY	COM	254687106	7	300	SH	DEFINED
DONALDSON INC	COM	257651109	209	6210	SH	SOLE
DONALDSON INC	COM	257651109	3	100	SH	DEFINED
DOW CHEM CO	COM	260543103	702	46525	SH	SOLE
DOW CHEM CO	COM	260543103	40	2650	SH	DEFINED
DU PONT E I DE NEMOURS	COM	263534109	514	20337	SH	SOLE
DU PONT E I DE NEMOURS	COM	263534109	12	470	SH	DEFINED
EMERSON ELEC CO	COM	291011104	3757	102631	SH	SOLE
EMERSON ELEC CO	COM	291011104	185	5040	SH	DEFINED
ENDO PHARM HLDG INC	COM	29264F205	564	21805	SH	SOLE
ENDO PHARM HLDG INC	COM	29264F205	9	340	SH	DEFINED
EXELON CORP	COM	30161N101	617	11091	SH	SOLE
EXELON CORP	COM	30161N101	33	600	SH	DEFINED
EXXON MOBIL CORP	COM	30231G102	9800	122762	SH	SOLE
EXXON MOBIL CORP	COM	30231G102	1182	14809	SH	DEFINED
FPL GROUP INC	COM	302571104	1218	24200	SH	SOLE
FPL GROUP INC	COM	302571104	161	3200	SH	DEFINED
FIRST MERCHANTS CORP	COM	320817109	2695	121377	SH	SOLE
FIRST MERCHANTS CORP	COM	320817109	275	12367	SH	DEFINED
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	COM	369604103	3633	224393	SH	SOLE
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	COM	369604103	340	21025	SH	DEFINED
GRACO INC	COM	384109104	686	28915	SH	SOLE
GRACO INC	COM	384109104	10	425	SH	DEFINED
HARRIS CORP DEL	COM	413875105	1082	28440	SH	SOLE
HARRIS CORP DEL	COM	413875105	19	495	SH	DEFINED
HARSCO CORP	COM	415864107	645	23300	SH	SOLE
HEWLETT PACKARD CO	COM	428236103	2290	63105	SH	SOLE
HEWLETT PACKARD CO	COM	428236103	111	3050	SH	DEFINED
INTEL CORP	COM	458140100	2719	185445	SH	SOLE
INTEL CORP	COM	458140100	113	7700	SH	DEFINED
INTL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP	COM	459200101	1966	23358	SH	SOLE
INTL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP	COM	459200101	35	410	SH	DEFINED
ISHARES LEHMAN AGGREGATE	BOND FUND	464287226	369	3537	SH	SOLE
MSCI EAFE INDEX SHARES		464287465	3521	78480	SH	SOLE
MSCI EAFE INDEX SHARES		464287465	72	1615	SH	DEFINED
BIOTECHNOLOGY I SHARES	COM	464287556	1660	23370	SH	SOLE
BIOTECHNOLOGY I SHARES	COM	464287556	31	440	SH	DEFINED
S&P 400 MIDCAP GROWTH	ISHARES	464287606	749	13505	SH	SOLE
S&P 400 MIDCAP GROWTH	ISHARES	464287606	31	564	SH	DEFINED
ISHARES RUSSELL 2000	I SHARES	464287655	669	13582	SH	SOLE
ISHARES RUSSELL 2000	I SHARES	464287655	14	285	SH	DEFINED
S&P 400 MIDCAP VALUE	ISHARES	464287705	771	15343	SH	SOLE
S&P 400 MIDCAP VALUE	ISHARES	464287705	32	645	SH	DEFINED
I SHARES S&P SMALL CAP 600	COM	464287804	936	21294	SH	SOLE
I SHARES S&P SMALL CAP 600	COM	464287804	51	1167	SH	DEFINED
S&P 600 SMALL CAP VALUE	ISHARES	464287879	449	9233	SH	SOLE
S&P 600 SMALL CAP VALUE	ISHARES	464287879	24	500	SH	DEFINED
S&P 600 SMALL CAP GROWTH	ISHARES	464287887	450	10109	SH	SOLE
S&P 600 SMALL CAP GROWTH	ISHARES	464287887	24	528	SH	DEFINED
J P MORGAN CHASE & CO	COM	46625H100	3709	117674	SH	SOLE
J P MORGAN CHASE & CO	COM	46625H100	453	14382	SH	DEFINED

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JARDEN CORPORATION	COM	471109108	115	10035	SH	SOLE
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	COM	478160104	6101	101973	SH	SOLE
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	COM	478160104	544	9091	SH	DEFINED
JOHNSON CTLS INC	COM	478366107	406	22375	SH	SOLE
JOHNSON CTLS INC	COM	478366107	5	250	SH	DEFINED
KELLOGG CO	COM	487836108	256	5840	SH	SOLE
KIMBERLY CLARK CORP	COM	494368103	1779	33725	SH	SOLE
KIMBERLY CLARK CORP	COM	494368103	55	1050	SH	DEFINED
KOHL'S CORP	COM	500255104	808	22327	SH	SOLE
KOHL'S CORP	COM	500255104	34	945	SH	DEFINED
LABORATORY CORP	COM	50540R409	332	5160	SH	SOLE
LABORATORY CORP	COM	50540R409	9	135	SH	DEFINED
LILLY ELI & CO	COM	532457108	5274	130971	SH	SOLE
LILLY ELI & CO	COM	532457108	66	1650	SH	DEFINED
LINCOLN NATL CORP IND	COM	534187109	180	9531	SH	SOLE
LINCOLN NATL CORP IND	COM	534187109	11	600	SH	DEFINED
LOWE'S COMPANIES INC	COM	548661107	3790	176100	SH	SOLE
LOWE'S COMPANIES INC	COM	548661107	86	4015	SH	DEFINED
MASCO CORP	COM	574599106	412	37055	SH	SOLE
MASCO CORP	COM	574599106	17	1485	SH	DEFINED
MCDONALDS CORP	COM	580135101	746	11995	SH	SOLE
MCDONALDS CORP	COM	580135101	100	1610	SH	DEFINED
MEDTRONIC INCORPORATED	COM	585055106	1303	41487	SH	SOLE
MEDTRONIC INCORPORATED	COM	585055106	23	725	SH	DEFINED
MICROSOFT CORPORATION	COM	594918104	3575	183991	SH	SOLE
MICROSOFT CORPORATION	COM	594918104	154	7940	SH	DEFINED
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY	COM	595017104	929	47575	SH	SOLE
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY	COM	595017104	52	2675	SH	DEFINED
S&P 400 MIDCAP SPDR		595635103	3989	41056	SH	SOLE
S&P 400 MIDCAP SPDR		595635103	150	1539	SH	DEFINED
NORTHERN TR CORP	COM	665859104	645	12370	SH	SOLE
NORTHERN TR CORP	COM	665859104	11	215	SH	DEFINED
NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP	COM	666807102	68	1520	SH	SOLE
NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP	COM	666807102	914	20290	SH	DEFINED
NVIDIA CORP	COM	67066G104	444	55060	SH	SOLE
NVIDIA CORP	COM	67066G104	11	1425	SH	DEFINED
NUVEEN MUNI DIVIDEND ADVISOR		67070X101	110	10980		SOLE
NUVEEN MUNI DIVIDEND ADVISOR		67070X101	16	1600		DEFINED
OLD NATIONAL BANCORP	COM	680033107	433	23884	SH	SOLE
ORACLE CORP	COM	68389X105	951	53677	SH	SOLE
ORACLE CORP	COM	68389X105	47	2633	SH	DEFINED
PEPSICO INC	COM	713448108	5777	105473	SH	SOLE
PEPSICO INC	COM	713448108	321	5855	SH	DEFINED
PFIZER INC	COM	717081103	1123	63465	SH	SOLE
PFIZER INC	COM	717081103	62	3500	SH	DEFINED
PHILLIP MORRIS INTL INC	COM	718172109	9	200	SH	SOLE
PHILLIP MORRIS INTL INC	COM	718172109	226	5195	SH	DEFINED
T. ROWE PRICE GROUP INC	COM	74144T108	814	22981	SH	SOLE
T. ROWE PRICE GROUP INC	COM	74144T108	16	450	SH	DEFINED
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP	COM	74251V102	288	12780	SH	SOLE
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP	COM	74251V102	4	160	SH	DEFINED
PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	COM	742718109	5908	95582	SH	SOLE
PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	COM	742718109	371	6010	SH	DEFINED
ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL	COM	770323103	569	27355	SH	SOLE
ROBERT HALF INTERNATIONAL	COM	770323103	9	445	SH	DEFINED
S&P 500 INDEX SPDR ETF		78462F103	1027	11385	SH	SOLE
SPDR MSCI ALL-COUNTRY WORLD EX-US INDEX ETF		78463X848	1997	85667	SH	SOLE
LEHMAN INTL TREASURY BD SPDR		78464A516	3434	63125	SH	SOLE
LEHMAN INTL TREASURY BD SPDR		78464A516	93	1710	SH	DEFINED
SCHLUMBERGER LTD	COM	806857108	3300	77980	SH	SOLE
SCHLUMBERGER LTD	COM	806857108	91	2154	SH	DEFINED
MATERIALS SELECT SECTOR SPDR	COM	81369Y100	400	17605	SH	SOLE

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MATERIALS SELECT SECTOR SPDR	COM	81369Y100	11	465	SH	DEFINED
SECTOR SPDR UTILITIES	COM	81369Y886	360	12395	SH	SOLE
SECTOR SPDR UTILITIES	COM	81369Y886	10	330	SH	DEFINED
THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY	COM	832696405	487	11231	SH	SOLE
THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY	COM	832696405	11	265	SH	DEFINED
SOUTHERN CO	COM	842587107	1581	42735	SH	SOLE
SOUTHERN CO	COM	842587107	200	5410	SH	DEFINED
STAPLES INC	COM	855030102	1858	103754	SH	SOLE
STAPLES INC	COM	855030102	54	2995	SH	DEFINED
STRYKER CORP	COM	863667101	972	24324	SH	SOLE
STRYKER CORP	COM	863667101	10	250	SH	DEFINED
SUPERVALU INC	COM	868536103	177	12090	SH	SOLE
SUPERVALU INC	COM	868536103	21	1445	SH	DEFINED
SYSCO CORP	COM	871829107	2980	129944	SH	SOLE
SYSCO CORP	COM	871829107	108	4700	SH	DEFINED
TEVA PHARMACEUTICAL	ADR	881624209	722	16970	SH	SOLE
TEVA PHARMACEUTICAL	ADR	881624209	50	1165	SH	DEFINED
THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INCCOM	COM	883556102	422	12400	SH	SOLE
3M COMPANY	COM	88579Y101	799	13886	SH	SOLE
3M COMPANY	COM	88579Y101	175	3050	SH	DEFINED
US BANCORP DEL	COM	902973304	2648	105913	SH	SOLE
US BANCORP DEL	COM	902973304	64	2570	SH	DEFINED
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	COM	911312106	187	3400	SH	SOLE
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	COM	911312106	55	1000	SH	DEFINED
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	COM	913017109	6049	112882	SH	SOLE
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	COM	913017109	73	1355	SH	DEFINED
VF CORP	COM	918204108	441	8050	SH	SOLE
VF CORP	COM	918204108	4	75	SH	DEFINED
VNGRD FTSE ALLWORLD EXUS ETF		922042775	1899	58765	SH	SOLE
VECTREN CORP	COM	92240G101	2053	82139	SH	SOLE
VECTREN CORP	COM	92240G101	147	5883	SH	DEFINED
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC	COM	92343V104	2267	66908	SH	SOLE
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC	COM	92343V104	78	2292	SH	DEFINED
WAL MART STORES INC	COM	931142103	3783	67487	SH	SOLE
WAL MART STORES INC	COM	931142103	194	3455	SH	DEFINED
WALGREEN COMPANY	COM	931422109	196	7962	SH	SOLE
WALGREEN COMPANY	COM	931422109	15	600	SH	DEFINED
WELLS FARGO & CO	COM	949746101	5734	194556	SH	SOLE
WELLS FARGO & CO	COM	949746101	276	9350	SH	DEFINED
WEYERHAEUSER CO	COM	962166104	420	13725	SH	SOLE
WEYERHAEUSER CO	COM	962166104	3	100	SH	DEFINED
WYETH	COM	983024100	1713	45691	SH	SOLE
WYETH	COM	983024100	113	3010	SH	DEFINED
ZIMMER HLDGS INC	COM	98956P102	366	9064	SH	SOLE
ZIMMER HLDGS INC	COM	98956P102	22	555	SH	DEFINED
GRAND TOTALS			197290	5659653		