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Welcome home, men of Company A, the Band, the 107th Supply Train and others from this city who fought in different units while in France. We are mighty glad to see you back, and we are proud of the record you have made as soldiers and fighters. You have done your bit, and have done it in a way to win glory and credit, not only for yourselves, but for the city which sent you forth in answer to the call for patriotic service. It was dangerous and exacting work that was required of you, says the Oshkosh Northwestern, but you faced it bravely and with the spirit of true Americans, just as we knew you would do. And now that you are home again, we want you to know that we appreciate the value of your service and the highly creditable manner in which this service was performed, for official citations and the military records give testimony that you and the other members of the famous 32nd Division were among the best of the troops that fought on the bloody fields of France, and that you won lasting honors by the successes which you helped to gain over the enemy.

A glorious victory has been won for this nation and its allies, and so long as you live it will be a source of pride and satisfaction to you to recall the part you played in this memorable conflict. It has been a great experience, and one that doubtless will lead you to take a different view of life and the responsibilities and duties which are borne by every individual. The lessons you have learned, in other words, scarcely can fail to make you cherish ambitions to become better Americans, and to set examples in good citizenship that will encourage and stimulate a desire by the rest of us to like endeavors.

We at home also have worked hard and faithfully to do our bit, to back up and support you in the efforts and work which have been your part. And we have followed you, while away, with our hopes and prayers, coupled with fond anticipations of the joyful reunion to occur when the job was finished and you came back again, to tell us of your experiences and accept the congratulations and felicitations of your relatives and friends and old neighbors. This anticipation is now fulfilled, and we greet you fondly and with warmth, because we are proud of you and are glad almost beyond expression, to have you home again, to doff the uniform and again resume the role of plain citizens. And after the trying experience of the past months you, the same as we, must appreciate the fact that this, after all, is one of the greatest honors that any man can hold — to be a plain American citizen. And we love you all the more because you have done your part to make the rights and precious privileges of American citizenship more safe and more secure.

MERCHANTS OF MILWAUKEE OUR GUESTS YESTERDAY

Arriving on schedule time over the Soo line Tuesday afternoon the hundred or so members of the 17th annual trade promotion tour of the Milwaukee Association of Commerce found Marshfield prepared for their coming. They were a live bunch and had their own band with them, which when the merchants of Milwaukee were lined up, paraded down Central avenue. After the parade the band gave a short concert in front of the Hotel Blodgett at which time national airs were in order. At the playing of the national anthem and "My County 'Tis of Thee" all members of the promotion trip and citizens of Marshfield, too, paid respect to these great songs by doffing hats and maintaining silence. In the absence of the mayor, Secretary Lamson of the Chamber of Commerce gave a short address of welcome which was responded to by the head of the visiting Association of Commerce from Milwaukee. The speaker from Milwaukee, in his short talk, said he could remember the time when nothing but "old Bill Upham's" sawmill was the center of this hustling city we now have.

After partaking of dinner, the band of the visitors gave a concert in front of the Hotel Blodgett at 7:30 o'clock at which time a large crowd was present. After the concert all of the members of the association went to the Adler theater, where they witnessed the production of "The Jollies of 1919" under the auspices of the Elks. According to schedule the boosters left this city at five o'clock this morning, their next stop being Ladysmith. Comment heard from one of the men included in the trip, was to the effect that outside of Milwaukee he thought Marshfield the best city he had visited so far. We hope that he keeps this impression throughout his trip.

NOTICE.
All people who have subscribed to the celebration fund for the Red Arrow days on June 18 and 19 should send their subscription checks to John Hasselbalch, chairman of the finance committee this week.

SCHAEFER CHEESE COMPANY IS SOLD TO KRAFT BROS.

Active Management Is Assumed By New Owners Monday.

WILL RETAIN INTEREST

New Company Is Rated As One of The Best In the Business. All Present Employees Will Be Retained.

A deal which came as a big surprise to the business people of Marshfield and vicinity was consummated on Monday, the transaction being the sale of the P. J. Schaefer Cheese company to the Kraft Bros. Cheese company of Chicago and New York.

The P. J. Schaefer company, since its founding, has proved itself to be one of the most reliable in all its business dealings. From a modest beginning just a few years back it has grown in such rapid strides that today this company is known throughout the United States and elsewhere as one of the leading cheese concerns in the state of Wisconsin.

The Kraft Bros. company which bought out the holdings of the Schaefer company are big men in the cheese industry and its by-products. They are one of the largest and best rated cheese houses doing business in this section of the country. The Kraft Cheese company of Chicago and the J. L. Kraft & Brothers company of New York are the parent corporations of the present Kraft Brothers who will operate in this city and vicinity.

Messrs. P. J. Schaefer and Alfred Neumann will retain a financial interest in the Kraft Brothers Cheese Co., but will retire from the active management. All present employees of the P. J. Schaefer company will be retained in the employ of the new operating company. Full particulars of this transaction will be found on page three of this week's Times.

OUT ON PAROLE.

Lawrence Bump and Lawrence Bragdon, two irresponsible young boys, who for the past few months have had the faculty of getting into trouble wherever they went on account of their "taking ways" are today out on parole. On May 28th, these two young lads were caught in the act of ransacking the house owned by Mrs. Buzzy on Poach street. When they were discovered they had two bags full of clothes and other items they were going to lug off. In their trial in Judge Andrews' court yesterday, district attorney Frank Calkins of Grand Rapids was here, they were found guilty and after the matter was thoroughly threshed out a commitment was made out for the removal of the boys to the industrial school at Waukesha, but later they were put on probation. In the meantime if one of the boys transgresses or oversteps his limit he will be immediately taken to Waukesha on the commitment which is already made out.

"MILLADORE" THE Highbrow.

No one would think, from a casual observance of Milladore, to the northeast of us, that the name was chosen because a man read an old English novel in which Lord Swellchest, of Milladore, wooed and all-but wed Lady Highheel—but it's so.

Orlow A. Everts came to Milladore as its station agent when the place was called Mill Creek. He didn't like the sound of the name and remembering the name "Milladore" of which he had read, proposed that. A son of Erin, then also a resident of the place, wanted the name changed to "Brannon," but Everts won out on account of his high prestige in the community. He is still in railroad employ and recently celebrated his golden wedding at Ashland. It was during the wedding festivities that the anecdote of the naming of the Wood county town came to light.—Pittsville Record.

See "The Whip"—it's magnificent, Adler, tonight. 3511

"JOLLIES OF 1919" SCORES BIG HIT

Hitting on all twelve, never back-firing once, "The Jollies of 1919" which was given at the Adler theater on Monday and last night, our Marshfield Lodge B. P. O. Elks staged one of the most successful home talent plays ever witnessed in this city. From the opening chorus to the finale, the large audience was kept in one continuous uproar. The show contained everything from ragtime to grand opera. Most of the time, our home talent was working so smoothly that it was impossible for any one person to sit quiet in his seat, much less think of anything else but to laugh. The play was so chock full of good things and the home setting, which was a big feature of the show, brought out the quality of both the players and the producers.

Great, is the smallest word that possibly could express the sentiment of the people who saw the two performances. With an ease of motion, characteristic of any high class performers, all of our home talent fairly scintillated in their various roles. To mention one name would be unjust to the other people of the cast, so we are not going to indulge in personalities. Time does not permit us to elaborate on the merits of both the play and players, but we can and do voice the sentiment of the people of Marshfield when we say that it was easily the most cleverly and well acted play that has been produced by any company using home talent as the foundation of the play. The play was produced by the Joe Bren Producing company of Chicago.

The following men and women took part in the play: C. B. Edwards, Allison Bly, Clifford Lundgren, Frank Kleinheinz, William Burns, Paul Spalding, Edward Kohl, T. D. Spalding, Steve Miller, W. G. Arnold, James Delmore, Sam Winch, Alex Robb (of the Bren company); E. E. Finney, Lloyd Whitney, H. A. Bly, Fred Reeths, Bert Swazee, G. J. Pearson, R. E. Andrews, Edward Mechler, Charles M. Pors, John Hasselbalch, Joe Bren (of the Bren company), the Misses Lorna Scharmann, Laura Mess, Trix Burns, Marguerite Tice, Georgia Campbell, Leone Tiffault, Tena Nuber, Josephine Peterson, Helen Heaton, Ruth Kelso, Margaret Van Hecke, Olive Lange, Katherine Kraus, Julia Wendt, Eva Bartig, Cora and Winnie Brickheimer.

FRED REETHS, SR., ELECTED PRESIDENT B. & L. ASS'N.

At a meeting of the directors of the Building and Loan Association which was held Monday evening, the following pledged members of the association were elected to officer the organization:

President—Fred Reeths, Sr.
Vice-president—Leo Rose.
Treasurer—Mayor Henry Kalsched.
Secretary—Charles M. Pors.
Assistant secretary—J. H. Cundy.

RETURNING HOME.

All of the members of Company A of the 127th Infantry, 32nd Division, who were in quarantine at Camp Mills, New York, on account of scarlet fever, arrived in this city early Monday morning. They are a fine looking bunch of men and everyone feels fine and are glad to get back. Every day trains coming into this city deposit one or two or more and gradually all of the boys will return to our midst. By the time the Red Arrow days are in full swing the majority of the boys will no doubt be here.

FELLAS! GUIDE IS RIGHT! SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES, ATTENTION!

All soldiers, sailors and marines in the Marshfield District of the Council of Defense and the surrounding townships are invited to attend the Red Arrow Day celebration in this city, on June 18 and 19. An elaborate program is being outlined at this time and the committee in charge wants "you-all" to help put the thing over.

NEW VERSION OF SERGT. PURDY'S HEROISM IS TOLD

Was a Unique Illustration of Individual Bravery During the War.

D. S. C. GIVEN MOTHER

This Act of Bravery Was Performed at Hegenbach, Alsace. Was a Member of Company A of This City.

The following sketch appeared in the Saturday issue of the Chicago Tribune, first page prominence being given the writeup which was dated Washington, D. C. It concerns the heroic act performed by Sergt. Willard Purdy on July 4, 1917, while he was a member of Company A of this city and with the 127th Infantry in France:

"Washington, D. C.—The heroism of a Wisconsin sergeant, who deliberately sacrificed his own life to save those of his men in the fight at Hegenbach, Alsace, July 4, 1917, is told with official brevity and skeletonized simplicity in today's war department report announcing the award of distinguished service crosses for bravery in action.

"The martyr hero was Serg. Willard D. Purdy, a member of Company A, 127th infantry. During the engagement at Hegenbach Sergt. Purdy, after returning with his patrol from a reconnaissance of the enemy's line, was engaged in calling the roll of his men and collecting their hand grenades when the pin of one of the grenades became disengaged.

"Seeing that the grenade could not be thrown away without making certain the wounding of American troops — most probably some of his own men — Sergt. Purdy instantly commanded his men to run. Then he himself seized three of the grenades and, bending over, held them against his stomach. The grenades exploded, killing Sergt. Purdy instantly, but his presence of mind and self-sacrificing action had saved the lives of his companions.

"This incident, army men have said, will live in history as one of the unique and memorable illustrations of individual heroism during the war. The thousands of soldiers now returning from the battlefields of Europe need no explanation of the necessity for this action of self-sacrifice upon the part of Sergt. Purdy, but for the benefit of the civilian it may be explained that when the pin of a grenade becomes disengaged there is nothing on earth that will prevent the bomb from exploding within six or eight seconds.

"Sergt. Purdy, at the time of the accident which resulted in choosing his own death in preference to injury or death to others, was undoubtedly so surrounded by troops that it was out of the question for him to throw the grenade where it was not certain to seriously wound, if not take the lives, of comrades on the battlefield. As the result of his self-sacrifice no one else was injured by the accident.

"Sergt. Purdy's home address was Box 632, Marshfield, Wis., and his next of kin was given as Mrs. Esther Purdy, his mother."

YOUNG BOY DIES.

Clarence William, ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Volz of Hewitt died at the hospital Sunday after considerable suffering. The young lad when death stepped in was attending school at Hewitt. The funeral was held yesterday morning at 9 o'clock from St. John's Catholic church with Rev. Joseph Folt officiating.

BEELL TO WRESTLE RODGERS FOR PURSE OF \$500 ON JUNE 19

Memories of yesterdays will be brought back to wrestling fans on the last day of the Red Arrow celebration. Our own, Fred Beell, at one time the undisputed wrestling champion of the world, has consented to take on a wrestler of a great reputation in order that our citizens may gain an insight on the pastime at which he was the star of the world just a few odd years ago.

The bout is going to be a real one. A purse of \$500 is being put up by the Red Arrow committee. Bob Rodgers of Chicago, weighing in the neighborhood of 190 pounds will be



"Our Own Freddie"

Beell's opponent. Rodgers is a clever fellow and Beell will have to extend himself in order to be returned the victor. Just to show you how confident Emil Klauk, Rodgers' Chicago manager is, his telegram to H. E. Hoerl reads: "Will wrestle your man, winner sixty per cent, loser forty. Rodgers weighs 190 and has a good record. He has defeated Roler, Demetrel and several others. He doesn't bar anybody." The bout will be catch-as-catch-can.

Both of the men are clean-limbed, light of figure, catty in all the ways of wrestling and onlookers will look forward and will get all the thrills they wish when Beell shows them about everything in his repertoire, which by the way, includes the famous hold by which he took away the championship of the world from the late Frank Gotch. The bout will be held on the corner of Second street in the afternoon of the second day. It is expected that many admirers of Beell will be here from out of town as everybody in the state thinks the world of Beell, both as a man and a wrestler.

TO APPEAR ON COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM AT LAWRENCE

Appleton, Wis., June 3—(Special)—Miss Beatrice Schuette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Schuette, of Marshfield, is to appear on a commencement program to be given at Lawrence conservatory soon. Miss Schuette will assist a piano student who is to give an individual program. Only a small number of undergraduates are given the distinction of being asked to assist on a commencement program and Miss Schuette is among the few this year.

Miss Schuette is a graduate of the Marshfield High school of the class of 1916. During a recent tour of the Lawrence Girls Glee club, of which Miss Schuette was a member, the club played an engagement in this city at the Adler theater.

Barron county has more than 500 head of registered Guernsey cattle.

GUERNSEY SALE TOTALS \$15,650 LAST THURSDAY

One of the Most Successful Sales Ever Held In This Section.

46 HEAD DISPOSED OF

The Highest Price Paid For An Animal at This Sale Brought \$700. All the Animals Sold For An Average of \$340.

Last Thursday, May 28th, the Wood County Guernsey Breeders Association staged what turned out to be by far the best stock sale ever held in this section of the state. The stock was sold in the large sales pavilion on the fair grounds, better known as the largest round barn in the world.

Forty-six head of pure-bred Guernseys were disposed of at that time, the total of the sale being \$15,650. This is an average of \$340 per head. The highest average of any former sale in this section was \$215, this latter figure being reached at the sale of May 16th, this year, at the Fair grounds. The highest price paid was \$700 and no animal sold for less than \$100.

Everyone connected with the sale was highly pleased with the outcome. The Guernsey breeders of this section are to be congratulated, for having consigned a very high grade aggregation of stock to bring such fancy prices.

Dr. M. B. Wood of Mankato, Minn., was the sales manager. H. O. Teller of Farmington, Minn., and O. S. Johnson of Tipton, Iowa, were the auctioneers. Considerable credit is due these three gentlemen for the success of the sale. They have had a good deal of experience in their line and know how to do the job right, as is evidenced from the way the sale turned out.

W. W. Clark of Grand Rapids handled most of the details in connection with the sale to the satisfaction of all interested. J. F. Pinion of this city was clerk of the sale. The ladies served their usual appetizing dinner on the fair grounds at eleven o'clock.

A few buyers who paid some good money for these fine animals were: William R. Burhopp, town of Richfield, who paid \$325 for an animal; Bert C. Krohn, Marshfield, who paid \$500 for another; J. G. Bredenback, Marshfield, paid \$520 for another.

M. H. S. CLASS PLAY TO BE PRESENTED TOMORROW NIGHT

This week and next marks the closing of the 1919 school year and commencement exercises of the Marshfield High school. The class play, "And Home Came Ted," will be staged at the Adler theater tomorrow and Friday nights; the baccalaureate sermon will be held in the Presbyterian church next Sunday and will be delivered by Rev. Jordan of the Methodist church; class day exercises will be held at the High school next Tuesday while the commencement exercises will be given at the Adler theater next Thursday evening. An outside speaker will deliver the commencement address. The last event of the week will be the Senior ball to be given at the armory hall on Friday night, June 13.

The following list of young people will graduate this year: Elma Baer, Horace Balliam, Adele Ballou, Joseph Bie, Robert Birge, Donald Bulmer, Kenneth Counsell, Ray Cramer, Mildred Davel, Olive Ebbe, Ethel Fenton, Henry Haas, Ben Heiser, Anthony Kleinheinz, Lorna Kliner, Edward McCarr, Clara May, Anna Meidl, Merlin Nason, Elmer Nelson, Grace Seitz, Olga Smith, Athleen St. Thomas, Harold Thuss, Frank Tice, Cecelia Weiland, William Wenzel, Laiglon Weslet, Lloyd Whitney, Golda Wilner, Alfred Wunrow, Bernice Nelson.

The Chamber of Commerce has taken action in opposing the proposed increase of 30 cents per ton on bituminous coal shipped into Wisconsin and western states from Illinois and Indiana mines and is in receipt of a letter from Congressman F. E. Browne in which he agrees to be present at a hearing before the federal commission in opposition to the proposed increase.