

DR. H. A. LATHROP DIED SUNDAY

Marshfield's First Physician and a Prominent Pioneer.

A Leader in Professional and Fraternal Circles, Manly and True.

Dr. H. A. Lathrop, one of Marshfield's most prominent pioneer residents, died at his home Sunday afternoon, closing a life of usefulness and successful service to humanity in peace and resignation. Dr. Lathrop had been suffering from incurable heart trouble for over a year, during which he has faced death unflinchingly, knowing that the span of his life could not be prolonged. He spent the past winter in the south and returned ten days ago with a premonition of his approaching end. His death was the personification of Bryant's noble sentiment which was a favorite with him:

"So live, that when thy summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each
shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unaltering trust, approach thy grave,
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

The funeral was held Tuesday at 11 a. m. under the ritual of Marshfield Lodge No. 224, F and A. M. of which the deceased was one of the founders and the first Worshipful Master. After a brief service at the home the remains were escorted by an extensive cortege to the Presbyterian church where Rev. H. C. Postlethwaite delivered the sermon, with appropriate choral assistance. The pall-bearers were E. E. Winoh, E. A. Upham, P. J. Schafer, H. F. Below, C. S. Shuerin and Adam Paulas. The floral offerings were magnificent and the entire community turned out to do honor to the man whose ministrations have at one time or another, brought relief to nearly every family in the city. Those present from out of town were Mrs. Emily Tibbitts of Chicago and son, William Tibbitts.

Dr. Lathrop was born at Bedford, Ohio, September 26, 1849, and spent his early youth in that state. His family was a prominent one and he had unusual educational advantages for that time, following a natural bent in taking up the study of medicine. With wonderful natural aptitude and tireless application he attained a mastery of his profession and grasped a fund of general information which marked him throughout life as a man of the highest culture and mentality. Dr. Lathrop was united in marriage to Miss Anna Jackson of Amherst, Ohio, and they came to Marshfield in 1880 to carve out their fortune in the then wilderness of central Wisconsin. The town was a pioneer hamlet and Dr. Lathrop was its first physician. The surrounding country possessed scattered settlements with few roads and the life of the early day physician was one of constant toil. With a nature whose generosity knew no bounds Dr. Lathrop devoted his rare talents and training to the care of the infant community. No road was too difficult, no settler too remote for the doctor to answer the call of mercy, in needy cases gratuitously. Driving as far as the roads would permit, he would frequently be compelled to unhitch his horse, leave his cart at the roadside and ride into the woods on horseback, until marsh or forest forbade further progress in this manner, when he would tie the horse and proceed on foot to the suffering pioneer household.

Gifted with a personality which won instant confidence and esteem, powerful and handsome in physique, generous and true to his friends, and just and magnanimous to all, Dr. Lathrop was one of nature's noblemen. He possessed

in a rare degree the faculty of physiological analysis and his diagnosis was unerring. He knew his practice and so impressed a patient that his very presence was a tonic to the suffering. He never ceased the strife for absolute mastery of his profession and his skill as a surgeon was equal to his ability as a physician, but in his busy professional life he never failed to take part in the affairs of his community, and his study of medicine was co-extensive with his study of humanity.

A natural orator and a devoted student of the bible, Dr. Lathrop turned naturally to Masonry and was one of the founders of the Marshfield Blue lodge and served as its first master. In later years he broadened his workings in the order and was one of the state's most prominent members. He was the first high priest of the local Royal Arch chapter, a member of the Stevens Point Commandery, a member of the Milwaukee Consistory or 32nd degree, and of the Shrine. He was also one of the organizers and the first Exalted Ruler of Marshfield Elks lodge No. 685, and a prominent member of many other fraternal orders.

Though never a politician, Dr. Lathrop was a student of public affairs, and his prominence in the city, county and state led to many demands for his political preferment. He was elected a member of assembly from Wood county in 1887 and served this term successfully as an influential member of that body. In the notable campaign of 1904 Dr. Lathrop at the insistent demand of his party accepted the democratic nomination for lieutenant governor, and became the chief speaker for the party in that spirited campaign. Though entering the political field reluctantly, the doctor proved one of the most eloquent and forcible speakers that has ever made a campaign in the state, and that his party was defeated was no fault of his. He had the support of his home community regardless of political party lines.

In every walk of life the deceased had attained the high ideal of manhood to which his life had been dedicated. Ever devoted to his home town he has been one of the foremost citizens in all progressive movements. And the city has done her humble best to do honor to this highly distinguished citizen. The stores and banks were closed Tuesday for the funeral, the Masons and Elks attending in a body, and the Commandery being represented by many members in uniform. The best that can be done in recognition of such a life is but a little thing in the present hour of grief, but its memory stands out in future years coupled with the sterling worth of its object.

In this last sad hour the heartfelt sympathy of the community goes out to the life's companion of the deceased, whose poignant grief in this first shock derives no comfort from a contemplation of the noble qualities of the lost one. For many months Mrs. Lathrop has been the constant attendant and prop of the doctor in his struggle, sleepless and ever alert to his comfort and care. In this as in his magnificent life's record she has shared the trials and responsibilities, an aid and support in all things. Dr. Lathrop is also survived by his sister, Mrs. Emily Tibbitts of Chicago, Ill.

NOTICE.

On account of the development of a case of hydrophobia in the city, all dogs are to be muzzled or securely chained to guard against further infection. All dogs running at large will be destroyed and the owners prosecuted.—R. CONNOR, MAYOR.

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GERMAN THEATRE MAY 7TH.

Manager Adler has dated Gustave Kleemann's great Milwaukee German Comic Opera company for Sunday night, May 7, a rare treat for local German theatregoers. The company is high class and exceptionally strong.

A MOST UNUSUAL ACCIDENT.

Christ Bartelmas Seriously Injured While Plowing Monday.

Clevis Broke and Driver Dragged Against Reserve Blade of Coultter.

Christ Bartelmas, a well known and prosperous farmer residing one mile east of the Klondike corners, met with a serious and most unusual accident Monday, and now lies at his home in a serious condition, though there is every hope that skillful attention will pull him through, an almost miraculous escape from death.

Mr. Bartelmas was driving a walking plow on his farm with a good team of horses, the plow being provided with a reversible coultter, the coultter having a double blade, one in use and the other projecting above the plow beam with the sharpened surface to the rear facing the driver. The lines were fastened together and placed under the ploughman's arms in the usual style to give him both hands free to hold the plow. Suddenly as the ploughman was following his furrow, the clevis holding the team to the plow gave way, releasing the horses from the weight of the pull, which sent them forward rapidly dragging Mr. Bartelmas over the plow. The reserve coultter blade caught the unfortunate man in the breast cutting several ribs from the bone and inflicting a wound so deep that his lungs protruded.

He was released at once from the team and Dr. Wahle was called. The wound was dressed and from present indications the patient will recover, normal conditions having been restored and the wound apparently in good condition without complications. There have been innumerable cases of men dragged over plows by horses when the reins are fastened to the ploughman, but this is the first case in this locality where the patent coultter has played so serious a part.

PRIZES FOR STREET DECORATIONS.

Marshfield will make the greatest effort at street decoration in its history for the week of the Eagles' state convention, June 19 to 24, and the local business places will make a showing which would do credit to any town in the state. In order to encourage this work the local Eagleerie in charge of the convention arrangements, has offered three prizes \$25 for the best decorated building, \$15 for second best and \$10 for third. These prizes will be awarded after careful inspection by three able judges, City Clerk C. S. Vedder, Alderman John Juno, president of the common council, and City Treasurer George J. Leonard. Marshfield merchants have several of the most capable and artistic decorators in this section and no effort will be spared in preparing the city's gala attire.

RULING AS TO TELEPHONE SERVICE.

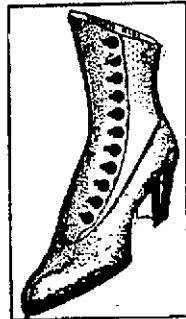
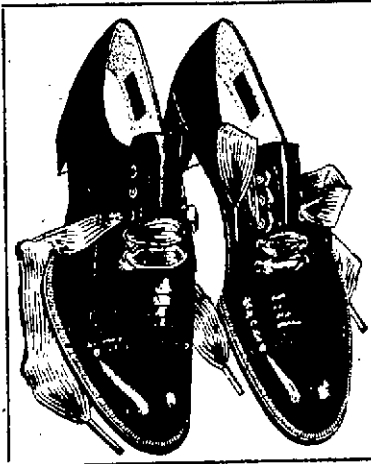
The Wisconsin Rate commission has rendered its decision in the matter of telephone charges in this city, directing that the charge of 25 cents per month in addition to the regular charge for local service, to those who have long distance connection at the phones, be discontinued, and that the ten cent messenger fee on long distance calls for phones from which there are no connections, be also discontinued. The order is directed to Hon. J. C. Marsh and is not definite as to the time the changes are to be made nor conclusive in its terms. There is a possibility of a further hearing in the matter.

MATT WRIGHT PURCHASED ICE BUSINESS.

Matt Wright, the veteran Standard Oil man who recently returned after spending the winter on the Pacific coast, has purchased the ice business and equipment of J. Whittington, and will succeed Mr. Whittington as proprietor of the Marshfield Ice Co., taking possession at once. Mr. Wright is one of the city's most popular business men and is exceptionally well qualified to make a success of the business he has undertaken. Mr. Whittington has built up a very valuable ice business by his thoroughness, ability and fair dealing and the service given in the past is a valuable asset of the business.

Special Shoe Sale!

Men's and Women's Smartest Shoes Oxfords and Pumps.



The shoe season is at its height, and we are splendidly prepared to meet any possible desire. We have every wanted shape and last in all the very latest 1911 models. In Crawford Shoes for Men and Boys our assortment is superior to any previous showing. Button and lace shoes in gun metal, vici kid, patent leather and velour calf with military and low heels, high toes, and all the novelties in shapes and lasts. The largest line of Oxfords and Pumps in blacks and tans, 2, 3 and 4 eyelets. 27 different shapes.

\$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50

FOR LADIES AND MISSES



Our lines equal those of the large cities, in fact every wanted style is represented—vici kid skin, patent colt skin, gun metal calf skin, velvet in black and brown, suedes in different lasts and beautiful tan boots and oxfords. We wish to call your attention to these special lines.

Ladies' Tan Boots, \$4.00
Black and Brown Velvet Boots, \$4.00
Ladies' Tan Oxfords, \$3.00, \$3.50
Brown velvet pump, contrasting trimmings, \$3.50
Black Suede Shoes, \$4.00
Black, tan and gray suede pumps and oxfords, \$3.00 and \$4.00

Special Lines at Greatly Reduced Prices!

Children's wine colored pumps, \$1.50 and \$1.75 value, now 89c and 98c
A complete line of ladies' tan and brown oxfords, \$2.50 values, special at \$1.69
\$2.50 two eyelet gun metal oxford, high heel and toe. During this sale \$1.89
\$2.75 Dull calf skin Blucher Oxfords, 3 eyelets, now \$1.98
\$3.00 all patent leather pump, 2 straps and velour calf skin pump, 1 strap, now \$2.79
\$3.50 Patent leather pump, 1 strap, \$3.50 Gun metal pump, 1 strap, \$2.89
\$3.50 Gun metal pump, 2 straps

Double Trading Stamps with every shoe purchase Saturday and Monday.

Rose Brothers

THE UP-TO-DATE DEPARTMENT STORE

Double Trading Stamps with every shoe purchase Saturday and Monday.

A CASE OF HYDROPHOBIA.

Dog's Head Sent to Madison From Here Found to be Infected.

On Tuesday Dr. J. C. Hayward, city physician, received a telegram from state health authorities at Madison notifying him that the dog's head recently sent in by him for examination, showed conclusive traces of hydrophobia. Dr. Hayward took the matter up with Mayor Connor immediately and Mr. Connor has taken prompt steps to prevent the spread of the infection here. His order in respect to dogs on this page and should be read by all. The mayor's prompt action in this matter is most commendable and he should be given the support of the entire community in securing the strict observance of this order. The dog whose head was sent in belonged to Henry Kreisch and had bitten several children and a number of dogs so there is grave reason for a crusade to prevent a spread of the dread disease. The children have been promptly and carefully treated and no danger to them is

apprehended. Among the dogs however, there is certain danger and too great precaution cannot be observed.

DEATH OF MRS. A. J. BOOTH.

Mrs. A. J. Booth of Stevens Point, mother of Mrs. C. E. Blodgett and George D. Booth of this city, died Sunday afternoon after a long illness, having experienced a break-down in her health last September. The funeral took place at 2 p. m. Tuesday from the house, 416 Franklin St., a notable gathering being assembled to do honor to the departed. Mrs. Blodgett who was with her mother constantly during her last illness, came home Saturday and returned Sunday to Stevens Point. Mr. Booth was also present during the last hours and Mrs. Booth went down Tuesday to attend the funeral. The deceased was a lady of the highest character, universally admired in her home community.

WANTED—Girl for general housework, permanent position. Apply at Times office.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The following are the commencement orations which will be delivered at the graduation exercises: Benjamin Draeger, (salutatory), "America's Newest Religion." Irene Leonard, "The Light of Mormonism." Helen Ebert, "The Value of an Ideal." Marguerite Kraus, "The School as a Social Center." William Glassner, "Public Opinion." Caroline Haast, "The Passing of the Stage Coach." Alma Kelly, "The New China." Louise Tice, (valedictory), "Woman's Suffrage vs Graft." Each member of "High 8" is assigned to individual faculty member this year, for drill on his oration; this secures more drill for each member and divides the work equally among faculty members. The committees in charge of the arrangements for the Junior Ball are hard at work. The affair will probably be held about May 5th. Local declaimers and orators meet Neillsville in the League contest at Neillsville on Friday, April 28. Leah Laemie, Helen Ebert and Esther Glassner represent Marshfield in the girls contest and Geo. Wahle and James Delmore in the boys oratorical contest.