

# <mark>One of the Baraboo 21</mark> Arndt, Otto William 1896 WI – 1967 WI



FIRST SERCEANT OTTO ARNDT E Co. 107th Supply Train



Left: Courtesy of Steven Schwartz of Renton WA – right: "Madison (WI) Capital Times" 4 Feb 1949 p 12 'Baraboo's 21,' of Tuscania Fame, Meet



Surviving members of "Baraboo's 21." who escaped alive when the troopship. Tuscania, was sunk in World War I, with a loss of 147 American lives, will hold a dinner and smoker at Baraboo Saturday on the 31st anniversary of the sinking of the ship. Among the 2,030 American soldiers aboard the transport when it was sunk by a German submarine Feb. 5, 1918, off the coast of Ireland were 21 Baraboo soldiers. Fifteen of the 21 are alive but one of them, Wayland Kier, now lives in Montana. The other 14 are expected to attend the reunion in the Baraboo Legion club. The 14 expected at the anniversary celebration are pictured above. They are, from left to right: front row. Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill.; Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton; Paul L. Stewart, Baraboo city clerk; Edward Coughl'n, Baraboo; Charles Kellogg, Janesville, and James Bray, and Randall Herfort, Baraboo; back row, Otto Bates, Baraboo; Earl Veerhusen, Milwaukee; Otto Arndt, Reedsburg; and Earl Powell, Clarence Braun, Arthur Thayer, and Herbert Steckenbauer, Baraboo.

Otto William Arndt is third from the left (and right) in the back row – "Madison (WI) Capital Times" 4 Feb 1949 p 12

From "The Sinking of the Tuscania" by Marilyn C. Gahm, at <u>www.tuscaniamemorial.org</u>, page 449:

Baraboo High School geography teacher Pete Arndt was chatting one day with his teaching colleague, history teacher Steve Argo. Pete mentioned to Steve that his great-uncle Otto Arndt had been on board the *Tuscania*. Like the majority of people today, Steve had not heard of the *Tuscania* but, after further research, became intrigued by its story. So, in 2015, Steve Argo launched a campaign to erect a memorial in Baraboo, Wisconsin, to commemorate the "Baraboo 21," the twenty-one soldiers on the *Tuscania* who called Baraboo home, and also as an appreciation of gratitude toward the people of the United Kingdom who came to their aid.

## U.S., Select Military Registers, 1862-1985 for Otto Arndt

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BARABOO — Otto W. Arndt, 70, died Sunday in a Madison hospital.

Mr. Arndt was Sauk county register of deeds for three terms and operated Arndt's Bakery in Baraboo for many years. He also was a former employe of the Baraboo-Devils Lake Chamber of Commerce. He was a veteran of World War I, a member of the American Legion, the Elks, and the Koshawangoes Club.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel; three sons, William, Columbus, Ga.; Paul, Palos Verdes, Calif., and Richard, Harrisburg, Va.; 11 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Hanson funeal home, Baraboo, where friends may call from 3 to 5 and after 7 p.m. today.

# Former County Official Dies

Otto W. Arndt, 70, lifelong area resident and former Sauk county official and Baraboo business man, passed away on Sunday evening at Veterans Adminis tration hospital in Madison, where he had been a patient since Wednesday.

He was a veteran of World war I, a member of Baraboo post of the American Legion, the Baraboo lodge of Elks, the Koshawagoes club and one of Baraboo's 21 Tuscania Survivors. Mr. Arndt had served as register of deeds for Sauk county for three terms and for many years had operated the Arndt bakery here together with his brother Martin. He was last employed by the Baraboo - Devils

Lake Chamber of Commerce, operating the information booth here in conjunction with his wife. Surviving him are his wife, the

Surviving him are his wife, the former Ethel Caboon, three sons, William O., Columbus, Ga., Paul C., Palos Verdes, Calif., and Richard D., Harrisburg, Va. He also leaves 11 grand children and 3 great-grand children.

The funeral of Mr. Arndt will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Hanson funeral home with the Rev. Maurice E. Jones of First Presbyterian church officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home on Tuesday. 3 to 5 or 7 to 9 p.m. Burial will be made in Walnut Hill cemetery with military rites.

Obituary of Otto William Arndt – left: "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Tuesday 14 Feb 1967 p 12 and right: "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 13 Feb 1957 p 1

Life:

### AN UNLUCKY LITTLE LAD.

Otto Arndt Falls From a Barrel and Breaks an Arm—Making a Record,

Otto Arndt, the son of Fred Arndt, is a lad of only three years, but has had experience enough for a boy several times his age A few days ago he climbed on top of a barrel in his father's bakery. He had no more than reached the top before he fell off and sustained a broken arm. Only a month ago he was rescued from the Baraboo river by his father after he had gone down the second time, and with very good prospects for the third and fatal dip. It was last summer that he had a runaway in his father's delivery wagon, and escaped without injury other than to his feelings. The only reason attributed for the ill luck of the little fellow is that he was put in pants too young, for he commenced wearing them shortly after he could walk.

 "unlucky" Otto broke his arm in a fall, almost drowned in the Baraboo River – and was in a runaway wagon – all by the age of 3 – but one cannot call him unlucky on Tuscania –
"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Wednesday 10 Jan 1900 p 3 – his WWII draft registration notes he has a crooked left arm Among those from Baraboo thought th to be on the boat are the following:

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107th Military Police

George Weirich.

Dewey Schuester.

### 107th Engineers

John Sansum, Forest Barber, Frank Koons, George Tinkham, Ralph Ketchum, James O'Neill, Herbert Moog, Leo G. Salmon, Verne Payne, Clarence Schenck, Louis (Schultz, [Robert Holmes.

### 107th Supply Train

George Steckenbauer, Earl Veerhusen, Otto Bates, Otto Arndt, Paul Stewart, Randall Herfort, Richard Mahler, John O'Brien, Vern Caflisch, George Hattle, Wayland Kier, Ed. Coughlin, Horace Cahoon, James Bray, Earl Powell, Charles Kellogg, Donald Duncan, Arthur Bender, Ralph Sanderson. It is believed that Alfred Argyle is with the headquarters company on the Tuscania.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 7 Feb 1918 p 1

On Sunday afternoon the intense tension in Baraboo homes was relieved when word came that all of the soldiers from here on the Tuscania had been saved. For several days cables had been coming through that certain ones were safe, and on Sunday a message came to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon that their son was all right, and this accounted for them all. The days had been ones of intense anxiety, and there was general rejoicing when the last report was received.

In addition to those already given, the following are reported rescued: Arthur Francis Bender, Baraboo. Wayland E. Kier, Baraboo. Hale R. Tolieth, Kilbourn. Otto Arndt, Baraboo. James F. Bray, Baraboo. Horace C. Cahoon, Baraboo. Randall H. Herfort, Baraboo. G. W. Hattle, Baraboo. C. G. Jones, Kilbourn. R. L. Mahler, Baraboo. Earl Veerhusen, Baraboo. A. H. Thayer, Reedsburg. John O'Brien, Baraboo.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Arndt received a cablegram from their son, Sergt. Otto Arndt last evening. It read as follows: "Was on board Tuscania. All Baraboo boys safe and well." The message did not state when its sending place was.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 21 Feb 1918 p 3

## Letter From Otto Arndt

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arndt have received a letter from their son, Otto Arndt, which states that he is well. The boys that were with him at the time of his writing were Lieutenant Paul Stewart, George Hattle and Earl Veerhausen.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 4 Mar 1918 p 1

There has been some discussion as to the time of the sinking of the Tuscan'a and according to a telegram received by J. T. Bates from the government the date was the evening of February 5, 1918. The files of this paper agree to the above date. Following the first news of the sinking were very anxious hours in Baraboo. One after another the messages came telling of those who had been saved until alive. Baraboo reported all were never passed through such a tense period and the good news was celebrated by a monster mass meeting at the Al. Ringling theatre. The Baraboo soldiers (21) on the boat included Paul L. Stewart. Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Russell Brodie, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, Edward C. Coughlin, Vernon A. Caflisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Charles M. Kellogg, Richard L. Mahler, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier, T. John O'Brien, Clarence Braun, Donald M. Duncan, Randall H. Herfort, Ralph L. Sanderson and Earl W. Veerhausen.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 13 Feb 1919 p 7

pe The twenty-one boys left here with Co I. and were sent to Waco, Texas. m Soon after they went across abroad 01 the Tuscania, which was sunk by a te BI torpedo over a year ago. In Waco the P. company was split up and some of a the boys were transferred to the 107st t Supply train of the 32d division and m 1 others were put in the headquarters t of the division. When they arrived, W S in France they were changed to the t -101st Supply train of the 26th divi- p d sion of which 16 of the 21 were ink t cluded. The others were in the head-1quarters of the 26th division. The n boys who landed in Boston Friday 8x are: í S-Edward Coughlin. n-... Herbert Stickenbauer. n Randall Herfort. t-Horace Cahoon. n. Earl Powell. d-Otto Arndt. d-Otto Bates. n Arthur Bender. × -Verne Caflish. sk Earl Veerhusen. Russel Brody. d. Richard Mahler. ce Charles Kellog. ng Ralph Sanderson. he Clarence Braun. Donald Duncan, who died of disease riover there, would have been with Idthese men if he had lived. re The boys arrived on board the asl Winifredian, an interned of vessel es id. Germans. it. hoot o Camp "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 19 Apr 1919 p 1

> Meets Earaboo Soldiers Brest, France, April 4, 1919.

> > Excerpt:

Boston on the Mount vernon.

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### Yours very truly, ROBERT J. KELLER. 245 M. P. Co., Brest, France.

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"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 8 May 1919 p 11

### Donald Duncan

Funeral services for Donald Duncan World war veteran and one of the soldiers who was aboard the illfated Tuscania, vere held Sunday afternoon from the home of his mother, Mrs. Wm. Duncan and from the Congregational church. Rev. M. J. 1 Cameron officiated and a quartette composed of Miss Ethel Rodwell, Mr. 1 and Mrs. LeMont Stanley and Mrs. 7 Elmer Arner sang.

The pallbearers all soldiers who were aboard the Tuscania with Donald, were Edward Coughlin, Otto Arndt. James Bray, Arthur Bender, Randall Herfort and Herbert Steckenbauer. The firing squad, with Sgt. George Knight in charge, was composed of Otto Bates, Max Coates, Charles Kellogg, Rex Caflisch, Richard Mahler, George Weirich, Robert Holmes, and Horace Cahoon. The soldiers gave the last rifle salute at the grave. Bugler Emmett Dwyer blew taps. Color bearers were Glan Orton. Leo Frazer and Edward Harmel. The funeral cortege consisted of the above soldiers and a number of others who were members of the local American Legion and escorted the deceased soldier to the cemetery.

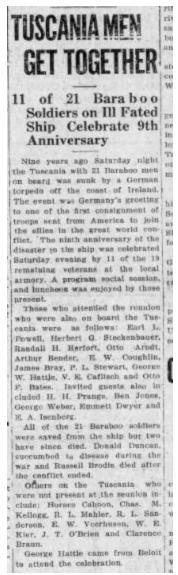
Article continues – "Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 16 Jun 1921 p 8

YOUR ATTENTION, FELLOW CITIZENS	4
Seeing that efforts are being made to help the homeless and starving women and children of Ireland, we the survivors of the Tuscania, wish to proclaim to our fellows citizens that we owe to the Irish people a debt of gratitude which we can never repay. On that dreadful night when we were thrown adrift on the coast of Ireland, the Irish people, at the peril of their lives rescued us from death, took us into their hospitable homes, and divided with us, not only their scanty supply of food, but even their cloth- ing. While nothing which we can do for them can fully compensate for what their hardships and sufferings in this their hour of need And for that pur- pose, we have offered our services to the chairman of the relief committee and we call upon the citizens of Bar- aboo and surrounding country to co operate with us in every manner pos sible in giving to the poor Irish people a most substantial proof of our grat itude and appreciation.	W C N P a a a iii O N t t t t t t t t t t t t t t t t t t

# OFFICERS APPOINTED FOR IRISH RELIEF DRIVE

Through the kindness of the Baraboo boys who were on the Tuscania rapid progress has been made in perfecting the organization for the drive in aid of the homeless and starving women and children of Ireland. On Thursday evening, at a meeting in the court house, the following officers were appointed by the chairman, C. M. Du Bois, L. S. Van Orden Sec-Treasurer. Paul Stewart kaptain of 1st. ward. assisted by Otto Bates and Chas. Kellogg, Herbert Steckenbaur captain of 2nd ward, assisted by Richard Mahler and Earl Powell. Edw. Coughlin captain of 3rd ward, assisted by James Bray and Otto Arndt, Randall Herfort, coptain of the business district. assisted by Rev. Caflisch and Horace Cahoon. Any extra help needed will be selected by the captains. Date of drive will be announced soon.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 17 Nov 1921 p 4



"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 7 Feb 1927 p 1

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Arndt and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Arndt have returned from Milwaukee, where they attended the automobile show.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 18 Jan 1929 p 4



Baraboo Had 21 Soldiers Aboard IIIfated Transport Vessel

ANNIVERSARY

OF SINKING

ON FEB. 5TH

"Baraboo's twenty-one", how more accurately eighteen, will tonight celebrate the anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania, and their fortunate escape from the doomed ship, with their annual get-together. It was eleven years ago on Feb. 5th that the Baraboo boys escaped with their lives in one of the great disasters of the World war, and each year since the group has held a gathering to commemorate the anniversary.

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Although the boys are of course somewhat scattered during the intervening years, the occasion is one which they rarely miss at whatever distance they may be and this year is to be no exception, with only a few faces missing when mess call sounds at the American Legion hall.

#### Three Have Died

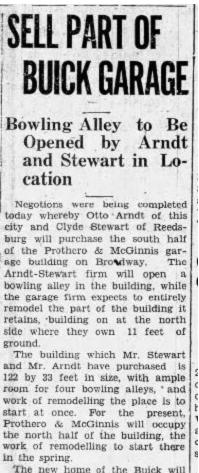
Of the original group of 21, three have died, all of them as the result of the war. Donald Duncan died of pneumonia overseas, Russell Brodie succumbed to the same disease after his return to this country, and Ralph Sanderson passed away in Texas during 1928, his death due to his war service.

The eighteen men, all but one or two of whom will be present at the celebration tonight, are:

Otto Arndt, Paul L. Stewart, George W. Hattle of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Gahoon of Kilbourn, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Caflisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort of Detroit, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard L. Mahler of Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier of Montana, John T. O'Brien of Chicago and Clarence Braun.

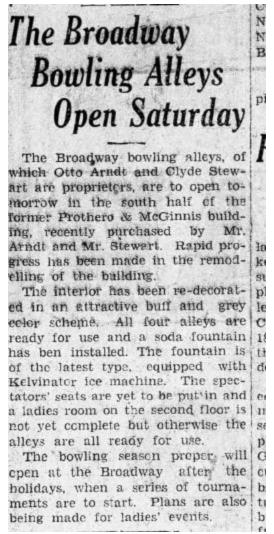
Braun.
The Baraboo boys were fortunate
in that every one of them escaped
in the disaster in which many lost
their lives. The Tuscania was
among the first of the American
transports sent abroad and it was
about six o'clock in the evening of
Feb. 5 as the Irish coast was near-
ed that a German torpedo struck
the ship. The crash came entirely
without warning and according to
those on board it seemed as though
the ship had been lifted up and
then set down again in the water.
The Baraboo soldiers were as-
signed to various posts to assist
with the embarking of the life
boats, while the boat was sinking
rapidly. Word of their safety, soon
after the news of the disaster, was
the happiest news to be received in
Baraboo in many a day.

Otto William Arndt – 2<sup>nd</sup> from left, top row – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 2 Feb 1929 p 3 - <u>https://www.newspapers.com/image/868615688/</u>



The new home of the Buick will be practically a new building since it will be necessary to tear down all four of the old walls. A one story building with show room in front and all modern features is planned, with a floor space 44 by U32 feet in size:

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Tuesday 5 Nov 1929 p 1



"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 20 Dec 1920 p 10

# Safety Pin Causes Fire

Occasionally a baby swallows a safety pin and there is trouble, and sometimes it has been necessary to call out a fire department resuscitation squad when a child choked on a safety pin, but Baraboo had its first sure-enough fire department run caused by a safety pin last night.

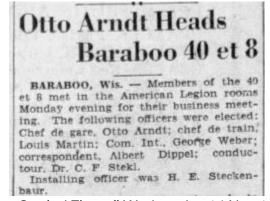
While playing with the pin, one of the children at the Otto Arndt home on Third avenue stuck it into the cord of a reading tamp and the resultant short circuit set fire to nearby curtains. A maid who was staying with the children during the absence of their parents tore down the blazing curtain and threw it outdoors so that the damage was slight.

When Fire Chief E. T. Ross writes this fire down in his yearly, bock he probably won't put "safety pin" under the "causes" column, but it belongs there nevertheless.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 7 Jan 1930 p 1



Left: "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 15 Jan 1930 p 4 – right: "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Wednesday 29 Jan 1930 p 9



"Madison Capital Times" Wednesday 14 Nov 1930 p 11

## Baraboo 40 et 8 Chooses Officers

### [State Journal News Service]

BARABOO—Twenty members of the 40 et 8 voiture of this city were entertained by William Spellman at his Lake Wisconsin cottage, Prairie du Sac, on Tuesday afternoon and night. Golf matches were played during the afternoon, and supper was served at the cottage. Election of the following officers was made in the evening:

Chef de gare, William Spellman; chef de train, Willis Schroeder; commissaire intendant, George Weber; correspondant, William Schrieber; conductuer, John Zentner; guarde, Carl Lehman; lampiste, Robert J. Keller; voyageur, Otto Arndt; historian, R. J. Keller; medecin, Dr. Roger Cahoon. H. H. Prange and James Bray were elected delegates to the state convention in Janesville, with Otto Arndt and Oscar Vogel as al-

ternates.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 14 Jul 1933 p 8

"Sheboygan (WI) Press" 5 Feb 1936 p 1 – Otto attended the 18<sup>th</sup> NTSA reunion. - "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) 7 Feb 1943 p 11 – also 8 Feb 1927 p 13 – also 4 Feb 1919 p 10 – attended Baraboo 21 reunions.

# 'Baraboo's 21' Plan Reunion

## Tuscania Survivors to Meet Saturday

### By IRENE UNDERKOFLER (State Journal Correspondent)

BARABOO — The group of Tuscania survivors, known as "Baraboo's 21", will meet in reunion here on Saturday night, to recall that night of 26 years ago when a German torpedo sent their transport to the bottom of the Irish sea and the 21 Baraboo men aboard found their way to safety.

This year's conversation probably will be different from that of past years, however, for most of the "boys" of the Tuscania disaster are now the fathers of men in service or else themselves are doing "behind the lines" service in war plants or otherwise.

Otto Arndt, always one of the leading spirits in the reunion, is in Alaska, serving as baker for a construction crew, while his three sons are all in military service on widely-scattered fronts. Paul L. Stewart, Baraboo city clerk, will be present at the reunion, but thinking of his two sons in service. Possibly he will be wearing alongside his American Legion button the decoration recently conferred upon him by naval authorities for meritorious service in naval recruiting. James F. Bray has a son in service, Earl Powell's boy is in the navy; Otto F. Bates, who will come from Milwaukee where he is employed, has a son in the air corps, and Charles Kellogg, father of a son in service, will be here from Janesville. Edward Coughlin and Randall Herfort will be on hand, their shifts at the Badger Ordnance Works permitting.

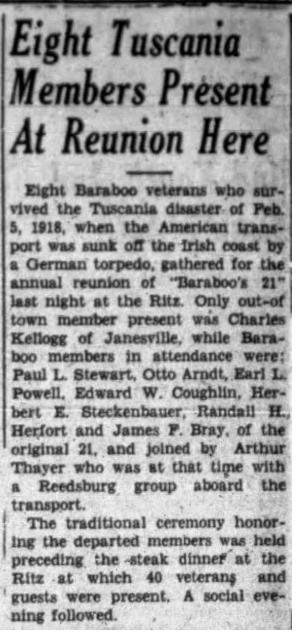
Other planning to be present are Herbert C. Steckenbauer, Arthur H. Thayer, Clarence Braun, Horace Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells, and Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill, Wayland Kier, who lives in Montana, completes the roster of surviving members of "Baraboo's 21". The union dinner will be held at the Warren hotel.

Otto's 3 sons are all in military service in WWII - "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 4 Feb 1944 p 9

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"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 5 Feb 1947 p 4

"Baraboo News Reporter" 2 May 2019 p A2

The Baraboo Firefighters Association gave the Baraboo High School Baraboo 21 club \$675 on 19 Apr 2017 for the building of the Tuscania Memorial in memory of 3 of its firefighters who were aboard, one of them being Otto Arndt.

### ETHEL M. ARNDT

BARABOO — Ethel M. Arndt, age 95, of Baraboo, Wis., died on Thursday, January 4, 1996 at St. Clare Meadows Care Center. She was born in Baraboo on July 8, 1900, the daughter of Paul and Myrtie (Spencer) Cahoon. She married Otto Arndt on July 25, 1920 and he preceded her in death on February 8, 1967.

Prior to her marriage, she attended Reedsburg Normal and taught school in Merrimac township.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, a charter member of the American Legion Auxiliary, and a charter member of the Pythian Sisters.

She is survived by her three sons, William (Marguerite) Arndt, of Lexington, Kentucky, Paul (Sara) Arndt, of Laguna Hills, California, and Richard (Marguerite) Arndt, of Harrisonburg, Virginia; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 6, 1996, at 1:00 P.M. in the Rago-Hanson Funeral Home with Pastor David Gilmore officiating. Interment will be held in the Walnut Hill Cemetery. The family has requested that memorials be made to your favorite charity in the name of Ethel M. Arndt.

Obituary of Ethel Marietta Cahoon Arndt – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 6 Jan 1996 p 2

## SAUK COUNTY TEACHER WEDDED NEAR BARABOO

A pretty wedding occurred Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon on the Baraboo-Kilbourn road, when their daughter Ethel became the bride of Otto Arndt of Baraboo. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. J. Cameron of the Baraboo Congregational church.

They were attended by Mrs. Rollin Johnson of Briggsville and Horace Cahoon, brother and sister of the bride.

Mrs. Arndt is well known in Port-Age where she has been a frequent visitor. She is a graduate of Baraboo high school, and a teacher in the public schools of Sauk county.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Arndt and is associated with his father in the bakery business at Baraboo.

After a short honeymoon trip they will be at home to their friends on the south side of Baraboo, where a cosily furnished flat is awaiting their occupancy.



William Arndt Arndt, William Otto, 90, widower of Marguerite A. Arndt, passed away Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012 at his home in Frankfort, Ky. He was born Sept. 6, 1922 in Baraboo, son of the late Otto William and Ethel Cahoon

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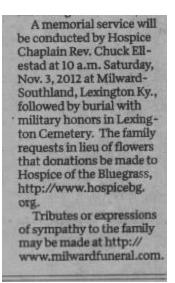
ing from Baraboo High School in 1941, Bill enlisted in the US Army Air Corps. Bill served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, attended Officer Candidate School, and retired from the US Air Force after 20 years in June 1961.

In April 1944, he married Marguerite Hirschinger, who, along with their two daughters, accompanied him on many and frequent moves in the United States and overseas, living in the Far East for 10 years.

He was a active mem

He was a active member of the Lexington Lions Club, the Baraboo Masonic Lodge No. 34, a Life Member of Valley of Manila Scottish Rite and Oleika Shrine. In addition, he loved the ocean and was involved in sailing and motor boating for many years.

He was a devoted husband and father to his daughters, Terry Strick-land, (Mark) Frankfort, Ky.; Mary Arndt, Rockville, Md.; and to his grandchildren, Tamatha McCain (Greg), Pueblo, Colo. and Colby Tipton (Darci), Sadieville Ky. He is also survived by his younger brother, Paul Arndt (Sally) Laguna Woods, Calif.; brother-in-law, Jim Hirschinger (Imi), Loomis, Calif.; sister-in law-Lou Ann Ward (Joe), Baraboo. He is also survived by four great grandchildren, Sam and Luke Tipton and Max and Maggie McCain; several nieces, nephews other relatives and friends including dear friend Timothy Cantrell. He was predeceased by his brother Richard Arndt and sisterin-law Rete Arndt; sisterin-law Carol Hirschinger Denham; brothers-in-law Bob and John Hirschinger and sister-in-law Sarah Hirschinger.



Obituary of son William Otto Arndt (1922-2012) – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 19 Oct 2012 p 12

OBITUARY

# Paul Cahoon Arndt

MAY 14, 1924 - MAY 24, 2022

IN THE CARE OF Harbor Lawn-Mt. Olive Mortuary & Memorial Park

Paul Cahoon Arndt, age 98, of Laguna Woods, California passed away on Tuesday, May 24, 2022. Paul was born May 14, 1924.

obituary of <mark>son Paul Cahoon Arndt (1924-2022)</mark> https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/costa-mesa-ca/paul-arndt-10769988

# Paul Arndt Obituary

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Paul Arndt of Laguna Woods, California, who passed away on May 24, 2022, at the age of 98, leaving to mourn family and friends. Family and friends are welcome to leave their condolences on this memorial page and share them with the family.

https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/ca/laguna-woods/paul-arndt-14717610

## Miss Sara White Weds Lt. Paul C. Arndt In Florida Ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Julius L. White of

916 Buchanan Road, this city, announce the marriage of their daughter, Sara Viola, to Lt. Paul C. Arndt, U. S. Army Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Arndt of Barboo, Wis., on May 5 at 5 o'clock in the afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, Fla.

Floor baskets of white gladioli were placed around the altar against a background of palms and ferns.

of The bride was given in marriage by Lt. Frank Knight. Her only attendant was Mrs. Frank Knight. The bride chose for her wedding a Summer woolen suit of aqua with white accessories. Her flowers were of white roses and gardenias.

The ring ceremony was performed by Dr. William M. Robenson. Mrs. Finley H. Sumner, organist, rendered the wedding music Best man for the bridegroom was F. O. Dick Arndt of Tampa, Fla., his brother.

Mrs. Arndt graduated from Durham High School and Brantley-Draugh Secretarial School in Fort Worth, Texas. Prior to her marriage she held a civil service position at San Antonio, Texas.

Lieutenant Arndt attended the University of Wisconsin prior to entering the armed forces. He attended Amherst and received his commission from Yale University

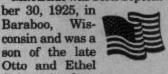
in November, 1944. After an informal reception at the home of Lieutenant and Mrs Knight, the bridal couple left for a brief wedding trip to West Palm Beach, Fla. They are making their thome at Delray Beach, while the bridegroom is stationed at Boca f Raton Air Field.

Marriage to Sara Viola White in Delray Beach FL on 5 May 1945 – "Durham (NC) Herald-Sun" Friday 29 Jun 1945 p 6

### **RICHARD D. ARNDT**

HARRISONBURG, Va. --Richard Dean "Dick" Arndt, 76, of 148 Tow Man Lane, Harrisonburg, Virginia, died Friday, December 28, 2001, at his home.

Mr. Arndt was born September 30, 1925, in Baraboo, Wisconsin and was a son of the late



Cahoon Arndt. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II and after the war, he graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1949.

Mr. Arndt was microbiologist in food technology at Wampler Foods and was past president of the Poultry Federation. He was active in business-related organizations and was a member of the Muhlenberg Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Marguerite Rosbrook Woodyhall Arndt; three sons, David Arndt, Mark Arndt and Donnie Arndt, and a daughter, Lois Ann Arndt; two brothers, William and Paul Arndt; and two grandchildren.

Obituary of son Richard Dean Arndt (1925-2001) – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 10 Jan 2002 p 2

Father:

Fred M. Arndt, 83, died at his home here Tuesday. Mr. Arndt was president of the city water commission. For many years he was a local business man operating the Arndt bakery. Besides his wife he leaves two sons, Martin and Otto Arndt, both of Baraboo. The body was taken to the McGann funeral home.

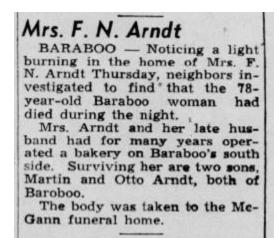
Baraboo WI news: "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Wednesday 31 May 1944 p 12

## F. M. Arndt BARABOO — Frederick M. Arndt, 83, died at his home here Tuesday, a few days after he had suffered a stroke. Until his final illness, Mr. Arndt had been remarkably active for his years and was serving the city water commission as president. Most of his life had been spent in this city, where for many years he had operated a bakery. Surviving him are his wife; two

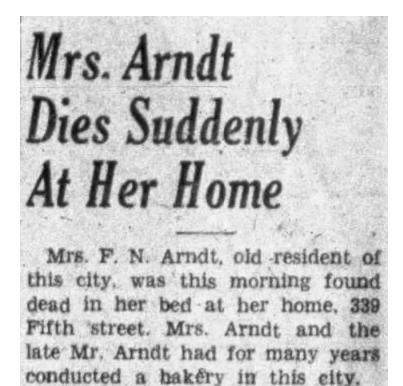
Surviving him are his wife; two sons, Martin and Otto, Baraboo; and five grandsons in military service.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Wednesday 31 May 1944 p 12

Mother:



Obituary of Maria Markert Arndt - "Wisconsin State Journal" Friday 24 Jan 1947 p 4



"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 23 Jan 1947 p 4

tin and Otto Arndt. of this city.

Survivors include two sons, Mar-

Dr. O. V. Pawlisch, Sauk county coroner has decided that no inquest will be held in the death of Mrs. Fred Arndt who was found dead in her home here Thursday. Funeral services for Mrs. Arndt were to be held this afternoon at 3:30 at the McGann funeral home, the Rev. Charles Lee officiating. Burial was to be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

Sibling:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Madison (WI) Capital Times" Saturday 25 Jan 1947 p 2

# POPULAR BARABOO V COUPLE MARRIED

Surrounded by relatives and friends, dr. Martin Arndt and Miss Mildred VS. full were married at the home of the TO ride's parents on Birch street Wedof esday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. E. C. w lenke used the beautiful ring cere-P nony. After the service and congratli lations the thirty guests were served 75 ainty refreshments by Mrs. Jennie c 'eck and Miss Edith Gollmar. Song nd music was furnished by Mrs. Seyaour Hull.

The bride was gowned in silk net ver messaline with silver trimming, nd carried a shower bouquet.

The room decorations were Killarey roses with smilax.

Mr. and Mrs. Arndt were both eduated in Baraboo and have a host of riends. They were the recipients of any gifts of gold, silver, cut glass ind linen. After a wedding trip, they vill be at home to their friends after becember 1 "somewhere in Baraboo." Mrs. Arndt is a daughter of Mr. and frs. Amos Hull, and Mr. Arndt is a on of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arndt of Fifth street. The following were present from a coulistance: Mrs. L. E. Spray of Topeka, sta (ansas; Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hull of Topeka, Indiana; Mr. Otto Arndt, orporal of Co. A, 1st Wis. Infantry, San Antonio, Texas, who has a fifteen lay leave of absence; Mr. Herman Anlerson, Rochester, Minnesota.

The shower bouquet was caught by ab viss Ruby Osbourne.

in From 8:30 p. m. to 10 p. m. there was a continuous charivari procession, by out the bride and groom had been m helped away. At nine o'clock the celebrators were re-inforced by seven M auto loads of Elks, so that over 100 al people had gathered to see the bride. n Several selections were played by the brass band. In the intermission the fe small boys performed on various tin a pans. Then followed an exciting chase of and search for the missing couple. a Following a clue the couple were at last found in hiding at a friend's house and given a ride about town and then returned to the wedding feast duly initiated into married life. Everyone who participated in the reception was generously treated, to the delight of the boys and girls. Thursday morning a dray load of tins and cans were cart-- ed from the Hull neighborhood.

Marriage of brother Arthur Martin Arndt to Mildred Hull/Huff – "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 9 Nov 1916 p 9

> Abbreviations: b = born d = died F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org) NOK = next-of-kin

### Name: Otto William Arndt

Name variations: <u>Military:</u> On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E, then 107th Supply Co. F, then 128th Inf. Co. H (1938 NTSA, Co. F) – sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> class Serial number: 251,200 Entered service from: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Otto Arndt

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father F.M. Arndt, 339 - 5th St., Baraboo WIArndt

Returned from war on: "Winifredian" Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Otto Arndt

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Fred M. Arndt, 339 - 5th St., Baraboo WI (sgt 1st class, Co. F, 101st Supply Train). Baker for F.N. Arndt. Single. Private for 2 years in WI Infantry.

World War I draft registration (1917): as Otto Arndt - b. 25 Jun 1896 Baraboo WI; res: 339 – 5<sup>th</sup>, Baraboo, Sauk Co. Single. Baker for F.M. Arndt, Baraboo WI. Private for 2 years, Infantry, WI. Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 1009 Ash, Baraboo WI - 1955 WI Survivor list: 517 Birch St., Baraboo WI

World War II draft registration (1942): as Otto William Arndt - b. 25 Jun 1896 Baraboo WI; res: 117 ½ - 4<sup>th</sup> St., Baraboo, Sauk Co. WI. NOK wife Ethel M. Arndt, same address. Employed at Hercules Powder Co., 112 Walnut St., Baraboo, Sauk WI. "crocked [sic] left arm" – Height: 5'9" – 195 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: Enlisted 15 Jul 1917 Discharged 26 Apr 1919 Address: 615 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Baraboo WI Rank/unit: sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> class, 2d Co., 161 D B

<u>Birth & death:</u> Born: 25 Jun 1896 Baraboo, Sauk WI Died: 12 Feb 1967 Madison, Dane WI (in a Madison hospital) Find A Grave record: 67429411, presence on Tuscania noted in text & flower Burial location: Baraboo, Sauk WI Cemetery: Walnut Hill Tombstone:

Father: Fred (Frederick) Martin [Friedrich Wilhelm Martin] Arndt, Nov 1860 (1900 census) Fritzoq, Pommern [Pomerania], then Prussia, now Poland, or 1862 (on Find A Grave, but noted as may be inaccurate] Prussia, Germany Nov 1860 – 30 May 1944 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Son of Martin Friedrich Arndt & Dorothea Marie Piepkorn. Emigrated from Germany in 1885. Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI. Find A Grave: 67429420

Mother: Maria (Mary) A. Markert Arndt, Feb 1869 Honey Creek, Walworth WI [1870 on Find A Grave, but noted as may be inaccurate] – 23 Jan 1947 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Daughter of Franz Markert (1824-1880, F: 27422364) & Maria Hugebach (1830-1904, F: 27422905). Both of her parents's surnames have several spelling variations. Found dead at her home. Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Find A Grave:67429421

Parents' marriage: 16 May 1893 Sauk Co. WI Frederich W. Martin Arndot, son of Martin Arndot & Marie Piepkorn, married 16 May 1893 Sauk Co. WI to Marie Markert, daughter of Franz Markert & "Hugdback."

Spouse: Ethel Marietta Cahoon Arndt, 8 Jul 1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 4 Jan 1996 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Daughter of Paul W. Cahoon & Myrtle Elizabeth Spencer. Sister of Otto's fellow Tuscania survivor, Horace Charles Cahoon. "Appleton (WI) Post-Crescent" 9 Oct 1996 p 18 – Ethel M. Arndt, of 812 Appleton Rd., Menasha WI, d. 8 Oct 1996. No other details. – Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI. Spouse Find A Grave: 67429407

Marriage: 30 Jun 1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Children:

- William Otto Arndt, 6 Sep 1922 Baraboo, Sauk WI 13 Oct 2012 Frankfort, Franklin KY. Resident of Columbus GA in 1967. Husband of Marguerite ("Mugs") Hirschinger (1921-1998, F: 156904814) whom he married 28 Apr 1944 in Baraboo, Sauk WI. Buried in The Lexington Cemetery, Lexington, Fayette KY. F: 156904896
- Paul Cahoon Arndt, 14 May 1924 Baraboo, Sauk WI 24 May 2022 Laguna Woods, Orange CA. Resident of Palos Verdes CA in 1967. – the son (unnamed) b. 14 May 1924 Baraboo, Sauk WI to Otto Arndt & Ethel Cahoon Arndt, Ethel the daughter of Paul Cahoon. – Lt. Paul Cahoon Arndt married 5 May 1945 in Palm Beach Co. FL to sara Viola White (1920-2014, F: 134576546). Sarah Arndt is buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Arlington VA. Her tombstone is inscribed: Wife of Major Paul Cahoon Arndt, US Air Force, but he is not on Find A Grave in that cemetery. - Married to Sally when his brother William died in Oct 2012.
- Richard Dean ("Dick") Arndt, 30 Sep 1925 Baraboo, Sauk WI 31 Dec 2001 Harrisonburg City VA. Resident of Harrisburg VA in 1967. Residence on death certificate: 148 Tow Man Ln., Harrisonburg. Age 76, occupation: president. (Held various offices as the Virginia Poultry Federation, eventually elected president). Served in the US Army Air Corps in WWII. Graduate of the U of WI (1949). Microbiologist in food technology at Wampler Foods. Husband of Marguerite Janette Rosbrook (1922-2008, F: 83196469). Marguerite's 1<sup>st</sup> husband was Richard Elwood Woodyatt (1916-1943) who was killed in WWII. He was an aerial gunner; his body & 6 other crew members & their plane went missing, until parts of the plane were recovered in the Netherlands in 1969 during the construction of a large harbor. Marguerite Woodyatt married Richard Arndt in Jun 1950. Cremated. F: 83196747

Siblings:

 Arthur Martin Arndt, 17 Feb 1894 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 21 Apr 1960 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Known as Martin. Age 4 in 1900, age 16 in 1910. Married 1 Nov 1916 in Baraboo, Sauk WI to Mildred Priscilla Hull (1893-1988, F: 67429410). Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI. F: 67429409 Notes:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 398-12-0982

Censuses:

1900 Baraboo Sauk WI – 105 Walnut Frederick Arndt, 40 Germany, Nov 1860, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1885, in US for 15 years, naturalized, married 7 years, baker Maria, 31 WI, parents b. Germany, Feb 1869, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living Arthur M., 4 WI, Feb 1894, at school Otto, 2 WI, Jun 1896 Lived next door to fellow Tuscania survivor, Arthur Bender.

1910 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 105 Walnut St. Fred Arndt, 49 Germany, parents b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 16 years, baker, home bakery Mary, 39 WI, father b. PA, mother's birthplace unknown, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living Martin, 16 WI Otto, 13 WI

1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 339 – 5<sup>th</sup> St. – conducted 2/3 Jan 1920 [Otto says he is married but marriage occurred 30 Jun 1920] Fred M. Arndt, 39 Germany, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1885, naturalized 1890, baker, retail bakery Mary, 50 WI, parents b. PA Otto, 23 WI, married, baker, retail bakery

1930 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 615 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Otto Arndt, 33 WI, father b. Germany, mother b. PA, age 23 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, proprietor, bowling alley, WWI veteran Ethel, 29 WI, parents b. WI, age 19 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage William, 7 WI Paul, 5 WI Richard, 4 WI 1940 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 1009 Ash – same place in 1935 Otto Arndt, 43 WI, county register of deeds Ethel, 39 WI William, 17 WI Paul, 15 WI Richard, 14 WI

1950 Baraboo, Sauk WI Ott [sic] W. Arndt, 53 WI, fire department & tavern/Badger Ordnance & tavern Ethel M., 49 WI, assists in operating tavern