

TUSCANIA

One of the Baraboo 21
Bates, Otto Franklin
1894 WI – 1965 KS



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Otto Franklin Bates – “Winona (MN) Daily News” 7 Feb 1950 p 7

BARABOO'S 21, SURVIVORS OF TUSCANIA SINKING



CLARENCE BRAIN



JOHN O'BRIEN

RUSSELL BROCK
(Drowned)

CHARLES KELLOUGH

DONALD JORDAN
(Drowned)

EARL VERBITZEN



HORACE CARBOON



HERBERT STUCKENRATH



EARL POWELL



PAUL L. STEWART



RANDALL HERPORT



EDWARD COUGHLIN

GEORGE HATLE
(Drowned)

JAMES F. BRAY



ARTHUR BENDER



OTTO ARNDT



OTTO F. BATES

RALPH SANDERSON
(Drowned)VERNON CARLSSON
(Drowned)

RICHARD MAHLES



WAYLAND KIER



OTTO F. BATES

Baraboo's 21 Are Now 15

"Baraboo's 21" is the name by which the little group of Tuscania survivors from this city have been known for years, and in the minds of most local people the expression is synonymous with the sinking of the Tuscania. In the years since 1918, the 21 have become 15, and no observance of the anniversary passes but what fitting tribute is paid to the boys who are not present.

Donald Duncan was the only one of the group who did not return from overseas; he succumbed to pneumonia in France. Russell Brodie died of the same disease after returning to the United States. Ralph Sanderson died in 1928 in Texas. Vernon Caffisch and Arthur Bender have died in Baraboo during more recent years and George Hattle will not be with "Baraboo's 21" for the first time this year, his death occurring here in July of the past year.

The 15 men who now compose Baraboo's Tuscania Survivors are Otto Arndt, who is now Sauk county register of deeds; Paul L. Stewart of Baraboo, last year elected secretary of the national group; Earl L. Powell, who now resides at Wisconsin Rapids; Edward W. Coughlin, last year elected treasurer of the national association; Otto F. Bates of Baraboo; Horace C. Cahoon, who resides at Wisconsin Dells; Herbert E. Steckenbauer of Baraboo; Randall H. Herfort of Baraboo; Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville; Richard Mahler of Maywood, Ill.; Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee; James F. Bray, who at the 1934 convention was elected national president; Wayland E. Klier, who lives in Lewiston, Montana; John T. O'Brien, Chicago and Clarence Braun, Baraboo.

Although they have lost in membership, the group has gained one member, for Arthur H. Thayer, although he enlisted from Reedsburg, is now residing in Baraboo and joins the local group in its annual gathering each year.

Baraboo may well be proud of its group of Tuscania survivors. When the first annual gathering of survivors was held in Germany, there were seven or eight Baraboo men in attendance, among them Mr. Bray, and it is a fitting tribute that they have been honored by being made hosts to the 1935 national convention here today.

Bottom row, 3rd from right – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 5 Feb 1935 p 6 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/868615823/>



When Survivors Of The Tuscania sinking held their reunion Sunday at Whitehall, among the Trempealeau county club members present were those pictured above. Front row, from left, L. B. Rist, John Hellekson, Otto Bates and Nathan Cahart. Back row, from left, Oscar Jahr, Lee Mathson, Martin DeBoer, Oakley Parkhill and Henry Veum.
Colonel Larson photo

Otto Bates is standing in the front row, 2nd from right – “Winona (MN) Republican” Tuesday, 7 Feb 1950 p 7



Otto Franklin Bates - courtesy of Steven Schwartz of Renton WA



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'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 Coughlin, 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 Franklin Bates is in the back row, 1st on the left – "Madison (WI) Capital Times" 4 Feb 1949 p 12



Old Buddies Meet

Nine survivors of the sinking of the *Tuscania* by German U-boats during World War I met at the annual Trempealeau County *Tuscania* club banquet at Whitehall Sunday. They are, top row, left to right: Oscar Jahr, Lee Mathson, Martin DeBoer, Oakley Parkhill and Henry Veum. Bottom row, left to right: Lewis B. Rist, John Hellekson, Otto F. Bates and Nathan Carhart. The club is one of the few of its kind in the United States. It was started three years ago at Whitehall.



Trempealeau Tuscania Club Holds Reunion at Whitehall

WHITEHALL—(Special)— Thirty-one persons attended a banquet of the Trempealeau County Tuscania club at the Walgett hotel Sunday evening on the 32nd anniversary of the sinking of the largest of American troop ships torpedoed by German U-boats in World War I.

The group included nine Tuscania survivors, Nathan Carhart of Trempealeau, secretary-treasurer of the club; Oakley L. Parkhill of Galesville, president; Lewis B. Rist and Henry Veum, Eau Claire; Otto F. Bates, Durand; Oscar Jahr, Independence; Lee Mathson and John A. Hellekson, Blair, vice-president; and Martha J. DeBoer, La-Crosse.

Guests included Col. George Sherman from the adjutant general's office, Madison, speaker for the evening; Assemblyman G. M. Wiley, Bert A. Gipple and Clarence E. Brown of Galesville, honorary members; P. M. Paulson of Whitehall city council who welcomed the group; Mrs. Guy E. Carlson of Trempealeau, sister of Otis E. Hutchins, the only Trempealeau county boy lost in the sinking; Carlson, Lon F. Tubbs, and wives or lady friends of the men.

Reviews 32nd Division

Col. Sherman gave a history of the Wisconsin 32nd Division since World War I when it was organized. He praised the example set by this famous division, called "Les Terribles" by Clemenceau during the war, and the success of it in the Pacific theatre in World War II, the division to which the Japanese general Yamashita surrendered.

Cards received from Tuscania survivors and friends throughout the state, unable to be present, were read. Among them was a card from Governor Rennebohm.

All officers were re-elected and the group voted to hold its annual summer picnic on July 23 at Irvine Park, Chippewa Falls.

Club Three Years Old

The Trempealeau County Tuscania club, unique organization although there are reunions in Minneapolis, Green Bay and at other places, was organized three years ago by Parkhill and Ray Marsh, now of Puente, Calif. Marsh retains his membership here, while Olin Thompson of Rib Lake and Jake Cramer of Medford are also members. The club has a membership of 15 although it started with six.

The record shows that 14 of the 15 Trempealeau county boys on the Tuscania survived. They were Gordon P. Herreid, Hellekson, Henry A. Oksnee and Carl J. Herreid of Etrick, Arthur Bidney, Joseph Marsolek and Veum of Independence, DeBoer, Jahr and Marsh of Galesville, Mathson and Omer Houkom of Blair and Henry P. Vanderburg and Carhart of Trempealeau. These were their addresses when they enlisted in the company organized by Capt. William F. Rowles at Galesville. At Waco, Tex., where they were sent for training the boys were separated.

Otis E. Hutchins, the victim from this group, was a sergeant in the 107th supply train. That he died a vallant death was later told by his commanding officer and members of his company, including Sgt. Parkhill and Cpl Houkom, who wrote to his parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Hutchins of Whitehall, telling that Hutchins sacrificed his place to another buddy.

The life boat assigned to his group was destroyed and the men waited on board the ship for two hours before a boat was available. Hutchins' absence was not noted until the life boat was clear of the ship.

Buried In Ireland

His body was later washed up on the Island of Islay off Lorne, Ireland, and he was buried there with the other 172 American soldiers lost. Later his remains were moved to Arlington cemetery.

The men recalled the torpedo striking at 5:35 p.m. Feb. 5, 1918, and they didn't need the whistle signal to tell them that the Germans had "packed a wallop."

DeBoer said he had been playing poker. He held a royal flush. Like the others he rushed to the top deck, and discovered that he was still holding the cards.

All remained orderly until the men reached the deck and were awaiting their turn into life boats, with the ship listing heavily.

All but 173 of the 2500 American soldiers and 54 of the crewmen survived. They were drenched,

cold and near despair before being picked up by fishing trollers off the Ireland coast.

Oakley has a diary of the events that he wrote on the stationery of the Kings Arms inn at Lorne, County Antrim, Ireland, where he rested after the disaster.

Hutchins-Stendahl American Legion post at Whitehall is named for Otis E. Hutchins, and the or-

ganization loaned its Legion and American flags to the club for the banquet. A 10-second pause before the dinner was observed while all faced the east in respect to the Tuscania passengers who did not survive.

Paulson of the city council and Mrs. William M. Rogers, present on behalf of the press, were made honorary members of the club.

Otto Bates is 2nd from right in the front row, white shirt, patterned tie - "Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Thursday 9 Feb 1950 p 3 -

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Otto Bates Passes Away

Otto F. Bates, 70, passed away Friday morning at McPherson County hospital in Kansas. Much of his life had been spent in Baraboo.

He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the American Legion of Baraboo.

Survivors include his wife, the former Gracia Dutcher; two sons, Warren, Lima, Ohio; Robert, McPherson, Kansas; two sisters, Mrs. Florence Goodearle, Madison; Mrs. Alice Hall, Michigan; five grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Scheible funeral home, where friends may call Sunday evening from 7 to 9.

Burial will be made in Walnut Hill cemetery.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 21 Aug 1965 p 4

Otto Bates

BARABOO — Otto F. Bates, 70, a former Baraboo resident, died Friday in a McPherson, Kan., hospital.

He was a veteran of World War I and was a member of the American Legion post here.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Florence Goodearle, 2313 Hillcrest dr., Madison.

He also is survived by his wife, the former Gracia Dutcher, two sons, Warren, Lima, O.; and Robert, McPherson, Kans.; another sister, Mrs. Alice Hall, in Michigan, and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Scheible funeral home, Baraboo, where friends may call after 7 p.m. Sunday.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Saturday 21 Aug 1965 p 13

16-11453-12		WW I	WW II	KOREA	How	ORIGINAL
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST-FIRST-MIDDLE (Print or Type) Bates, Otto, Franklin <i>Bates, Otto F.</i>			APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See attached instructions. Complete and submit both copies)			
2. SERVICE NUMBER 251213 ✓			3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER XC-20 16707562 ✓			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year) 6-23-17 <i>Jul 15, 1917</i>			5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year) 4-28-19 ✓			
6. STATE Kansas			7. MEDAL WWI Victory, Etc <i>NONE</i>			
8. GRADE, BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT AND DIVISION Corporal, Army, F 101 Supply Train, 26 Div. ✓			13. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State) Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Wisconsin			
9. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year) 12-25-94 <i>21 yrs. 6 mos. 1 day</i>			14. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States, soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member of the Armed Forces of the United States.			
10. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year) 8-20-65			I hereby agree to accept responsibility for properly placing the stone or marker at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.			
11. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian) <input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew) <input type="checkbox"/> NO EMBLEM			NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Print or Type) 501 E. Euclid Gracia Bates, McPherson, KS RELATIONSHIP Wife			
12. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED <input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER			SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>Mrs. Otto F. Bates</i> DATE <i>Sept 24, 65</i>			
DO NOT WRITE HERE			15. FREIGHT STATION Baraboo, Wisconsin			
FOR VERIFICATION 20 OCT 1965			16. SHIP TO (Print or type name and address of person who will transport stone or marker to cemetery) <i>Baraboo Cemetery, Assn</i> Baraboo, Wisconsin			
B/L C 1156445			The applicant for this stone or marker has made arrangements with me to transport same to the cemetery.			
CONTRACTOR Monu. Works Hillsboro, Texas			SIGNATURE <i>Paul H. Ginz</i> <i>Seyton</i>			
DA FORM 1815 1 MAY 59			PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THIS FORM ARE OBSOLETE. IMPORTANT - Item 17 on reverse side must be completed. <i>6dMRAW-SHEED-10 12/65</i>			

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REGISTRY LIST OF SAUK COUNTY

Following is the complete registry list for the war, a copy of the names sent to Washington, D. C. The complete plan for making the draft has not been made known, but the serial number will obtain throughout. The board will take the necessary data of each individual, which will be placed on file. The board consists of Sheriff Wm. Welk, County Clerk F. A. Cooper, County Physician Dr. L. W. Sayles, H. E. Paddock, August Siefert, Robt. Buerki and Wilber Cahoon.

This list of names within the next few months may be of great value to nearly everyone in Sauk county, and it is therefore advisable that all preserve this publication.

Here is the list:

- 110 Wm. G. Evenson, 309 4th Ave.
- 111 Earl L. Powell, 508 5th Ave.
- 112 Fred R. Farwell, 603 Ridge St.
- 113 Otto F. Bates, 608 9th Ave.
- 114 Sylvan J. Rooney, Crawford St.
- 115 John Joe Meyers, 420, 2nd Ave.
- 116 Earl Edw. Bowe, 911 2nd Ave.
- 117 Geo. J. Gall, 509 7th Ave.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 12 Jul 1917 p 3

PARTIAL LIST OF SURVIVORS OF TUSCANIA ISSUED

Otto Franklin Bates, 604 Ninth ave-
nue, Baraboo, Wis.

"Washington (DC) Times" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 2

WISCONSIN SURVIVORS ON TUSCANIA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Seventy-nine Wisconsin men who were on the transport Tuscania sunk by a torpedo are known to have been saved, the war department announced today. Dispatches are being received from across the Atlantic checking up the lists so that a complete list of the missing will soon be known. Wisconsin survivors are:

Melvin Aaronsen, Abbottsford, Wis.	Eugene Claison Hart, Racine, Wis.	John Budziszewski, 1063 Garden st., Milwaukee, Wis.
Ray Anderson, 409 South Cherry St., Marshfield, Wis.	Harry Hanson, 887 Mason street, Rhineland, Wis.	Lyman P. Byas, Wautoma, Wis.
Clarence C. Andrew, 104 James street, Waukesha, Wis.	William D. S. Horne, Red Granite, Wis.	Vernon A. Cafilisch, R. F. D. No. 6, Baraboo, Wis.
Guide Frederick Butth, Waterloo, Wis.	Arthur J. Hantschel, Appleton, Wis.	George L. Gunderson, Wautoma, Wis.
Joseph Bauer, Wautoma, Wis.	Barney Kujawski, 24 Center St., Milwaukee, Wis.	Arthur L. Hanson, Kennedy, Wis.
Oliver B. Bendixen, Wautoma, Wis.	Alfred Russell Kost, Lorraine, Wis.	Raymond C. Harrison, Cottage Grove, Wis.
Warren J. Berry, Wautoma, Wis.	Earl William Knight, R. F. D. No. 2, Spooner, Wis.	Adam Wisniewski, Milwaukee, Wis.
Martin D. Bongers, 319 Quincy St., New London, Wis.	Vernon Kelly, 737 First street, Milwaukee, Wis.	Adam J. Zielke, Red Granite, Wis.
Arthur E. Bidney, Independence, Wis.	Albert Harold Anderson, R. F. D. No. 2, Boyceville, Wis.	Clyde P. Diggles, Hancock, Wis.
Fred Brann, Marshfield, Wis.	Carl Martin Anderson, Barron, Wis.	Milton A. Dodge, Stanley, Wis.
Harry Arnold Burnham, Barron, Wis.	Francis E. Anderson, Pleasant Prairie, Wis.	Donald M. Duncan, Baraboo, Wis.
Claud Buckmaster, R. F. D. 6, Barron, Wis.	John C. Barth, Clintonville, Wis.	Kirkwood Durrant, Waupaca, Wis.
James Korok Brunlik, Haugen, Wis.	John L. Barnes, 411 Newhall, Milwaukee, Wis.	Fred A. Duxbury, Hixton, Wis.
Lyle Burghart, Waukesha, Wis.	Otto F. Bates, 604 Ninth ave., Baraboo, Wis.	Thomas E. Evans, Red Granite, Wis.
Harold William Bresnahan, Ripon, Wis.	Archibald Beaudoin, 235 1/2 Pearl st., New London, Wis.	Martin T. Evenson, Munawa, Wis.
Newell Craig, Owen, Wis.	Joseph L. Bejms, 1850 Second ave., Milwaukee, Wis.	Earl N. Campbell, Wild Rose, Wis.
Arthur A. Cantwell, Shawano, Wis.	Arthur F. Bender, 135 Walnut st., Baraboo, Wis.	Karl I. Cook, Cumberland, Wis.
Walter J. Callahan, Wautoma, Wis.	Earl Embros Blank, Meilen, Wis.	Warren L. Cotton, Coloma, Wis.
Byron E. Christian, New London, Wis.	Clarence Braun, 617 Seventh ave., Baraboo, Wis.	Asa B. Couse, Tomahawk, Wis.
Harry Collar, Hortonville, Wis.	William C. Brown, R. F. D. No. 1, Cumberland, Wis.	Edward Wiedenkopf Coughlin, Baraboo, Wis.
Laurel J. Conat, New London, Wis.	Clarence W. Buckholz, Wautoma, Wis.	George D. Danley, Iola, Wis.
Nathan F. Cochart, Trémpeleau, Wis.		Anthony J. Derroy, Green Bay, Wis.
Max Collins, Elroy, Wis.		Elmer S. Williams, Owen, Wis.
Frank I. Davis, New London, Wis.		William G. Weber, Bayfield, Wis.
George Doman, New London, Wis.		Fred Louis Wichern, Barron, Wis.
James E. Degan, Reeseville, Wis.		Martin C. W. Winter, Clintonville, Wis.
Martin J. Deboer, Galesville, Wis.		Thomas Weir, Linden, Wis.
Tracey S. Greene, Colby, Wis.		Allen Edward Williams, Waukesha, Wis.
		Elmer Williams, Kenosha, Wis.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 1

From Otto F. Bates

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bates have received a letter from their son, Otto F. Bates, who was on the Tuscania when sunk. He does not mention the sinking in his letter, dated February 5, and which reads as follows:

Dear Folks: Well at last I am across the big pond and, believe me, it is a big one. I felt rather drunk most of the time, but did not feed the fish like most of them. I am feeling fine, but think I lost a few pounds on the trip, as the grub was rather slim and my appetite was very poor considering. We have seen quite a few English soldiers and they surely are jolly, good natured fellows, and they treat us royally and they sure know how to put up the meals. They're all good cooks. They seem to think it will soon be over. I don't expect to

see any active service for three or four months at least, as we have to get quite a lot more training yet, and get some experience with the trucks. It is not very cold and there is no snow at all, but lots of rain. They say it has rained nearly all winter.

Well I will close and write again. We are not allowed to tell much, but the most important is that I am still in the best of health.

Your affectionate son and brother,
OTTO.

Otto Bates Tells of Trip Across

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bates have received a letter from their son, Otto Bates, which in part reads as follows:

"In My Billet."

Thursday, February 28, 1918.

Somewhere in France.

Dear Folks:

Well, at last we are settled in France, having been on the way since January 11, when we left Waco. We only stayed about five days in Camp Merritt, N. J., and one cold morning they marched us out of camp to the depot about 6 o'clock—before daylight. We rode on the train until about 8 or 9, I guess, got on a ferry and across the bay to the docks, where we got on the good ship "Tuscania," and were soon on our way across the briny deep. Believe me, she is a big old pond. And the scenery never changes—just rolling waves and whitecaps. We saw land the afternoon that we were hit and believe me it seemed pretty good. We had just finished eating supper, which was at 5, and were lying around down below in our bunks when we heard a heavy dull boom and the boat lurched and all the lights went out, and us two

decks below, and couldn't see our hand in front of our face. We all knew what had happened, and there was an awful rush for outside, although the fellows were very calm considering. I managed to get my overcoat, blouse and cap, and I had on the sweater mother made, but lost the scarf Alice sent me. I was on a crew lowering lifeboats, and before we got them all lowered, the small torpedo destroyers which were with us came up alongside and I slid down a rope right onto the deck and never got my shoes wet. We landed in Ireland and were treated fine. I think I have told you all the rest in the letters I wrote from England. We have just begun to get our mail.

We are quartered in a village and live in old houses. They are all built of stone and very antique. Each place where we stay is called a "billet." It would remind one very much of a cellar back home. They nearly

all have fireplaces in them, but they smoke pretty bad. It is nice weather here, but a little chilly. The farmers are just plowing. Was out in the country today after wood. We saw some plowing being done with two oxen, one hitched ahead of the other. They use quite a few of them here. Horses, etc., are always hitched one ahead of the other. It sure looks funny. We saw four all strung out the other day.

Your loving son and brother,

OTTO FRANKLIN BATES.

Co. E, 107th Supply Train, 32d Div.
P. O. Box 734. Am. Exp. Forces,
France.

In another letter received from him he states that he has received several gifts, which he was glad to get. He also received a book of "Baraboo's 21," and says the boys think the world of them.

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When the Tuscania Sank

There has been some discussion as to the time of the sinking of the Tuscania 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 all were reported alive. Baraboo 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. Caffisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Charles M. Kellogg, Richard L. Mahler, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier, John T. O'Brien, Clarence Braun, Donald M. Duncan, Randall H. Herfort, Ralph L. Sanderson and Earl W. Veerhausen.

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RANK AND FILE

HOLD MEETING

The first annual campfire of Baraboo Post No. 101, Rank and File Veterans' association, held Monday evening in the K. P. hall, was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering of soldiers Baraboo has seen for several months. Notwithstanding the bad weather, so many came from the country as well as from Baraboo itself that every seat in the hall was filled.

The post is a part of a national organization, which, with the affiliated organizations having similar aims and programs, has a membership well in excess of 500,000. The association publishes its own national paper, now monthly but soon to be issued weekly, maintains an office force to help all soldiers of the late war obtain their rights in the way of federal bonus, mileage, correction of allotments, etc. and stands opposed to peace military training.

The local post is growing rapidly, having twice as many on its membership roll now as were present at the first meeting, held in December. Plans are under way for an annual ball to be held soon, and possibly other entertainments.

After the business meeting, refreshments were served.

The following are the officers elected for the year:

President—Wm. G. Evenson; Vice-president—Ralf T. Runge; Secretary—Clarence B. Albert; Treasurer—Otto F. Bates; Chaplain—Wm. G. Hattle; Master-at-arms—George Hattle; Chmn. Aud. Com.—George Weber; Chmn. Entertainment Com.—R. B. Curtis

The next meeting will be announced in the papers

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 8 Jan 1920 p 6

Baraboo Men Saved from Tuscania Meet in Reunion

**World War Veterans on
Board Torpedoed Ship
Have Ban-
quet**

BARABOO—A reunion of Baraboo service men who were on board the Tuscania was held on the ninth anniversary of the sinking of the ship at the local armory on Saturday night. Twenty-one Baraboo boys were on board the Tuscania when she was sunk by a German torpedo off the Irish coast. Those who were present at the reunion Saturday were Earl L. Powell, Herbert G. Steckenbauer, Randall Herfort, Otto Arndt, Arthur Bender, E. W. Coughlin, Paul L. Stewart, James Bray, George Hattle, V. E. Caffisch, and Otto F. Bates. All of the Baraboo men were saved but two died over-seas, Donald Duncan and Russell Brodie. Others who were on board but who could not attend the reunion were Horace Cahoon, Charles Kellogg, R. L. Mahler, R. L. Sanderson, Earl Veerhusen, Walter E. Kier, J. T. O'Brien and Clarence Braun.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Tuesday 8 Feb 1927 p 13

Baraboo Men, Who Survived Tuscania Mark Anniversary

BARABOO—When a German torpedo sank the American transport, the Tuscania, off the coast of Ireland, Feb. 5, 1918, there were 21 Baraboo boys aboard.

While the number is no longer 21 and there are several vacant places in the group, Saturday of this week will see the boys, together with their invited guests, assembling at the American Legion hall observing the anniversary.

Invitations have been sent to the following 18 guests of honor:

Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl F. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon of Kilbourn, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Canisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, 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 Milwaukee and Clarence Braun.

Vacant chairs will be those of Donald Duncan, who died of pneumonia overseas, Russell Brodie who died of the same disease after his return to this country, and Ralph Sanderson who passed away in 1928 in Texas.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Wednesday 29 Jan 1930 p 9

Baraboo, Reedsburg Men Form Furnace Fan Firm

BARABOO—Reedsburg and Baraboo men have organized a corporation which is to manufacture furnace air fans here, the corporation to be known as the Fisher Air Circulator company, Inc.

The organization is headed by L. J. Fisher, Reedsburg, inventor of the fan, who is president; Attorney H. E. Kjorstad, Reedsburg, vice-president; Otto F. Bates, Baraboo, secretary-treasurer; and a board of directors consisting of Fisher and Edward Clingman, Reedsburg, J. T. Bates, J. C. Haimerl, Frank Koehler and William Platt, Baraboo. The fans which are for use in a hot air system will be manufactured in Baraboo at the Grey Iron and Aluminum foundry. Headquarters will be in the J. T. Bates and Son offices here.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Saturday 9 Jul 1932 p 4

City Tuscania Survivors To Attend 15th Reunion

**J. L. Barnes, C. P. Diggles on Torpedoed Troop
Ship; Meet in Chicago Feb. 4-5**

MADISON survivors of the "Tuscania" sinking are planning to attend the reunion of survivors to be held in Chicago Feb. 4 and 5, just 15 years after the disaster. The "Tuscania" was the only U. S. troopship torpedoed by a German submarine in the transportation of 2,000,000 troops to France during the World war.

Invited guests of honor at the reunion will be Capt. Wilhelm Meyer, commander of the German U boat No. 77 which sent the "Tuscania" to the bottom. Also invited are John M. Smith, commander of the British de-

stroyer "Grasshopper" which rescued all but the 225 men who were drowned or killed; and Capt. Peter McLean, Glasgow, master of the "Tuscania."

Two known survivors in Madison are John L. Barnes and Clyde P. Diggles. They will be taken to the convention by the delegation from Wautoma, which had 70 men on the ship for the largest group from any one place.

Members of the convention executive committee include Otto F. Bates, Baraboo; C. W. Eagan, Wautoma; Fred A. Scholey, Kenosha; Leo Zimmerman and M. W. Collins, Milwaukee.

*Kapitan Wilhelm Meyer did NOT attend the 1933 reunion – "Madison (WI) Capital Times"
Friday 20 Jan 1933 p 1*

Tuscania Survivors Hold Meeting

BARABOO—Carrying on a tradition of 25 years, "Baraboo's 21," survivors of the sinking of the Tuscania 25 years ago, met at dinner at the Warren hotel Saturday night. When a German torpedo sent the transport to the bottom of the Irish sea, the 21 Baraboo men aboard were saved, and each year since then they have held a reunion. True, the 21 were never all present for two of them lost their lives in the first World war, and others have since died.

Those who hoped to be present Saturday night were Paul L. Stewart, James F. Bray, Otto Arndt, Herbert Steckenbauer, Earl Powell, Edward Coughlin, Otto Bates, Arthur Thayer, Randall Herfort, Clarence Braun, all of Baraboo; Horace Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells; Earl Veerhusen, Milwaukee; Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill.; and Charles Kellogg, Janesville. Only other surviving member of the group is Wayland Kier, who resides in Montana and could not be here.

The group is affiliated with the National Tuscania Survivors assn., but this group is not holding its

Article missing its last line – "Wisconsin State Journal" Sunday 7 Feb 1943 p 11

Wisconsin State Journal—9
Friday, February 4, 1944

'Baraboo's 21' Plan Reunion

Tuscania Survivors to Meet Saturday

By IRENE UNDERKOFER
(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 con-

ferred 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.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 4 Feb 1944 p 9

Wife

Devils Lake.

Nov. 17— Mrs. Ed. Marsh, Mrs. Mabel Dutcher and daughters, Genevieve and Gracia of Baraboo, were at Devils Lake Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Marsh visited with Mrs. Kirk, while Mrs. Dutcher and daughters visited with Mrs. Terwilliger.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 18 Nov 1909 p 8

Washington Surprise Party.

Last evening a surprise party was given in honor of Miss Edith Brownell at her home on Eighth avenue. The company was attired in various costumes as follows: Genevieve Dutcher as a fairy; Gracia Dutcher, old mother witch; Ruth Cheek as a Puritan maid, Lorraine Brewer as an Indian boy; Esther Goldfarb, a German maid; Gladys Underkoffler, a school girl, Thresa Schadel, a rich young lady; Margaret Arnott, a prim young lady; Irene Underkoffler and Dolly Brownell were overall boys; Leone Dieter and Dorothy Smith were charming young men; Catherine Aton, a young lady; Lyndell Brownell, a baby clown; Baby Vanolen as a sunbonnet baby; Hazel Goldfarb and Lillian Steckenbauer were school girls. Music and dancing was furnished by Miss Lillian Steckenbauer and Miss Thresa Schadel. Refreshments were served.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 23 Feb 1910 p 7

Baraboo, Wis.
Dec. 17, 1910

Dear Santa Claus

Will you please send me a jointed doll and some books a set of furs and a lot of candy and nuts.

Your little friend Gracia Dutcher
P. S. My address is 130 8th Ave.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 22 Dec 1910 p 2

Miss Gracia Dutcher entertained thirteen friends yesterday at a 6 o'clock dinner in honor of her thirteenth birthday. Many dainty presents were left and a happy time enjoyed.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 29 May 1913 p 6

Mrs. W. H. Mann and daughter Dorothy and Rachel Fellows, Inez Kuhns and Gracia Dutcher spent the day in Camp Douglas.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 4 Sep 1917 p 4

Mrs. Mann accompanied the following young ladies to Camp Douglas today, where they spent an interesting day visiting the camp and their soldier boy friends: Misses Rachel Fellows, Inez Kuhns, Gracia Dutcher and Dorothy Mann.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 6 Sep 1917 p 3

Misses Gracia Dutcher, Alvina Hutchinson and Ella Olson were Reedsburg visitors Thursday!

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 31 May 1918 p 4

Bates—Dutcher

Miss Gracia Dutcher and Otto Bates of this city were married today at noon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mabel Dutcher. The groom is a returned soldier and a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bates of this city.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 5 Nov 1919 p 4

Miss Maurine Dutcher left Tuesday for Baraboo where she will attend the wedding of her cousin, Gracia Dutcher.

"Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" Thursday 6 Nov 1919 p 10

**Santa Fe Foods Pays
\$5 DAILY FOR
FAVORITE RECIPE**

ASPARAGUS HAM BAKE

- 1½ cups of prepared stuffing or can use toasted bread
- 2 cups of diced cooked or canned ham
- 2 cups Santa Fe Asparagus, drained
- 1 recipe of cheese sauce, made as follows;
- 1 can Santa Fe Cream of Celery soup
- 1 cup milk
- ¼ cup chopped onions

Heat to boil, add ½ cup shredded sharp cheese, stir to melt.

(Can use 1 can Santa Fe Cream of Mushroom soup)
Place a third of dry stuffing over bottom of 1½ quart casserole that has been buttered, then half of ham, half of asparagus and cheese sauce. Repeat layers. Mix remaining stuffing with 1 tablespoon melted butter, put on top. Bake in moderate oven, 350 degree 30 to 40 minutes.

**Mrs. Otto F. Bates
512 E. Euclid,**

McPherson, Kansas
carries off today's Santa Fe recipe award. You may win the \$5 offered daily. Mail your recipe to the Santa Fe Foods Recipe Editor, Wichita Eagle, Wichita, Kan. All newspaper rights property of Wichita Eagle and Santa Fe Foods.

"Wichita (KS) Eagle" Monday 12 Apr 1965 p 14

Mrs. Dutcher Rites

BARABOO — Funeral services for Mrs. Mabel Dutcher, 75, Baraboo resident for 65 years, will be held at 2:30 p. m. today in the Scheible funeral home.

The Rev. Herbert Bauck of the Congregational church will officiate. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Dutcher died Thursday in a nursing home where she had lived for several years.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Otto Bates, Durand.

Death of mother-in-law Mabel Dutcher — "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Saturday 23 Sep 1950 p 8

Ankenbrandt—Dutcher

Irwin F. Ankenbrandt and Miss Genevieve Dutcher were married this morning at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mabel Dutcher, on Eighth street. The ceremony took place at 10 a. m. being witnessed by the parents and immediate relatives of the couple. Rev. E. C Henke the officiating minister used the ring service.

A wedding luncheon was served after the congratulations. The happy couple left on the noon train for a trip to Chicago. The bride wore a brown travelling suit and a corsage bouquet of sweet peas.

They were the recipients of some beautiful silver, cut glass and linen presents.

On their return they will make their home on the farm of the groom in east Greenfield.

Wedding of sister Genevieve Dutcher to Irwin F. Ankenbrandt 3 Feb 1921 – "Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 3 Feb 1921 p 3

OBITUARY

Genevieve Dutcher Ankenbrandt

Mrs. Irwin Ankenbrandt, 29, passed away about eight oclock Monday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mable A. Dutcher, 130 Eighth avenue, where she has been ill for many months.

Mrs. Ankenbrandt had spent all of her life in Baraboo and she leaves many friends here to regret her passing.

Beside her mother, she is survived by her husband; a sister, Mrs. Otto Bates, of Baraboo; her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Marsh, and an aunt, Mrs. Effie Greenleaf, both of whom reside at 130 Eighth av-

enue.

The funeral will be held at the home, 130 Eighth avenue at 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon.

Death of Gracia's sister, Genevieve Dutcher Ankenbrandt – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 9 Mar 1926 p 3

A QUIET WEDDING.

Two Prominent Young Baraboo People Wed
Thursday Afternoon.

At 3:00 p.m. Thursday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward N. Marsh, 132 Eighth avenue, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the bride and groom, occurred the wedding of Mr. Charles B. Dutcher to Miss Mabel Marsh, Rev. Robinson, of the First Congregational church, officiating.

Mr. Dutcher is a young man well known in the city and holds a position in the round house, while the bride is a popular young lady who stands high in the respect and esteem of her host of friends. The happy young couple will make their home in the city at 132 Eighth avenue for the present.

That their wedded life may be one of perfect bliss and happiness is the earnest wish of The Republic and its readers.

Marriage of Gracia's parents "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Wednesday 22 Jul 1896 p 2

Marriage licenses have been issued the past week as follows: William F. Riedler and Miss Martha M. Acheson of Westhope; Frank Douvier and Miss Emma Nuendosf of Gardena; Charles B. Dutcher of Russell and Mrs. Janet T. McFarlane of Omemee. The last named couple was united in marriage by Judge John H. Kirk in county court chambers Wednesday.

*Remarriage of Gracia's father Thomas Dutcher 30 Sep 1908 - "Bottineau (ND) Courant"
Friday 2 Oct 1908 p 5*

Children:

**Warren F.
Bates**



Warren Bates Obituary

N*ov. 23, 1920 — Feb. 6, 2010*

Warren F. Bates, 89, of Lima, OH, passed away Feb. 6, 2010. Funeral services were held Feb. 9 at St. Charles Catholic Church, Lima, OH, with father Stephen Blum officiating.

Mr. Bates was born Nov. 23, 1920, in Baraboom WI, the son of Otto and Gracia Dutcher Bates.

He was a stock broker for 29 years with Thomson McKinnon/Prudential Securities, retiring in 1993. Prior to being a stock broker he had worked with Studebaker Corp. in South Bend, IN. He was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church.

He had a keen interest in aviation. He enlisted into the U.S. Army Air Force in Jan. 31, 1943. He received his orders to England, assigned to the 447th Bomb Group, 8th AAF, flying 35 combat missions in the B-17 G named Bit-o-Lace. He was honorably discharged from active duty August 6, 1945.

He had been a member of the Lima Noon Optimist Club and was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he received a BS in Business Administration.

He was an avid Packer fan and enjoyed nature, photography, travel, golf and gardening. He was very dedicated to his clients and his family.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Bates of Lima, OH; daughters, Lori A. Bates of Columbus, OH; sons, Gregory L. Bates and Brian P. Bates of Lima, OH; stepsons, Joseph G. Foreman of Dillon, CO, and James P. (Kimberly) Foreman of Blacksburg, VA; stepdaughters, M. Kay (Norman) Lewis of Englewood, OH, Anna M. Quatman of Lima, OH, B. Jean (Chris) Allenbach of Lima, OH, Teresa (Tim) Stolly of Lima, OH, and Margaret (Tim) Strande of Denver, CO; grandchildren, Nathan and Aaron Lewis, Trinity and Caman Foreman, Brandon, Ryan, Trenton Quatman, Matt and Brett Allenbach, Jarod, Benjamin, Bradley Stolly, Emily and Ellen Strande; and great-grandchildren, Mason and Reagan Quatman.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Lois Marie Gavinski; and infant daughter, Cecilia Bates.

The family requests donations be made to St. Rita's Hospice or a charity of your choice.

Chiles-Laman Funeral Homes of Lima, OH, was in charge of the arrangements.

Son Warren Franklin Bates (1920-2010) -

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/legacyremembers/warren-bates-obituary?id=23621885>

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)

SERIAL NUMBER T. <u>1685</u>	1. NAME (Print) <u>WARREN FRANKLIN BATES</u> (First) (Middle) (Last)	ORDER NUMBER T. <u>11,766</u>
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) <u>130 EIGHTH AVE BARABOO-WISCONSIN</u> (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)		
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]		
3. MAILING ADDRESS <u>918 N. SECOND ST. ROCKFORD, ILL</u> (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)		
4. TELEPHONE <u>BARABOO 491-J</u> <u>ROCKFORD MAIN 2949</u> (Exchange) (Number)	5. AGE IN YEARS <u>21</u> DATE OF BIRTH <u>NOV 23 1920</u> (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	6. PLACE OF BIRTH <u>BARABOO</u> <u>WIS</u> (Town or county) (State or country)
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS <u>MRS. OTTO F. BATES - 130-8TH AVE, BARABOO</u>		
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS <u>Quartermaster Corp - Camp Grant, Ill</u>		
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS <u>Motor Transport Section - Camp Grant, Ill</u> (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)		
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.		
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 1-1-42) (over) ☆ GPO 16-21630-2		<u>Warren F. Bates</u> (Registrant's signature)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	<u>5 FT 7 IN</u>	<u>151</u>	Sallow
	EYES	HAIR	Light
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Ruddy
	Gray	Red	Dark
Oriental	Hazel	Brown	Freckled
	Brown	Black	Light brown
Indian	Black	Gray	Dark brown
		Bald	Black
Filipino			

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.....
NONE

James E. Halsted
(Signature of registrar)

Registrar for Local Board #1 Sauk Co. Wisconsin
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration Feb 15, 1942

Local Board No. 1 63
Sauk County 111
001

100 Third Street
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)
Baraboo, Wis.

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

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Warren Franklin Bates

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Birth Records, 1812-1921

Name	Warren Franklin Bates
Birth Date	23 Nov 1920
Birth County	Sauk, Wisconsin, USA
Mother Residence County	Sauk

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/747350:61482?tid=&pid=&queryId=4c5359510be538577f33b1790db53c0d&phsrc=cPx4805&phstart=successSource>



Warren F. Bates – captioned “WWII B-17 pilot” - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65748530/person/30541982476/media/fa47e81a-6c95-4e99-b654-37b516a3e1b3>

***Baraboo Service Men Taking Part In
Decisive Actions on Many War Fronts***



Warren
Bates

Second Lieut. Warren F. Bates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto F. Bates, 130 Eighth ave., recently qualified as a Flying Fortress pilot at Hendricks field, Sebring, Fla. He was assigned to Plant park, Tampa, Fla.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Sunday 2 Jul 1944 p 8

B-17 Pilot



Lieut. Warren Bates

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England — Shown at the controls of his B-17 Flying Fortress "A-Bit-O'-Lace" is First Lieut. Warren F. Bates, 24 pilot from Baraboo, Wis.

Bates has recently been awarded the fourth oak leaf cluster to the air medal for "meritorious achievement" while participating in Eighth Air Force attacks on industrial targets and enemy held installations in Germany.

Bates is a member of the 447th Bomb. Group, which coordinated most of its bombing attacks with ground offensives in Germany.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto F. Bates of 130 Eighth ave., Baraboo, Bates, before entering the army in November, 1942, was manager of the auto parts warehouse at Camp Grant. He received his pilot's wings and commission in March, 1944, at Moody Field, Ga.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Tuesday 5 Jun 1945 p 9



"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Sunday 10 Jun 1945 p 13

Miss Lois Gavinski Names Feb. 7 as Date for Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gavinski, Wisconsin Dells, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Lois, to Warren Bates, son of Otto F. Bates, Baraboo.

The wedding will be performed at 9:30 a. m. on Thursday, Feb. 7, in St. Cecelia's church, Wisconsin Dells, with the Rev. Von Birkel officiating.

The bride who will be given in marriage by her father, will wear a gown of white satin and net. She will be attended by Miss Marcell Colby as the maid of honor. Miss Colby will be dressed in a gown of blue net and silk jersey. The best man will be Fred Stone, Baraboo, and the ushers will be Eugene Gavinski, brother of the bride, and Elmer Rathman, Baraboo.

The bride-elect attended Edgewood college, Madison, and was a member of the office personnel at the Badger Ordnance plant for 3½ years. Mr. Bates, who served as a first lieutenant with the First Air Force, is now attending the University of Wisconsin school of commerce. The couple plan to reside in Madison.



LOIS GAVINSKI

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 1 Feb 1946 p 10

**Robert P.
Bates**

Robert Bates Obituary

MOUNDRIAGE - Bates, Robert P., 81, NCRA printer for 35 years, died January 18, 2008. Visitation 6-8 p.m. Friday, Moundridge Funeral Home. Service 11 a.m. Saturday, First Baptist Church, McPherson. Survivors: son, Bruce; daughter, Barb Baker, both of Colorado Springs, CO; brother, Warren Bates of Lima, CO; 2 grandchildren.

Published by Wichita Eagle on Jan. 20, 2008.

Son Robert Phillip Bates (1926-2008) -

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kansas/name/robert-bates-obituary?id=34539066>

Robert P. Bates

MOUNDRIDGE, Kan.
— Robert P. Bates, age
81, of Moundridge, Kan.,



passed away
on Jan. 18,
2008 at Memo-
rial Home in
Moundridge.

Robert was born May 15, 1926 to Otto F. and Gracia (Dutcher) Bates in Baraboo. He was a longtime area resident. On March 14, 1948 Robert married Ellen Mae Goering at Moundridge. She died on Nov. 13, 2007.

Robert is a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. He was employed as a printer at NCRA for 35 years in McPherson, Kan. Robert is a member of New Hope Evangelical Church, McPherson.

Robert is survived by one son, Bruce Bates of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one daughter, Barb Baker of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one brother, Warren Bates of Lima, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his spouse, Ellen Mae Bates.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008 at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church, McPherson, with Pastor Jim Keil officiating. Burial will be Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008 at 2 p.m. in Mound Township Cemetery, rural Moundridge. Friends may call Friday, Jan. 25, 2008 from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. with the family present from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Moundridge Funeral Home.

Memorials or contributions may be sent to New Hope Evangelical Church building fund or Memorial Hope in care of the funeral home.

Moundridge Funeral Home, 115 E. Cole, Box 140, Moundridge, KS 67107 is serving the family.

Five Baraboo Men In Boot Training At Great Lakes

Five Baraboo men are receiving their initial naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Their recruit training completed, these men will spend a period of leave at home. They are: Robert P. Bates, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto F. Bates, 130 Eighth avenue; Roy J. Powers, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Powers, 221 Blake street; John M. Sprecher, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noble E. Sprecher, 137½ Third avenue; Arnold G. Groener, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erich O. Groener, Rt. No. 2; Harold C. King, 22, husband of Dorothy F. King, 802 Lake street.

Their "boot" training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruits to determine whether they will be assigned to a naval service school or to immediate active duty at sea.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 6 Jun 1944 p 4

FORM APPROVED
Budget Bureau No. 33-R012-42

REGISTRATION CARD (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)
(Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)			ORDER NUMBER
W - 488A	Robert	Phillip	Bates	13,273A
	(First)	(Middle)	(Last)	
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)				
130 - 8th Ave. Baraboo Sauk Wisconsin				
(Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)				
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON LINE 2 ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]				
3. MAILING ADDRESS				
Same				
(Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same, insert word same)				
4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS		6. PLACE OF BIRTH	
	19		Baraboo, Sauk Co.	
	DATE OF BIRTH		(Town or county)	
491 J	May	15	Wisconsin	
(Exchange)	(Mo.)	(Day)	(State or country)	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS				
Otto F. Bates - 130 - 8th Ave. - Baraboo - Wisconsin				
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS				
Unemployed - Discharged from Navy				
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS				
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE				
DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-16-42)		16-21630-4	Robert P. Bates	
		(OVER)	(Registrant's signature)	

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	X	5' 11"		160		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue		Blonde		Ruddy	
Indian		Gray		Red		Dark	X
		Hazel	X	Brown		Freckled	
Filipino		Brown		Black	X	Light brown	
Japanese		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
Other Oriental				Bald		Black	

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.....

None

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

None to my knowledge

Lois Steubenbauer

(Signature of registrar)

Registrar for Local Board 1 Sauk Wis.
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration April 18, 1946

Local Board No. 1	63
Sauk County	111
APR 18 1946	001
100 Third Street	

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

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Captioned "Bob Warren Bates" - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65748530/person/30541982477/media/1c6fedd2-bbed-4e93-8922-fc69e3414cf3>

Father:



Jesse Thomas Bates – Find A Grave 42467924

J. T. Bates Passes Away In Madison

J. T. Bates, 85, of Reedsburg and formerly of Baraboo, passed away at 7:25 on Monday evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ben Bass, in Madison where he had been receiving care for several weeks.

In 1885 he was married to Amelia A. Brewer who passed away in 1925. To this union seven children were born, six of whom survive him: Arthur L. Bates, Wonewoc, Otto F. Bates of Baraboo, Mrs. Ben Bass of Madison, Mrs. George Goodearle of Madison, Mrs. Delwyn Baertsch of Baraboo, and Mrs. Louis Hall, Compton, Cal.

In 1926 he was married to Mrs. Emma Hewitt, who survives him, also a stepdaughter Adelaide of Janesville. He is also survived by two sisters and a brother: Mrs. Hattie Claybrook, LaFarge, Wis., Mrs. Lydia Frye of Brodhead, Wis. and H. H. Bates of Visalia, Cal. He also leaves 16 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

Mr. Bates sustained an injury in a fall on Dec. 13th and was taken to the Municipal hospital in Reedsburg for treatment for a time and was then taken to his home where he was cared for until four weeks ago when he was taken to the Bass home in Madison, where he passed away.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed this morning.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 23 Apr 1946 p 3

Mother:



Amelia Adelaide Brewer Bates – Find A Grave 42467927

Many Baraboo friends went to Reedsburg this morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. T. Bates of this city. During her ten years' residence here, Mrs. Bates had made many close friends.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 5 Mar 1925 p 3

Mrs. J. T. Bates, 58, died at the Reedsburg hospital on Tuesday night after a long illness. Mrs. Bates was taken to the hospital from her Baraboo home two weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Bates came to Baraboo from Madison ten years ago and previous to their residence in Madison, they made their home in La Farge and Reedsburg. The husband and following children survive Mrs. Bates: A. L. Bates, Reedsburg; Mrs. Louis A. Hall, Chicago; Otto F. Bates, Fairfield; Mrs. B. F. Bass, Mrs. Delwyn Baertsch, and Mrs. George D. Goodearle, Baraboo. Funeral services were held in Reedsburg this morning and burial was made in La Farge.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Thursday 5 Mar 1925 p 11

Siblings:



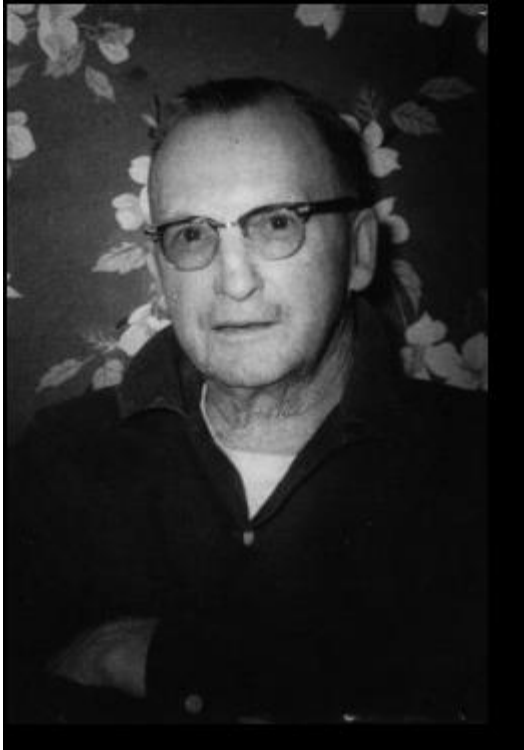
Sister Nellie Celia Bates Bass (1886-1963) – Find A Grave 37110997

Benj. Bass of the town of Dellona and Miss Nellie Bates of Reedsburg were married at noon today at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bates, in Reedsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Bass expect to make their home in Baraboo.

Marriage of Nellie Celia Bates to Benjamin Stillman Bass 28 Nov 1906 – "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Wednesday 28 Nov 1906 p 9

Bass-Bates.
In Reedsburg, Wednesday noon, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bates, were married Miss Nellie Bates to Benjamin Bass, of Baraboo. Rev. E. Roberts of Baraboo performed the ceremony. The bridal couple came to this city and are guests of the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bass, at Lyons.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 5 Dec 1906 p 1



Arthur L. Bates
REEDSBURG — Arthur L. Bates, 69, Wonewoc, died Wednesday in a Madison hospital.
Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p. m. Saturday in the Gant funeral home.
Survivors include a sister, Mrs. George Goodearle, 4313 Hillcrest dr., Madison.

Brother Arthur Leslie Bates (1888-1958) – left: Find A Grave 82486956 and right: “Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) Friday 18 Apr 1958 p 27

5 Hospitalized In Wonewoc Area Auto Accident

WONEWOC, Wis. (Special) — Five persons were injured, one seriously, Tuesday night when the car in which they were riding went out of control on Highway 33 and crashed into a ditch.

Most seriously injured was Arthur Bates, 69, retired Wonewoc rural mail carrier, who received a fractured vertebra. He was taken first to a Wonewoc hospital, then transferred to St. Mary's Hospital in Madison, where his condition was listed as fair Tuesday night.

Dean Maus, 21, Upsala, Minn, driver of the car; Tom Ennis, 23, Gilbert Hellpop and Robert Ott, 30, all of Wonewoc, received bruises and shock and were taken to the Wonewoc hospital.

All were to be released Thursday except Ennis, who was to be X-rayed for possible rib fractures.

"La Crosse (WI) Tribune" Thursday 10 Apr 1958 p 25

DEATHS IN MADISON—Fred Schulze, 46, of 1015 Williamson st., in a hospital, Apr. 16. .
Arthur Bates, 69, Wonewoc, in a hospital, Apr. 16.
Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morey, 330 Kensington dr.,

Arthur's death in Madison WI – "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Thursday 17 Apr 1958 p 18

A. L. Bates Dies Wednesday

Arthur L. Bates, 69, of Wone-
woc, passed away last night at a
Madison hospital. Mr. Bates was
a retired mail carrier serving for
34 years, at Reedsburg and Wone-
woc.

Surviving him are his wife, two
sons, John of Lyndon Station and
Joseph of Reedsburg, one daugh-
ter, Mrs. Herbert Phillips of Bar-
aboo, 12 grandchildren and one
great grandson, four sisters, Mrs.
Benjamin Bass of Mexico, Mrs.
Delwyn Baertsch of Portage, Mrs.
George Goodearle of Madison, and
Mrs. Lewis Hall of Detroit, Mich.,
and one brother Otto of South
Bend, Ind.

Funeral arrangements are pend-
ing at the Gant funeral home.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 17 Apr 1958 p 4

Mrs. Baertsch, Baraboo, Dies

BARABOO — Mrs. Delwin Baertsch, 71, Baraboo, died Thursday in a local hospital after undergoing surgery.

Mrs. Baertsch was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

Madison survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Ben S. Bass, 1026 Drake st.; and Mrs. George D. Goodearle, 4313 Hillcrest dr.

Other survivors include her husband; a daughter, Betty, Baraboo; a son, Frederic, town of Caledonia; a brother, Otto Bates, McPherson, Kan.; a sister, Mrs. Louis Hall, Detroit, Mich.; and one grandson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the First Methodist Episcopal Church. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. at the Bear Creek cemetery, LaFarge.

Friends may call at the Scheible funeral home, Baraboo, from 7 to 9 tonight and at the church Saturday until time of services.

Obituary of [sister Grace Bates Baertsch \(1890-1961\)](#) – published in the “Madison (WI) Capital Times” Friday 29 Sep 1961 p 18 & on Find A Grave 42467892

Mrs. Baertsch Dies Suddenly After Surgery

Mrs. Delwin Baertsch, 71, of Baraboo, died Thursday afternoon at St. Mary's Ringling Hospital. Mrs. Baertsch had undergone major surgery in the morning and passed away unexpectedly in the afternoon. The former Grace Bates, she lived in Baraboo for the past three years.

For 25 years, Mr. and Mrs. Baertsch farmed near Devils lake. They moved to the town of Caledonia where they farmed for 11 years, prior to moving to Baraboo.

Mrs. Baertsch was a member of the First Methodist church, the WSCS of the church and the 20th Century Club.

Surviving are her husband; one daughter Betty of Baraboo; one son Frederic of the town of Caledonia; one grandson; one brother, Otto Bates of McPherson, Kans.; three sisters, Mrs. Ben Bass and Mrs. George Goodearle of Madison, and Mrs. Louis Hall of Detroit, and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Mrs. Baertsch will be held on Saturday morning at 11 at the First Methodist Church with Rev. Archie Henry officiating. Committal services will be held at the Bear Creek Cemetery at LaFarge at 3 p.m. Saturday. Friends may call at the Scheible Funeral Home this evening from 7 to 9 and from 10 a.m. to time of services at the church on Saturday.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 29 Sep 1961 p 4

GOODEARLE, Florence (Mrs. George), 91, 523 Main St., Oconto. At First Presbyterian Church after 9 a.m. Friday until funeral at 10. Gallagher-Pinkart Funeral Home in charge.

Sister Florence Bessie Bates Goodearle (1896-1988) – “Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette”
Wednesday 15 Jun 1988 p 12

Alice Cora Hall

Alice Cora Hall, 78, 5460 Birdseye Road, and the Hilbrook Nursing Home, died Wednesday evening at St. Peter's Hospital following an extended illness.

She was born July 9, 1900, in Baraboo, Wis., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Bates. She attended schools in Baraboo, the University of Wisconsin and the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago.

She married Louis A. Hall July 29, 1921, in Baraboo. He died in 1966 while the family resided in Royal Oakes, Mich.

Mrs. Hall lived in Florida for approximately two years before moving to

Helena in February 1976.

She was a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

Survivors include a son, Robert L. Hall, Helena; a daughter, Mrs. Edward O. (Anne) Schultert, Clearwater, Fla.; a sister, Florence Goodearle, Oconto, Wis.; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Cremation has been held.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Evangelical Covenant Church with the Rev. Lyle Person officiating. Retz Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Obituary of sister Alice Cora Bates Hall (1900-1979) – "Helena (MT) Independent Record"
Thursday 25 Jan 1979 p 2

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Otto Franklin Bates

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E - corporal

Serial number: 251,213

Entered service from: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Otto Franklin Bates

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father J.T. Bates, 604 - 9th Ave., Baraboo WI

Returned from war on: "Winifredian" Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Otto F. Bates

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Jesse T. Bates, 604 - 9th St., Baraboo WI (cpl, Co. F, 101st Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Otto F. Bates - b. 25 Dec 1895 LaFarge WI; res: 609 Ninth, Baraboo, Sauk WI. Single. Employed in real estate with J.T. Bates [i.e. his father], Baraboo WI. Height: 5'8" – slender build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 130 - 8th Ave., Baraboo WI - 1955 WI Survivors: 138 - 8th St., Baraboo WI, then amended to 708 Walnut St., Baraboo WI. NOK Mrs. Gracia Bates of same address. Employed at Quartermaster Office, M.A. Hack, Fort Sheridan, Lake IL

World War II draft registration (1942): as Otto Franklin Bates - b. 25 Dec 1894 La Farge WI; res: 130 – 8th Ave., Baraboo WI. NOK Gracia Bates, same address. Mailing address: 130 Summit Place, Highwood, Lake Co. IL. Employed by Quartermaster Office, Mr. Hack, Fort Sheridan IL. Height: 5'9" – 190 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 28 Apr 1919

Address: Baraboo WI

Rank/unit: corporal, 2nd Co., 161st Depot Brigade

Birth & death:

Born: 25 Dec 1894 Stark, Vernon WI (I), LaFarge WI (II)

Died: 20 Aug 1965 McPherson, McPherson KS

Find A Grave record: 67429649 – has photo, presence on Tuscania noted in text, flower

Burial location: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Cemetery: Walnut Hill

Tombstone:

Father: Jesse Thomas Bates, 5 Sep 1860 Lawrence Co. OH – 22 Apr 1946 Madison, Dane WI. Son of William Murphy Bates & Nancy Hannah Boggess. Buried in Bear Creek Cemetery, La Farge, Vernon WI.

Find A Grave: 42467924

Mother: Amelia Adelaide Brewer Bates, 24 Dec 1866 Lake Co. IL – 3 Mar 1925 Reedsburg, Sauk WI. Daughter of Frederic Slocum Brewer & Kate Lewin. Buried in Bear Creek Cemetery, La Farge, Vernon Co. WI

Find A Grave: 42467927

Parents' marriage: Jesse Bates to Amelia Brewer on 24 Dec 1885 Richland Co. WI

Spouse: Gracia May Dutcher, 28 May 1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 4 Oct 1891 McPherson, McPherson KS.

Her father was Charles B. Dutcher, who was born in Tomah, Monroe WI. His father was Thomas Dutcher (1822 NY – 1880 WI), the 1st husband of his mother, Sara Catherine (Kate) Woodley (1847- 25 Apr 1914 Baraboo, Sauk WI, F: 17466705), who then married James Vanderveer.

Gracia's mother was Mabel A. Marsh. Mabel was the daughter of Edward Nelson Marsh who died 13 Nov 1910 in Baraboo, Sauk WI & was born 16 Jun 1833 in Lysander, Onondaga NY. Edward married Gracia's maternal grandmother Mary A. Blake on 1 Sep 1855.

Edward's obituary appears in the "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 17 Nov 1910 p 10.

Charles B. Dutcher & Mabel A. Marsh married 16 Jul 1896 in Baraboo, Sauk WI. They had 2 daughters, Gracia & Genevieve.

Gracia's only sibling was her sister Genevieve, born 17 Feb 1897 in Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Genevieve married Irwin Frank Ankenbrandt (1897-1964, F: 80581060) on 31 Jan 1921 in Sauk Co. WI. Genevieve Ankenbrandt died 8 Mar 1926.

On 30 Sep 1908, Charles Dutcher married Mrs. Janet McFarlane Taylor (1877-1960, F: 43150106) in Bottineau, Bottineau ND. Charles is buried in Omemee Cemetery, Omemee, Bottineau ND, F: 84649308. The 1900 census gives him a birth date of Sep 1868; his Find A Grave record 1874. He died in 1934.

In the 1910 census for Baraboo, Sauk WI, Mabel Dutcher reported she was divorced.

Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 67429647

Marriage: Otto Bates to Gracia Dutcher on 5 Nov 1919 Sauk Co. WI

Children:

- Warren Franklin Bates, 23 Nov 1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 6 Feb 2010 Lima, Meigs OH. His 1st wife was Lois Marie Gavinski (1924-1981, F: 50163559) whom he married 7 Feb 1946 in Baraboo, Sauk WI. Married Patricia L. Doyle Foreman on 14 Sep 1985. Was a stockbroker. Served in the US Army Air Corps 31 Jan 1943-6 Aug 1945. Graduate of U of WI with a bachelor's degree in business administration Buried in Gethsemani Cemetery, Lima, Allen OH. F: 50163449
- Robert Phillip ("Bob") Bates, 15 May 1926 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 18 Jan 2008 Moundridge, McPherson KS. Husband of Ellen Mae Goering (1926-2007, F: 27075187) whom he married 14 Mar 1948 in Moundridge, McPherson KS. Buried in Mound Township Cemetery, Moundridge, McPherson KS. F: 27075188

Siblings:

- Nellie Celia Bates Bass, 7 Oct 1886 LaFarge/Union township, Vernon WI – 12 Mar 1963 Madison, Dane WI. Wife of Benjamin Stillman Bass (1881-1969m FL 36119874), whom she married 28 Nov 1906 in Reedsburg, Sauk WI. Buried in Butterfield Cemetery, Reedsburg, Sauk WI. F: 37110997
- Arthur Leslie Bates, 11 Jun 1888 LaFarge, Vernon WI – 16 Apr 1958 Madison, Dane WI. His birth is registered as "Clyde Bates." Husband of Margaret K. Geffert (1890-1963, F: 82486903). He was transported to a Madison WI hospital after breaking a

vertebra in a car accident new Wonowoc WI on 8 Apr 1958. Buried in St. John's Cemetery, Reedsburg, Sauk WI. F: 82486956.

- Gracia Elmina / Elmina Gracia ("Grace"/"Gracie") Bates Baertsch, 16 Jul 1890 Stark, Vernon WI – 28 Sep 1961 Baraboo, Sauk WI (following surgery). Wife of Delwin Baertsch (1889-1962) whom she married in 1910. Buried in Bear Creek Cemetery, La Farge, Vernon WI. F: 42467892
- Charles Adelbert Bates, 31 Jul 1892 Stark, Vernon WI – Sep 1894 Vernon Co. WI. Died at age 2. Buried in same cemetery as parents: Bear Creek Cemetery, Vernon Co. WI. F: 42467930
- Florence Bessie Bates Goodearle, 3 Nov 1896 WI – 14 Jun 1988 Oconto, Oconto WI. Wife of George Donald Goodearle Jr. (1895-1965, F: 67410325). Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI. F: 67409926
- Alice Cora Bates Hall, 9 Jul 1900 LaFarge, Vernon WI – 24 Jan 1979 Lewis & Clark Co. MT. Wife of Louis A. Hall, b. 22 Oct 1899 Bay City MI – d. Feb 1966 Royal Oak, Oakland MI. Married 29 Jul 1921 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Obituary: "Helena (MT) Independent Record" 25 Jan 1979 p 2 – Alice Cora Hall, 78, of 5460 Birdseye Rd. & Hillbrook Nursing Home, d. 24 Jan 1979 at St. Peter's Hospital. Born 9 Jul 1900 Baraboo WI. Attended Baraboo schools, the University of WI & Moody Bible Institute. Lived in Florida about 2 years before coming to Helena in Feb 1976. Survived by sister Florence Goodearle of Oconto. Cremated; memorial service.

Notes: From Find A Grave: Was a real estate (as was his father) in Baraboo. During the Depression, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps & later worked for Badger Ordnance.

Wartime: One of the Baraboo 21.

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security Number:330-12-0792

Censuses:

1900 Stark township, LaFarge, Vernon WI

Jesse T. Bates, 40 OH, Sep 1860, parents b. VA, married 14 years, stock buyer

Amelia A., 34 IL, Dec 1866, parents b. England, gave birth to 6 children, 5 are living

Nellie C., 13 WI, Oct 1886, at school

Arthur L., 11 WI, Jun 1888, at school

Gracie E., 9 WI, Jul 1890, at school

Otto F., 5 WI, Dec 1894

Bessie F., 3 WI, Nov 1896

1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI – conducted 28 Jun 1900 - his future wife, Gracia
 Charles B. Dutcher, 31 WI, Sep 1868, father b. NY, mother's left blank, married 5 years, carpenter
 Mabel, 24 WI, Jul 1875, father b. NY, mother b. England, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living [wife]
 Genevieve, 3 WI, Feb 1897, parents b. WI [daughter]
 Unnamed daughter, age zero WI, May 1900 [daughter – i.e. Gracia]
 Henry Southard, 37 WI, Mar 1863, father b. PA, mother b. OH, single, farmer [boarder]

1905 WI state census – Reedsburg, Sauk WI
 Jessie T. Bates, 45 OH, parents b. WV, real estate agent
 Amelia A., 38 IL, parents b. England
 Nellie C., 18 WI, nurse
 Arthur L., 17 WI
 Grace E., 14 WI, serv. Girl
 Florence B., 8 WI
 Alice A., 4 WI
 Otto F., 10 WI

1910 Reedsburg, Sauk WI
 Jesse T. Bates, 49 OH, parents b. WV, in 1st marriage, married 24 years, agent, real estate
 Amelia A., 43 IL, parents b. England, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 7 children, 6 are living
 Arthur L., 21 WI, agent, real estate
 Grace E., 19 WI, instructor, public school
 Otto F. 15 WI
 Bessie F., 13 WI
 Alice C., 9 WI

1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 604 Ninth Ave.
 Jesse T. Bates, 59 OH, parents b. VA, dealer, real estate
 Amelia A., 53 IL, parents b. England [wife]
 Cora Alice, 19 WI, single [daughter]
 Otto F., 25 WI, dealer, married, real estate [son]
 Gracia Bates, 19 WI, parents b. WI, married, saleswoman, grocery (?) store [daughter-in-law]

1930 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 528 Tenth Ave. - conducted 16 Apr 1930
 Otto Bates, 36 WI, father b. OH, mother b. IL, age 26 at 1st marriage, agent, real estate, WWI veteran
 Gracia, 29 WI, parents b. WI, age 20 at 1st marriage
 Warren, 9 WI
 Robert, 3 years 11 months, WI

1940 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 130 Eighth Ave. – same house in 1935

Mabel Dutcher, 64 WI, widow [head of household]
Gracia Bates, 39 WI [daughter]
Otto Bates, 45 WI, clerk typist, NYA, Soil Conservation [son-in-law]
Warren Bates, 19 WI, single, typist clerk NYA [grandson]
Robert Bates, 13 WI [grandson]
Effie Greenleaf, 81 WI, widow [sister]
Lillian Coleman, 58 WI, single [roomer]

1950 Durand, Pepin WI

Roomers:

Otto Bates, 55 WI, Soil Conservation Service, Conservation Office

Gracia Bates, 51 WI

With Howard Metcalf (58 WI, bar tender) & his wife Mabel Metcalf (53 WI)

& 2 other roomers:

Bonnie Karlstrom, 17 WI & Maxine Karlstrom, 15 WI

1960 KS city & county census – McPherson KS

Otto F. Bates (65) & Gracia Bates (59) residing at 112 W. 1st