

# TUSCANIA

**One of the Baraboo 21**  
**Bender, Arthur Francis**  
**1895 WI – 1933 WI**



Arthur Francis Bender – Courtesy of Steven Schwartz of Renton WA

## Arthur Bender Dies Today In Madison

Word was received here this morning of the death of Arthur Bender, 37, of this city. Mr. Bender passed away at a Madison hospital and his remains were brought to Baraboo this afternoon.

The young man is survived by his wife, the former Ruby McClure of Reedsburg, and two children, Charles and Delores. He also leaves a brother, Leroy Bender, of this city.

Mr. Bender was a World War veteran, and one of Baraboo's 21 Tuscania survivors. In addition to being active in the veteran's organizations, he was a member of the Baraboo lodge of Elks. He had been a resident of Baraboo for practically all of his life.

The remains were brought to the Melzl & McGann undertaking parlors but funeral arrangements had not been completed today.

## Arthur Bender, Baraboo Tuscania Survivor, Dies

Arthur Bender, Baraboo, World war veteran, died Saturday at a Madison hospital. He was one of the 21 Baraboo men who were Tuscania survivors. He was 37 years old and is survived by his wife, the former Ruby McClure, Reedsburg, two children, Charles and Delores, and one brother, Leroy Bender, Baraboo.

Left: "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 13 May 1933 p 1 and right: "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Monday 18 May 1933 p 5

## Last Rites For Local Veteran

Funeral rites for Arthur Bender were held on Tuesday afternoon at the Presbyterian church, following a prayer service at the home. The Rev. E C. Henke officiated and the members of the American Legion post attended in a body and gave their services at the grave in the Baraboo cemetery.

Hymns were sung by Stanford Richardson and Dr. D. W. Weaver.

Pallbearers were Tuscania survivors: Paul Stewart, James Bray, Horace Cahoon, Herbert Steckenbauer, Earl Powell, Otto Bates, Otto Arndt, Edward Coughlin and Randall Herfort.

Those from away present at the services were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rathburn, daughter Mildred and son William, Madison; Mr. and Mrs. Al. Schutte of Columbus; Mrs. Grauvogl, Plain; Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Perry, Mr. and Mrs. M. Perry, Reedsburg; and Mr. and Mrs. Dell Young of North Freedom.

Arthur F. Bender, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bender, was born August 22, 1895. He was confirmed and baptized in this city, where he spent most of his life. He was united in marriage Sept. 23, 1919, to Miss Ruby McClure of Reedsburg and to this union two children were born, Delores Annet and Charles Edwin.

The deceased was a World war veteran, having seen 18 months of service overseas, and he was one of Baraboo's 21 Tuscania survivors. He was a member of the American Legion post and Baraboo Elks lodge. He had been in failing health for several years and a great sufferer for months and passed away at a Madison hospital on May 13, 1933, his family being with him at the time.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother died in infancy.

Surviving him are his wife and children, a brother, Leroy Case, and a host of relatives and friends.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who assisted us in any way during our recent bereavement. To the pallbearers, the singers, the American Legion, the Elks, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and to all who sent flowers and furnished cars we are doubly grateful and especially to Rev. Henke for his kind and comforting words.

Mrs. Ruby Bender and children,  
Mrs. Lenna McClure,  
Percy McClure,  
Leroy Bender.

## Baraboo Survivor Of Tuscania Sea Disaster Is Dead

**B**ARABOO, Wis.—Arthur Bender, one of Baraboo's 21 survivors of the Tuscania disaster, died Saturday at the Soldiers' hospital at Farewell's Point, near Mendota. He had been seriously ill about a week.

He is survived by his widow, two children, Charles and Delores, and a brother, Leroy, of Baraboo.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, in charge of the American Legion. Pallbearers and a guard of honor will be selected from other Tuscania survivors here.

Mr. Bender's death is the fifth among this group. Sixteen still survive.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Sunday 14 May 1933 p 4

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*Arthur F. Bender (9)*

### MILITARY HISTORY

Time and Place of Each Enrollment	Rank	Company and Regiment	Time and Place of Discharge	Cause of Discharge	Disability when admitted to the Home
<i>Jan 22 1917</i>	<i>Pvt.</i>	<i>Coast 101<sup>st</sup> Supply</i>	<i>Apr 28 1919</i>		<i>1928. Head Post Function</i>
<i>Baraboo, Wis</i>	<i>Infantry</i>		<i>Cap. Grant. Gen. List</i>		
			<i>2d Lt.</i>		
			<i>Sgt.</i>		

### DOMESTIC HISTORY

Where Born	Age	Height	Complexion	Color of Eyes	Color of Hair	Build	Religion	Occupation	Residence Subsequent to Discharge	Married or Single	Name and Address of Nearest Relative
<i>Wis.</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>White</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Dark</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Prot.</i>	<i>Restaurant</i>	<i>Baraboo, Wis</i>	<i>Mar.</i>	<i>Wife</i> <i>Mrs Ruby Bender</i> <i>125 Walnut St</i> <i>Baraboo, Wis</i>

### HOME HISTORY

Date of Admission	Conditions of Admission	Date of Discharge and Transfer	Cause of Discharge	Date of Death	Cause of Death
<i>Admitted 7/1/32</i>		<i>May 25 1932</i>			

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Wisconsin, Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928

[View record](#)

Name	Bender
Gender	Male
Race	White
Birth Date	22 Aug 1895
Birth Place	Baraboo, Sauk County, Wisconsin
Father	Frank Bender
Mother	Lena Agerer
FHL Film Number	1305585

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/72017171/person/132126650482/facts>



**Frank M Bender**  
 Birth • Wisconsin Birth Index, 1820-1907

Name **Frank M Bender**  
 Event Type **Birth**  
 Event Date **22 Aug 1895**  
 Event Place **Sauk, Wisconsin**  
 Affiliate Film Number **0264**  
 Record Number **002915**

Birth of Arthur - <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VHH6-WKT>

✓ C. & N. W. Ry. Co.  
Form 1285

15M 7-3-16

Name, Arthur F Bender When Reach 70. Aug. 1965  
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Division or Department Accounting Dept

Born, Month Aug Day 22nd Year 1895

First Began Work for Company, Month Sept Day 3rd Year 1912

First Occupation with Company Clerk

Where First Employed by Company Paraboo Wis

Occupation with Company between first and present, if any Roadmaster Clerk

Where now employed by Company Paraboo Wis ~~26-9~~

Present Occupation with Company Clerk

This Man's Name now appears on ADA - Outside Pay roll

This is a true copy of this Employee's personal record.

Date of making this record 6/15/17 Westbank

AUDR, DISB. ACCOUNTS Div. or Dep't.

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BENDER ARTHUR F		Xc	2058865
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135 Walnut St Baraboo Wis		A	1 549 945
Ssn	251 201	Died	T 86 509
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Enl	7/15/17	Dis	4/28/19
		CL	78112

U. S. VETERANS BUREAU  
MAIL AND RECORDS  
FORM 7902

INDEX CARD

GPO 2-13909

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### Life:

There came near being a fatal accident late yesterday afternoon when Frederick Crouch, the little son of Willis Crouch, was run over by Gust's meat delivery wagon. Arthur Bender aged about eleven years, was driving the rig and when passing the Y. M. C. A. building two or three boys

came out of the building and ran to "catch on" for a ride. The driver started the horse into a faster gait and did not notice the little boy crossing the street. The lad was knocked down while the rig continued to go on. The boy was picked up and carried home and two stitches were taken to close a cut in the head. His ankle was badly bruised caused by being stepped upon by the horse.

“Baraboo (WI) Republic” Thursday 4 Nov 1909 p 7

Arthur Bender has gone to Delafield, Wis., where he expects to enter a military school.

“Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Friday 23 Sep 1910 p 3

Arthur Bender who is attending the military school at Delafield is spending a few days with his parents in this city.

“Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Monday 31 Oct 1910 p 2

There were several changes in the officers of the Trinity Parish Cadets at the meeting last evening. The following non-commissioned officers were chosen: Ernest Isenberg, first lieutenant, Henry McDonald, second lieutenant, Harry Tudor, first sergeant, Paul Stewart, second sergeant, Arthur Bender, third sergeant. The corporals have not yet been

Story is cut off – “Baraboo (WI) Republic” Thursday 2 Nov 1911 p 9

Among those who have recently enrolled for courses in shorthand and stenography at the Baraboo Business college are Arthur Bender, Flossie Downie and Robert Keller.

“Baraboo (WI) Weekly News” Thursday 18 Jul 1912 p 7



Arthur Bender has paid a fine of \$1 in Justice Halsted's court on the complaint of Frank Richards that he made an assault on his son, Glen Richards.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 10 Jul 1913 p 6

## REGISTRY LIST OF SAUK COUNTY

437 Arthur F. Bender, 135 Walnut St.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 9 Jul 1917 p 6

### Have Enlisted

The following of the lists drawn have enlisted and are not included in the above:

1878 Ed. And. Romelfanger, Reedsb.  
1572 Alvah Lynn Hackett, No. Fr.  
337 Verne C. Payne, Baraboo  
437 Arthur F. Bender, Baraboo

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 2 Aug 1917 p 7

## COMPANY I TO CAMP DOUGLAS

Accompanied by Baraboo Marine Band,  
Members March to Station---Great  
Crowd Gathers

Veterans, Exemption Board and  
Others Join in the Long Pro-  
cession This Morning

## At Camp Douglas Others Will Join to Bring Company Up to the Full Quota

The members of Company I are gone.

With the band playing they marched to the station and were waved a fond farewell.

The line of march included:

Baraboo Marine band.

Members of the G. A. R.

Local exemption board.

Members of Company I.

Citizens in automobiles.

The line formed at the courthouse square and marched south down the hill, over the high bridge and to the station. While passing the Melzl & McGann furniture store, Mr. Melzl came out with an immense flag, which he waved as the procession passed.

One of the largest crowds ever gathered at the station assembled to wave the boys a fond farewell. While waiting for the train many of the young men greeted their friends, and many presents were given the soldiers. Some of the onlookers came many miles to be present to see their sons, relatives or friends go away.

The members of the company were in high spirits. Many of the eyes of the fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters were dimmed, however.

The company has gone into camp at Camp Douglas for intensive training. Others will join them there in order to fill the ranks to the regulation number.

It was a fine demonstration, and showed there was an abundance of patriotism here. Thousands upon thousands of young men just like these are going to France to crush the greatest autocratic military machine that was ever created by a single government. The young men of America and the other allies will be able to do it.

Following is the list of members of company I of Baraboo:

Captain Carl Swinson.

First Lieutenant Paul L. Stewart.

Second Lieut. Ernest Isenberg.

First Sergeant Otto Arndt.

Sup. Sergeant George Hattie.

Mess Sergeant Fred Jaquish.

Clerk Arthur Bender.

Sergeants Earl Veerhausen and Earl Powell.

Corporals Otto Bates, Joseph Nickel, Randall Herfort, Edward Coughlin,

Frank Koons, George Tinkham.

Mechanic Vernon Caffisch.

Bugler Miles A. Bell.

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 Privates Dewey Armbruster, Forest Barber, Stewart Brand, James Bray, Clarence Braun, Raymond Briscoe, Russell Brodie, Russell Cahoon, Max Coates, Thomas Cullin, Benjamin Doty, Eli Drca, Donald Duncan, Emmett Dwyer, Edward Edwards, Clarence Freising, Eddie Gertsen, George Gilmore, George Guthrie, Floyd Harrison, Simond Hillebrandt, William E. Holmes, Robert Holms, Tony Holtman, Ora Hosaple, Hoyt Hoisington, Lawrence Kaiser, Steven Kamowski, Frederick Kellogg, Charles Kellogg, Ralph Ketchum, Wayland Kier, William Mariatto, Richard Mahler, George McHam Kroeger, Andro Leonard, Marco Gee, Herbert Moag, Henry Neuman, John O'Brien, Clarence Oleson, James O'Neill, Carl Paulson, Verne Payne, Arthur Rooney, Benjamin Rossow, Leo Solomons, Ralph Sanderson, John Sansum, Clarence Schenck, William Schlinger, William Schwanz, Dewey Schuster, Louis Schultz, Herbert Steckenbauer, Emil Trachsler, George Weirich, Tony Wrezesinski.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 30 Aug 1917 p 1

Arthur Bender is home from Camp Douglas on a furlough.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 7 Sep 1917 p 4

Among the boys who have been home from Camp Douglas and who have returned are the following: Horace Cahoon, Wayland Kier, William Holmes, Carl Swinson, Arthur Bender, Arthur Rooney, Ed. Coughlin, Emmet Dwyer, Earl Powell and Charles Kellogg.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 21 Sep 1917 p 4

**BARABOO BOYS BELIEVED  
TO BE ON THE SHIP**

It is believed that a number of Baraboo and Sauk county boys were on the ship. They were members of the 107th Supply Train, 107th Engineers and 107th Military Police.

Since the survivors have landed at ports on the coast far apart it will probably take days to obtain a complete list of those who are now thought to be lost.

Among those from Baraboo thought to be on the boat are the following:

**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 Caffisch, 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



# TUSCANIA SURVIVORS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Out of the war zone today came the names of hundreds of American boys saved from the torpedoed transport Tuscania to ease anxiety in the homes of this country. The names are now being sent across the water in a steady stream and as rapidly being compiled for publication. It was not until the entire list is in will the war department be able to check up and determine those who gave up their lives.

Those thus far announced include:

ARTHUR F. BENDER, 135 Walnut  
st., Baraboo, Wis.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 1

# All From Baraboo On Tuscania Saved

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. Tolleth, 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.

## Reports From the Lost Ones Come on Sunday Afternoon, Bringing to an End Days Suspense--113 Still Missing

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John O'Brien, Baraboo.

At the morning services at the German Lutheran church on Sunday, their service flag was dedicated. There are sixteen stars on the flag representing Edward Blakewell, Orlo Miller, Arthur Gust, Arthur Bender, Raymond Hiller, Rollo Fisher, Ernest Isenberg, Arnold Braun, Lewis Martin, Richard Clemm, Elmer Schram, Henry Bittrich, Edward Marquardt, August Knoop, Fred Mueller, and Albert Schnidthe. The regular church choir furnished the music. There was a large attendance at the service.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 28 Feb 1918 p 9

## 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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# SERVICE FOR SERVICE FLAG

The dedication of the service flag for the soldiers who went from Baraboo, those who served in the world war, was held on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the First M. E. church. The following organizations and many returned soldiers met at the G. A. R. hall and marched to the church in the following order:

Woman's Relief Corps.  
Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans.  
Grand Army of the Republic.  
Sons of Veterans.  
Returned Soldiers.

There were about forty fighters of the late war present.

## Services at the Church

The program at the church consisted of a prayer by Rev. E. C. Henke, appropriate selections by the Boys Glee club of the Baraboo High school, address by Rev. C. E. Weed and an acceptance of the flag for the city by Mayor G. T. Thuerer. Rev. Weed spoke of the 281 who had joined the colors in the hour of peril and how they were represented on the flag. Mayor Thuerer expressed his appreciation of the efforts exerted by the members of the sons of Veterans and the Auxiliary in procuring the banner. He said it should have a conspicuous place in the city.

place in the city.

The following ladies collected the names by going from house to house and if any are missed kindly telephone this office or members of the committee: Mrs. W. W. Biege, Mrs. Bert DeKeoyer, Mrs. Oscar Wieglow, Mrs. George Moog, Mrs. Walter Odell, Mrs. F. A. Cooper, Mrs. A. R. Mahler, Mrs. Charles Rote, Miss Florence Farwell. Mrs. Rote visited the homes in the Third ward and obtained the most names.

At the meeting Arthur Judevine presided and the church was filled by those who came to hear the services.

The Girl Scouts furnished the old and new soldiers with pretty bouquets, sweet peas, tied with red, white and blue ribbon. When one of the girls was pinning the flowers on the coats of the men she found that the cloth of the blue coats was much more firm than that of the brown. She remarked to a young man that it was easier to pin a bouquet on a young soldier than an old soldier to which the youth remarked "Oh Well! we are young and tender." They both laughed.

There are 281 stars in the flag, seven of gold:

Herbert Federman	John W. Blake
Elmore E. Schram	Cecil Newell
Peter McDonald	Donald Duncan

Fred Reardon		Floyd Coates	Raymond Paddock
The other names follow;		Robert Coughlin	Frank M. Quiggle
Clarence B. Albert	Arthur Lehman	Robert Curry	Charles R. Roick
Albert Ayers	John Lambert	Veo Gibbons	Charles Rich
Otto Arndt	Charles Lawsing	Paul Crass	Raymond E. Roster
Paul Amaro	Roy W. Lucht	Joseph Connors	Gustave A. Radseck
William Arms	Eugene E. Lombard	Raymond Clark	Sylvan Rooney
Archie L. Allen	Arthur F. Luder	Doran Dieter	Guy F. Risley
Dewey Armbruster	Leslie J. Luder	Marcello De Melo	William Russel
Paul M. Amaro	Frank Link	Dave Donahue	Otto M. Ritzenthaler
Alfred A. Arglye	Earl E. Luder	John E. Dunn	Edw. Ritzenthaler
Charlie Bates	Herbert E. Moog	Emmett W. Dwyer	Emmett D. Rounds
John Bloomer	Earl L. Morse	Frank E. Dwyer	Arthur M. Rooney
Arthur F. Bender	Richard L. Mahler	George S. Esclara	Lamoine F. Rackett
Rollo Bates	William I. Miller	W. G. Evenson	Glen E. Richards
Forrest M. Barber	Aagl A. Mortensen	Chas. E. Evenson	Martin Rudd
Roy A. Bump	Thos. W. McMahon	Howard Engleman	Arthur Rooney
Alfred Bayer	E. Roy Meyer	George Erickson	Herbert E.
Jos. A. Burstein	Orlo A. Miller	Arthur E. Frank	Steckenbauer
Elkanh Beaver	Richard C. Neuman	Ferd Effinger	B. N. Robinson, Jr.
James F. Bray	Walter B. Meyer	Leo A. Frazer	Irving J. Schenck
Edw. R. Blakewell	O. Edwin Nelson	Roland F. Fisher	Frederick J. Stanley
Clarence Brown	Frank E. Nolan	Harry Feinberg	Carl Swenson
Leon A. Brown	Howard W. New-	Clarence Freising	Paul L. Stewart
Harry Burstein	man	Ezra Foster	John M. Sullivan
Walter Bayer	Adolph M. Nelson	Karl F. Fisher	Clarence E.
Arnold Braun	Baylus Owens	Russell W. Graff	Schenck
George W. Burgess	Glenn W. Orton	Herman Gregerson	Chas. Steinfeld
Gerry Brand	Clarence A. Oleson	Arthur Gust	Herman Steinfeld
Stewart Brand	Fred D. Owens	George Gollmar	Victor R. Schaefer
Bert C. Bentley	Mearl G. Okern	Phillip Gibbons	Adelbert B. Stewart
Floyd E. Bailey	Howard I. Potter	George Guthrie	Herbert W. Schultz
George Bates	Arthur Potter	Fred Groskopf	Harley J. Schenck
Harry S. Briscoe	Howard Pelton	Louis P. Gerou	Harold Simonds
Will E. Baker	Herbert H. Prange	Albert C. Gollmar	Milo Slezak
Otto F. Bates	Orriel Philbrick	Herbert A. Gollmar	Herbert Schuster
Lloyd E. Battles	Arthur G. Potter-	Carroll A. Chase	Dewey Schuster
Ed Bloomer	ville	Peter Colias	Clyde I. Sturdevant
James Bloomer	Wm. C. Paddock	Edward Coughlin	Ralph L. Sanderson
Herbert A. Crane	Alden Potter	Vaughn Gibbons	Joseph Siberz
Vernon A. Caffisch	M. Joseph Pilley	Leo E. Graff	Louis Siberz
Rollin B. Curtis	Earl L. Powell	Arthur E. Griebing	Leo Smith
Max J. Coates	Harlan Page	Rev. E. C. Henke	Louis M. Schultz
Harry G. Clark	George P. Pierce	Randall Herfort	Fred J. Stewart
Ray. M. Coughlin	Charles R. Perry	Lee Herman	Roderick H. Schultz
Eugene Rexford	Howard I. Potter	Evon Heytens	John P. Sprecher
Cummings	Joy E. Prothero	Homier H. Hanson	Henry H. Sarahan
Roger Caboon	Frank Potter	Harold H. Hawkins	Hugh A. Sarahan
Geo. W. Capener	Boyd Potter	Roy M. Henry	Walter R. Snyder
Frank Carroll			

H. Eugene Henke	Samuel D. Schaefer
Richard Ringling	Clausen Steckl
Ed. A. Romelfanger	Harry Smith
Simon Hillebrandt	Oscar B. Sandberg
Raymond Hiller	Fred H. Schacht
Arthur Hillebrandt	Ernest Siekert
George Hill	George B. Schultz
Chauncey G.	Dr. Lubin W. Sayles
Holmes	Clifford Steinbrink
Le Roy Hubbard	H. C. Thompson
Lawrence Hiller	Ernest Tucker
Albert E. Harvey	Harry A. Torrence
Ora J. Holsaple	W. J. Troy
Wm. E. Holmes	Ray Thomas
Everett C. Hawkins	James F. Thompson
Ernest Isenberg	George Tucker
Rollin H. Johnston	Claud Tucker
Ellis W. Jones	Harry Tudor
J. Johnson	Ernest F. Verch
Earl Jaquish	Alexander Verch
Frank A. Jaquish	Ralph Wells
Louis Jacobs	Ralph Wickus
Milton Johnson	Merton Wickus
Fred Kosine	John Whisson
Charles Kellogg	Horace Wieglow
Walter Kerndt	Jesse Wickus
Frank Koons	Leroy Wettstein
Herman Koerth	Lester L. Weston
Wayland E. Kier	Ernie H. Weston
Arthur Kosine	Frank Wood
Edwin F. Keller	Arthur C. Withing
Arthur M. Kunce	Willott M. Warren
Frank H. King	Jas. S. Withington
Albert L. Kunce	George M. Weirich
Cecil Willis Kilmer	Thomas A. Wood
Ralph W. Ketchum	Fred Wolford
Robert J. Keller	Chas. M. Watts
Charles L. Keller	Otto G. Welk
Aloysius D. Keller	George A. Weber
Frank R. King	Carl Wenz
Harry Kohlhapp	Lawrence S. Wake
Chris C. Lee	field
Floyd P. Lamberton	Clarence H. Zuehlke
Herbert Lamberton	Wm. H. Zamzow

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 24 Feb 1919 p 8

## BARABOO HEROES REACH BOSTON

Fifteen of Baraboo's "twenty-one" have landed in Boston, Mass. The boys who went over on the Tuscania and went through the war without losing a man in actual fighting are in the U. S.

The twenty-one boys left here with Co. I. and were sent to Waco, Texas. Soon after they went across aboard the Tuscania, which was sunk by a torpedo over a year ago. In Waco the company was split up and some of the boys were transferred to the 107th Supply train of the 32d division and others were put in the headquarters of the division. When they arrived in France they were changed to the 101st Supply train of the 26th division of which 16 of the 21 were included. The others were in the headquarters of the 26th division. The boys who landed in Boston Friday are:



Edward Coughlin.  
Herbert Stickenbauer.  
Randall Herfort.  
Horace Cahoon.  
Earl Powell.  
Otto Arndt.  
Otto Bates.  
Arthur Bender.  
Verne Caffish.  
Earl Veerhusen.  
Russel Brody.  
Richard Mahler.  
Charles Kellog.  
Ralph Sanderson.  
Clarence Braun.  
Donald Duncan, who died of disease  
over there, would have been with  
these men if he had lived.  
The boys arrived on board the  
Winifredian, an interned vessel of  
Germans.  
They went from the boat to Camp  
Devens.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 19 Apr 1919 p 1

## FIVE MORE OF THE TUSCANIA BOYS ARRIVE

The band and a large crowd were out again Monday evening to greet the rest of the Tuscania boys who came on the 7 o'clock train from Camp Grant. The boys were ushered away in cars and many of the people could not see them. Even the parents had a hard time finding their sons in the crowd. The rest of the boys of Baraboo from the Yankee division, with the Y. D. on their shoulder, who arrived, are:

Earl Veerhusen.  
Randall Herfort.  
Otto Bates.  
Edwin Coughlin.  
Arthur Bender.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 29 Apr 1919 p 1

Gus Reinke has sold his Studebaker roadster to Arthur Bender.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 10 Jul 1919 p 5

Arthur Bender, while on his way to Reedsburg one night recently, accompanied by a young lady from the above city, met with an accident. Mr. Bender was on his way to Reedsburg and had gotten within two miles of the city when a car loomed up in the distance with very strong lights and made no attempt to put on dimmers. Mr. Bender could not see the road against the strong glare and as a result his car went off the road by a culvert. Both himself and the young lady were injured, but not seriously. The car was damaged to the extent of making it necessary for its occupants to walk to Reedsburg for aid. The auto with the strong lights did not even stop to apologize.

Car accident while Arthur was apparently on a "date" with Paulina Egerer, whom he married 23 Sep 1919 – apparently in the car he purchased in July 1919 – "Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 11 Sep 1919 p 11

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McClure, in Reedsburg.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 24 Oct 1919 p 6

# LAST RITES FOR TUSCANIA HERO

**RUSSELL W. BRODIE IS BURIED  
WITH MILITARY AND CIVIC  
HONORS TUESDAY**

For Russell Brodie, soldier—to Portage people, in retrospect, school boy, neighbor, friend—taps was blown—the long roll sounded, the volley thundered as the wasted body—sacrificed for love of home and country—was consigned to quiet rest in St. Mary's Tuesday. Hundreds—solemn-faced and sorrowing—followed in quiet mien and measured tread to the young hero's last bivouac—in tribute to what he did, what he suffered, in sympathetic expression to a devoted mother and loving sister of their profound appreciation of their loss.

Down on the Tuscania in the chilly waters of old ocean, long hours of suffering and exposure after rescue, an ultimate degree of recovery allowing him to rejoin his comrades fighting at the front—gassed at Chateau Thierry—breathing the fumes of Hunnish Hell—long days of suffering left him weakened, broken in body—disease had taken its hold. Then followed the weeks and months of a struggle with the inevitable—against which a mother's constant care and devotion could not avail—until the end came.

Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Catholic church at 9 o'clock Monday forenoon conducted by Rev. Father J. H. Monahan.

The exercises were military and were in charge of the Richard W. Mulcahy Post of the American Legion. The cortege—one of the very largest ever seen in Portage—was headed by the Kilbourn band, under direction of C. M. Morris—himself a gold star father, having lost a son Keith Morris in the world war.

The draped colors in the hands of George Alexander and guarded by Harry Nehls and Earl Peterson preceded the firing squad to the cemetery. The squad in command of Lieut. Wm. Crawhall of the new national guard unit was composed of Charles R. Sharpe, David Leach and Ray Watson, Harry Melter, Robert Alexander, Frank Schmidt, Walter Kerr and Carl Bulgrien.

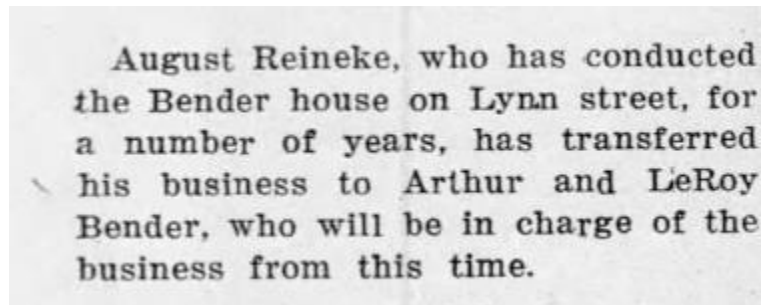
The active pall bearers were Jesse Taylor, Ivan Little, George Lennon, Jack Cochrane, Raymond Klenert and Edward Murphy. The honorary pall bearers were Julius Eulberg, Lawrence McQueeney and Sidney Klenert of Portage, Earl Powell, James Bray and Arthur Bender of Baraboo—members of Co. E of the 32d division and with the 107th supply train in the world war. Portage Elks and a large delegation from the Baraboo lodge, of which Russell was a member, followed. Hundreds of schoolmates, comrades and friends paid tribute to his memory.

At the grave the beautiful and impressive burial service of the Catholic church was read and all that was mortal of the soldier boy was laid in earth to await the day when the King of Peace shall reign and wars shall be no more.

In this connection the American Legion wish to extend their thanks to the Kilbourn band and its patriotic director who generously donated their services to the Post for this occasion.



Pallbearer for fellow Baraboo 21 Tuscania survivor, Russell Brodie – “Portage (WI) Daily Register” Tuesday 29 Jun 1920 p 1



August Reineke, who has conducted the Bender house on Lynn street, for a number of years, has transferred his business to Arthur and LeRoy Bender, who will be in charge of the business from this time.

“Baraboo (WI) Republic” Thursday 3 Feb 1921 p 8

### Donald Duncan

Funeral services for Donald Duncan World war veteran and one of the soldiers who was aboard the ill-fated Tuscania, were held Sunday afternoon from the home of his mother, Mrs. Wm. Duncan and from the Congregational church. Rev. M. J. Cameron officiated and a quartette composed of Miss Ethel Rodwell, Mr. and Mrs. LeMont Stanley and Mrs. 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 Steckebauer. 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 Glen 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.

At the grave the mother, Mrs. William Duncan was presented with the flag covering her son's coffin.

Interment in the Baraboo cemetery.

Pallbearer for fellow Baraboo 21 Tuscania survivor, Donald Duncan – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 13 Jun 1921 p 1

Legal Notice  
**APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO  
 SELL NONINTOXICATING LI-  
 QUORS, WITH ALCOHOLIC  
 CONTENT OF LESS THAN  
 ONE HALF OF ONE PER  
 CENT**

To the Mayor and Common Council,  
 City of Baraboo.

We, Arthur F. Bender and Le Roy Bender, a copartnership, hereby make application for a license or permit to sell nonintoxicating liquors, with alcoholic content in a degree of less than one half of one per cent, at 135 Walnut street, for the year commencing as the first day of July, 1921, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1922.

And we do certify that we are citizens of the United States, and of this state; that we have never been convicted of a violation of the excise laws of this state, or of the United States, and that we will furnish the requisite bond and pay the required fee, and that we will obey the laws of, the United States and of this state, and the ordinances, rules, orders and regulations of the common council of the city of Baraboo, now in force or

hereinafter adopted.  
 Dated, Baraboo, Wis., Aug. 1, 1921.  
 Arthur F. Bender  
 Le Roy Bender.  
 A copartnership,  
 Applicants.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 2 Aug 1921 p 5

Among those who attended Ringling's circus at Madison yesterday were Ernest Ross; Rollo Curry; W. H. Hamilton; Claude Parrish; M. Reinhardt; Mr. Wilson; Tom Acott; Rollo Wood; Fred Junk; Mr. and Mrs. William Marriott; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucht and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender.

Baraboo was the home of the Ringling Brothers circus - "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 18 Aug 1921 p 8

Baraboo, Wis., Sept. 2.—  
 Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender and the latter's mother, Mrs. Ed McClure, of Reedsburg have gone to Barron and Chetek where they will spend some time visiting and camping.

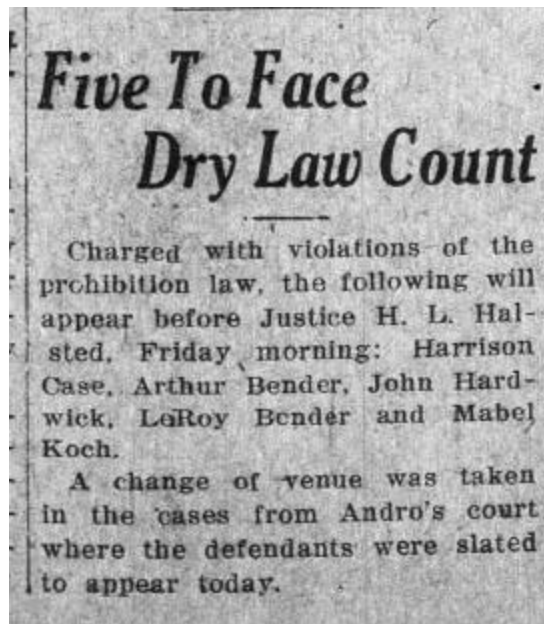
"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 2 Sep 1921 p 4

Arthur Bender and Bodo Karll left yesterday for Ann Arbor, Mich., to attend the Wisconsin-Michigan football game today.

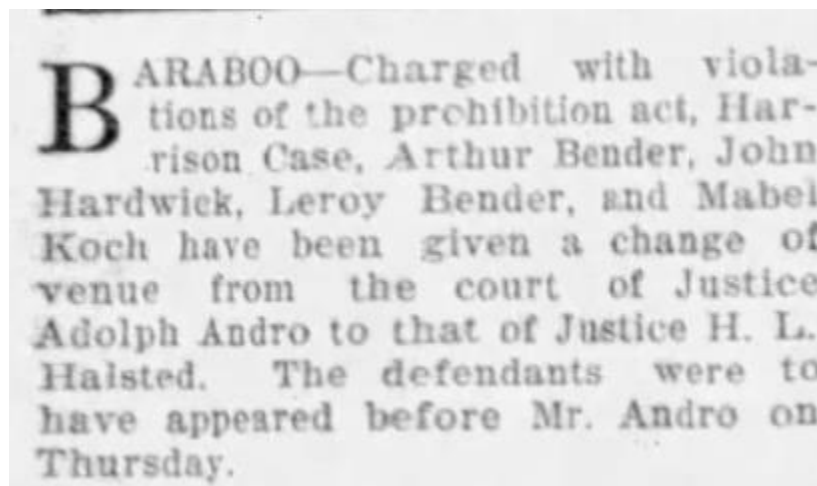
"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 25 Oct 1924 p 4

**Play Golf On  
 Local Greens**  
 Golf on the Baraboo Golf Links in Devils Lake state park has started for the season. Several were out Sunday and Monday. Postmaster F. E. Schultz, Rev. R.M. Laursen, B. H. Karll and Arthur Bender, were among the Monday enthusiasts. No reference to scores were made.

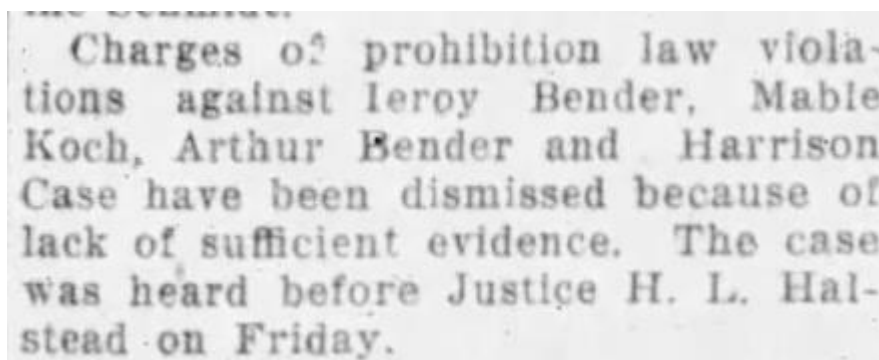
"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 31 Mar 1925 p 6



Prohibition charges against Arthur & brother LeRoy Bender – “Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Thursday 16 Apr 1925 p 1



“Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) Friday 17 Apr 1925 p 20



“Wisconsin State Journal” Monday 20 Apr 1925 p 12

Among those who went to Madison today to attend the Cornell-Wisconsin football game are Harry Acott, Jr., the Misses Lucetta and Jean Beige, H. K. Page, Harlan Page, J. L. Siberz, Bodo H. Karll, Arthur Welk, Arthur Bender, Otto Arndt and Martin Arndt.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 2 Oct 1926 p 4

## TUSCANIA MEN GET TOGETHER

### 11 of 21 Baraboo Soldiers on Ill Fated Ship Celebrate 9th Anniversary

Nine years ago Saturday night the Tuscania with 21 Baraboo men on board was sunk by a German torpedo off the coast of Ireland. The event was Germany's greeting to one of the first consignment of troops sent from America to join the allies in the great world conflict. The ninth anniversary of the disaster to the ship was celebrated Saturday evening by 11 of the 19 remaining veterans at the local armory. A program social session, and luncheon was enjoyed by those present.

Those who attended the reunion who were also on board the Tuscania were as follows: Earl L. Fowell, Herbert G. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, Otto Arndt, Arthur Bender, E. W. Coughlin, James Bray, P. L. Stewart, George W. Hattle, V. E. Caffisch and Otto F. Bates. Invited guests also included H. H. Prange, Ben Jones, George Weber, Emmett Dwyer and E. A. Isenberg.

All of the 21 Baraboo soldiers were saved from the ship but two have since died. Donald Duncan, succumbed to disease during the war and Russell Brodie died after the conflict ended.

Others on the Tuscania who were not present at the reunion include: Horace Caloon, Chas. M. Kellogg, R. L. Mahler, R. L. Sanderson, E. W. Veerhusen, W. E. Kier, J. T. O'Brien and Clarence Braun.

George Hattle came from Beloit to attend the celebration.

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



Mrs. Sophia Zimkie entertained the members of the executive committee W. R. C. at an oyster supper at Bender's restaurant Sunday evening.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 16 Feb 1927 p 7

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bender have moved to rooms over the Bender restaurant.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Thursday 31 Mar 1927 p 14

**Ralph Sanderson**

One of the most impressive and beautiful services ever to be held at Walnut Hill cemetery was held on Tuesday evening at sunset when Ralph Sanderson, former Baraboo boy, was buried with full military honor.

The remains arrived in Baraboo on the seven o'clock train from El Paso, Texas, accompanied by the widow of the deceased. Members of the American Legion and Legion band formed an escort to the grave in Walnut Hill cemetery where the committal service was given by the Rev. J. E. Kundert, Commander C. F. Stekl, and Chaplain Walter Schroeder.

Pallbearers were Otto Arndt, Horace Cahoon, Verne Caffisch, Edward Coughlin, Arthur Bender and Arthur Thayer.

Members of the firing squad were in charge of Captain D. C. Faith.

"Taps" were blown by Emmett Dwyer.

Pallbearer for fellow Baraboo 21 Tuscania survivor, Ralph Sanderson – "Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 8 Jun 1927 p 4

Arthur Bender and John Hardwick of this city are among those who are attending the Dempsey-Tunney title bout in Chicago tonight.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 22 Sep 1927 p 4

## Baraboo Men Aboard Tuscania Observe Tenth Anniversary Of Ship's Sinking, Sunday, Feb. 5

A group of eighteen Baraboo boys who were aboard the transport Tuscania at the time the ship was sunk off the Irish coast by a German torpedo on Feb. 5, 1918, will observe the anniversary of that event here on Sunday. At the time of the great disaster which occurred in the early days of America's entry into the World war, there were 21 Baraboo men on board. Of this number three have died, Donald Duncan dying of pneumonia overseas, Russell Brodie also succumbing to this disease after he had returned to this country, and Ralph Sanderson passing away during the past year in Texas, his death probably due to his war service.

The eighteen remaining men, nearly all of whom will be in Baraboo for the weekend to take part in the banquet and other events planned in observance of the anniversary, are: Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon of Kilbourn, Edward W. Coughlin, Vern-

on E. Caffisch, 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 Milwaukee, and Clarence Braun.

There will no doubt be plenty of reminiscences when the "Boys of '18" get together once more, and most clearly in their memories will stand out that night of ten years ago when about six o'clock in the evening the terrific crash was heard. With the ship sinking every minute, the Baraboo soldiers were assigned to various posts to await their turn at the life boats. There still remained two of the local men on board ship when the rescuing destroyer came alongside and all remaining men were taken aboard to safety.

Many lost their lives by diving in to the ocean with life belts and is remarkable that out of the men drowned, every one of the Baraboo boys was saved.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 3 Feb 1928 p 1

Mr. and Mrs. Cohen of Fennimore have bought out the Bender restaurant and took possession Feb. 1. The Bender family are residing in the Buckley residence.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 3 Feb 1928 p 3

**Appears On  
Liquor Count**

Arthur Bender appeared before Justice H. L. Halsted this morning charged with possession of illicit liquor.

The case was adjourned to February 23rd.

"Baraboo (WI) News Record" Wednesday 15 Feb 1928 p 7

**Dismiss Charge**

Charges of possession of liquor against Arthur Bender were dismissed on the grounds of unlawful search, following a hearing before Justice Halsted today.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 10 Mar 1928 p 1

## Baraboo Men Are Caught In Dry Net

Arthur Bender and Harrison A. Case, Baraboo, have been arrested by the U. S. marshal's office on complaint of federal prohibition officers charging violation of the national prohibition law. Case was arrested Monday and

arraigned before F. R. Bentley, U. S. court commissioner, and released on bond pending trial. Bender was arrested Friday and released on bond Saturday pending trial. The Bender arrest was withheld pending the arrest of Case.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Tuesday 15 May 1928 p 7

## Arrest 31 Indicted At Last Session of Federal Grand Jury

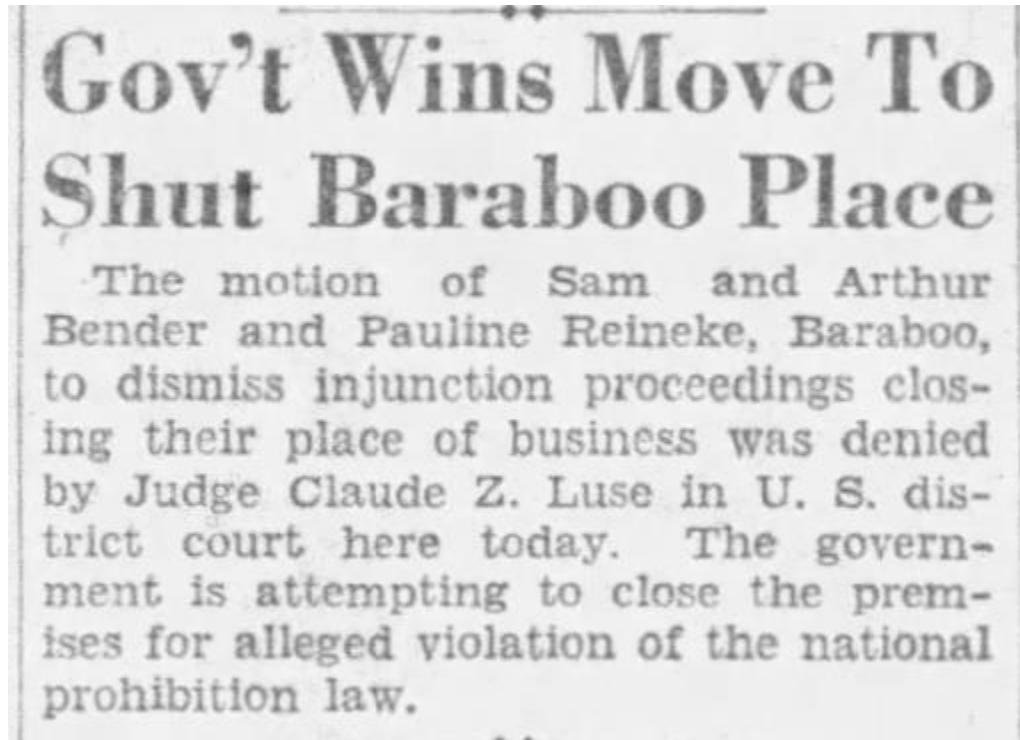
Thirty-one defendants, indicted by the federal grand jury, have been arrested and are awaiting trial, it was announced today by Harold E. Hanson, assistant U. S. district attorney.

Those arrested are mostly from the northern part of the state. The majority of the defendants are held for alleged violation of the prohibition law.

Among those indicted are: F. A. Owen, Rice Lake, violation of the motor vehicle theft law; Lloyd Bunce, Rice Lake, violating the postal laws; Harrison Case and Arthur Bender, Baraboo, liquor law violation;

Nellon Johnson, Black River Falls, liquor law violation; Albert Powell and George Stephen, La Crosse, liquor law violation.

While the Baraboo WI newspaper reports Arthur's golf scores - "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Friday 15 Jun 1928 p 4



Arthur, brother LeRoy, mother Pauline – "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Wednesday 12 Sep 1928 p 5

## Padlock Baraboo Restaurant After Dry Law Offense

The Bender Restaurant at Baraboo was ordered padlocked by Judge Claude Z. Luse in U. S. district court here today and an injunction also issued against the sale of illicit liquor on any portion of the premises.

The court order was issued as the result of investigations by federal prohibition officers resulting in the arrest of Sam Bender, Arthur Bender, and Pauline Reineke last May when an officer purchased home brew at the restaurant.

Under the terms of the court order the portion of the building operated as a restaurant and soft drink parlor is to be locked. The dwelling portion of the building can be used as such.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Monday 17 Dec 1928 p 1

## Baraboo Restaurant Padlocked for Year

The Baraboo restaurant operated by Arthur and Leroy S. Bender will be padlocked for the period of one year, but the remainder of the building in which it is located may be used during the period, according to the terms of a permanent injunction issued here Monday by Judge Claude Z. Luse in federal court. Testimony of federal prohibition agents covering a raid of the cafe last May led to the decree.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Tuesday 18 Dec 1928 p 18



It is predicted by court officials that, as in recent jury terms, a large number of defendants will change their pleas if the early cases on the calendar result in convictions. This would shorten the term, and if the criminal calendar is completed before Jan. 21, the panel of approximately 30 jurymen will be excused until that date, when two civil cases are scheduled for trial.

Other defendants are:

August Bergen and Marguerite Hill, Adams county; Otto Weigele, Alma; Invald Indahl, Burr Oak; Dennis Clossey, Reedsburg; Arthur Bender and Harrison Case, Baraboo; Ross Rither, Adams; John Just, Nakoosa.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Monday 7 Jan 1929 p 4

Arthur Bender was sentenced to three months in the Milwaukee house of correction and fined \$100 and Harrison Case was sentenced to 30 days in the Dane county jail when they pleaded guilty to a charge of selling liquor in violation of the national prohibition law. Both were from Baraboo.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Tuesday 8 Jan 1929 p 1

## Three Pay Fines on Liquor Counts

Changing their pleas to guilty when their liquor law cases were called for trial by jury in federal court here today, three upstate defendants were sentenced by Judge Claude Z. Luse on charges of sale. Arthur Bender, Baraboo, received a fine of \$100 and three months' confinement in the Milwaukee house of correction; Harrison Case, Baraboo, named in the same specifications, 30 days in Dane county jail; and Ross Rither, Adams, a fine of \$250 and costs.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Tuesday 8 Jan 1929 p 10

# COLLINS TO TRIAL TODAY

## Arthur Bender and Harrison Case Sen- tenced in Federal Court

Madison—(UP)—J. S. Collins, Reedsburg veterinarian, went to trial in federal court here today charged with operation of a huge still which was seized on his dog farm several months ago. A jury was chosen yesterday. Court officials said the trial probably would last two days.

Changing their pleas to guilty when they appeared in court late yesterday on charges of selling liquor, Arthur Bender, and Harrison Case, Baraboo, were sentenced respectively to \$100 fine and three months imprisonment, and 30 days in jail.

“Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Wednesday 9 Jan 1929 p 1

SATURDAY, FEB. 2, 1919 RABAPOO DAILY NEWS PAGE THREE

# Tuscania Survivors In Reunion Tonight

**SAVING DEAD**



First Lieutenant Paul L. Stewart  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



First Sergeant Otto Amst  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Sergeant George W. Eadie  
H. & Co. 107th Supply Train



Sergeant Arthur Hendon  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Sergeant Earl L. Powell  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Russell Brodie  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Otto F. Bales  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train




Corporal Horace C. Calum  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



S.S. TUSCANIA



Corporal Edward W. Coughlin  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Vernon A. Coffman  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Herbert E. Beckenkamp  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Donald M. Duncan  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Randall H. Herfort  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Charles M. Myrick  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



Corporal Richard L. Mahler  
H. Co. 107th Supply Train



## ANNIVERSARY OF SINKING ON FEB. 5TH

### Baraboo Had 21 Soldiers Aboard Ill-fated Transport Vessel

"Baraboo's twenty-one", now 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.

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 hall 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 Erodie 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. Canoon of Kishwaukee, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Cefisch, Herbert E. Steinhilber, Randall H. Herfort of Detroit, Charles M. Kellogg of Jaccville, 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 Brown.

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 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 assigned 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.



"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 2 Feb 1929 p 3 -

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## Baraboo Veterans Observe Date of Tuscania Sinking

**18 Ex-Servicemen, Aboard  
Craft When Torpedoed,  
to Be Guests of  
Honor**

BARABOO—Among the Wisconsin groups which will hold gatherings on the anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania will be "Baraboo's 21," now diminished to 18 ex-servicemen who were aboard the army transport when it was sunk by a German torpedo off the Irish coast.

The gathering will be held Saturday night of this week at the American Legion hall, and the 18 guests of honor will be Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle now of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl F. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon of Kilbourn, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Caffisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard L. Mahler, Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier of Montana, John T. O'Brien of Milwaukee and Clarence Braun.

Three vacant chairs will be those of Donald Duncan, who died of pneumonia overseas, Russell Brodie who died of the same disease after returning to this country, and Ralph Sanderson who died in Texas two years ago.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Wednesday 29 Jan 1930 p 14



## Baraboo Tuscania Survivors Reunite

### 100 Attend Annual Meeting of Veterans at Legion Hall

BARABOO — About 100 Baraboo men gathered at the American Legion hall Saturday night to attend the annual reunion of "Baraboo's 21," the group of local boys who were aboard the Tuscania when the American transport was sunk off the Irish coast by a German U-boat on Feb. 5, 1918.

Those honored at the reunion Saturday night were Otto Arndt, Paul L. Stewart, George W. Hattle, Beloit; Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, Madison; E. W. Coughlin, Herbert Steckenbauer, Randall M. Herfort, Charles Kellogg, Janesville; Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill.; Earl W. Veerhusen, Milwaukee; James F. Bray, Arthur H. Thayer, John T. O'Brien, Milwaukee, and Clarence Braun, Wayland Kier, who resides in Montana, could not be present.

Four of the original 21 in the group have passed away: Russell Brodie died of pneumonia on his return from over-seas; Donald Duncan died in France of influenza; Ralph Sanderson passed away in Texas three years ago, and Vernon E. Caffisch died in Baraboo a year ago.

This was the fifth annual reunion which the Baraboo boys have held.

"Wisconsin State Journal" Tuesday 10 Feb 1931 p 10

*Armistice Day  
With Veterans  
of Baraboo*

tice was about nine or ten o'clock that morning when gunners on three large naval guns stationed back of us told us they had received orders to cease firing at eleven o'clock," says Otto Arndt, who was first sergeant of his company of the 26th division of the New England states. Arndt was located in the village of Therville near Verdun where the men had been resting several days from the battle of Argonne. Other Baraboo soldiers with him were Randall Herfort, Otto Bates, H. E. Steckenbauer, Earl Powell, Clarence Braun, E. M. Coughlin, A. H. Thayer, and Arthur Bender of Baraboo and Earl Veerhusen, now of Milwaukee.

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The first we knew of the Armis-

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 11 Nov 1931 p 7

## Survivors Of Tuscania To Hold Reunion

This week-end will see the observance of the fourteenth anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania, an event which is annually marked by a reunion of the 21 Baraboo boys aboard.

Five Baraboo men motored to Milwaukee this morning to attend the annual state reunion of the Tuscania survivors. They are Otto Arndt, James Bray, Horace Cahoon, H. L. Steckenbauer and Edward Coughlin. The men will attend the meeting there this evening and return here for the local reunion Saturday evening, other Baraboo boys who are now residing away from here accompanying them home for the occasion.

As usual, invitations have been issued to a number of other Baraboo men to be present at the reunion held here at the Legion hall. Baraboo was among the first places to observe the anniversary and it is only in the past few years that a state organization has grown up.

Baraboo's 21 survivors were Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Caflisch (deceased), Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg, Richard L. Mahler, Ralph L. Sanderson (deceased), Earl W. Veerhusen, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier, John T. O'Brien, Clarence Braun, Donald Duncan (deceased), and Russell Brodie (deceased). The group has also been joined by A. H. Thayer who moved here from Reedsburg.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 5 Feb 1932 p 1

## Baraboo's 21 Holds Annual Event Tonight

The thirteenth annual reunion of "Baraboo's 21", local survivors of the sinking of the transport Tuscania, is to be held this evening at the Legion hall with a large gathering of friends of the local boys. The 21 are now 17, but ever since the World War the group has never failed to gather to commemorate that day when their army transport was sunk by a German U-boat off the Irish coast. Many lives were lost and it was a fortunate circumstance that out of the 21 local men aboard, every one reached safety.

"Baraboo's 21" were Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Battle of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon of Wisconsin Dells, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Caffisch (deceased), Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard Mahler of Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier of Montana, John T. O'Brien of Milwaukee, Clarence Braun, Ralph Sanderson (deceased), and Donald Duncan and Russell Brodie, both of whom died during the war. The group has of more recent years been

joined by A. H. Thayer, formerly of Reedsburg and now of Baraboo, who is also a Tuscania survivor.

Some of the out-of-town men do not expect to be here for the event since they will accompany the Baraboo delegation to the national convention of Tuscania Survivors to be held in Chicago on Feb. 4, 5 and 6, at which time Captain (Dr.) Wilhelm Meyer, commander of German U-boat No. 77, which sunk the Tuscania, is to be an invited guest.

The first annual gathering of Tuscania survivors was held in Germany at the two towns of Marrion, Hansen and Rochdorf, James Bray of this city recalls. He believes there were seven or eight Baraboo men on hand at that time, and when the men attend the national gathering they will no doubt meet some of those veterans they last saw in Germany.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 28 Jan 1933 p 1

Wife:



Ruby McClure Bender Wendt with son-in-law Arthur Allen Daniels, 1<sup>st</sup> husband of her daughter Dolores Annette Bender Daniels - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/72017171/person/132126650296/media/ed022790-4ccf-4009-a65c-4156870833b7>



Father Edwin Pratt McClure, her brother Percy, Ruby as an infant, mother Enola (Lenna) McClure – <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/72017171/person/132126650293/media/a15898da-7a18-4b2b-a863-0082ce6662f6>

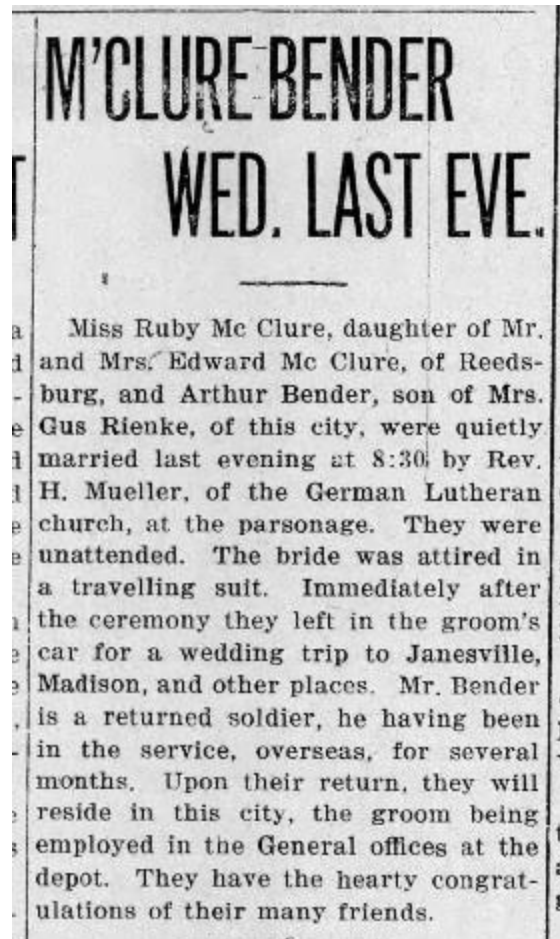
**Bender—McClure**

Arthur Bender, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Reineke of this city, and Miss Ruby McClure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McClure of Reedsburg, were united in marriage Tuesday evening at 8:30 at the home of Rev. H. Mueller of this city. Rev. Mueller performed the ceremony and the couple was unattended.

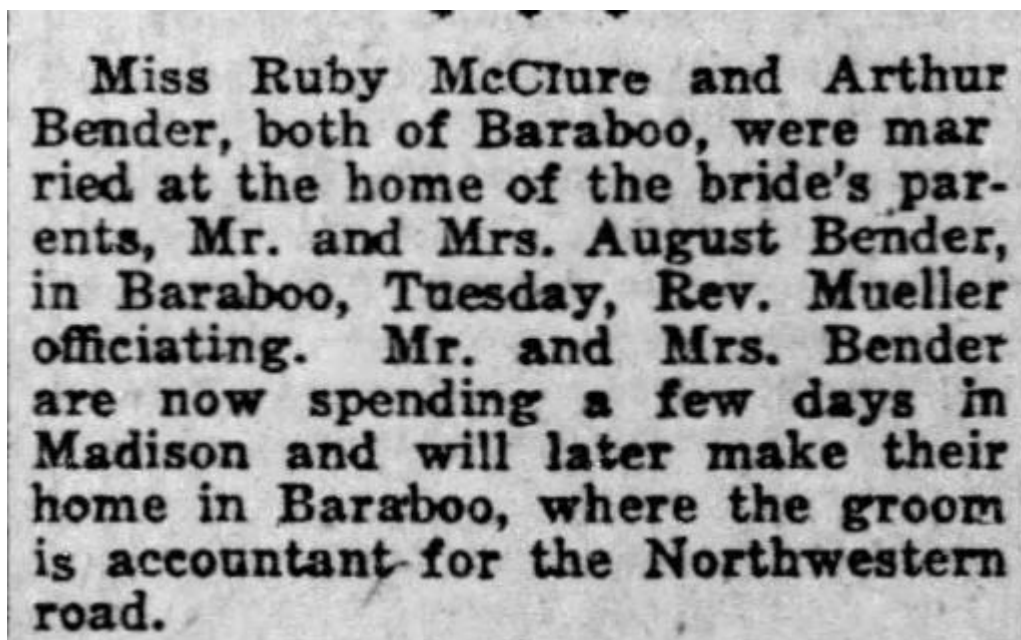
Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Bender left on an auto trip to Madison, Janesville and other places. After the honeymoon the couple will return to Baraboo and make their home here where the groom is employed in the accounting department of the C. & N. W. railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Bender are well known in Baraboo and vicinity and their many friends wish them success. Mr. Bender was a member of the Baraboo company in the late war and went overseas on the illfated Tuscania.

“Baraboo (WI) Weekly News” Thursday 2 Oct 1919 p 6





"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 25 Sep 1919 p 10



"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Saturday 27 Sep 1919 p 5

Mrs. Arthur Bender and baby have returned from Reedsburg, where they visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McClure.

One of the numerous mentions of visits to Ruby's parents – "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 24 Mar 1921 p 4

## PERRY-MCCLURE FAMILY REUNION

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rathbun near Madison was the scene of a joyous occasion on Sunday, July 2, when over thirty relatives and friends gathered, as a surprise in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

After a bountiful dinner, which was served on the porch from the well-filled baskets brought by the ladies, Ed. McClure, in a few well-chosen words, presented the bride and groom and a quarter of a century with a gift of money and a beautiful cut glass dish in behalf of the company. Mr. Rathbun feeling responded for himself and wife.

The afternoon was spent with music, happy conversation and tender reminiscences of absent and departed dear ones. Letters of greeting were sent to Henry Perry, Spokane, Washington, only surviving uncle of Mr. Rathbun, and to Mrs. Julia Brown, Wheatley, Canada, his only sister.

At the suggestion of one of the company, it was decided to have a yearly reunion of the Perry-McClure families and the following officers were elected: President, William Rathbun, Madison; vice president, Ed. McClure, Reedsburg; corresponding secretary, Marion Rathbun, Madison; recording

secretary, and treasurer, Mrs. Dell Perry, Reedsburg; and chairman of the entertainment committee, Ada Burnham, Baraboo.

The following relatives were present. Mrs. Evanette Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Perry, Arthur Perry, Ray Perry, Effie Perry, George Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Buckley, Hollo Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McClure, Reedsburg; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender and daughter DeLores, Charles Bender, and Miss Ada Burnham, Baraboo; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sparks, Reedsburg; and Mrs. A. G. Kretlow and E. G. Kretlow of Madison, old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rathbun, were also present.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 13 Jul 1922 p 6

**RUBY C. WENDT**

Ruby C. Wendt, 97, Liberty, died Nov. 27, 1993, at Liberty Hospital. Friends may call from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. today at the Newcomer's White Chapel; burial in Walnut Hills Cemetery, Baraboo, Wis. Mrs. Wendt was born in Reedsburg, Wis., and moved to this area six years ago. She was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary in Baraboo. Survivors include a daughter, Dolores A. Mac Rae, Liberty; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

"Kansas City (MO) Star" Sunday 28 Nov 1993 p 30

Children:

## DOLORES A. MAC RAE

KANSAS CITY, MO — Dolores Mac Rae, 81, passed away November 30, 2001 at Heartland Regional East Hospital in St. Joseph, Mo. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10 a.m. Wednesday, December 5 at the Holy Family Catholic Church, 919 N.E. 96th St., Kansas City, MO, burial in Frt. Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, KS. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at McGilley Antioch Chapel, 3325 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO.

Dolores was born June 8, 1920 in Baraboo, WI. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, and the National Assoc. of Retired Federal Employees. During WWII she was a shipfitters helper. Dolores retired after 25 years at the VA Hospital as a medical secretary. She truly loved singing in church and loved flowers. Dolores was a very compassionate and caring lady.

Survivors include: her husband, Ronald; three sons, Ronald C. Mac Rae, Arthur and Thomas Daniels; one daughter, Sue Ann Schmidt; eight grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

(Arrangements: McGilley Antioch Chapel, 816-453-7700.)

“Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Monday 3 Dec 2001 p 2 -

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/872270645/?terms=%22dolores%20macrae%22>

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender are the proud parents of a baby daughter; the child was born Wednesday morning and weighed 9 pounds. The mother was formerly Miss Ruby Mc Clure of Reedsburg.

Birth of Dolores Bender – “Baraboo (WI) News Republic” Friday 11 Jun 1920 p 4

Saturday night.  
A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender of Baraboo June 8. Mrs. Bender is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McClure of this city.

Reedsburg WI news: birth of Dolores Bender – “Wisconsin State Journal” Tuesday 15 Jun 1920 p 8

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender went to Reedsburg today, accompanying their little daughter Delores back to her home here. The little girl has spent the past two months in Reedsburg with her grandmother, Mrs. Ed. McClure.

Dolores lived at her maternal grandparents for 2 months – her younger brother Charles was born 11 Feb 1922 – “Baraboo (WI) Weekly News” Thursday 6 Apr 1922 p 8


## Arthur A Daniels

in the California, U.S., County Birth, Marriage, and Death Records, 1849-1980

Name	Arthur A Daniels
Gender	Male
Event Type	Marriage
Marriage Date	19 Jul 1945
Marriage Place	Unknown, California, USA
Spouse	Dolores A Bender

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/900567638:61460?tid=10270627&pid=190098854703&queryId=6c51b9dd-f338-4920-a993-2eacd0d31ae6&\\_phsrc=cPx6362&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/900567638:61460?tid=10270627&pid=190098854703&queryId=6c51b9dd-f338-4920-a993-2eacd0d31ae6&_phsrc=cPx6362&_phstart=successSource)

California, Marriage Index, 1949-1959



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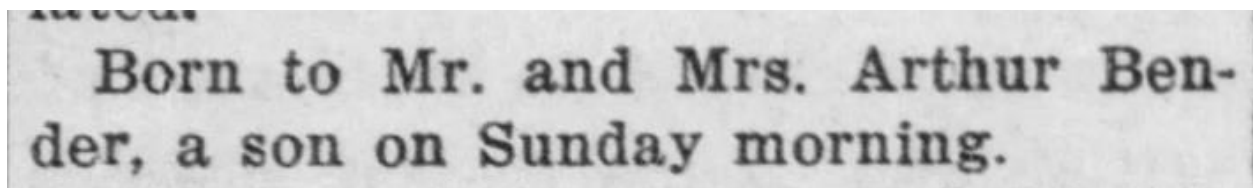
[View record](#)

Name	Dolores A Bender
Gender	Female
Estimated Birth Year	abt 1920
Age	37
Marriage Date	31 Aug 1957
Marriage Place	Los Angeles, California, USA
Spouse	Ronald A MacRae
Spouse Age	27

Marriage to Ronald A. MacRae on 31 Aug 1957 Los Angeles Co. CA -  
<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/10270627/person/6888772666/facts>

<b>Charles E Bender</b> in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997	Name	Charles E Bender
	Social Security #	392148721
	Gender	Male
	Birth Date	11 Feb 1922
	Birth Place	Wisconsin
	Death Date	1 Dec 1968
	Death Place	Los Angeles
	Mother's Maiden Name	McClure

Son Charles Edwin Bender (1922-1968) - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/519781:5180?tid=&pid=&queryId=0d1ec7d2-1e51-4a0b-8760-78615d989b66&\\_phsrc=cPx6355&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/519781:5180?tid=&pid=&queryId=0d1ec7d2-1e51-4a0b-8760-78615d989b66&_phsrc=cPx6355&_phstart=successSource)



Birth of Charles Edwin Bender – “Baraboo (WI) Weekly News” Thursday 16 Feb 1922 p 3





event here very much.  
 Charles Bender, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bender, introduced as the "Baby Elks", appeared in a variety of selections which received considerable applause.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 18 Jan 1927 p 6

**RECORDS FROM  
HEALTH OFFICE**

Activities of the Baraboo Health Department For Year 1922 Are Shown

Interesting facts gathered from the records of City Health officer Dr. F. E. Tryon for the year 1922.  
**Births in 1922**

Arthur F. Bender, Feb. 11—son,  
 Charles Edwin.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Tuesday 9 Jan 1923 p 1

**Charles Bender**

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

Name	Charles Bender
Social Security Number	392-14-8721
Birth Date	11 Feb 1922
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	Wisconsin
Death Date	Dec 1968

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/4101942:3693>



WW I		WW II		KOREA		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)				14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
BENDER CHARLES EDWIN				Memory Garden Memorial Park, Brea, California			
2. SERVICE NUMBER		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT: Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.			
16 048 628				15. 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 U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)			
1/20/42		10/17/45		Lois A. Tuttle			
6. STATE		7. DECORATIONS		RELATIONSHIP			
Wisconsin				None			
8. GRADE OR RANK		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State)			
Sergeant		593rd Army Air Forces Base Unit		92686			
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		3786 Rose Drive, Yorba Linda, California			
2/11/1922		12/1/1968		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT			
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				SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			
				James C. Rofus			
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EDITION OF 1 DEC 61  
MAY BE USED.

APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER

Burial in Memory Garden Memorial Park, Brea, Orange CA -  
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2748751:2375>

Father:

### Funeral Of Frank Bender.

The funeral of the late Frank Bender who passed away Saturday as the result of heart failure and an attack of pneumonia, was held December 6th at the home.

The services were conducted by Rev. Mueller, pastor of the German Lutheran church and the funeral was very largely attended. All of the business places on the South Side were closed in respect to his memory. There was a profusion of flowers.

The pall bearers were nearly all from the lodge of Eagles of which the deceased was a member, and included the following: William Luther, Chas. Walrath, A. F. Ziegler, Oscar Fillhauer, George Swift and William Kunzelman.

Those from out of town who came to attend the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Feeck, Manson, Iowa; Gus Kettler, Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Bender, Leland; Miss Kate Boyle, St. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Brennan, Janesville; Mr. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Al. Geffert, Mr. and Mrs. Will Geffert, Reedsburg; John and Will Egerer, North Freedom.

Deceased was born in Baraboo 45 years ago and in 1884 went to Dakota where he was employed on the Dakota Central for a number of years. In 1890 he became proprietor of the Bender house and has since resided here. Besides a wife and two children he leaves one brother, Adolph Bender of Leland, and one sister, Mrs. J. Junk of Baraboo.

### Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of Baraboo Aerie, No. 615, Fraternal Order of Eagles, the following resolutions were adopted:

God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from us our brother, Frank Bender, after a short and serious illness, and brought an honored and upright life to a close. He was sincere in all things, not only in his deed and dealings but in thinking as well. May his memory lead us onward and upward calling forth kind thoughts and generous impulses. He has fallen asleep and passed into that home whence no traveler returns, to receive the reward of a just and upright life. Therefore be it

Resolved: That we bow in submission to the will of an all wise providence, we deeply deplore the death of a kind brother and extend to his family and friends our heartfelt sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and that these resolutions be published in The Evening News and in The Baraboo Republic.

O. R. Fairbanks,  
W. H. Beaver,  
H. Kasiska,  
Committee.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 14 Dec 1904 p 7

(From Saturday's Dally.)

Frank Bender, one of the well known and respected citizens of the Third ward, died this afternoon at one o'clock, after a short illness of pneumonia. He was about 45 years of age, and for many years has been proprietor of the Bender House. A wife and two sons survive him. Mrs. Joe Junk is a sister.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 7 Dec 1904 p 1

The report of the license committee, which was adopted, recommended the following drug-gist permits for the sale of liquors; C. W. Whitman, A. F. Fisher, C. H. Evenson, J. B. Donovan, W. E. Baringer. The report was also adopted as to the following saloon licenses; Frank Bender, Thomas Bresnehan, Jasper Ewing, Fred Junk, Wm. Kunzelmann, Mrs. Adolph Lenz, Wm. F. Luther, Peter McDonald, Emil Platt, M. H. Power & James Cairnes, Wm. Ross, Reuland Brewing Co., Fred Tobler, J. M. Taylor, George Urban and Gus Wagenbreth. The bonds of the above were approved by the council.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 29 Jun 1904 p 1

Frank Bender will put down granitoid walks in front of his property at the corner of Walnut and Linn streets. John Burk has the contract. A granitoid walk will also be put down in front of Engleman & Gould's barber shop. J. W. Mitchell has the contract for the walk in front of the barber shop and Peck & Herfort's.

The same issue, on p 5, announced the burial of his newborn son on 20 May 1894; the boy was born 19 May 1894 – "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 24 May 1894 p 1

Mother:

### Mrs. P. Reineke

Funeral services for Mrs. Pauline Reineke were held Monday afternoon at two o'clock at the St. John's Lutheran church, Rev. H. C. Kirchner officiating. The church choir sang.

The pallbearers were Fay Staten, Peter Lauer, Leonard Briggs, Martin Arndt, Charles Steinbrink and Arthur Welk.

Interment was in the Baraboo cemetery.

Among those who were here from away were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reineke, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Licht of Loganville, Mrs. Otto Riggert, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Luhrsen of Reedsburg and Mr. Limeman of Ableman.

### Born in 1862

Pauline Reineke, daughter of John Egerer and Marie Egerer, was born August 1st, 1862, in the town of Freedom, and moved to Baraboo with her parents in November, 1892. She was married to Frank Bender in May, 1893, this union being blessed with three children, one of whom died in infancy.

Surviving the deceased are two sons, LeRoy Bender and Arthur Bender and wife, two grandchildren, Dolores and Charles Bender; two sisters, Augusta Kettles and Anna Feeck; and three brothers, Joseph Egerer of Baraboo, John Egerer and William Egerer, both of Pasadena, California.

Frank Bender died December 3, 1904, and she was united again in marriage to August Reineke in 1909, the latter passing away in October, 1922.

Mrs. Reineke was a member of the St. John's Lutheran church, Woodman Circle, and Royal Neighbors lodge.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness and all others that extended their sympathy in any way, during the sickness and death of our mother and sister; to the Royal Neighbors and the Woodman Circle, and all others for the beautiful flowers; and especially to Rev. Kirchner for his comforting words.

Arthur Bender and family,

LeRoy Bender,

Mr. and Mrs. Kettler,

Mr. and Mrs. Feeck,

Mr. and Mrs. Egerer,

John Egerer,

William Egerer,

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Egerer and family,

Mr. and Mrs. John Egerer and family.



## **Mrs. Reineke Dies Today**

Mrs. Pauline Reineke, a resident of Baraboo, for many years, died this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the St. Mary's-Ringling hospital where she had undergone a major operation Thursday morning. She was aged about 70 years.

Surviving the deceased are two sons, Arthur F. Bender and Leroy Bender; three sisters and brothers, Mrs. Albert Feeck, Mrs. Gustaf Kettler and Joseph Egerer; and several grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the St. John's Lutheran church, Rev. H. C. Kirchner officiating. Interment will be in the Baraboo cemetery.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 8 Oct 1932 p 1

Mrs. Frank Bender entertained the "Deutsche Einigkeit" at a birthday party at her home yesterday from 4 to 8 o'clock. Some 12 or 14 ladies were present and all report a very pleasant time.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 3 Aug 1904 p 3

Stepfather:

# AUGUST REINEKE DIES IN LA CROSSE

August Reineke, who went to La Crosse for treatment in a La Crosse hospital, died Sunday morning at 2 o'clock, after suffering from gangreen of one leg. He had been afflicted for some time before going for treatment. The remains were brought to Baraboo Sunday afternoon and taken to the undertaking rooms of Melzl & McGann, and later taken to the home on Linn street. He leaves a wife and two stepsons, Arthur and LeRoy Bender. Also one sister, Mrs Schutte, and brother, William Reineke, Reedsburg; also two brothers Frederick and Henry, Loganville.

Deceased was born in Germany 53 years ago and came to Baraboo about thirty years ago, where he made his home ever since. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 from the home and at 2 o'clock from the Lutheran church. Interment in the Baraboo cemetery.

## EX-BARABOO PIONEER DIES OF OPERATION

BARABOO—The remains of August Reineke, who passed away at a La Crosse hospital after an operation, was brought to this city Sunday afternoon. Mr. Reineke has resided here for nearly 30 years. He is survived by his wife and two stepsons, Le Roy and Arthur Bender.

Left: "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 9 Nov 1922 p 4 and right: "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Wednesday 8 Nov 1922 p 8

## August Reineke

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1959-2004



Detail Source

Name	August Reineke
Death Date	5 Nov 1922
Death County	La Crosse, Wisconsin, USA

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August Reineke and Mrs. Pauline Bender were married Sunday. The ceremony was performed on Sunday Rev. Veistenz of the Lutheran church in Greenfield. Mrs. Bender is the owner of the Bender house and has been a resident of the city for many years.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Wednesday 25 Mar 1908 p 2

Eighteen saloon licenses were granted by the city council at the meeting on Thursday night. Nineteen had been submitted to the license committee but the committee reported unfavorably on one and no license was granted. The following were reported favorably.

Herman Welk, 135 Third avenue.  
 George Urban, 123 Ash street.  
 T. A. Tschumpert, 111 Fourth street.  
 Guy Sweet, 105 and 107 Fourth street.  
 Nicholas Straus, 325 Linn street.  
 August Reineke, 135 corner Linn and Walnut streets.  
 M. H. Power, 419 Oak street.

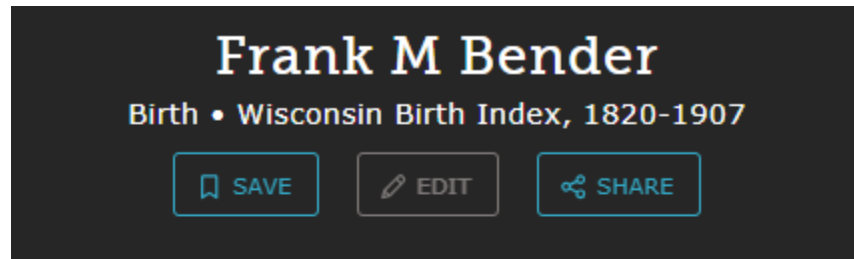
"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Friday 26 Jun 1908 p 7

**SALOON LICENSE APPLICATIONS  
 AS FILED UP TO DATE**

August Reineke, 135 Walnut St.;  
 bondsmen, F. G. Kessler, Henry Graf;  
 witnesses, Adolph Andro, E. J. Battles.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 12 Jun 1909 p 7

## Siblings:



Name **Frank M Bender**  
 Event Type **Birth**  
 Event Date **19 May 1894**  
 Event Place **Sauk, Wisconsin**  
 Affiliate Film Number **0264**  
 Record Number **002446**

Infant boy **Bender** (b. **Saturday, 19 May 1894** – buried **Sunday, 20 May 1894**) - mentioned in the obituary of his mother as “died in infancy” - <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VHH6-WKF>

<b>Bender</b> in the Wisconsin, U.S., Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928	
Name	Bender
Gender	Male
Race	White
Birth Date	19 May 1894
Birth Place	Baraboo, Sauk, Wisconsin
Father	<a href="#">Frank Bender</a>
Mother	<a href="#">Pauline Egerer</a>
FHL Film Number	1305585

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/999069:2544?tid=&pid=&queryId=e875385b-f135-4c9f-a85a-3195c2dfb449&\\_phsrc=cPx6376&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/999069:2544?tid=&pid=&queryId=e875385b-f135-4c9f-a85a-3195c2dfb449&_phsrc=cPx6376&_phstart=successSource)

**Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bender buried  
their infant son Sunday.**

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 24 May 1894 p 5

LeRoy Bender, who has been visiting relatives here for a few days, has returned to his work in Milwaukee.

Brother LeRoy Sampson Bender (1898-1957) - "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 4

**ASSAULT AND BATTERY  
CHARGE WAS WITHDRAWN**

Paul O'Keefe, of this city, who claims to have been an innocent spectator of an altercation that occurred in William Helmann's place on July Fourth, between George Williams of Portage and Leroy Bender and Arthur Welk of Baraboo, in which O'Keefe was struck in the face by one of the Baraboo men, presumably Welk, has withdrawn his complaint of assault and battery which was set for trial in Justice Kiefer's court Friday.

Williams was arrested at the time with Bender and Welk, charged with being drunk, and was fined \$10 and costs and given five days in jail; or in default of fine and costs, to remain in jail twenty days unless such fine and costs should be sooner paid.

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Thursday 7 Jul 1921 p 1

# BARABOO 'SHINERS' GET RECOGNITION

The dry agents are giving the "shiner" of this locality a recognition, unexpectedly, of course, but two of them have been set back a few dollars. Emil Hintz town of Freedom, was taken before Judge Hill about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon where he was fined \$200 for possessing moonshine. He also had a small still.

LeRoy Bender was fined \$300 by Judge Hill for having and disposing of moonshine at his place of business on the South Side

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of E. J. Savage, about two miles north of the city, for possession of a still and moonshine. The officers report that he had one of the finest stills found in some time, having about ten-gallon capacity. Also two gallons of mash and over 7 gallons of moonshine.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 26 Oct 1922 p 1

**BOOZE RAIDS**

Baraboo.—After a series of raids by state dry agents in Sauk county, Emil Hintz, town of Freedom, was fined \$200; Leroy Bender, Baraboo restaurant keeper, was fined \$300, and a warrant issued for E. J. Savage, Baraboo, on charges of operating a still.

"Sheboygan (WI) Press" Friday 27 Oct 1922 p 11

Charges of prohibition law violations against Leroy Bender, Mable Koch, Arthur Bender and Harrison Case have been dismissed because of lack of sufficient evidence. The case was heard before Justice H. L. Halstead on Friday.

Baraboo WI news: "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Monday 20 Apr 1925 p 12

**Arrested On  
Assault Charge**

LeRoy Bender, charged with assault on George Neis, paid a fine of \$25 and costs before Judge Adolph Andro today.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Thursday 25 Feb 1926 p 1

**Guardianship of Leroy S. Bender,  
incompetent, appointment of  
guardian.**

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 3 Mar 1934 p 2

# LEGAL NOTICE

First Publication March 29 1937.  
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIR-  
CUIT COURT FOR SAUK  
COUNTY

C. W. PLOWMAN, Receiver of the  
the First National Bank & Trust  
Company of Baraboo, Wisconsin,  
a National Banking Association;  
and ADELINE BECKER,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

RUBY BENDER; DOLOROS AN-  
NETTE BENDER; CHARLES  
EDWIN BENDER; LE ROY  
SAMPSON BENDER; L. M. JA-  
COBS; General Guardian for  
LeRoy Sampson Bender; L. C.  
WELCH; RICHARDSON PAINT  
COMPANY, a Wisconsin corpo-  
ration; DEPPE LUMBER &  
PRODUCE COMPANY, a Wis-  
consin corporation; and LEE-  
RADTKE HARDWARE COM-  
PANY, a Wisconsin corporation.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORE-  
CLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,  
that by virtue of a judgment of  
foreclosure and sale in the above  
entitled action, entered on the 24th  
day of March, 1936, the under-  
signed Sheriff of Sauk County,  
Wisconsin, duly ordered by said  
judgment to conduct such sale, will  
sell at public auction, at the front  
entrance to the Court House in the  
City of Baraboo, Sauk County,  
Wisconsin, on the 10th day of May,  
1937, at 10:30 o'clock A. M. the  
real estate and mortgaged premis-  
es directed by the said judgment to  
be sold, and therein described as  
follows, to-wit:

Lots 4, 5, 6, of Block 6 in that  
part of the City of Baraboo lying  
on the South side of the Baraboo  
River and formerly known as  
the Village of Baraboo excepting  
and reserving therefrom a strip  
54½ feet wide off the North side  
of said lots excepting and re-  
serving therefrom also what was  
conveyed by the following des-  
cribed four deeds of conveyance  
recorded in the office of the Reg-  
ister of Deeds of said County,  
to-wit:

First: a deed from Anna Bender  
to Charles W. Whitman, record-  
ed in Volume 45 page 361.

Second: a deed from Anna  
Bender to Geo. M. Hill recorded  
in Volume 52, page 94.

Third: a deed from Anna Ben-  
der to Philip Bock recorded in  
Volume 52, page 95.



Fourth: a deed from Anna Bender to Philip Bock recorded in Volume 52, page 267.

There is also conveyed by this present deed what was conveyed by Philip Bock and Geo. M. Hill to Anna Bender by a deed recorded in Vol. 52, page 630, Sauk County, Wisconsin.

Terms of sale, cash.

Dated March 29, 1937.

Gus. E. Erickson, Sheriff of Sauk County, Wisconsin.

**QUALE, LANGER & DANA,**  
Baraboo, Wisconsin,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Monday 29 Mar 1937 p 6

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
(First Publication Nov. 29, 1941)  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY**  
**COURT FOR SAUK COUNTY**  
In the Matter of the Gdnship. of  
**LeROY S. BENDER,**  
Incompetent.

Letters of Guardianship having been issued to Irvin Bump in the guardianship of LeRoy S. Bender, incompetent, of the City of Baraboo, in said County;

Notice is hereby given that all claims against said LeRoy S. Bender, incompetent, of the City of Baraboo in Sauk County, Wisconsin, must be presented to said County Court at Baraboo, in said County, on or before the 7th day of April, 1942, or be barred; and that all such claims and demands will be examined and adjusted at a term of said Court to be held at the Court House in the City of Baraboo, in said County, on Tuesday, the 14th day of April, 1942, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day.

Dated November 28th, 1942,  
By Order of the Court,  
**HENRY J. BOHN,**  
Judge.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 29 Nov 1941 p 5



John Roach and LeRoy Bender are leaving Sunday night for the Yukon Valley, where they will be employed on the Alaskan highway.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 18 Sep 1943 p 4

(INTOXICATION)  
LeRoy Bender Baraboo, Committed to County Farm, John Roach Baraboo, \$10.00 and costs, and Posted. Ann Johnson case pending, Baraboo. George Darnell Baraboo 30 Days.  
P. L. STEWART,  
City Clerk  
Baraboo Wisconsin

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 5 Jul 1947 p 3

**Hospital News**

Visiting hours: afternoon 2 to 3:30; evening 7:30 to 9. Children 14 or under, not permitted to visit.

St. Mary's Ringling hospital has had the following admittances and discharges during the past day or two.

**February 15th**

**ADMISSIONS**

Mrs. Francis Hohl, Baraboo  
Mrs. Andrew Bauer, Baraboo

**BIRTHS**

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hohl, Baraboo  
A son to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bauer, Baraboo  
A son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Skupniewitz, Baraboo  
A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meisel, Merrimac

**DISCHARGES**

Mrs. Donald J. Vosen, Baraboo  
Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Horkan, Reedsburg

**DECEASED**

LeRoy Bender, Hillpoint

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Saturday 16 Feb 1957 p 4

Name	Leroy Sampson Bender
Death Date	15 Feb 1957
Death County	Sauk, Wisconsin, USA

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## Autopsy Report Is Received By District Attorney

District Attorney James R. Seering has received a report on the autopsy which was performed after the death of LeRoy (Sam) Bender, 58, who passed away here on Friday. The autopsy established that cause of death was a coronary thrombosis. Mr. Bender was about to leave the hospital when he died suddenly, the investigation establishing that he died of a heart attack and that his death had no connection with a previous injury which he had sustained on Jan. 16 when he was brought to the hospital, the district attorney states.

"Baraboo (WI) News Republic" Wednesday 20 Feb 1957 p 1

### Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave ([www.findagrave.org](http://www.findagrave.org))

NOK = next-of-kin

### Name variations: Arthur Francis Bender

Military: 107th Supply Co. E - sergeant

On Tuscania:

Serial number: 251,201

Entered service from: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Arthur Francis Bender

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Aug. Reineke, 135 Walnut St., Barron WI

Returned from war on: "Winifredian" Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Arthur F. Bender

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Pauline Reineke, 135 Walnut St., Baraboo WI (sgt, Co. F, 101st Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Arthur F. Bender - b. 22 Aug 1895 Baraboo WI; res: 135 Walnut, Baraboo WI. Single. Clerk in accounting dept. C & NW Ry Co. Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association membership (1939): 135 Walnut St., Baraboo WI [he had died in 1933; this was someone else's memorial membership]

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 28 Apr 1919

Address: 135 Walnut St., Baraboo WI

Rank/unit: sergeant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Co., 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 161 Depot Brigade

Birth & death:

Born: 22 Aug 1895 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Died: 13 May 1933 Farewell's Point, near Mendota, Madison, Dane WI (Soldiers' Hospital)

Find A Grave record: 67458610 - presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Cemetery: Walnut Hill

Tombstone:

Father: Frank S. Bender, 23 May 1859 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 3 Dec 1904 Baraboo Sauk WI.

Son of George Bender & Anna Onesorg. "Portage (WI) Daily Register" 6 Dec 1904 p 3 –

Death: Frank Bender, proprietor of Bender House at Baraboo.

Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Find A Grave: 67458615

Mother: Paulina (Polina) Egerer Bender Reineke, 1 Aug 1862 North Freedom, Sauk WI – 8

Oct 1932 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Daughter of John Egerer & Mary Werthmer. After Frank's

death, Paulina Bender married in 1908 to August Reineke. Arthur's birth certificate lists her as Lena Agerer, B. Freedom, Sauk WI.

Buried in

Find A Grave: 103751739

Parents' marriage: Frank & Paulina married 31 May 1893 WI.

Stepfather: Johann Heinrich August Reinecke, 30 Oct 1869 Eppensen, Landkreis

Uelzen, Lower Saxony, Germany – 5 Nov 1922 La Crosse Co. WI.

Son of Johann Wilhelm Reinecke & Maria Anna Niemann. Was known as "August."

Saloon keeper. Died following an operation.

Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI

Stepfather's Find A Grave: F: 103751459

Stepfather's marriage: August Reineke & Pauline Bender married 22 Mar 1908 in Sauk Co. WI.

Spouse: Ruby McClure Bender Wendt, 1 Sep 1896 Reedsburg, Sauk WI – 27 Nov 1993 Liberty, Clay MO.

Daughter of Edward Pratt McClure (1867-1932, F: 119446224) & Enola B. ("Lenna") St. Clair (1873-1947, F: 119446278).

After Arthur's death, Ruth married Harvey Joseph Wendt (11 Oct 1898 – 4 Apr 1950, F: 129336389). Harvey is buried in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Whittier, Los Angeles CA.

Obituary of Harvey Wendt: "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) 6 Apr 1950 p 16 – Harvey Wendt, former Baraboo resident, d. 4 Apr 1950 at his home in Long Beach CA. He had lived there several years; the funeral was also in Long Beach. He is survived by his wife, the former Ruby Bender of Baraboo WI. Harvey Joseph Wendt, d. 4 Apr 1950 CA.

Ruby is buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 70423824.

Marriage: 23 Sep 1919 in Baraboo, Sauk WI. "Madison (WI) Capital Times" 27 Sep 1919 p 5 – Miss Ruby McClure & Arthur Bender, both of Baraboo, were married at the home of the bride's [sic/groom's] parents, Mr. & Mrs. August Bender [sic/Reinecke], in Baraboo on Tuesday, 23 Sep 1919. They will honeymoon in Madison & then will live in Baraboo where he is an accountant for the Northwestern Road.

#### Children:

- Dolores (Delores/Deloris) Annette Bender Daniels MacRae, 8 Jun 1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 30 Nov 2001 St. Joseph, Buchanan MO [also found as Kansas City, Clay MO]. – Married to Arthur Allen Daniels (1920 TX – 1965 OK, F: 18370400) on 19 Jul 1945 in CA. – Married to Ronald Alton MacRae (1930 WY – 2022, F: 243155970) on 31 Aug 1957 in Los Angeles Co. CA. – Dolores MacRae is buried in Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, Leavenworth KS. F: 14716431
- Charles Edwin Bender, 11 Feb 1922 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 1 Dec 1968 Los Angeles CA. "Madison (WI) Capital Times" 26 May 1942 p 8 - During WWII, he was a private serving in South America below the equator, having moved there from the Panama Canal Zone., His mother is Mrs. Ruby Bender of Baraboo. – According to his veteran headstone application, buried in Memory Garden Memory Park, Brea, Orange CA. Find A Grave record created 19 Dec 2023. F: 262367132

#### Siblings:

- Infant boy Bender, b. Saturday, 19 May 1894 Sauk Co. WI – buried Sunday, 20 May 1894. Both birth & death apparently in Baraboo, Sauk WI. Identified as male on his WI birth record & as "son" in his burial announcement in the "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 24 May 1894 p 5. Referred to as "child" who died in infancy in his mother's obituary. Not on Find A Grave as of 19 Dec 2023.
- Leroy Sampson ("Sam") Bender, 18 Jun 1898 Sauk Co. WI – 15 Feb 1957 Sauk Co. WI. LeRoy violates Prohibition laws, is declared incompetent by the court, lives in the Sauk County Home & Farm eventually. - In 1940 census for Baraboo, Sauk WI:

single, boarder, same place in 1935, wood cutter, county relief outdoors. In 1950 census for Reedsburg, Sauk WI: LeRoy Bender, 51 WI, never married, cow farm helper, Sauk County Farm & Home. Died of a heart attack as he was preparing to exit the home.

#### Notes:

Pre-war: was neighbor during boyhood of fellow Tuscania survivor Otto Arndt (1900 & 1910 censuses), who lived a few houses away on Walnut St., Baraboo WI

#### Wartime:

#### Post-war:

US National Veterans Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Milwaukee WI – enlisted 22 Jan 1917 Baraboo, private, Co. F., 101<sup>st</sup> Supply Train. Discharged 28 Apr 1919 Camp Grant IL, sergeant. Born WI, age 36, Protestant, in restaurant business. Will live in Baraboo WI after hospital discharge. NOK wife Mrs. Ruby Bender, 135 Walnut St., Baraboo WI. Admitted NW 5/5/31 – discharged May 25 – 1932. Diagnosis: Observ. fist. (?) condition

“Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) 9 Feb 1948 p 5 – the 30<sup>th</sup> annual reunion of the “Baraboo 1” was held 7 Feb 1948 at the American Legion, with 12 survivors attending. Nine of the 21 are dead, including Bender.

#### Obituary:

#### Social Security Number:

#### Censuses:

1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 135 Walnut

Frank Z. Bender, 41 WI, May 1859, parents b. Germany, hotel, married 7 years, hotel

Paulina, 38 WI, Aug 1862, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 3 children, 2 are living

Arthur F., 4 WI, Aug 1895

LeRoy S., 1 WI, Jun 1898

& 4 male boarders

1905 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Mrs. F. Bender, 42 WI, widow, housekeeper, parents b. Germany

Arthur, 10 WI

Le Roy, 7 WI

1910 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 135 Walnut St.

August Reinecke, 40 WI, parents b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, saloon keeper, own saloon

Pauline, 47 WI, parents b. WI, in 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage  
 Arthur F., 14 WI  
 Leroy, 12 WI  
 Plus female servant, age 20 & 9 male lodgers

1920 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 135 Walnut st.  
 August Reineke, 50 Germany, parents b. Hanover, Germany, emigrated 1851, naturalized  
 1913, proprietor, rooming house  
 Pauline Reineke, 57 WI, parents b. Bavaria, Germany [wife]  
 Arthur Bender, 24 WI, married, timekeeper, railway office [stepson]  
 Ruby Bender, 23 WI, married [daughter-in-law]  
 Leroy Bender, 21 WI, single, clerk, cigar store [stepson]  
 & 4 male lodgers, including Rudolph Bender, 40 WI

1930 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 135 Walnut St.  
 Arthur Bender, 39 WI, parents b. WI, age 24 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, parents b. WI, proprietor, hotel,  
 WWI veteran  
 Ruby, 33 WI, parents b. WI, age 23 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage  
 Charles, 7 WI  
 Deloris, 11 WI  
 & 4 male roomers

1940 deceased

1940 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 8 S. Center St. – his widow, children, brother-in-law – and his  
 widow's future husband Harvey Wendt – all in same place in 1935  
 Ruby Bender, 41 WI, widow  
 Delores Bender, 19 WI [daughter]  
 Charles Bender, 18 WI [son]  
 Lanna McClure, 66 WI, widow [mother]  
 Harvey Wendt, 41 IL, divorced, salesman, vacuum cleaner company