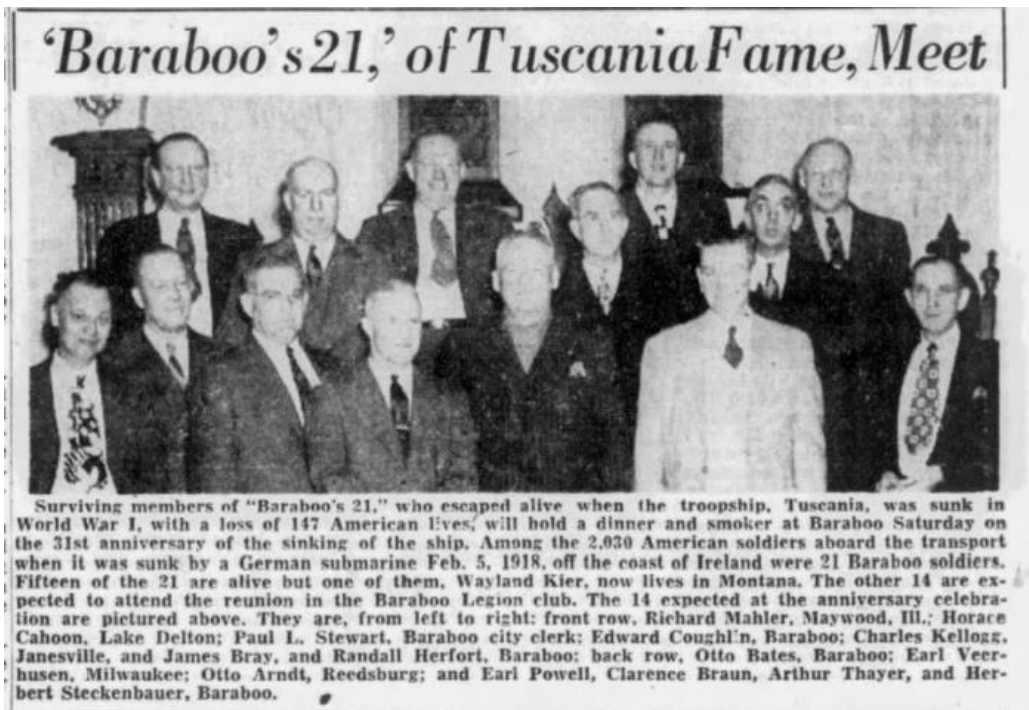


TUSCANIA

One of the Baraboo 21 Cahoon, Horace Charles 1898 WI – 1975 IL



Horace Charles Cahoon



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

“Madison (WI) Capital Times, 4 Feb 1949 p 12 – Horace Cahoon, 2nd from left, front row



*Horace Cahoon is 6th from right, standing in back – “Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events” Thursday
23 Nov 1967 p 11 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/1037028882/>*



AMERICAN LEGION VETS -- Two members of Harold B. Larkin American Legion Post, sponsors of the Indian Ceremonial, await developments while negotiations were underway at the Legion building between representatives of the Legion and the Realistic Professional Indian Performers of America. The dispute was ended Sunday night, at least temporarily. Shown above are Harry Ringstad (left) and Horace Cahoon. Both are World War I veterans.

(Events Photo by Jim Walch)

Horace Cahoon at right - "Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Thursday 25 Jun 1970 p 3 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/1037009756/>

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IMPORTANT: Read the instruction sheet before completing this form. Type or print in caps (except signatures).

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1. NAME OF DECEASED EXACTLY AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See Item 1 of Instructions regarding options)			13. APPLICANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS (No. and street, city, and State)		ZIP CODE
FIRST Horace	MIDDLE C.	LAST Cahoon	Jim H. Cahoon R#1, Box 116, Wisconsin Dells, Wis		53965
2. HIGHEST RANK; AND BRANCH OF SERVICE IN WHICH HELD Corporal U.S. Army			14. AREA CODE AND PHONE NO. 608- 254- 7434	15. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED Son	
3. WAS THE DECEASED AWARDED THE MEDAL OF HONOR? ☐ YES ☒ NO			I accept responsibility for placement of the headstone or marker at no expense to the Government. I certify that all statements made are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.		
4. WARS DURING WHICH DECEASED SERVED WWI			16. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>Jim H. Cahoon</i>		
5. YEAR OF BIRTH 10 June 1898			17. DATE 9-19-75		
6. YEAR OF DEATH 12 Sept 1975			18. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>Jim H. Cahoon</i>		
7. TYPE OF HEADSTONE OR MARKER REQUESTED (Check one) ☐ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE ☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER ☐ FLAT GRANITE MARKER ☒ FLAT BRONZE MARKER			19. AREA CODE AND PHONE NO. 608 253-3611		
8. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM DESIRED (Check one) ☒ LATIN CROSS (Christian) ☐ STAR OF DAVID (Jewish) ☐ OTHER (Specify in item 25 on reverse) ☐ NONE			20. SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE <i>Mrs. Alberta Findley</i> L.B. 352 Lake Delton Wis. 53940		
9. NAME DECEASED USED DURING SERVICE (First, middle, last) Horace C. Cahoon			21. DATE 11/8/75		
10. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 395 07 0677			22. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF CEMETERY <i>Alberta Findley, sec</i>		
11. PENSION NO. OR VA CLAIM NO. XC 500 056			23. DATE 11/8/75		
12. PLACE OF BURIAL (Name of cemetery, city, and State) Lake Delton Cemetery, Lake Delton, Wis.			A headstone or marker of the type checked in item 7 will be permitted at the grave or memorial plot.		
FOR USE OF VETERANS ADMINISTRATION					
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Horace Charles Cahoon

in the Winnebago County, Illinois, U.S., Deaths, 1844-1992

Name	Horace Charles Cahoon
Death Date	12 Sep 1975
Death Place	Winnebago, Illinois, USA
File Number	1040224

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/87397:5397>

Horace C Cahoon

in the U.S., National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938

Name	Horace C Cahoon
Admission Age	27
Birth Date	abt 1898
Birth Place	Wisconsin
Enlistment Date	23 Jan 1917
Enlistment Place	Baraboo, Wisconsin
Discharge Date	26 Apr 1919
Discharge Place	Camp Grant Ill.
Military Company	F
Military Regiment	101 Sup. Tr.
Admission Date	1925
Residence Date	1925
Residence Place	Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
Notes	Northwestern Branch

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Horace C. Cahoon (Gen.)											
MILITARY HISTORY.											
Time and Place of Each Enlistment.	Rank.	Company and Regiment.		Time and Place of Discharge.	Cause of Discharge.	Disabilities when admitted to the Home.					
Jan. 23, 1917, Baraboo, Wis.	Pvt. F.	101 Inf. Tr.		Apr. 26, 1919 Camp Grant Ill.	Con. of foot	0139 Arthritis, etc.					
DOMESTIC HISTORY.											
Where Born.	Age.	Height.	Complexion.	Color of Eyes.	Color of Hair.	Build and Write.	Religion.	Occupation.	Residence Subsequent to Discharge.	Married or Single.	Name and Address of Nearest Relative.
Wisconsin	27	5'-9"	Fair	Blue	Red	Gen.	Pst.	Farmer	Baraboo, Wis.	Single	Myrtle Cahoon Baraboo, Wis.
HOME HISTORY.											
Date of Pension.	Date of Admission, Re-Admission and Transfer.	Conditions of Re-Admission.	Date of Discharge and Transfer.	Cause of Discharge.	Date of Death.	Cause of Death.					
	Adm. N.H.R. July 6, 1925		July 13-1926	M.H.B. W.B.							
GENERAL REMARKS.											
PAPERS.				EFFECTS.							
Admission Paper One by Col. B.K. Cash				Cash \$							
Army Discharge One				Member's Deposit Acc't. \$							
Certificate of Service				Liberty Loan Bonds. \$							
Pension Certificate C-582,056				War Savings Stamps. \$							
LOCATION OF GRAVE AND REMARKS				Pension Money \$							
				Personal, appraised at sold \$							
				Total \$							
				How Disposed of							

Cahoon, Horace

LAKE DELTON — Horace Cahoon, age 77, of Lake Delton, died on Friday, September 12, 1975, at Rockford, Illinois, after a long illness. He was born June 10, 1898, in Wisconsin Dells. Mr. Cahoon was a member of American Legion, Wisconsin Dells, Dells Masonic Lodge-Wisconsin Dells. Survivors include — a daughter, Mrs. Elmer Nuelle, of Rockford, Ill.; two sons, James of Lake Delton and Paul of Wisconsin Dells; two sisters, Mrs. Phillip Schweke of Reedsburg WI. and Mrs. Ethel Arndt of Baraboo, WI.; fifteen grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at FEDDERLY FUNERAL HOME, Wisconsin Dells, at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, September 15, 1975. Burial in Lake Delton Cemetery with American Legion graveside services. Friends may call after 7 p.m. on Sunday, September 14, at FEDDERLY FUNERAL HOME, Wisconsin Dells.

“Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) Saturday 13 Sep 1975 p 5

Life:

Skillet Creek.
 The storm Wednesday night was quite severe blowing trees and stacks down. A tree near the Douglas home was struck by lightning.
 The County Farm nine was beaten at base ball by the Skillet Creek nine Saturday.
 Almost everyone in this neighborhood attended the Woodmen picnic.
 Little Horace Cahoon has been on the sick list the past few days.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 1 Sep 1899 p 2

Horace Cahoon has been spending several days with his cousin, Clarence Spencer.

Skillet Creek news: "Baraboo (WI) Republic" Wednesday 4 Mar 1908 p 12

AWARDS MADE AT COUNTY FAIR

TOOLE NORTH STAR.
 Tracy Randall, first; Ernest Wichern, second.
 Prizes also went to Edison Fraust, Horace Cahoon, Lilly Leutcher, James Reed, Martin Lange, Freddie Kimer, Wayne Cady, Leo Crawley, Lawrence Luer, Morris Hoege, Phillip Bender, H. R. Ryan, Flora Premo, John Samsun, Dwight Getchell, Elmer Kind-schi, Milton Fraust, Clarence Premo, Raymond Rumpf, Glen Hill, Clarence Swanson, Rex Swanson, Lloyd Pear-

For corn – "Toole North Star" – "Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 30 Sep 1909 p 3

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berkley entertained J. Berkley, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. L. Nutting and Horace Cahoon at dinner Thanksgiving day.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 6 Dec 1911 p 2

WEBSTER'S PRAIRIE FARMERS' CLUB

The Webster's Prairie Farmers' club held its regular meeting in their hall Friday evening with an unusually large number present. The following program was given:

Opening song, club—Battle Hymn of the Republic.
 Recitation—Alice Springer.
 Recitation—Marie Carpenter.
 Song—Hubert Meyers.
 Recitation—Myrna Cahoon.
 Recitation—Ernest Savage.
 Recess.
 Vocal duet—Horace Cahoon, Clarence Schench.
 Recitation—Shirley Meyers.
 Paper, club news—Ernest Savage.
 Talk, Potato Raising and Marketing—Hon. George Carpenter.
 Closing song—Marching Through Georgia.

After the program the candy and cake contest, with Mrs. Geo. Carpenter, Miss Mary Boyce and Mrs. M. Terry as judges, took place with Mrs. Flora Myers receiving first place, Mrs. Geo. Stopper second, and Mrs. Grace Fry third on white cake, while Mrs. Paul Cahoon was given first, and Mrs. Savage second on dark cake. On cream candy, Doris Cooper received first, Vera Stopper second and Inez Graves third. Cocoa fudge: Ethel Cahoon first, Hazel Springer second.

In the potato contest, with Mr. Carpenter as judge, the prizes were: Late potatoes—First, Stopper Bros. second, Mr. Cooper; third Dan Graves. Early potatoes, with only one prize given, to Dan Graves. Mr. Rich displayed a plate of fine Northwestern Greenings.

The meeting adjourned to meet March 27th.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 19 Mar 1914 p 11

ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AT Y. M. C. A.

Sec. Kopley of the Y. M. C. A., is preparing for a big entertainment on New Year's Eve. The affair is an annual one and has always proved very successful. There will be a gymnastic exhibition, a program under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and incidentally free "eats."

A cordial invitation is extended to the public and a good attendance is expected. It will be a good opportunity to see the results of the spirit of rejuvenation that has characterized the institution of late.

The increase in membership continues very favorably. This month's new members are George Hill, Thos. Mould, W. D. Stanley, C. C. Pratt, Horace Cahoon, Russell Graff, Robert Hughes, Forest Barber, P. L. Stewart, and Martin Arndt. This increase of ten makes a total of 54 new members since the opening of the September campaign.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 24 Dec 1914 p 2

THIEVES TRY TO STEAL AUTOMOBILE

Evidently thieves tried to get away with Paul Cahoon's auto Saturday night about 10 o'clock. Horace Cahoon drove in from home on Lower Webster's Prairie and went to the high school building. He was gone but a few minutes and upon his return found that the car was gone. At first he supposed that some of his friends were playing a so-called "practical" jokes, but after looking around for a few minutes decided that he would take no chances and telephone in various directions, and telephoned to his father about midnight. James Fry, a near neighbor to the Cahoon home, heard the call and took it for his own, and realizing that hasty action was necessary drove his car to the Cahoon home and he and Mr. Cahoon came to the city, and after following all the outlets of the city decided that the automobile was still

in town, and after going up and down several streets found the car in front of St. Joseph's church in the gutter. It was decided that the thieves had pushed the car two blocks east and expected to start the engine going down hill by the use of the clutch. Horace Cahoon had taken out the plugs of the connection and thus the engine could not be started. The act was what saved the car from theft.

CONTEST HELD AT CLUB MEETING

The Webster Prairie Farmers' club met at the hall March 7, and despite the stormy night and bad roads there was an attendance of about 50. The program contest between the ladies and gentlemen created quite a bit of excitement. The gentlemen were given the first hour of the program, and did their best to win the decision. First on the list was a potato race between Max Springer and E. F. Hormig, Mr. Springer winning the race. This was followed by a selection by Paul Cahoon on the harmonica. There was a pie-eating contest between Sol De Koyer and Ed Terry to see who could eat half of a custard pie the quickest. Mr. Terry finished first. After a song by Frank Terry and Horace Cahoon, Dan Graves read a selection and was called back, and gave a comic recitation. The cracker-eating contest was between Matt Stopper and Charles F. Hormig, and the one finishing first had to whistle. Mr. Hormig whistled first. The sack race between Max Springer and Ed. Hormig was won by Mr. Springer. This ended the men's part.

The ladies opened their program with an original song written by Mrs. Fry, which made quite a hit. Then followed a selection by the Webster Prairie Ladies' orchestra. They were encored and played another selection. There were recitations by Mrs. Dan Graves and Claire Myers, readings by Mrs. Springer Mrs. Hormig, Mrs. Stopper and Mrs. Fry, was followed by a song Mrs. Al Hanch "Switz Katzenjammer," arrived, and created no end of fun by his (or her) action and fancy dancing, which brought down the house. The judges were V. S. Pease and A. S. Kingsford, from Baraboo, who rendered a decision in favor of the ladies, the gentlemen to serve a lunch and the ladies to eat it. The next meeting will be in two weeks.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 12 Mar 1917 p 7

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

COMPANY I PASS THROUGH ON WAY SOUTH

Members of company I, the most of them from Baraboo, passed through here this afternoon on their way south from Camp Douglas to Waco, Texas. The members were in fine spirits.

Train Arrives Early

The train came about fifteen minutes earlier than expected and there was hurrying to reach the station. The pupils and faculty from the high school joined the excitement and people were still hurrying across the bridge over the Baraboo river.

Many Gifts for the Soldiers

Hundreds of gifts of all kinds poured into the cars for the members of company I. Cigars, candy, fruit, and articles too numerous to mention were to be seen pouring through the windows. While the train was at the station, which was several minutes, yells were given by the high school pupils, many in the company having graduated from the school.

When the train rolled away—nineteen cars and three baggage—there was much cheering. All were singing and laughing and having a good time.

There were several companies besides the one from Baraboo.

The members of the company are as follows:

First Class Privates

Horace C. Cahoon.
Robert F. Holmes.
Ralph W. Ketchum.
Marco Marriott.
James E. O'Neil.
John A. Sansum, William P. Schlinger,
Dewey P. Schuster, Herbert E. Steckenbauer.
George M. We'rich.

In addition to the names published in the Register Saturday evening the following have been announced as saved from the Tuscania disaster up to noon Monday:

Arendt, Otto, Baraboo.

Brodie, Russell William, Portage.

Cahoon, Horace Charles, Baraboo.

Hattle, George W., Baraboo.

Stewart, Paul L., Baraboo.

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

Report All Baraboo Soldiers Saved

It is reported all Baraboo boys who were on the Tuscania were saved and the following boys have sent messages home in some manner: Earl Powell, Paul Stewart, Horace Cahoon, Ralph Sanderson, Edward Coughlin, Donald Duncan, Richard Mahler, Otto Bates, Otto Arndt, Arthur Bender. The other boys on the ship from Baraboo, George Hattle, Wayland Kier and John O'Brien, have been listed among the rescued.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 8

SERVICE FLAG DEDICATED; CONG. CH.

At the services yesterday morning at the Congregational church, a service flag with 15 stars was dedicated. Rev. J. Lloyd Smith gave a short address and Wm. Duncan, father of one of the boys in the service of the United States gave an excellent address. The boys gone from the congregation are: Alfred Argyle, Horace Cahoon, Donald Duncan, Edward Edwards, Warren Hathaway, Harold Hawkins, Everett Hawkins, Wayland Kier, Frank Koons, Lloyd Lamberton, Dean Lucé, John Tinkham and Leo Whitcomb. There was a large attendance at the services.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 21 Feb 1918 p 8

Letter From Horace Cahoon

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon have received a letter from their son Horace, mailed at Londonderry, Ireland, the day after he arrived, and in part reads as follows:

Dear Folks: I am feeling fine. You can tell Mr. Terry's that I am in Ireland at last. At least some of us—Otto Bates, George Hattle, Russell Brodie, Charles Kellogg, Richard Mahler, Edward Coughlin and John O'Brien. These Irishmen are some fellows. We had one up to our hut last night, and believe me he could dance. They treat us fine.

Well, dad, you tell mother not to worry about me, because I am always looking out for myself. I did not get any money from you, but it is not any good anyway. The next time we get

paid, it will be English money, and that will be within a week.

You stick on that farm until I get back, and when I do I have a long story to tell. I will close, hoping to be with the rest of the boys tomorrow. Tell Granddad Cahoon hello for me, and that I have had enough sailing since last night. With love to all.

HORACE.

RED CROSS ENTERTAINMENT A SUCCESS

"Doing Our Bit," was done on large scale at the Al. Ringling Theatre Thursday night. The owners of the theatre donated the theatre to the local Red Cross, supplying also the regular equipment, which included the regular daily expenses, all but the cost of the films, which was taken out of the proceeds. The result is that the Red Cross is ahead \$500 or more. The house was well filled at the matinee in the afternoon and at both shows in the evening, many being turned away.

Private Wayland E. Kier, H. Q. 107th Supply Train.
Private John T. O'Brien, H. Q. Co. 107th Supply Train.
Private Clarence Braun, E. Co., 107th Supply Train.

evening.

Then came the 21 Baraboo boys came the twenty-one Baraboo boys who were on the Tuscania when it went down, but all were saved to go forward, to do the great task for humanity, in the same spirit and with as great courage as have the patriots in our other wars since the time of 1776:

First Lieut. Paul L. Stewart, H. Q. Co. 107 Supply Train.

First Seargt. Otto Arndt, E. Co. 107 Supply Train.

Sergt. George W. Hattle, H. Q. 107 Supply Train.

Sergt. Arthur Bender, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Sergt. Earl L. Powell, E. Co., 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Russell Brodie, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Otto F. Bates, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Horace C. Cahoon, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Edward W. Coughlin, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Vernon A. Caffisch, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Herbert E. Steckenbauer, E. Co. 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Donald M. Duncan, E. Co., 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Randall H. Herfort, E. Co. 107 Supply Train.

Corp. Charles M. Kellogg, E. Co. 107 Supply Train.

Corp. Richard Mahler, E. Co., 107th Supply Train.

Corp. Ralph L. Sanderson, E. Co. 107 Supply Train.

Corp. Earl W. Veerhusen, E. Co. 107 Supply Train.

Corp. James F. Bray, H. Q. Co. 107th Supply Train.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 7 Mar 1918 p 9

Letter from Horace Cahoon

Miss Ruth Cahoon received the following letter from her brother, Horace Cahoon, who is England:

Dear Sister Ruth: I am somewhere in England as safe as a dollar, and am feeling fine. Hope you are the same. Write and tell me how you all are. My address is Corporal Horace Cahoon, 107th Supply Train, Co. E., A. E. F.

The Baraboo boys are all together yet, and we sure have some times. We have plenty to eat and are well satisfied, even though we do have little mishaps once in a while. I am writing this in an American Y. M. C. A. They have a piano and have a little program every night, so we have plenty of amusement as well as excitement.

This is a pretty country. The hills and valleys are green. The only thing I don't like about it is that I am a day older over here, but when I get back, I will be back where I was.

If you want to risk it you can send me some American tobacco or cigarettes. They are so hard to get over here. I had plenty of them when I started, but we had a mishap, and I lost them all but two packages.

We got in camp the other day and I took a fresh water bath, and it sure felt fine beside the other one I had a few nights before. Ha, ha.

You tell dad that I will be home pretty soon and then we will have some jolly good times. Tell mother I had some hot johnny cake the other day and that night I dreamed I was home having a good time.

Tell the girls hello.

Your loving brother.

HORACE CAHOON.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 11 Mar 1918 p 3

Sleeps on Stone in France

Mr. and Mrs. George Steckenbauer have received two letters from their son Herbert, who is now in France.

April 4, 1918.

My Dear Mother and Father:

Received a letter from you today and sure was glad to get it and hearing that all the family is well as it leaves me. I am feeling fine, just got through eating my dinner, and am surely filled up, can hardly walk, but there is nothing to do, so I can lie down and sleep. This is sure some weather over here. It rains all the time except yesterday the sun shone all day. We moved to another town yesterday, and believe me it sure was some hike. I had some French hob-nail shoes on which were about three times too big for me, and I sure have some sore feet today, but have done away with them now.

Rex Caffisch, Horace Cahoon and I sleep together. We are sleeping on a stone, but we don't mind that any

more. We never did.

We have twelve heavy English blankets and three shelter halves under us and six United States blankets over us, so we don't mind the cold.

Suppose the snow is all gone by now, and the leaves are coming on and grass green. The grass is green over here, but the leaves don't seem to come out as fast as they do over in the States and it doesn't seem to warm up as fast either. Just stopped writing your letter and had to clean my gun, because that is our best friend over in this country. Well, here it's starting to rain again. Well, will I ever stop. You know how I like rain weather, and it's real cool also. Well I guess the mail man is coming soon I am looking for a letter from home Haven't received any for a few days now. I am out doors writing beside a stone wall in the sun.

We were put on a detail this morning up in the stone quarry, but before we got a chance to do anything, Lieut. Stewart came up and said we should go back to our quarters, because we were going to move tomorrow. So away we went to our kennels. Just as Rex Caffisch says, I think we had better toughen up now so we can stop the bullets. Laugh. Of course you can't help it. Horace Cahoon is up on the roof sleeping. He said he did not want to bother anyone.

Well, news is scarce. I guess I have received all the letters now that you have written. We had date cake for dinner today—some stick—not like my dear mother bakes. I wish I had a piece of your cakes. Well, answer as often as you can. With love to all.

Your loving son,
CPL. HERBERT STECKENBAUER.
Somewhere in France.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 26 Apr 1918 p 1

SOLDIER'S LETTERS FROM FRANCE

The following letter is from Horace Cahoon, written from "Overthere" to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon.

Somewhere in France, Nov. 3, 1918

Dear Dad and Mother:

Well, Dad I am still a-kicking and on top of the ground for a wonder. I can't see how I got by as well as I have, the places I have been in. I took a trip through Death Valley last night about midnight with a load of ammunition, which, if a shell would have hit, they would have found nothing but a big hole in the ground. We don't have to haul ammunition very often but forty-two men from the ammunition train were gassed in the valley the night before. So you see it was up to us to go. Only one of our men got gassed and he is in the hospital, getting along fine. Say Dad, I wish you could see where Dick and I sleep.

There is a gun in our back yard two feet longer than our barn and it shoots a shell that weighs as much as Topsy, the white pony. It shakes the buildings down when it goes off but it does the work. You can tell Granddad Cahoon that I think I will be home soon and then I will tell him all about it, but my news are getting worse every day. Whenever you hear a shell whistle you have to drop down on your stomach and do it quick for you don't have much time after you once hear it.

This town gets it about once a minute and about thirty minutes at a time. Well Dad, I have got callouses on my stomach from diving on the ground so much, but I think I will not be here much longer. I am sending you some poetry and want you to have it put in the papers.

Well Dad, we have been on four different fronts now and only had two weeks off, I think that is going some. Well, I must close for this time, with love to you all and kiss for Mamma.

HORACE.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 5 Dec 1918 p 3

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.

"Baraboo (WI) Weekly News" Thursday 13 Feb 1919 p 7

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

WAR HEROES REACH HOME

**Baraboo Turns Out Enmasse on
Saturday Night to Greet the Tus-
cania Survivors**

**MARINE BAND PLAYS;
BIG BONFIRE BURNS**

**Real Home Beds and Big Sunday
Dinners Await Young Men Who
Have Had Many Thrills**

When our boys who canned the kai-
 ser, or who stayed in camp or ship,
 Come back home and pound the pave-
 ments, yell your heads off, let 'er rip.
 Open up your toothless cavern or your
 lunch-room filled with pearls,
 Hoot until your ears are aching and
 your top-piece reels and whirls.
 When Old Glory passes by you, bare
 your head, salute your flag.
 You can thank your Uncle Sammy
 that it's not a German rag.
 Yap until your lungs are bursting,
 rock the biuldings, shout and sing.
 Show the boys they own the city and
 can have 'most everything.
 Fill them up with pies and good
 things, ~~till~~ they split their vest and
 jeans,
 Turkey, goose, and young spring chick-
 en, put the lid on army beans.
 Let them smoke like traction engines,
 till it's like a London fog,
 Stuff them full of fun and pleasure
 till they're tired as a dog.
 Cart them home on ruber tires, let
 them sleep at least a week,
 Put a muffler on the door-bell, throw
 a larm-clocks in the creek.
 Then, when each and every fellow
 once again is clean and sane,
 Pay him for his loss in wages; give
 him back his job again.

So wrote Private Leland Hayden, in The Cro, Bourges, France. Shout and sing, salute and cheer, is what Baraboo did Saturday night when a number of the Tuscania heroes reached home. Their leaving France, their arrival in Boston, their later arrival at Camp Grant and their near approach was watched and waited with many an anxious parent, relative, friend and sweetheart.

As arranged by Mayor C. T. Thuerer the siren sounded as they neared the city on the 10:30 train. The Baraboo Marine band was soon on the street filling the soft April air with lively music and thousands joined in the march to the station. The band played on the way back again and a great bonfire in front of the Warren hotel blazed vigorously. It was a rare evening.

The crowd was so dense it was impossible for many friends to greet the soldiers before they were hurried home, tired and worn with their many thrills since they left in response to the need of aid in the great war. At home soft beds awaited the heroes and soundly they slept. Sunday was one of rejoicing and l-a-r-g-e dinners by mothers and others.

Many of the business places hung out the national colors in honor of their coming and in some of the windows especially Risley Brothers, there were special decorations.

Of the 21 from Baraboo on the Tuscania, fifteen reached Camp Grant last week. The following have reached home:

Ralph Sanderson.
Earl Powell.
Charles Kellogg.
Clarence Braun.
Herbert Steckenbauer.
Verne Caffish.
Otto Arndt.
Richard Mahler.
Horace Cahoon.

Others are expected in Baraboo tonight and tomorrow.

Orlo Keifer, Horace Cahoon, George Hattle, Rex Caffisch and others left today for Milwaukee and will return via Fords. The men are going after several new cars for the Pailbrick garage. They expect to return tomorrow.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 1 May 1920 p 2

MILITARY CO. MUSTERED IN

May Have Drilling Quarters in
City, First Drill To Be Held
Tuesday Night

Federal Inspector of the Wisconsin National Guards, Lieut. Colonel Ball, of Madison was in Baraboo recently to muster the members of the local military company into service. The Baraboo outfit recently organized, is composed of 68 men including a platoon from Prairie du Sac, which will be attached to the locals until arrangements can be made for a company in that city. The Baraboo National guard unit expects to obtain drilling quarters in Baraboo and for the present have engaged Mueller's hall. The men will meet Tuesday evening at the hall for the first drill.

The officers in the company are as follows:

Captain—Paul Stewart.
1st Lieut.—Otto Arndt.
2nd Lieut.—Edwin Accola.
1st Sgt.—George Knight.
Mess Sgt.—James Bray.
Supply Sgt.—Edwin Coughlin.

Duty Sgts.—Arthur Rooney, Herbert Steckenbauer, Phillip Gibbons.

Besides the officers and non-coms mentioned above the company includes: Earl Bonham, Lewis Faust, Leo A. Frazer, Robert F. Holmes, Joseph L. Siberz, Horace C. Cahoon, Lawrence Brillott, Charles H. Dennis, Lyle G. Goman, Monroe Lodde, August J. Rodewald, Harold H. Berg, Fred W. Brandt, Howard J. Dambeck, Lester Hicks, Robert W. Hughes, Orlo J. Kleffer, Carl W. Marquette, Claude F. Parrish, Wm. H. Radtke, Gordon Rischmueller, Oscar Rosacher, Noble Sprecher, Monroe W. Weirich, Lester Albert, Vertner Anderson, Lloyd Bittner, Donald E. Buehler, Ivan W. Canner, Alymer Caffisch, Charles Coughlin, Oliver Clement, Harry Dibble, Julius Doerr, Frank Edwards, Wm. Fellows, Harry M. Gibbons, Harold Griffin, Ralph Halbman, Estus Hawkins, Clair Hawkins, Herbert Hillebrandt, Fred E. Mertz, Duane Misteale, D. Pugh, L. Rooney, C. Sanderson, C. Schneller, F. W. Schultz, A. Schumacher, L. Siberz, Raymond Seltz, John H. Sheehan, Lester Steinbrink, Warren Sutherland, Arthur R. Thomas, Fred Wolford, Arthur Zimmerly, Clarence Zine, Otto Zine.

All of the officers and a few of the others are veterans of the World war

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 13 Dec 1920 p 1

Horace Cahoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon states that while he was in Baraboo Friday evening someone removed the motormeter from the hood of his car. The automobile was parked in the main business section of the city and no doubt the same one who has a mania for thermometers also took the motormeter, for its mercury. The value of the stolen article is about \$11.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 5 Mar 1921 p 2

Horace Cahoon is seriously ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. Otto Arndt, in this city. The young man is suffering from rheumatism.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 28 Oct 1921 p 4

TUSCANIA MEN OFFER SERVICES; IRISH RELIEF

Seeing that efforts are being made to help the homeless and starving women and children of Ireland, we the survivors of the Tuscania, wish to proclaim to our fellow citizens that we owe to the Irish people a debt of gratitude which we can never repay.

On that dreadful night when we were thrown adrift on the coast of Ireland, the Irish people, at the peril of their lives, rescued us from death, took us into their hospitable homes, and divided with us, not only their scanty supply of food, but even their clothing.

While nothing which we can do for them can fully compensate for what they have done for us, we are determined to do all we can to alleviate their hardships and sufferings in this hour of need. For that purpose, we have offered our services to the chairman of the relief committee, and we call upon the citizens of Baraboo and surrounding country to cooperate with us in every manner possible in giving to the poor Irish people a most substantial proof of our gratitude and appreciation.

Signed: Paul Stewart, Otto Bates, Charles Kellogg, Edw. Coughlin, Jas. F. Bray, Herbert Stickenbauer, Richard Mahler, Earl Powell, Randall Herfort, Rex Caslich, Horace Cahoon, Otto Arndt.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 12 Nov 1921 p 8

**OFFICERS APPOINTED FOR
IRISH RELIEF DRIVE**

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

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 12 Nov 1921 p 1

YOUR ATTENTION, FELLOW CITIZENS

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Signed

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Otto Bates	Earl Powell
Charles Kellogg	Randall Herfort
Edw. Coughlin	Rex Caffisch
Jas. E. Bray	Horace Cahoon
Herbert Steckenbauer	Otto Arndt

“Baraboo (WI) Republic” Thursday 17 Nov 1921 p 6

Another Pair Of Shoes Gone

Horace Cahoon, Baraboo, is the person to receive the fourth pair of \$7.50 shoes given away at the Rowland shoe sale. The sale started Monday and lasts all week.

“Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Thursday 22 Jun 1922 p 1

Louis Schultz, Rex Caffisch, Laurie Welch, Horace Cahoon and Elmer Caffisch went to Briggsville over the week end on a fishing trip.

"Baraboo (WI) Republic" Thursday 13 Jul 1922 p 3

Horace Cahoon is ill with an attack of rheumatism.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 25 May 1925 p 3

**Webtser Prairie
Man To Waukesha
For Treatment**

Horace Cahoon who has been suffering for some time with rheumatism was taken to Waukesha Monday for treatment.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 28 May 1925 p 7

day.
Horace Cahoon went to Milwaukee Monday for a medical examination.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 1 Jul 1925 p 6

The item concerning Claude Cahoon in yesterday's News should have given him as the son of Lee Cahoon and a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Cahoon of this city. The young man has gone to a Rochester hospital for examination. Other members of the Cahoon family are also in hospitals. Mrs. Ora Cahoon of Chicago is at Rochester for a second goitre operation and Horace Cahoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon of Webster Prairie, is at the soldiers' hospital in Milwaukee.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 8 Jul 1925 p 4

Horace Cahoon who is at the sanitarium in West Allis spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon.

Correction: his parents - "Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 20 Aug 1925 p 5

Baraboo Men Saved from Tuscania Meet in Reunion

World War Veterans on
Board Torpedoed Ship
Have Ban-
quet

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

"Wisconsin State Journal" Tuesday 8 Feb 1927 p 13

OBITUARY

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 Caflisch, 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.

Fellow Tuscania survivor Ralph Sanderson - "Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 8 Jun 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. Caflisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Randall H. Herfort, of Detroit, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard L. Mahler of Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier of Montana, John T. O'Brien of 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.

Tuscania Survivors In Reunion Tonight



Corporal Horace C. Cahoon
E 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 men call sounds at the American Legion hall.

Three Have Died

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

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

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

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 neared 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

Baraboo Boys Aboard Tuscania Hold Reunion

When a German torpedo sank the American transport, the Tuscania, off the coast of Ireland, Feb. 5, 1918, there were 21 Baraboo boys aboard. Comrades in that disaster in which all of the 21 local men escaped, the little group from Baraboo has been observing the anniversary annually since. While the number is no longer 21 and there are several vacant places in the group, Saturday of this week will see the boys, together with their invited guests, assembling at the American Legion hall.

The gathering is generally held on a Saturday night since it is possible for more of the out-of-town men to be here at that time, although the real anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania does not occur until next Wednesday. Invitations have been sent to the following 18 guests of honor:

Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arnitt, George W. Hattle of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl F. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon of Kilbourn, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon E. Caflisch, Herbert E. Steck-

enbauer, Randall H. Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard L. Mahler of Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier of Montana, John T. O'Brien of Milwaukee and Clarence Braun.

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

It was only the past year that secrecy surrounding the sinking of the Tuscania was broken and a German officer revealed the name of the submarine which sank the transport with a loss of 200 American lives. This account, contained in a letter from the submarine commander sent to the historian of the Milwaukee Tuscania association, was read with great interest by the Baraboo boys, and made an interesting feature of last year's gathering.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Tuesday 28 Jan 1930 p 1

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cahoon and baby of Beaver Dam are visiting at the Paul Cahoon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon were callers at the Wilbur Cahoon home in Skillet Creek Sunday. Mrs. Wilbur Cahoon is in very poor health at the present time.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 29 Nov 1930 p 6

Disabled Veterans Nominate Officers

New Officers to Be Elected Dec. 15
Back Veterans Relief Bill

Mat Mueller, Madison, and I. Statz, Mt. Horeb, were nominated to the office of commander of the Disabled American Veterans at the organization's meeting in the Memorial Union Monday night. Other nominations are as follows.

C. J. Ballam, Mat Mueller, vice-commander; Burrell Eveland, Mt. Horeb, and Carl Oscar, Madison, junior vice-commander; James Griffin, Madison, and I. Statz, Mt. Horeb, adjutant; M. C. Alexander, Madison, treasurer; George Paltz, Madison, and Horace Cahoon, Baraboo, chaplain; John O. Hardy, Madison, and Carl Oscar, sergeant-at-arms.

Nominations to the executive board were:

H. C. Mayer, Madison, one year; Burrell Eveland, one year; Herbert Pommaring, Madison, one year; Ralph Pearsall, Oregon, one year; Roman Koelsch, Madison, two years; Roy Westbury, Madison, two years; H. W. Meiller, Madison, two years; George Pultz, three years; James Griffin, three years; Horace Cahoon, three years.

New officers will be elected from these nominations at the next regular meeting, Dec. 15, at the Memorial Union.

The disabled veterans' organization

The disabled veterans' organization went on record Monday night in support of the bill on adjusted service compensation, now in congress. Many veterans, now unemployed, would be enabled to pay their bills and support their families if compensation funds were released now, it was pointed out.

Proposed legislative activities of the organization were discussed, and Charles O'Leary, Madison, state and national rehabilitation officer, and Atty. William Hays, of Baraboo, were chosen to meet with Sen. Bernhard Gettelman, Milwaukee, on the drafting of legislation.

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.

'BARABOO'S TWENTY-ONE' IN REUNION

The Bluff City's Tuscania Held Annual Gathering Tuesday Night

For five years past a dwindling group of Baraboo boys, survivors of the troop transport Tuscania which was torpedoed and sunk off the Irish coast by a German U-boat on the night of November 5, 1918, have held a reunion at the Bluff City.

Because of the fact that twenty-one young soldiers from Baraboo and vicinity were on board the ill-fated ship, and all were among the survivors, the group has come to be known as "Baraboo's 21," despite the fact that death has broken their sacred ranks four times, since that harrowing experience of over a dozen years ago, and only seventeen of the original group survive.

Portage Boy First to Go

Twenty of that illustrious twenty-one returned home after the war, Donald Duncan of Baraboo being the only one among that particular group of Tuscania survivors who made the supreme sacrifice in service overseas. Among those who returned, Russell Brodie, son of Mrs. Katherine Brodie of Portage, was the first to die, he having succumbed to pneumonia only a few years after his return, his health having been broken thru exposure on that terrible night and his subsequent service on the other side of the Atlantic. Two others have since died—Vernon E. ("Rex") Calfish, well known in Portage, who died at Baraboo only a year ago, and Ralph Sanderson, who died in Texas, three years ago, his death being due to his war service.

Survivors Honor Guests

The nucleus of this original group to the number of sixteen were guests of honor along with a large number of business men of Baraboo at the Legion hall in that city Tuesday night at the annual reunion. Those Tuscania survivors in attendance were Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattie, of Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, of Madison, Edward W. Coughlin, Herbert E. Steckenbauer,

Randall Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg of Janesville, Richard L. Mahler of Maywood, Ill., Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee, James F. Bray, Arthur H. Thayer, Clarence Braun and John T. O'Brien of Milwaukee. Wayland Kier resides in Montana and could not be present.

Observance at Milwaukee

Part of the Baraboo group went to Milwaukee the past week to take part in the national observance of the Tuscania sinking. At that meeting many interesting accounts of the experiences of the various men were told. It was at last year's meeting that the account of the sinking of the Tuscania was first revealed from the German standpoint, a letter being read from the commander of the German boat which fired the torpedo which resulted in the sinking of the American transport six hours later.

A permanent organization of the survivors has been formed but the Baraboo group can claim the distinction of being one of the first to hold reunions.

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Friday 13 Feb 1931 p 1

Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Cahoon of Chicago called at the W. Cahoon home on their return trip home after spending the week-end at the home of Dr. Cahoon. They also expected to call at the Horace Cahoon home in Madison to see the baby daughter who has whooping cough.

Charles Spencer, who makes his home with his son, Hardy Spencer, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon to Madison Sunday to visit at the Horace Cahoon home.

Skillet Creek news: "Baraboo (WI) News-Record" Saturday 28 Feb 1931 p 4

Earl W. Veerhusen of Milwaukee and Charles Kellogg of Janesville are among the first out-of-town arrivals for the reunion of "Baraboo's 21" to be held here tonight. Ever since these reunions on the anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania have been held, these two have made it a point to be in Baraboo where they formerly resided. Others expected from away for the event are George W. Hattle of Beloit, Horace C. Cahoon of Madison, and Richard L. Mahler of Maywood, Ill. A group of Milwaukee men, including officers of the state Tuscania survivors' group, are also expected to attend.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 6 Feb 1932 p 4

Madison one day the past week.
The Horace Cahoon family are moving into Mrs. Scheslers cottage this week.

"Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Thursday 29 Sep 1932 p 4

BARABOO, Wis.—The 13th annual reunion of "Baraboo's 21," the local survivors off the transport *Tuscania*, sunk by a German submarine off the Irish coast during the World War, was held at the American Legion hall here Saturday night.

Of the 21 men from this city who were on the transport all escaped. However, this number has now been reduced by death to 17. The only out-of-town member present at the reunion was George Hattle, now of Beloit.

The 21 men from this city are:

Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle, Beloit, Arthur Bender, Earl Powell, Otto Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells; Ed. Coughlin, Vernon Caffish (deceased) H. E. Steckenbauer, Randall Herfort, C. M. Kellogg, Janesville, Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill., Earl Veerhusen, Milwaukee, Clarence Braun, Ralph Sanderson (deceased), Donald Duncan and Russell Brodie. The latter two men died during the war.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Monday 30 Jan 1933 p 5

Cahoon Family Has a Reunion at Baraboo

BARABOO, Wis.—A reunion of the Cahoon families in honor of Lee Cahoon, Missoula, Mont., was held Sunday at the Otto Arndt cottage near Merrimac. Lee Cahoon is a brother of Undersheriff Wilbur Cahoon, Paul Cahoon, Dr. Roger Cahoon of Baraboo and Ora B. Cahoon, Chicago.

Those present were Dr. and Mrs. Roger Cahoon, Roger Cahoon Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon, Miss Myrna Cahoon, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Arndt and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cahoon and daughter and Undersheriff Wilbur Cahoon, all of Baraboo; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Slavik, Appleton, and Mr. and Mrs. Ora B. Cahoon, Chicago.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Tuesday 26 Sep 1933 p 4

ing again.
 Horace Cahoon moved his family
 into the cottage just vacated by the
 Fred Tilletts

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 1 Nov 1933 p 6

Members of the Sauk county board of supervisors spent a busy afternoon Wednesday, business including the appointment of the dance hall inspectors for the year, allowing of claims for blind aid, the allowing of claims for assessing dogs and claims for damages done by dogs discussion of relief matters, decision on audits for the county books, and other matters.

The following dance hall inspectors have been appointed:

Horace Cahoon, town of Delton
 William Thoenes, town of Valton

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 22 Nov 1934 p 1

Horace Cahoon seems to have been the lucky fellow from this vicinity, for he returned from the north with a deer.

"Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Thursday 3 Dec 1936 p 4

Visiting the office of County Clerk Ernest J. Maulwurf to collect fox bounties the past few days have been the following men, who obtained their foxes in the given townships: Lewis Seymour, 3, Excelsior; Ernest Harms, 2, Westfield; Clarence Meyer, Ironton; Lorenz Struck, Reedsburg; Roy Gasser, Honey Creek; Waldo Markert, Honey Creek; Lloyd Radel, 2, Spring Green; Werner Kelter, 2, Prairie du Sac; Merlin Burgess, 2, Ironton and Horace C. Cahoon, Delton; Lawrence Gleash, Greenfield; and Herman Christian, 2, Bear Creek.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 19 Jan 1938 p 4

Anniversary Of Tuscania On Saturday

Twenty years ago tomorrow was an eventful day in the lives of a number of Baraboo men, familiarly known as "Baraboo's 21," who were aboard the ill-fated Tuscania when the ship was struck by a German torpedo and went down off the Irish coast on Feb. 5 of 1918. For many years the group has held a reunion here but the custom will not be observed this year.

Planning to attend the national Tuscania Survivors' convention in Chicago are Paul L. Stewart and Dr. C. F. Stekl of Baraboo. It is possible others may attend. Two of the "21" are ill this year, Earl Powell having undergone a serious operation at a Madison hospital a few days ago while Edward Coughlin is recuperating after an illness with pneumonia.

The complete list of Baraboo's 21 is:

Otto Arndt, Baraboo
Paul L. Stewart, Baraboo
George W. Hattle, deceased.
Arthur Bender, deceased.
Earl F. Powell, Baraboo.
Otto F. Bates, Decatur, Ill.
Horace C. Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells.
Edward W. Coughlin, Baraboo.
Vernon E. Cafilisch, deceased.
Arthur H. Thayer, Baraboo.
Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Baraboo.
Randall H. Herfort, Baraboo.
Charles M. Kellogg, Janesville.
Richard Mahler, Maywood, Ill.
Earl W. Veerhusen, Milwaukee.
James F. Bray, Baraboo.
Wayland E. Kier, Montana.
John L. O'Brien, deceased.
Clarence Braun, Baraboo.
Ralph Sanderson, deceased.
Donald Duncan, deceased.
Russell Brodie, deceased.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 4 Feb 1938 p 4

Sauk Board Rations, Bicycle, Two Autos

BARABOO — Certificates for purchase of two new automobiles and one adult size bicycle have been issued by the Sauk county war price and rationing board. Horace C. Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells ordnance worker, received the bicycle certificate, while the automobiles were for Elmer W. Grant, Baraboo, ordnance works operating engineer, and Walter Hickey, Reedsburg, stock buyer, farm manager, and fire chief.

The board has also issued cer-

tificates for 27 heavy truck tires and 33 passenger car tires.

“Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) Thursday 15 Oct 1942 p 24

Spencers Hold Reunion At Marion Park

The descendants of Thomas Hardy Spencer gathered at their annual reunion Sunday, July 28. It was held in the pavilion at Marion park. A one o'clock picnic lunch was served. After lunch a business meeting was called to order by the chairman, Pearson Spencer. Letters from absent members were read, including messages from St. Petersburg, Florida, Los Angeles, California, Rockford, Illinois, and Seattle, Washington.

The following new officers were elected: R. H. (Stuffy) Johnston, chairman; L. C. Welch, vice chairman; Ann Aton, secretary and historian. Robert Aton was again appointed to the grounds committee. Impromptu talks were given by R. H. Johnston, Helen J. Wells, Pearson Spencer, L. C. Welch, Robert Aton, Paul Cahoon, and Rees Schlag.

Those present were: from Baraboo: Pearson Spencer and his two sons; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Welch, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Berendes and daughter; Miss Helen J. Wells of Madison; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon of Wisconsin Dells; Horace Cahoon and his two sons of Lake Delton; from Rhineland: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Subert and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Subert; from Milwaukee: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Zielsdorf, Miss Mariette Aton; from Prairie du Sac: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aton, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Aton and son, Miss Marjorie Aton, guests, Mr. and Mrs. Rees Schlag of Chippewa Falls.

At five o'clock the reunion moved to the Masonic hall to attend the Atons' open house.

Horace & his 2 sons - "Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 31 Jul 1946 p 4



Baraboo's 21, Veterans of Tuscania Sinking



RICHARD MAYLER
Mayfield, Ill.



RUSSELL BRODY
(Deceased)



WAYLAND KIER
Kane, Michigan



JOHN O'BRIEN
(Deceased)



EARL UEBERLY
Winthrop



RALPH SANDERSON
(Deceased)



EDWARD COUGHLIN
Baraboo



HERBERT STECKENBAUER
Baraboo



VERNON CARLISCH
(Deceased)



JAMES BRAY
Baraboo



RANDALL MCPORT
Baraboo



GEORGE WATTLE
(Deceased)



EARL POWELL
Baraboo



PAUL L. STEWART
Baraboo



DONALD DUNCAN
(Deceased)



CLARENCE BRAUN
Baraboo



HORACE CAHOON
Lake Delton



OTTO ABANDT
Baraboo



OTTO BATES
Baraboo



CHARLES REINEGG
Janesville



ARTHUR SNYDER
(Deceased)

Gathering tonight at the American Legion hall will be some 15 veterans of World War I, together with a number of other friends, to observe the 30th anniversary of the sinking of the Tuscania, Feb. 5th, 1918. The 15 veterans will be representative of the group known as "Baraboo's 21", there being 21 Baraboo men aboard the Tuscania when it was sunk by a German submarine

torpedo off the coast of Ireland. Many Baraboo people will recall those days of great anxiety in this city when it became known that the transport had been sunk and Baraboo men were probably aboard. First word of the sinking was carried in Baraboo newspapers on Feb. 7th when headlines carried the words:

"Wisconsin Troops On Torpedoed

Transport"

Files of this paper said:

"It is believed that about 20 Baraboo boys were on the Tuscania, members of the 107th supply train. The names cannot be accurately ascertained at this time and for that reason the few known are withheld at this time. It is believed that within a few days the suspense will be over. The blow comes

hard to the people of Baraboo, the whole city mourns the possible loss of her brave sons."

It wasn't until Feb. 11th that the newspaper carried the glad tidings:

**"Baraboo Boys Now All Account-
ed For"**

The story told how after days of anxious waiting, latest news was to the effect that all the Baraboo

boys were saved in the disaster. One by one, messages had come in, first to hear being the M. J. Coughlins, a cablegram stating that Edward was safe. A cablegram the same day from Lt. Paul L. Stewart stated, "landed safely". The M. J. Powells heard from Earl that he, Donald Duncan and Ed Coughlin were safe. J. T. Bates heard from Madison that a list of

survivors included the name Otto Bates. Herbert Steckenbauer, Ralph Sanderson and Rex Cafilich were reported safe. Charles Kellogg cabled from Ireland word of his safety.

It was not until much later that definite figures were given out: and it was known that 315 men lost their lives in the disaster when all of the 1500 officers and men

were forced to abandon ship and take to life boats and rafts. Rough and cold seas hampered the work of rescue which went on for several hours. The Baraboo boys were taken off by the destroyer Alfs King and landed in Ireland, most of them without funds or extra clothing, to receive aid from the Irish people under the supervision of the American consul.

Most of the Baraboo boys were of the 107th supply train of the later famous 32nd division. Joining them in tonight's observance of the anniversary will be Arthur H. Thayer, then from Reedsburg but also aboard the ship.

The 30th anniversary dinner is scheduled for 6:30 this evening and already several out-of-town members have arrived here.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 7 Feb 1948 p 5





Saturday, Feb. 5th, is the 31st anniversary of the sinking of the troop ship Tuscania off the Irish coast, with "Baraboo's 21" soldiers aboard, and as has been customary in years past, the surviving members of the group will convene in Baraboo on Saturday Feb. 5th, for a reunion in which they will be joined by Baraboo friends. Dinner will be served at the Legion club followed by a social evening.

There are now 15 of the veterans surviving and last year all were present except Wayland Kier, who lives in Montana. They are shown above on the occasion of last year's reunion, reading left to right:

Front row: Richard Mahler, Horace Cahoon, Paul L. Stewart, Edward Coughlin, Charles Kellogg, James Bray and Randall Herfort.

Second row: Otto Bates, Earl Veerhusen, Otto Arndt, Earl Powell, Clarence Braun, Arthur Thayer, and Herbert Steckenbauer.

Horace in front row, 2nd from left - "Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 3 Feb 1949 p 1

Tuscania Reunion Attended by 70

About 70 persons gathered at the Legion hall Saturday night to help commemorate the 31st anniversary of the sinking of the troop ship *Tuscania* off the Irish coast with "Baraboo's 21" soldiers aboard. As has been the practice down through the years, the surviving members of this group meet annually for a dinner and social time in which they are joined by their many Baraboo friends.

Ten of the surviving 15 members of this club were in attendance. They are Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton; Otto Arndt, Reedsburg; Paul L. Stewart, Edward Coughlin, James Bray, Randall Herfort, Earl Veerhusen, Clarence Braun, Arthur Thayer, and Herbert Steckenbauer, all of Baraboo. The five members who were absent are Richard Mahler, Charles Kellogg, Otto Bates, Earl Powell, and Wayland Kier.

After the dinner, James Bray gave a short talk during which time he presented a gift to Fred E. Morey who, he said, has always been ready with a helping hand and helpful advice for the members of this club. All those present signed a "get well" card to be sent to Earl Powell who is ill. These incidents were followed by a social time.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 7 Feb 1949 p 4

Spencer Reunion Held Sunday

The Spencer annual reunion was held at Marion park, Prairie du Sac on Sunday, July 23.

After the picnic dinner a business meeting was conducted at which the old officers were re-elected to serve the ensuing year, Robert Aton being president, Laurie Welch, vice-president and Gladys Spencer, secretary.

The meeting was adjourned after a short program and the older members spent the afternoon in visiting and watching a ball game, while the younger ones enjoyed the swings and the swimming pool. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aton, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Aton, Jon and Marjorie, Prairie du Sac; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Seibert and Edith, Arthur Seibert and

Barbara, Rhinelander; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ziegdorf and Mariette Aton, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Welch, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Berendes and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Welch and Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Spencer and children, Baraboo; Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Schweke and children and Misses Martha and Lydia Roewer, Reedsburg; Horace Caboon and sons, Lake Delton; and Miss Helen Wells and Mrs. Gladys Spencer, Madison.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 26 Jul 1950 p 2

Accidents reported to the Sauk county highway police over the weekend were numerous, and in many of them injuries were reported.

John P. Sloniker, Route 1, Wonewoc, is confined to the Reedsburg Municipal hospital with concussion and possible skull fracture and a shoulder injury incurred in a head-on collision on a dusty, fresh gravelled road at 4:30 p.m. Sunday. The other driver in the collision, Horace C. Cahoon, Route 1, Wisconsin Dells, sustained a knee injury, Capt. C. W. Frye reports.

The cars met on County Trunk B near the Charles Schroeder farm, two and a half miles southwest of Wonewoc. Extensive damage was listed to Mr. Sloniker's 1946 Chevrolet two-door and his wife Doris received a laceration of the left knee and an injured right arm, while his son Arnold had a cut on the head.

Mr. Cahoon's 1952 Oldsmobile was also listed as extensively damaged.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Monday 24 Aug 1953 p 1

Loomis Still Interested In Local Veterans

A letter from Grant Loomis, former local resident but for many years residing in Albuquerque, New Mexico, indicates that he still maintains an interest in Baraboo veterans and their doings. He writes that he was interested to read in his faithful Baraboo News that a World War Barracks was being organized in Baraboo. He writes:

"I got my past commanders' pin in January for the past year. I have signed up 87 members for 1964. I still work as claim officer for all veterans, the same work that LeRoy Lane is doing there.

I read recently of the memorial to Baraboo's 21 of the Tuscania fame of Feb. 5, 1918. Yes, I guess everyone should remember those 21. I have them all in mind and name for those that have forgotten them, the old 107th Supply Train trained at Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas. I was at Waco in 1951 and inquired about the camp. They said it is gone and Camp Hood took its place.

"Here are the names of the 21—Paul L. Stewart, Otto Arndt, George W. Hattle, Arthur Bender, Earl L. Powell, Russell Brodie, Otto F. Bates, Horace C. Cahoon, Edward W. Coughlin, Vernon A. Caflisch, Herbert E. Steckenbauer, Donald M. Duncan, Randall H. Herfort, Charles M. Kellogg, Richard L. Mahler, Ralph F. Sanderson, Earl W. Veerhusen, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier, John T. O'Brien and Clarence Braun.

"I have been at the same old address for the past 35 years—638 Kinley ave., N.W., Albuquerque, N.M."

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Thursday 19 Mar 1964 p 4

Services for Otto F. Bates

Funeral services for Otto F. Bates were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Scheible funeral home with Rev. Robert Hall of Madison officiating.

The pallbearers were Alfred Owens, John Troyer, Joseph Bates, John Bates, Roger Bass and Fred Baertsch.

The honorary pallbearers were four local survivors of the Tuscania sinking, Herbert Steckenbauer, Paul Stewart, Otto Arndt and Horace Cahoon.

Burial was made in Walnut Hill cemetery with military rites.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Wednesday 25 Aug 1965 p 4

LOST — Legion cap with 2 medals and 43-year Legion Star. \$10 Reward. Horace Cahoon. 2t-13p

"Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Thursday 23 Sep 1965 p 12

The Fateful Night The Tuscania Went Down 49 Years Ago

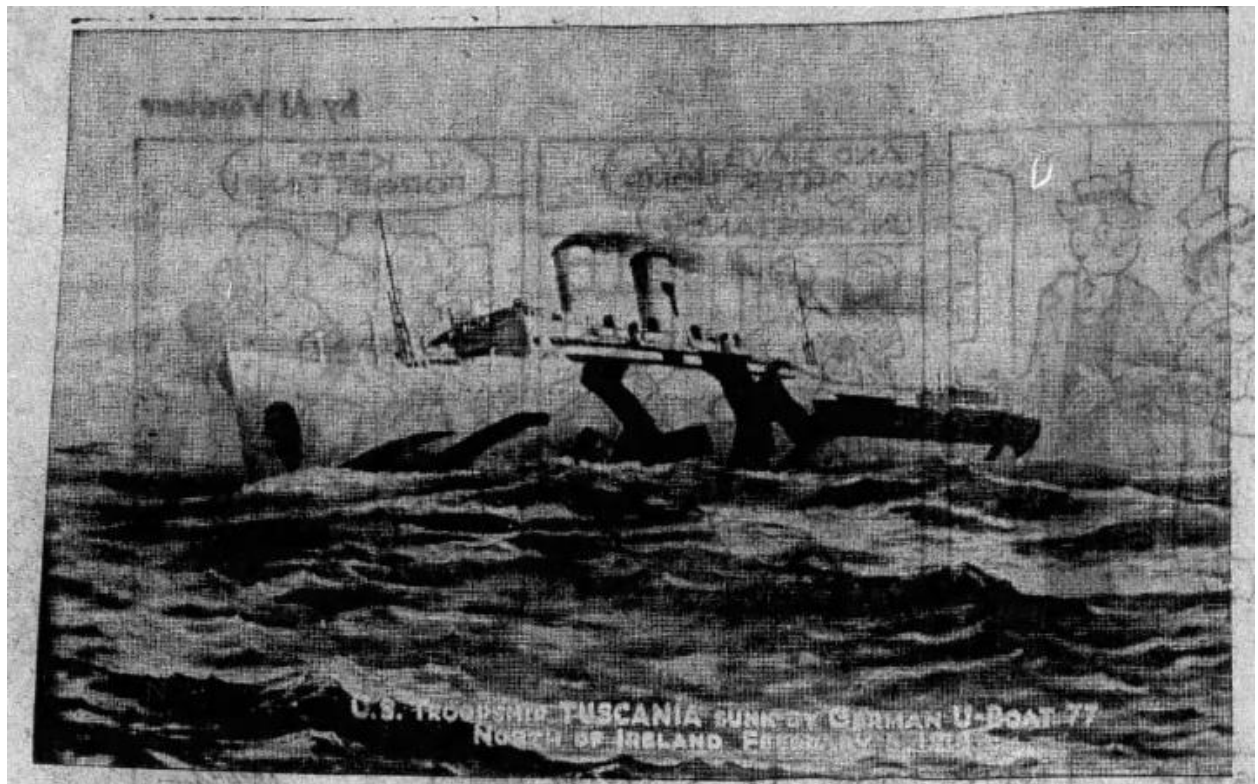
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Extensive article follows – “Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events” Thursday 9 Feb 1967 p 13 -
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Liner Tuscania Sinking Has Anniversary

Fifty-three years ago Friday the Cunard Liner Tuscania, carrying 2,179 American soldiers was torpedoed and sunk off the Irish coast. News of the ship's disaster brought fear to many local homes as the troops were chiefly detachments of Michigan and Wisconsin national guardsmen.

The first dispatch announcing the disaster reported the landing of only 1,100 survivors. For more than two hours it was feared that probably 1,400 men, including members of the ship's crew had perished.

About two hours later the state department reported a message from the embassy at London stating that 1,912 of the American troops were accounted for.

The U-boat attack came in the north channel just off the coast of Ireland. The explosion of the torpedo caused a tremendous list and made the launching of lifeboats and rafts extremely hazard-

ous in the darkness. Almost all the loss of life and the sustaining of injuries occurred because of the list. There was no panic and the liner remained afloat two hours. Many patrol boats assisted the convoy ships in rescue work and the survivors were landed at various Irish and Scottish ports.

The difficulty of definitely determining the number lost on ship on basis of official data was explained by two facts. The first was that it is not known how many of the men scheduled as being on the Tuscania's passenger list as shown by the official records in Washington were actually aboard the vessel. The second was that there was no agreement between official figures as to the number of survivors accounted for in messages received.

At first it was believed that two units including Baraboo soldiers were aboard the ship. Later it was learned that the 107th En-

gineers were not aboard.

For several days, cables came announcing the blessed news that Baraboo men were safe. The final parents to hear were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon. They learned on a Sunday, five days after the disaster that their son Horace was safe.

Twenty-one Baraboo men survived the disaster. They were: Paul L. Stewart, Edward Coughlin, Earl L. Powell, Donald Duncan, Otto F. Bates, Clarence Braun, Herbert Steckenbauer, Vernon Caflisch, Ralph L. Sanderson, Arthur Bender, Wayland E. Kier, Otto Arndt, James F. Bray, Horace C. Cahoon, Randall H. Herfort, Ronald L. Mahler, Earl Veerhusen, John O'Brien, George Hattle, Russell Brodie, and Charles Kellogg.

Area men on the ship included Arthur Thayer, then of Reedsburg, and Hale R. Tolleth and C. G. Jones, both of Kilbourn.



Another Page

By Curt Page Jr.

Fifty six years ago today, the Baraboo area received the word of the torpedoing and sinking of the Tuscania off the Irish coast. It was dreaded news because many local men were believed to be aboard the troop ship.

First reports of the sinking were not bright. They indicated that 1,100 survivors had landed at Larne and Buncrana, Ireland. This meant that about 1400 men were not accounted for. However, later in the day the number of survivors was raised to 1912.

Concern here was great as it was first reported that the 107th Supply Train, 107th Engineers and 107th Military Police were among the detachments of Michigan and Wisconsin national guardsmen traveling on the Tuscania. Baraboo men were members of these units.

Later it was acknowledged by the War Department that the Supply Train was aboard the ship. All men survived and became Baraboo's '21'. They are Horace C. Cahoon, John O'Brien, Earl Veerhusen, George Hattle, Randall Herfort, Paul Stewart, Herb Steckenbauer, James F. Bray, Wayland E. Kier, Donald Duncan, Arthur Bender, Otto Arndt, R. L. Mahler, Otto Bates, Vern Caflich, Ed Coughlin, Earl Powell, Charles Kellogg, Ralph Sanderson, Clarence Brown and Russell Brodie.

The years have taken their toll of the twenty one. Only six are left — Paul Stewart and Herb Steckenbauer, Baraboo, Horace Cahoon, Delton, Chuck Kellogg, Janesville, Wayland Kier, Montana, and Dick Mahler in Northern Wisconsin.

Donald Duncan was the only man not to return from Europe. He died of pneumonia.

The Tuscania was a British passenger and freight steamship of 14,384 tons. The 567 foot long ship was built in Glasgow in 1914. Under charter to the Cunard line, the ship was manned by British sailors, with a British naval guard and was convoyed by British warships.

With a speed of 18 knots, the Tuscania had on previous occasions managed to escape with her speed. This time the torpedo struck full amidship.

Herb Steckenbauer recalls that the ship was hit about 6 p.m. It occurred just as the ship passed a lighthouse about 15 miles from the Irish coast.

Press reports at the time indicated that the ship was traveling in a large convoy. A warning was given of the torpedo sighting and the ship was turning when struck. It was reported that it sunk within 48 minutes while other ships waited nearby to pick up survivors.

Herb said that the ship stayed afloat longer than 48 minutes because he and Ed Coughlin spent a great deal longer time in lowering the life boats.

Three days after they had landed in Ireland, the American troops were transported by train to the south to finish their journey.

It took the same amount of time for friends and relatives here to learn that all members of the "21" had survived.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Tuesday 5 Feb 1974 p 2

Lusitania Survivor Dies

Horace C. Cahoon, 77, Lake Delton, a survivor of the sinking of the Lusitania Liner by a German submarine in World War I, died Friday, Sept. 12, in Rockford, Ill., after a long illness.

Another Dells resident, the late Hale Tolleth, also survived the Lusitania catastrophe, which occurred without warning off the Irish coast on May 7, 1915. Several servicemen from Bara-

boo and Reedsburg were also aboard the liner, which was under British registration. No area men were casualties, however.

In the sinking 1,195 persons lost their lives, of whom 128 were American citizens. A warning to Americans against taking passage on British vessels, signed Imperial German Embassy, appeared in morning papers on the day the vessel was scheduled to sail, but too late to

accomplish its purpose.

The vessel was unarmed, though the Germans made a point of the fact that it carried munitions for the Allies. The considerable sympathy for Germany which had previously existed in the United States to a large extent disappeared, and there was demand from many for an immediate declaration of war.

A plumber by trade, Mr. Cahoon was born June 10, 1898. He lived most of his life in the Delton area.

He was a member of Harold B. Larkin American Legion Post, Wisconsin Dells, and the Dells Masonic Lodge.

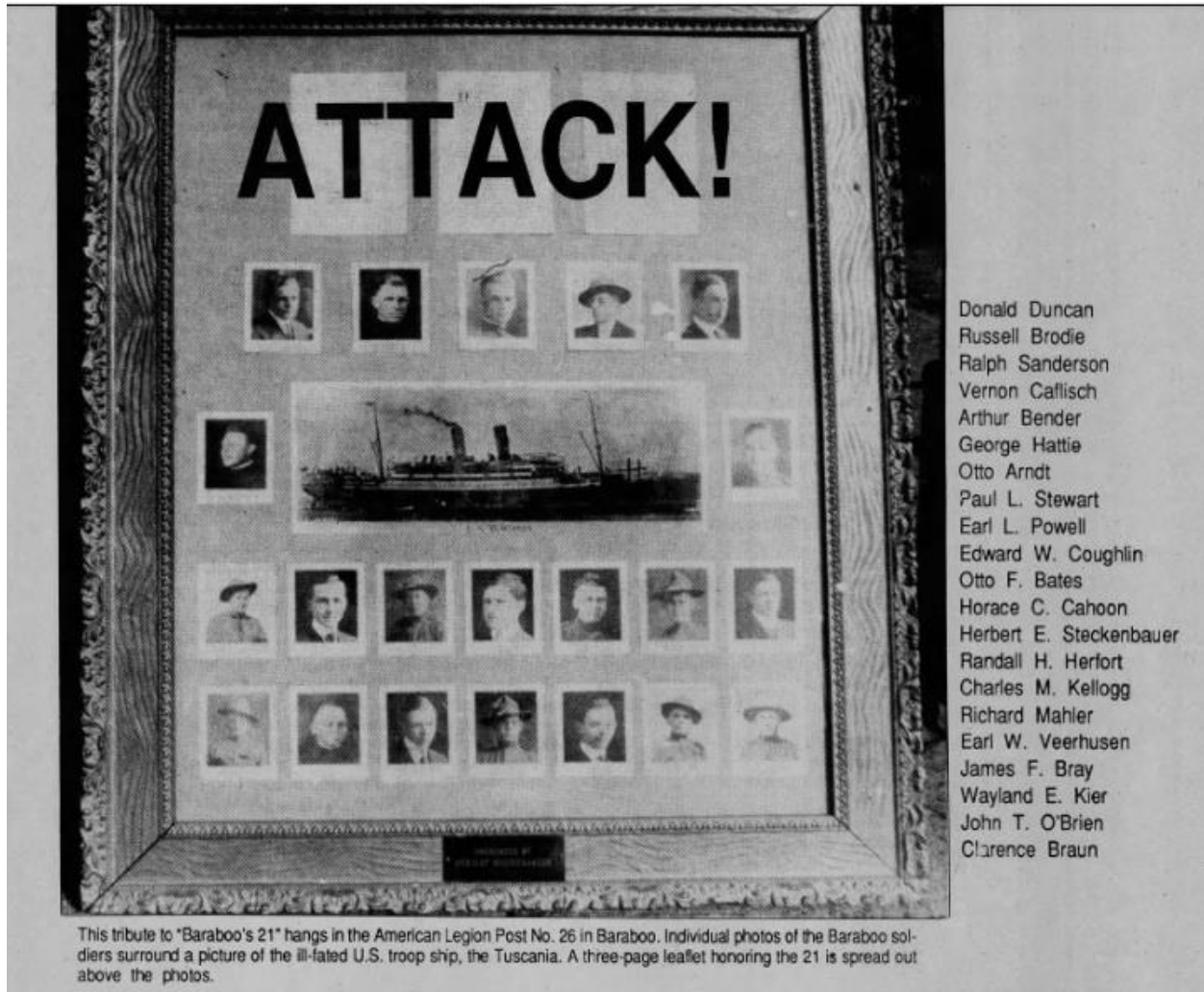
Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Elmer Nuelle, Rockford, Ill.; two sons, James, Lake Delton, and Paul, Wisconsin Dells; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Phillip Schweke, Reedsburg, and Mrs. Ethel Arndt, Baraboo.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon at the Fedderly funeral home, Wisconsin Dells, in charge of the Rev. Alvin Briggs, pastor of Dells-Delton United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Lake Delton Cemetery.

The American Legion conducted graveside services.

The "Lusitania" was a passenger liner sunk in 1915, before the US entered the war, not a troopship – Horace was on the "Tuscania" carrying US troops to the war in Europe, sunk in 1918 after the US had declared war on Germany in April 1917 – "Wisconsin Dells (WI)

Events" Thursday 18 Sep 1975 p 4



*Today we remember
Veterans Day
with the story
of 21 Baraboo soldiers
who survived the sinking
of the first
U.S. troop ship
in World War I*

By Carole Ecker

Lifestyles Editor

Capt. Parkhill was on his way to wash for dinner. It was nearing 6 p.m., and the 107th Supply Train, 32nd Division of the U.S. Army, of which he was a part, had been ordered to stand on deck following dinner.

The ship carrying them to England, the *Tuscania*, was in dangerous waters, and upturned boats from torpedoed ships were a common sight that afternoon. At 2 p.m. the *Tuscania*, traveling in an 11-ship convoy, had met two minesweepers. For four days, soldiers had been wearing life belts and drilling for a ship's emergency. The convoy was weaving a zig-zag course to confound a torpedo attack.

It was Feb. 5, 1918, dinner was waiting, and in 30 seconds no one would care that it was about to go cold.

"At precisely 5:45 p.m. (ship's time)," Parkhill would later write, "without a bit of warning

a torpedo struck us slightly amidship on the starboard side, the engines stopped and the lights went out all over the boat immediately."

In the half minute it took a pair of torpedoes to streak from a German U-boat, thousands of lives would perch at the brink of eternity. And hundreds would fall in the hours it took for the *Tuscania* to sink. Calm and panic, bravery and cowardice would take hold. Most of the crew would abandon ship, leaving passengers to cope with a shortage of lifeboats. Soldiers would jump into the sea or be crushed leaping between the lost ship and rescuing destroyers.

In the days following, lifeboats would row ashore safely or be dashed against the coast of Scotland. Beaches would be awash with bodies of 300 victims.

And the 21 Baraboo soldiers aboard the *Tuscania*, all of them members of the 107th Infantry, would live.

All but one would eventually return home (Donald Duncan would die of pneumonia in France). They would reunite for years with other survivors and become known locally as "Baraboo's 21," the boys spared to finish the fight in the War to End All Wars.

None of the men is alive today, but in yellowed Baraboo Weekly News accounts gathered by American Legion Post No. 26 and the Sauk County Historical Society, the attack and sinking of the *Tuscania*, only seven miles from the northern Irish coast, is reconstructed here. The sinking has been called the first of a U.S. troop ship during World War I.

A history of the 107th Infantry, provided by Capt. Oakley L. Parkhill, Fargo, N.D., is the basis of much of the information. Parkhill com-

piled his history from a diary he kept while serving overseas in World War I.

Parkhill credited extensive training to the cool-headedness of the men of the 32nd in the minutes and hours that followed the disaster. On board were 237 crew, two British army nurses and 2,156 American soldiers headed for trench warfare.

"Some confusion ensued, owing to the lights having gone out," he said, "but so far as can be ascertained the men showed rare coolness in the face of the impending danger of boilers blowing up, as they frequently do on torpedoed ships."

One of two torpedoes fired from the enemy sub had plowed low into the starboard side of the ship, next to the engine room. Debris and water shot skyward, and the sea rushed into the damaged compartment. The ship began to keel.

Parkhill, on his way to dinner when the sound of the engines' hum and all light were shattered by a deep rumble, stopped still.

"Went back to my stateroom in the dark and obtained my cap, overcoat and life belt," Parkhill wrote, "and made my way back to 'B' deck, where I found our lifeboat '7' had been blown to pieces, so did what I could to keep order on starboard side of the ship."

In fact, none of the lifeboats at either Stations 7, directly above the torpedo site, or Station 8 was seaworthy.

Below, in the boiler room, the ship's firemen had had enough time to let out the boilers' steaming water and replace it with cold water.

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avoiding a boiler explosion.

"The fact that we had been hit so low also allowed the men to get the airtight bulkheads closed easily and securely," Parkhill said, "which helped to assure us that we would not sink immediately."

Meanwhile, the other 10 ships of the convoy had sped from the Tuscania, escaping danger. Three destroyers steamed as closely to the ship as they dared.

On deck, roll call began calmly.

"The ship was still dark, and the crew were shooting distress rockets, while the wireless operator man was busy sending out S.O.S. calls," Parkhill said.

Most of the ship's crew scrambled into the first lowered lifeboats. Some, though, remained at their posts — the ship's captain, purser, wireless operator and a few stewards.

With a heavy starboard list, launching from the port side was difficult.

"We were listing to the starboard quite a lot," Parkhill said. "Many of the boats were being lowered in a poor way, some being thrown overboard. We saw the submarine come up near us and steam past us and then go down again."

The hovering destroyers were unable to drop depth bombs — their blasts would rip apart floating lifeboats.

Auxiliary dynamos and storage batteries were activated, and bright light returned to the ship, facilitating lifeboat operations, but the danger of immediate sinking was great, and some panicked.

"Many men had become frantic and had jumped overboard, only to yell back for a rope to pull them up," he said. Carelessly lowered lifeboats threw occupants into the sea. "One lifeboat broke the ropes and fell upon another lifeboat full of men on the port side, killing several and smashing the boat."

Most of the lifeboats had been sent out, but so many were destroyed or badly launched that 1,200 men were still swarmed on deck.

"The men of the Supply Train and other units

1,200 men were still swarmed on deck.

"The men of the Supply Train and other units of the 32nd Division, who had a lot more drilling and been in the service longer than the others," Parkhill said, "showed up to a good advantage and set a fine example for the others by their coolness."

The destroyers began taking turns pulling close to the Tuscania for short periods of time, evacuating those aboard.

"Several men lost their lives by falling between the destroyers and the ship and being crushed there," Parkhill said. Others were severely injured.

While one destroyer took on men from the ship, the other two would pick up lifeboats.

By then English Navy Coast patrol boats and trawlers had answered the call for help and were picking up lifeboats.

The survivors were taken to ports in Ireland.

Men in some of the lifeboats still at sea safely beached in Scotland. Other lifeboats were lost.

"Many boats had been dashed to pieces on the coast of the islands (of Scotland), and many were lost in this manner," Parkhill said.

Parkhill, then a sergeant and the highest rank-

ing soldier there, took charge of the soldiers in Ireland.

Feb. 10 they were transported to Winchester, England, where they were encamped.

Before joining the others in England, the American soldiers in Scotland identified and buried the dead, who washed ashore for more than a week.

On March 19, 1918, the surviving men of the Tuscania sailed for France, and victory.

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Wednesday 11 Nov 1992 p 23

Wife:**Marie Evelyn Lathrop**

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928

Name	Marie Evelyn Lathrop
Gender	Female
Race	White
Birth Date	21 Sep 1907
Birth Place	Beaver Dam, Dodge, Wisconsin
Father	Frank Lathrop
Mother	Alvina Cassebaun
FHL Film Number	1302862

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/720356:2544?tid=&pid=&queryId=bc01e52c-c7d2-4586-aff9-e3148d999813&phsrc=cPx12105&phstart=successSource>

Marie Lathrop

in the Web: Minnesota, U.S., Marriages from the Minnesota Official Marriage System, 1850-2022

Name	Marie Lathrop
Marriage Date	26 Jul 1930
Marriage Place	Winona, Minnesota, USA
Spouse	Horace Cahoun
Certificate Number	Cahholatma
URL	https://moms.mn.gov/

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/92755063:70873>

County Court Divorce Heard

Marie Cahoon, 37, Wisconsin Dells, was granted a divorce decree from Horace Cahoon, 45, Lake Delton, in Sauk county court Friday, the action being heard on Mrs. Cahoon's counter-claim after Mr. Cahoon had withdrawn his complaint.

Cruel and inhuman treatment were grounds for the decree and witnesses were Marie Cahoon, Grace R. Russell, and Janet Fairbanks. Judge Henry J. Bohn confirmed a stipulation of settlement and support and granted custody of one child to the father and two children to the mother.

The couple had been married July 26, 1930, at Winona, Minn.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Saturday 8 Sep 1945 p 4

Entertains at Shower.

Mrs. Frank Lathrop entertained Sunday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Marie, who will become the bride of Carl Kraft in the near future. Cards were played and prizes in Five Hundred went to Mrs. Tunis Lathrop, first; Mrs. Theodore Cassabaum, Jr., consolation. Schafskopf. Mrs. Ernest Taylor, first; Mrs. Theodore Cassabaum, Sr., consolation. Bunco, Mrs. Fred Gilmore, first, and Mrs. Joe Kutcher, consolation. Supper was served and the quest of honor was presented with pretty gifts.

Those present were Mesdames Ernest Taylor, Lester Bearder, Wm. D. Lathrop, Tunis Lathrop, Joe Kutcher, Fred Brown, Joe Kitzinger, Fred Gilmore, Theodore Cassabaum, Jr., Theodore Cassabaum, Sr., Russell Oathout, William Ferris, Frank Lathrop; Misses Marie Lathrop and Hattie Lathrop.

"Beaver Dam (WI) Daily Citizen" Monday 21 Jan 1929 p 5

MARRIAGE LICENSES

R. H. A. Zimmerman, Beaver Dam.
Mrs. Anna Ries, Beaver Dam.

Walter R. Schlegel, Mayville.
Martha Pribnow, Mayville.

Alfred L. Mann, Horicon.
Evelyn M. Wegner, Horicon.

Ewald Hoepner, Village of Theresa.
Linda Dobberpuhl, town Theresa.

Carl Kraft, Beaver Dam.
Marie Lathrop, Beaver Dam.

Dick Zonnefeld, town Trenton.
Mary Buteyn, Waupun.

"Fox Lake (WI) Representative" Thursday 24 Jan 1929 p 1

Kraft—Lathrop.
A very pretty wedding took place at the parsonage of the First Lutheran church Saturday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, when Miss Marie Lathrop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lathrop, 213 Main street, became the bride of Carl Kraft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kraft, 907 North Center

street. The Rev. O. Gammelin read the nuptial service.

The bride wore a tan crepe de chine frock and carried pink roses. She was attended by Miss Esther Wendt of Milwaukee, who was attired in a gown of old rose and wore a corsage of red roses. The groom's attendant was Harry Lathrop of Milwaukee, brother of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Kraft will make their home at 213 Main street, for the present.

Out-of-town guests were: Misses Elvira Olson, Esther Wendt, Betty Lathrop and Janet Lathrop, Messrs. A. Raasch, David Zearbe and Harry Lathrop of Milwaukee.

"Beaver Dam (WI) Daily Citizen" Tuesday 29 Jan 1929 p 4

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 A divorce to Carl Kraft from his wife Marie was granted in county court on Tuesday on grounds of desertion. Parties are residents of Beaver Dam. The marriage took place January 26, 1929, at Beaver Dam.

Divorced from Carl Kraft on 1 Jul 1930 on grounds of desertion – “Dodge County Independent-News” (Juneau WI) Friday 4 Jul 1930 p 1 – Marie marries Horace Cahoon on 26 Jul 1930 in MN

Marie Lathrop

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004

Name	Marie Lathrop
Maiden Name	Lathrop
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	24 Jan 1929
Marriage County	Dodge, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	Carl Kraft

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90964128:61484>

SPARTA, Wis.—(Special)—Mrs. Alvin Cassabaum Lathrop, 55, passed away at her home Wednesday afternoon.

The deceased was a native of Wisconsin. She is survived by her husband and her son, Dudley Lathrop, of Sparta; daughters, Jessie and Mrs. Ed Fairbanks of Sparta, Marie Cahoon of Lake Delton, Alvina Peterson of Porterfield, Wis., Elizabeth Seebruch and the son, Harry of Milwaukee; her mother; five brothers; three sisters; six grandchildren.

Services were held in the Plummer Funeral Home Saturday afternoon. Rev. R. Harold Gee officiated. Interment was in Mount Hope cemetery.

“La Crosse (WI) Tribune” Saturday 18 Jun 1932 p 7

Marie E Dyer

in the Winnebago County, Illinois, U.S., Deaths, 1844-1992

Name	Marie E Dyer
Death Date	24 Mar 1965
Death Place	Winnebago, Illinois, USA
File Number	171472

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/31197:5397>

Children:

NUELLE - Patricia M. Nuelle, 60, 716 N. Rockton Ave., died at 7:35 p.m. Friday, May 31, 1991, in Rockford Memorial Hospital, after an extended illness. Born Nov. 7, 1930, in Sauk County, Wis., daughter of Horace and Marie Lathrop Dyer Cahoon. Lived 27 years in Rockford, coming here from Wisconsin. Married Elmer Nuelle in Panama City, Fla., in 1960. Employed as welder at Atwood Co., for 27 years, recently retiring. Survivors include her husband, Elmer, Rockford; five sons, Frank (Bonnie) Thayer, Sterling, John (Sue) Thayer and Jim Thayer, Rock Falls, Steve (Cathy) Nuelle and Jim (Penny) Nuelle, Rockford; four daughters, Peggy Nuelle, Knoxville, Tenn., Wendy (George) Pedersen, Shannon, Cathy Thayer, Vancouver, Wash., and Penny (Randy) Bentrott, Hampton Va.; two brothers, Jim Cahoon and Paul Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; two sisters, Lynn Ludwig, Chadwick, and Picky Purl, Pecatonica; and nine grandchildren. Predeceased by her parents.

Cremation rites were accorded. Private family service was held at FITZGERALD & SON FUNERAL HOME LTD., 3910 N. Rockton Ave. 6-2--3

Obituary of daughter Patricia Myrna Cahoon Thayer Nuelle (1930-1991) – Find A Grave 73377891



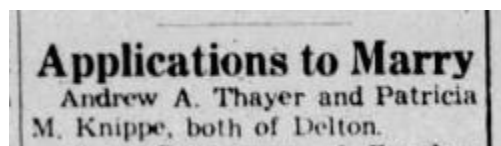
Marriage of Patricia Cahoon on 2 Mar 1947 to Phillip Knippel Jr. – “Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events” Thursday 6 Mar 1947 p 1



Divorced 14 Jun 1949 – “Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Thursday 16 Jun 1949 p 5



“Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Wednesday 12 Jul 1950 p 1



“Reedsburg (WI) Times-Press” Thursday 20 Jul 1950 p 10

Evelen M Lathrop

in the U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007

Name	Evelen M Lathrop
Gender	Female
Spouse	Horace W Cahoon
Child	Patricia M Thayer

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/799158978:60901>

Patricia M Thayer

in the U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007

Name	Patricia M Thayer [Patricia M Nuelle] [Patricia M Cahoon]
Gender	Female
Race	White
Birth Date	7 Nov 1930
Birth Place	Beaver Dam U, Wisconsin
Death Date	31 May 1991
Father	Horace W Cahoon
Mother	Evelen M Lathrop
SSN	521529075
Notes	Aug 1957: Name listed as PATRICIA M THAYER; Jun 1961: Name listed as PATRICIA M NUELLE

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/49158978:60901>

Patricia Myrna Thayer

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004

Name	Patricia Myrna Thayer
Maiden Name	Cahoon
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	7 Jul 1982
Marriage County	Green, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	Elmer Amos Nuelle

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90645849:61484?tid=&pid=&queryId=e5104b07-ce93-40b9-b482-7edc65e8d70e&_phsrc=cPx12178&_phstart=successSource



Son Jim Horace Cahoon (1937-2017) – Find A Grave 208332429

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs.
Horace Cahoon of Wisconsin Dells
last night at the St. Mary's-Ring-
ling hospital.

Birth of James/Jim Horace Cahoon – “Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Wednesday 21 Jul 1937 p 4

Braves Sign Jim Cahoon, Dells Hurler

Jim Cahoon of Lake Delton, star pitcher for Wisconsin Dells high school teams the past four years and with Lake Delton's amateur team in the Sauk County League, Tuesday was signed by the Milwaukee Braves.

Cahoon, who was recommended to the Braves by Joe Dommerhausen, State Journal sports writer, was signed by Eddie Dancisak, Wisconsin-Iowa scout for the Braves, to a contract with Eau Claire of the Class C Northern League. He probably will be assigned to a Class D league club by the Braves.

The 17-year-old righthander is the son of Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton. He is 5-feet 11-inches tall and weighs 195 pounds.



CAHOON

Two weeks ago Cahoon hurled a no-hitter against Rock Springs in Sauk County League play. He pitched six no-hitters in high school competition, including one this spring. In four years he hurled 19 wins and four defeats in prep play. He graduated from Wisconsin Dells high school this spring and will join the Braves soon.

Cahoon also has been a fine hitter, compiling a .491 average for three years of high school play. In 1953 he batted .650, in 1954 he had a .455 average and this spring he hit at a .364 clip.

He pitched 149 innings in his 23 games for Wisconsin Dells high school, fanning 289 batters and walking 51 while giving up only 63 hits.

Cahoon, who also was sought by Cleveland, had a trial with Eau Claire a week ago, the day after his high school graduation. A close follower of the Braves, he was overjoyed when Dancisak offered him a contract in the Milwaukee system.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Wednesday 8 Jun 1955 p 27

Jim Cahoon

Jim Horace Cahoon, 79, of Reedsburg, passed away peacefully at his residence on Saturday, July 8, 2017.

Jim, son of Horace and Marie (Dyer) Cahoon was born July 20, 1937, in Baraboo. Jim grew up in Lake Delton and later attended Wisconsin Dells High School where he went on to be a stellar athlete. During his senior year of 1955 he was drafted by the Milwaukee Braves and after graduation was immediately assigned to their farm club in Wellsville, New York, and the following year in Waycross, Georgia.

Jim later returned to Wisconsin and met his soul mate Marjorie Danbeck. On Sept. 19, 1958, Jim and Marj were married in Baraboo. After serving in the National Guard Jim began a plumbing

career with Henry Roser and later was hired by Schadde Plumbing where he worked until his retirement in July 1999. Jim enjoyed fishing, gardening and, of course, the Milwaukee Brewers. Jim and Marj also found happiness in spending time with family and friends at their Teal Lake home in Hayward.

After their marriage Jim and Marj raised their family on Canyon Road in Lake Delton. They had two chil-



dren, Michael (Pat) Cahoon and Kristin

(Jeff) Fitzwilliams; and two grandchildren, Megan Cahoon and Mason Weber.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Paul Cahoon; and sister, Pat Nuelle.

The family of Jim would like to thank Home Health for all their caring support which enabled him to stay at his home during his illness.

A private celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The Picha Funeral Home and Crematory of Wisconsin Dells assisted the family with arrangements. For online condolences and information, visit www.pichafuneralhome.com.

“Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Friday 14 Jul 2017 p A3

Engaged



Mr. and Mrs. Roger Danbeck of Baraboo announce the engagement of their daughter, Marjorie, to James Cahoon, son of Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton, and Mrs. Marie Dyer, Rock Falls, Illinois. No definite wedding plans have been made.

“Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Tuesday 18 Mar 1958 p 5



Ronald Rich Photo

Baskets of pink and white snapdragons decorated the altar of the Evangelical United Brethren church, Baraboo, Friday evening for the marriage of Miss Marjorie Ann Danbeck of Baraboo to Jim Cahoon, Lake Delton.

The 7:00 p.m. candlelight ceremony was performed before a small group of friends and relatives by the Rev. Karl F. Koch.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Danbeck, Baraboo. The groom's parents are Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton, and Mrs. Marie Dyer, Rock Falls, Illinois.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a lavender lace sheath with a taffeta cummerbund extending to the back in floating panels. She wore matching shoes and hat with a short veil. For her flowers the bride chose white carnations centered with a white orchid. Miss Janice Danbeck, her sister's only attendant, wore a light green sheath similar to the brides. She wore a matching hat and shoes, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations tied with a white satin bow.

The bride's mother attended the ceremony in a two piece navy blue dress with navy and white accessories. Her corsage was of red roses. The groom's grandmother, Mrs. Paul Cahoon, was attired in a grey dress. Her corsage was of red roses.

Jim Winn, friend of the groom served as best man. The groom and his attendant wore charcoal gray suits with white carnation boutonnieres. Gordon Caflisch jr. served as usher.

A small reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The beautiful four tier wedding cake, baked by Mrs. Theodore Herron, was cut by Miss Shirley Burkman. Serving punch was Mrs. L. J. Marston. Another friend of the bride, Miss Nancy Burkman poured the coffee, Mrs. Roger Ware was in charge of the guest book.

After a two week's honeymoon in Northern Wisconsin, the young couple will be at home in Baraboo.

Previous to her marriage the bride was honored at two miscellaneous showers, one given by her sister, Janice; and the other by her aunt, Mrs. A. Behrman. She received many lovely gifts.

"Baraboo (WI) News-Republic" Friday 26 Sep 1958 p 5

Smith-Cahoon Nuptials Occur

Judith Elaine Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith, Westby, and Paul Roger Cahoon, son of Horace Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells, exchanged nuptial vows before the Rev. J. O. Paulsrud Saturday, Oct. 22 in an 8 p.m. candlelight ceremony held in the Smith home. Attending the bridal pair were Patricia Smith, sister, and James Cahoon, brother, Wisconsin Dells.

The bride wore a gown of white crystal and silk with lace overskirt. Her shoulder length veiling was caught to a lace headpiece and she carried white and bronze mums. Her attendant wore a green silk shantung sheath and carried bronze mums.

Among guests at the reception held in the Smith home were Horace Cahoon and Mrs. James Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells; Mrs. Frances Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Haukom, Necedah; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Von Haden, Ricky, Ronald, Susan, Rodger and Sheri, Boscobel; and Allan Haukom, Fort Atkinson.

The newlyweds will reside in Wisconsin Dells where Mr. Cahoon is a plumber with Heckendorn Plumbing.

Bridal Pair In Westby

WESTBY, Wis.—Judith Elaine Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith, Westby, and Paul Roger Cahoon, son of Horace Cahoon, Wisconsin Dells, exchanged nuptial vows before the Rev. J. O. Paulsrud Saturday, Oct. 22 in an 8 p.m. candlelight ceremony held in the Smith home. Attending the bridal pair were Patricia Smith, sister, and James Cahoon, brother, Wisconsin Dells.

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Son Paul Roger Cahoon (1940-1996) – left: “Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events” Thursday 17 Nov 1960 p 1 and “La Crosse (WI) Tribune” Thursday 27 Oct 1960 p 7

228 CARD OF THANKS**A WORD OF THANKS**

How can we begin to express our thanks to everyone who is helping us get through the loss of Paul, dad, grandpa. Those of you who brought food, sent flowers, shared in our grief or spent a quiet moment remembering with us, have helped in so many ways.

The support given by the Columbia County Sheriffs Office, especially Lt. Donald Wescott and Lt. "Mike", will never be forgotten.

To Fedderly-Axtell Funeral Home, Dells Delton United Methodist Church, Pastor Thomas Lowery, Sue White and Mike Showalter, our deepest thanks. Larry Fish and "crew", what would we have done without you. The special care and exceptional effort by everyone is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered by our entire family.

On behalf of a man who will be dearly missed, and loved always, we thank you.

The Paul Cahoon family

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"Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Wednesday 21 Feb 1996 p 8

Cahoon, Paul R.

WISCONSIN DELLS — Paul R. Cahoon, age 55, died on Wednesday, January 31, 1996, in Lewiston Township, Columbia County, Wisconsin. Paul Roger Cahoon was born in Baraboo on December 23, 1940, to Horace and Marie (Lathrop) Cahoon. He has worked in the Wisconsin Dells area as a plumber for Stage Coach Plumbing of Middleton. Paul was a member of the Dells-Delton Methodist Church. On October 22, 1960, he was united in marriage with Judy Elaine Smith at Westby, Wisconsin. Surviving are his wife, Judy Cahoon, of Wisconsin Dells; four daughters, Patricia (Dan) Schwartzee of Wisconsin Dells, Kelly (Bob) Sitas of Baraboo, Kathy (Mike Greenwood) Cahoon of Reedsburg and Erin (Dan) Wolfgram of Waupaca; a son, Robby (Denise) Cahoon of Bradford, England; a brother, James Cahoon of Lake Delton; two sisters, Vicki (Jerry) Purl and Lynn (Merl) Ludwig; and 12 grandchildren, Brett, Colin, Lauren, Lucas, Jacob, Dan, Serena, Katelynn, Garrett, Ali, Andi and Karah. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 3, 1996, from the **DELLS-DELTON METHODIST CHURCH** in Lake Delton. Rev. Thomas Lowery will officiate. Burial will be in the Lake Delton Cemetery. Friends may call at the **FEDDERLY-AXTELL FUNERAL HOME** in Wisconsin Dells on Friday, February 2, 1996, from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and at the **DELLS-DELTON METHODIST CHURCH** on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of funeral services.

Father:

Paul Cahoon, 81, Lake Delton Resident Dies

Paul Cahoon, 81, Lake Delton, passed away at the Municipal Hospital here on Thursday evening. He had been in failing health for about five years.

He had been a resident of the Baraboo area and was known as an auctioneer and as a square dance caller. He had been a member of the Knights of Pythias and Masonic lodges.

He is survived by his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Rollin Johnston, Baraboo; Mrs. Otto Arndt, Baraboo and Mrs. P. R. Schweke of Reedsburg; one son, Horace, Lake Delton; three brothers, Wilbur, Baraboo; Lee, Missoula, Mont., and Ora, Winterhaven, Fla.; eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

The funeral was held on Monday at 2 p.m. at the Hanson Funeral Home in Baraboo and burial was in the Lake Delton cemetery. Masonic rites were given at the services. Memorial donations were made to Camp Wawbeek.

"Reedsburg (WI) Times-Press" Thursday 6 Dec 1956 p 8

BEER TRUCK BURSTS INTO FLAMES IN HEADON FRIDAY

Injured in an automobile collision near Baraboo Wednesday, Paul Cahoon, well known throughout the Dells region, was discharged from St. Mary's Ringing hospital Friday. Mr. Cahoon is the father of Horace Cahoon, who was employed here as a plumber by Alvin Thomas about six years ago.

Cahoon sustained a bad scalp wound and contusions about the chest when the sedan he was driving collided head-on with a beer truck on highway 12. The other two, Sam Stein, Cottonwood, Minn., driver of the truck, and Ray Knick, Tomah are still at the hospital. The entire load of empty beer barrels and cases shot forward against the door in front of the trailer, Stein told hospital attendants. Stein was severely burned when the truck burst into flames.

"Wisconsin Dells (WI) Events" Thursday 31 Aug 1933 p 1

Mother:

Wisconsin, Marriages, 1820-1907

[View record](#)

Name	Paul W Cahoon
Marriage Date	17 Jul 1895
Marriage Place	Sauk, Wisconsin, USA
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Household members

Name	Age
Paul W Cahoon	
Myrtie E Spencer	

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/50155405/person/432240659592/facts>

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Siblings:

Ruth Estille Cahoon

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

Registration of Birth	
No. <u>118</u> 00204	
1. FULL NAME OF CHILD	Ruth Estelle Cahoon
2. COLOR	white
3. SEX	female
4. NAMES OF OTHER ISSUE LIVING	
5. FULL NAME OF FATHER	Paul M. Cahoon
6. OCCUPATION	farmer
7. FULL MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	Mertie E. Spencer
8. DATE OF BIRTH	6 P.M. Tues Mar 8 th 1896
9. PLACE OF BIRTH	Baraboo, Sauk Co. Wis
10. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER	Wis
11. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER	"
12. NAME: ATTENDANT SIGNING CERTIFICATE	Chas. Lorent
13. RESIDENCE OF SUCH PERSON	Baraboo, Wis
14. DATE OF CERTIFICATE	May 1, 1896
15. DATE OF REGISTRATION	" 9 "
16. ANY ADDITIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES	

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Johnston Services Held Saturday

Last rites for Mrs. Rollin Johnston were held on Saturday afternoon at 2 at the Hanson Funeral Home with the Rev. Maurice E. Jones of the first Presbyterian Church officiating. Clinton Platt sang the hymns with Mrs. Clarissa Morse as organist.

Pallbearers were Morey Pierce, Kern Weiland, Monroe Accola, Frank Ankenbrandt, Richard Arndt, and Philip Schweke, Jr.

Burial was in the Walnut Hill cemetery.

Sister Ruth Estelle Cahoon Johnston (1896-1960) – “Baraboo (WI) News-Republic”
Monday 7 Nov 1960 p 4

Mrs. R. H. Johnson Last Rites Saturday

Mrs. Rollin H. (Ruth) Johnson, 64, Baraboo died suddenly Thursday at St. Mary's Ringling hospital, Baraboo.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Hanson funeral home, Baraboo. The Rev. Maurice Jones, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Baraboo will officiate and burial will be at the Walnut Hill cemetery.

Survivors are her husband; mother, Mrs. Paul Cahoon, Baraboo; two sisters, Mrs. Otto Arndt, Baraboo and Mrs. Phillip Schweke, Reedsburg; brother, Horace Cahoon, Lake Delton.

Mrs. Johnson was a lifelong resident of Sauk County. She was a member of the American Legion auxiliary, Baraboo.

Friends may call at the Hanson

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Friday 4 Nov 1960 p 3

Other Area Deaths

FENNIMORE—Mrs. Harriett "Hattie" Stauffacher, 86, died Thursday at Lancaster. Ristow funeral home, Fennimore.

ARGYLE—Mrs. Rose R. Peterson, 79, died Wednesday. Erickson funeral home, Argyle.

JEFFERSON—Mrs. Charles A. Feind, 78, Route 3, Jefferson, died there Thursday. Minshall funeral home, Jefferson.

DARLINGTON—Mrs. Mary O'Neill, 99, died Wednesday. Steil funeral home, Darlington.

FENNIMORE—Everett Bollard, 78, rural Fennimore, died there Thursday.

BARABOO—Mrs. Rollin Johnson, 64, died Thursday. Hanson funeral home, Baraboo.

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Friday 4 Nov 1960 p 17

ETHEL M. ARNDT

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

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

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

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

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

Sister Ethel Marietta Cahoon Arndt (1900-1996) – “Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Saturday 6 Jan 1996 p 2

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon of Webster's Prairie, Sunday July 8th, a daughter.

Ethel's birth – “Baraboo (WI) News-Republic” Saturday 14 Jul 1900 p 3

SAUK COUNTY TEACHER WEDDED NEAR BARABOO

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

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

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

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

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

Horace's sister Ethel marries his fellow Tuscania survivor, Otto Arndt – "Portage (WI) Daily Register" Saturday 3 Jul 1920 p 1

Philipp Schweke and Myrna Cahoon Married

Miss Myrna E. Cahoon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cahoon, Baraboo, and Philipp R. Schweke, this city, were married on Monday evening at the home of the bride's parents, 518 Second St., Baraboo.

The wedding was performed at 8 o'clock and the double ring ceremony was read by the Rev. E. C. Henke, pastor of the Baraboo Presbyterian church. The couple was attended by the bride's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Rollin H. Johnston. The wedding was attended by the immediate families of the couple.

The bride was attired in a navy blue crepe suit and carried an arm bouquet of Hollywood roses. Her bridesmaid wore a gown of turquoise blue and her bouquet was of tea roses.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Schweke left on a short wedding trip to Chicago. On their return they will make their home for the summer at Lake Delton.

G. C. Schweke and Mrs. F. A. Sauer, this city, father and sister of Mr. Schweke, were guests at the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Schweke are well-known in this community. Mr. Schweke has been identified with Schweke Bros. Co. store in this city for a number of years. He is president of the concern, and is also vice-president of the Reedsburg bank. He is also manager of the Schweke store in Baraboo.

Mrs. Schweke is a Baraboo lady, and has been employed in the Risley Brothers and Schweke store in that city.

The Times joins their many friends in extending best wishes and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Schweke.

Schweke, Myrna E.

REEDSBURG — Myrna E. Schweke, age 77, died on Monday, December 30, 1985, at the Reedsburg Memorial Hospital following a long illness. Her husband, Philipp R. Schweke died on September 7, 1985. She is survived by a son, Philipp P. of LaCrosse; a daughter, Mrs. Louis (Sally) Miller of Reedsburg; five grandchildren; a sister, Ethel Arndt of Baraboo. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, January 3, 1986, in ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, in Reedsburg with Reverend Dennis Hipenbecker officiating. Burial will be made in Greenwood Cemetery. Friends may call after 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 2, 1986, at the GANT FUNERAL HOME.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Thursday 2 Jan 1986 p 8



Merl Leslie Ludwig, age 66 of Chadwick, died unexpectedly at home on Thursday, April 7, 2016.

Merl was born on August 29, 1949 in Dixon the son of Melvin and Barbara (Grover) Ludwig. He married Roslyn Dyer on April 28, 1984 in Chadwick. Merl worked as a Driller and Blaster for Kasbohm Custom Drilling until he retired in 2013. He was a United States Army Veteran, serving in the War in Vietnam. He enjoyed woodworking, gardening- especially his roses, cutting wood with his son in law, and hunting.

He was survived by his wife, Roslyn; one brother, Nels Ludwig; one son, Anthony (Brittany) Ludwig; one daughter, Alicia (Ludwig) Moore; four step daughters, Lisa (Mathew) Montgomery, Jody (Mark) Sack, Nicole (Karl) Popkin and Christina (Larry) Bates; eleven grandchildren; three great grandchildren and three nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

No services will be held. Cremation rites have been accorded with the McDonald Funeral Home & Crematory in Milledgeville.

No Services Scheduled.

<https://www.mcdonaldfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/Merl-L-Ludwig?obId=24678885>

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Horace Charles Cahoon

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E - corporal

Serial number: 251,216

Entered service from: Baraboo, Sauk WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Horace Charles Cahoon

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Paul Cahoon, RFD 3, Baraboo WI

Returned from war on: "Winifredian" Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Horace C. Cahoon

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Paul Cahoon, RFD 3, Baraboo WI (cpl, Co. F, 101st Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917):

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 518 - 2nd St., Baraboo WI (1939 NTSA & 1955 WI Survivors)

World War II draft registration (1942): as Horace Charles Cahoon - b. 10 Jun 1898 Baraboo WI; res: Route 1, Delton, Sauk WI. Mailing address: R. 1, Wisconsin Dells WI. NOK Mrs. Horace Cahoon, same address. Employed by E. Hawkins of Baraboo WI; plumbing shop, 1st Street, Baraboo WI. Height: 5'10" – 195 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 26 Apr 1919

Address: Baraboo WI

Rank/unit: corporal, Co. F, 101st Supply Train

Birth & death:

Born: 10 Jun 1898 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Died: 12 Sep 1975 Rockford, Winnebago IL (his daughter Patricia lived in Rockford)

Find A Grave record: 73385596 - presence on Tuscania noted in text & flower

Burial location: Lake Delton, Sauk WI

Cemetery: Lake Delton

Tombstone: veteran flat: CPL US Army WWI

Father: Paul W. Cahoon, 3 Feb 1875 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 29 Nov 1956 Reedsburg or Baraboo, Sauk WI. Son of Levi Cahoon & Willie Ann Wells.

On his WWI draft registration (12 Sep 1918), Paul gave a birthdate of 23 Feb 1875. His wife was Myrtle, he was self-employed as a farmer, and lived at RR3, Baraboo, Sauk WI.

Obituary: "Wisconsin State Journal" 1 Dec 1956 p 7 – d. age 81, retired Lake Delton auctioneer & square dance caller, in Reedsburg Municipal Hospital on 29 Nov 1956.

Buried in Lake Delton Cemetery, Lake Delton, Sauk WI.

Find A Grave: 73385761

Mother: Myrtle Elizabeth ("Myrtie") Spencer Cahoon, 25 Feb 1876 Baraboo, Sauk Co. WI – 20 Jan 1976 Reedsburg, Sauk WI.

Daughter of Charles Lebbeus Spencer (1842-1933, F: 69090529) – who fought in the Civil War for the Union – and Ruth Celina Jones (1850-1925, F: 69090527).

Buried in Lake Delton Cemetery, Lake Delton, Sauk WI.

Find A Grave: 73385667

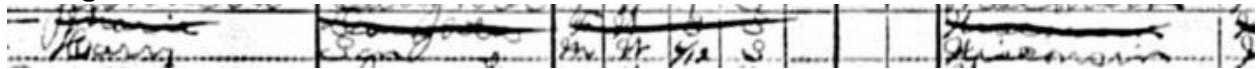
Parents' marriage: 18 Jul 1895 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Spouse: Marie Evelyn Lathrop Kraft Cahoon Dyer, 21 Sep 1907 Beaver Dam, Dodge WI – 24 MR 1965 Rockford, Winnebago IL

Daughter of Frank Lathrop (1876-1946, F: 111296243) & Alvina Mildred Cassabaum (1877-1932, F: 103208670).

In the 1910 census, Marie is age 3, living in Beaver Dam, Dodge WI. [her record is not linked to anyone else's]. See: <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/30630540:7884?tid=&pid=&queryId=bc7ea906-a6ed-47e0-8b44-946ccc4bedaf&phsrc=cPx12165&phstart=successSource>.

Her parents Frank & Alvina Lathrop, and siblings Dudley (10), Alvina Jr. (8), Elizabeth (6), Jeannette (4) & Harry (6 months) are listed at: <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/30630474:7884?tid=&pid=&queryId=d58de6ee-154f-4a2b-b240-febed9097c92&phsrc=cPx12168&phstart=successSource>. The name of Marie is inserted above Harry's name on the same line but her age is illegible & the entire line is crossed through.



In 1920, Marie Lathrop is living with her parents in Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI.

Marie Lathrop married 26 Jan 1929 in Beaver Dam, Dodge WI to Carl Walter Kraft (4 Jul 1907 Watertown, Jefferson WI – 14 Apr 1878 Beaver Dam, Dodge WI, F: 9994715). Carl was the son of Richard Omar Kraft.

Data found in WI marriage records & "Fox Lake (WI) Representative 24 Jan 1929 p 1 – marriage license, Carl Kraft & Marie Lathrop, both of Beaver Dam WI).

In the 1930 census, conducted 8 Apr 1930, she is living with her parents as Marie Kraft, married, but a husband is not listed. Carl Kraft petitioned for a divorce on the grounds of her desertion, which was granted 1 Jul 1930.

Marie Kraft married Horace Cahoon 25 days later, on 26 Jul 1930; divorced 1945.

Married Edward Raymond ("Ed") Dyer (15 May 1906 Amboy, Lee IL – 20 Mar 1959 Sterling, Whiteside IL, F: 100549009) in 1952. That year is given on her Find A Grave record, but the 1950 census lists her as the wife of Edward Dyer and they have two children – Roslyn (born 1948) & Victoria/Vicki/Vicky Dyer (born 1949). Have not located their birth records. Edward Dyer was the son of Frank S. Dyer & Nora Kelleher.

In her son Jim Horace Cahoon's obituary in 2017, she is listed as Marie DYER.

Her obituary on Find A Grave reports she is survived by 3 daughters (not listed but apparently Patricia Cahoon, Roslyn Dyer, Vicky Dyer) & 2 sons (not listed but apparently Jim Horace Cahoon & Paul Roger Cahoon).

Buried with Edward Dyer in Calvary Cemetery, Sterling, Whiteside IL.

Spouse Find A Grave: 97248313

Marriage: in the 1930 census (2 Apr 1930), Horace is single & living in Kilbourn WI & Marie Kraft, married, is living with her parents in Beaver Dam. They are married 26 Jul 1930 in Winona MN & daughter Patricia is born 7 Nov 1930.

Divorce from Cahoon: "Wisconsin State Journal" 10 Sep 1945 p 8 – Marie Cahoon, age 37, Wisconsin Dells WI, was granted a divorce from Horace Cahoon, age 45, on the grounds of cruel & inhuman treatment. Judge Henry J. Bohn awarded custody of one of the couple's 3

minor children to Horace and custody of the 2 others to Marie, with provisions for their support. The couple were married in Winona MN on 26 Jul 1930. (The online MN marriage database – www.moms.mn.gov – spells Horace's surname as CAHOUN.)

From later references in newspapers to Horace & his 2 sons, Jim Horace & Paul Roger, attending Spencer family reunions, it would appear that Horace was given custody of his 2 sons in the divorce, while Marie was given custody of their daughter, Patricia Myrna. But in the 1950 census, Horace's son Jim Horace lives with him & son Paul Roger Cahoon lives with his remarried mother, stepfather & apparent half-sisters.

Children:

- Patricia Myrna Cahoon Knippel Thayer Nuelle, 7 Nov 1930 Beaver Dam, Dodge WI – 31 May 1991 Winnebago Co. IL. – Patricia Cahoon married Phillip Eugene Knippel (5 Feb 1926 IA – 22 Feb 1966 CA, F: 73982063), the son of Phillip Mathew Knippel & Ida Lundin. They married in Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Wisconsin Dells, Sauk WI on 2 Mar 1947. They divorced 14 Jun 1949. Their daughter Peggy M. Knippel was age 2 in the 1950 census (12 Apr 1950) but listed as Peggy M. Thayer. Patricia had been given custody of their child in the 1949 divorce. – Patricia Knippel married Andrew Arthur Thayer (5 Jul 1928 WI – 13 Aug 2004 IL, F: 79846354). Andrew was the son of Sylvester Andrew Thayer & Elizabeth C. Roberts. Their son Frank A. Thayer was born 19 Oct 1949 in WI. Patricia Knippel & Andrew Thayer applied for a marriage license in Jul 1950 in Reedsburg, Sauk WI but listed themselves as married in the 1950 census (12 Apr 1950). - As Patricia Myrna Thayer, married Elmer Amos Nuelle (1925-2009, F: 49212045) apparently first in Panama City, Washington Co. FL in 1960 & again on 7 Jul 1982 in Green Co. WI. In 1982, Patricia was 51; Elmer was 57. Patricia is listed as Mrs. Elmer Nuelle in her father Horace's Sep 1975 obituaries. - Social Security records her name changes to Thayer in Aug 1957, and to Nuelle in Jun 1961. - Buried in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin MN. F: 73377891
- James Horace/Jim Horace Cahoon, 20 Jul 1937 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 8 Jul 2017 Reedsburg, Sauk WI. Married 19 Sep 1958 in the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Baraboo WI to Marjorie ("Marj") Ann Danbeck, the daughter of Roger & Birdie Danbeck. Obituary: "Baraboo News Reporter" 14 Jul 2017 p A3 – photo – Jim Cahoon, 79, of Reedsburg WI, died at his home there. He was the son of Horace & Marie (Dyer) Cahoon. Born 20 Jul 1937 Baraboo WI. While a senior at Wisconsin Dells Senior High School, he was drafted by the Milwaukee Braves baseball team, and after graduation went to the club's farm team in NY & the following year to GA. Plumber. Retired Jul 1999. Preceded in death by his parents, his brother Paul Cahoon & his sister Pat Nuelle. Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo WI. F: 208332429
- Paul Roger Cahoon, 23 Dec 1940 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 31 Jan 1996 Lewiston township, Columbia WI. Husband of Judith Elaine Smith (1940-2013, F: 73386046). Marriage: "La Crosse (WI) Tribune" 27 Oct 1960 p 7 – Judith Elaine Smith married Paul Roger Cahoon, son of Horace Cahoon of Wisconsin Dells WI on 22 Oct 1960 at the Smith home [in Westby WI]. Best man was Paul's brother James Cahoon of the

Wisconsin Dells. Paul is a plumber. Obituary: "Wisconsin State Journal" 2 Feb 1996 p 13 – Paul R., age 55, d. 31 Jan 1996 in Lewiston township, Columbia WI. Born 23 Dec 1940 Baraboo WI to Horace & Marie (Lathrop) Cahoon. Plumber. Married 22 Oct 1960 to Judith Smith. Survived by wife, 4 daughters, son, brother James Cahoon (Lake Delton WI) & 2 sisters: Vicki (Mrs. Jerry) Purl & Lynn (Mrs. Merl) Ludwig. Burial in Lake Delton. F: 73385892

"Sisters"

Paul Cahoon's obituary in 1996 mentions 2 sisters: Vicki (Mrs. Jerry) Purl & Lynn (Mrs. Merl) Ludwig. In the 1950 census, Paul Cahoon (age 9) resides with his mother Marie E. Dyer, stepfather Edward R. Dyer & apparently his half-sisters Roslyn R. (2) & Vicky L. (1 WI) in Delton, Sauk WI.

The two women are daughters of Horace's ex-wife Marie Lathrop. They are both born before Marie Cahoon married Edward Raymond Dyer, if her Find A Grave record indicating a marriage in 1952 is accurate.

- Roslyn Dyer (birth name?) Ludwig, 3 Oct 1947 WI - . Wife of Merl Leslie Ludwig (29 Aug 1949 Dixon, Lee IL – 7 Apr 2016), the son of Melvin Ludwig & Barbara Grover. Roslyn Dyer married Merl Ludwig on 28 Apr 1984 in Chadwick, Carroll IL.
- Victoria (Vicky/Vicki) Dyer (birth name?) Purl, 17 Oct 1948 - . Wife of Jerry Purl. She may be the Vicky Lee Dyer, age 16, who married Charles W. Dublo, age 18, both of Milledgeville IL ("Freeport [IL] Journal-Standard" Wednesday 17 Jun 1964 p 8). Online records also show a surname of Carrington & of Harms.

Siblings:

- Ruth Estelle Cahoon Johnston, 3 Mar 1896 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 3 Nov 1960 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Birth name: Ruth Estille. Wife of Rollin Henry Johnston (1897-1973, F: 67589137), whom she married 16 Sep 1919. Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo WI. F: 67589138
- Ethel Marietta Cahoon Arndt, 8 Jul 1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 4 Jan 1996 Baraboo, Sauk WI. Ethel was married on 25 Jul 1920 to Horace's fellow survivor on the Tuscania: Otto William Arndt (1896-1967, F: 67429411). Buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo WI. F: 67429407
- Myrna Elizabeth Cahoon Schweke, 3 Apr 1908 Baraboo, Sauk WI – 30 Dec 1985 Reedsburg, Sauk WI. Married Philipp Reinhardt Schweke (1894-1985, F: 98804328) on 22 Apr 1935 Sauk Co. WI. Obituary: "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) 2 Jan 1986 p 8 – age 77, of Reedsburg WI, d. at Reedsburg Memorial Hospital on 30 Dec 1985. Her husband Philipp R. Schweke died 7 Sep 1985. Survived by son, daughter, sister Ethel Arndt of Baraboo WI. – Myrna's husband Philipp died 7 Sep 1985 & she died 30 Dec 1985. - Burial in Green Wood Cemetery, Reedsburg, Sauk WI. F: 98804355

Notes:

Wartime:

“Wisconsin State Journal” 12 Feb 1918 p 8 – all Baraboo boys on the Tuscania were saved. Some sent a message home, among them Horace Cahoon.

In a latter home, provided to Steven Schwartz of Renton WA, Horace Cahoon wrote: “Dear Folks: Well, I am feeling fine and am in Ireland with some of the other Baraboo boys, those that are with me are Otto Arndt, George Hattle, Russell Bredie [sic], Charles Kellogg, Richard Mahler, Edward Coughlin and John O’Brien. I hope that all of you folks are feeling fine. We get plenty of things to eat here. The Irishmen are some fellows. We had one of them up on our hut last night and believe me, he could dance. We are treated fine here. Don’t worry about me for I am always looking out for myself. I did not get the money but it wouldn’t have been any good any way. The next pay that we get will be in English money and that will be within the next week. Tell Granddad Cahoon that I don’t like sailing worth a ---- since last night. With lots of love, Horace Cahoon

Post-war:

Annually, the Baraboo 21 held a reunion on the anniversary of the sinking. Among these references: “Wisconsin State Journal” 8 Feb 1927 p 13 – 4 Feb 1929 p 10 - 7 Feb 1943 p 11 - 4 Feb 1944 p 9 and “Madison Capital Times” 6 Feb 1943 p 7 & 4 Feb 1949 p 12 (photo)

US National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Milwaukee, Milwaukee Co. WI – born 23 Jan 1917 Baraboo WI. Private, Co. F, 101st Supply Train. Discharged 26 Apr 1919 Camp Grant IL. Chronic arthritis. Born WI, age 27, 5’ 9”, red hair, Protestant, farmer, resident of Baraboo WI. NOK mother Myrtle Cahoon, Baraboo WI. Admitted 6 Jul 1925 – discharged 13 Jan 1926

“Portage (WI) Daily Register” 11 Nov 1992 p 23 – On Veterans Day, remembered the Baraboo 21. Showed the framed photograph of them at the American Legion Post No. 26.

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 395-07-9677

Censuses:

1900 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Paul Cahoon, 25 WI, Feb 1875, father b. OH, mother b. WI, married 5 years, farmer
Myrtle, 25 WI, Feb 1875, father b. NY, mother b. WI, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living
Ruth, 4 WI, Mar 1896

Horace, 1 WI, Jun 1896

1905 WI state census – Baraboo, Sauk WI

Paul Cahoon, 30 WI, farmer

Myrtle, 30 WI, housekeeper

Ruth, 9 WI

Horace [looks like Horper], 7 WI

Ethel, 5 WI

& hired man Fred Hagerman, farm laborer

1910 Baraboo, Sauk WI

Paul Cahoon, 34 WI, father b. NY, mother b. WI, in 1st marriage, married 14 years, farmer, general farm

Myrtie, 35 WI, father b. NY, mother b. WI, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Ruth E., 14 WI

Horace C., 11 WI

Ethel M., 9 WI

Myrna, 2 WI [indexed as Myme, but can be read as Myrna]

1920 West Baraboo Township, Sauk WI

Paul Cahoon, 45 WI, father b. OH, mother b. WI, farmer, general farm

Myrtle, 44 WI, father b. NY, mother b. WI

~~Ruth~~ – daughter – crossed off, no other details

Horace, 21 WI, single, laborer, home farm

Ethel, 19 WI

Myrna, 12 WI

1920 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI – Clinton St. – conducted 10 Jan 1920 – future wife Marie Lathrop

Frank Lathrop, 43 WI, father b. NY, mother b. PA, laborer, rubber company

Alvina, 41 WI, parents b. Germany

Alvina W., 18 WI, shoe factory

Elizabeth, 16 WI

Jeanette, 14 WI

Marie, 12 WI

Harry, 10 WI

Jessica May, 1 year 6 months WI

& boarder Emil Drews, 30 WI, single, repair man, garage

1930 Kilbourn, Columbia WI – 737 Superior St. – conducted 2 Apr 1930

Horace Cahoon, 32 WI, parents b. WI, single, boarder, plumber, summer resort, WWI veteran

Living with Archie R. Stowers, his wife Edith A. Stowers & 2 other male boarders, who also work at a summer resort

1930 Beaver Dam, Dodge WI – future wife Marie Lathrop Kraft – who gets divorced from Carl Kraft on 1 Jul 1930 & marries Horace Cahoon on 26 Jul 1930 – conducted 8 Apr 1930
 Frank Lathrop, 53 WI, parents b. WI, age 23 at 1st marriage, painter, paint shop
 Alvina, 52 WI, father b. WI, mother b. US, age 22 at 1st marriage [wife]
 Jessie M., 11 WI [daughter]
 Marie Kraft, 22 WI, married [daughter]
 Marian Miklich, 4 years 7 months WI, parents b. WI [granddaughter]

1940 Delton, Sauk WI – US Highway 12 - rented – same house in 1935 – conducted 10 May 1940

Horace Cahoon, 41 WI, married (status is crossed through), plumber
 Patricia, 9 WI
 Jimmy, 2 WI

[son Paul is born later in the year – on 23 Dec 1940]

The previous census entry lists Horace's parents, who had lived in the same place in 1935:

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Paul Cahoon, 65 WI, resort manager, summer resort
 Myrtie, 65 WI

1950 Delton, Sauk WI – Horace & son Jim Horace residing with Horace's parents

Paul Cahoon, 75 WI
 Myrtie E., 75 WI [wife]
 Horace C., 52 WI, divorced, plumber, plumbing [son]
 James H., 12 WI [grandson – Horace's son Jim Horace]

1950 Delton, Sauk WI – Horace's remarried ex-wife Marie & their son Paul – conducted 12 Apr 1950 – plus Horace's married daughter Patricia Cahoon Thayer

Edward R. Dyer, 42 IL, magnesia floor laying, floor manufacturing company

Marie E. Dyer, 41 WI [wife]

Roslyn R. Dyer, 2 WI [daughter]

Vicky L. Dyer 1 WI [daughter]

Paul R. Cahoon, 9 WI [son]

On the same census page – however, Andrew & Patricia Cahoon Knippel did not apply for a marriage license until Jul 1950 in Reedsburg, Sauk WI

Andrew A. Thayer, 22 WI

Patricia M., 19 WI [wife – Horace's daughter Patricia Myrna Cahoon]

Peggy M., 2 WI

Frank A., Oct 1949 WI