



# *Kith and Kin*



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ends,

It's officially here! I was beginning to think it would never arrive. But now it is really here.

Spring! After the long winter, it is a real treat to watch the snow piles melt away and the sidewalks and roads clear to their intended widths. And now as snowbirds return from their southern or western retreat,

Marshfield Area Genealogy Group members can start planning for their upcoming meetings, research trips and family reunions.

Planned for our upcoming meetings this spring, are talks about preparing video family histories, writing biographical /autobiographical sketch, and sharing of information on some great websites for family history

research. During our March meeting Vickie Schnitzler will demonstrate the use of Microsoft Windows Movie Maker and a 3-D Album software package to create video programs appropriate for family reunions and other celebrations. Then at the April meeting, Ken Wood will share tips with us about using historical information when writing biographical narratives about our

ancestors. The May gathering is specifically for our annual business meeting, but we will also have time to share some of those cool websites we've run across this winter while doing our family history searches from home or the library. If you have a site, that you'd like to share, just let our program director know before the May meeting.

As mentioned above, our annual business meeting is held during our May meeting. At this time there are three items on the agenda for that meeting. First, we need to review and approve the proposed changes to the Genealogy Group's by-laws. Irene Johnson, Lori Belongia and I reviewed the by-laws and suggested changes to either reflect our current practice or improve our ability to simply function. The proposed changes will be sent to everyone electronically after they have been reviewed and approved by the board of directors sometime next month. Second item on the agenda is a review and approval of a MAGG operating budget for the

upcoming year. Ada May has done a wonderful job as our treasurer during the past two years. By preparing monthly reports and reviewing past spending patterns she has made this a fairly straightforward process. The group is still financially solvent, but there isn't much wiggle room. So we need to be aware of our fiscal limitations and prioritize expenditures for the next year.

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This year however, if the proposed changes to the by-laws are approved, we will begin holding elections for only two officer positions and one director-at-large position each year. The term of office for each will be two years. This will allow us to alternate annual

elections for positions of President and Treasurer and Vice-president and Secretary providing additional continuity for the group's board of directors.

Just as the annual meeting allows us to plan for the Group's future, I'd like to share the dates of some upcoming meetings that you might want to include in your personal plans. First, and approaching fast, the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Gene-A-Rama is set for April 11-12 at Plaza Hotel & Suites, Eau Claire. Talk with Vickie Schnitzler about the details.

Then in July, the German Interest Group Wisconsin has their meeting planned for July 12 at UW-Whitewater.

There will be four presentations at this day long workshop: Profile of a 19<sup>th</sup> Century German Immigrant, Understanding Occupations In German Research Strategies For Solving German Research Problems, And German Marriage Laws And Customs. That sounds very interesting.

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--Schnitz  
President

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**From the Desk of the Editor**

Any one having any material they would like included in the next news letter please send it to me by May 5 for inclusion in the June news letter. I will be gone the last week of May and the first week of June so the newsletter has to be put out early.

As always, I welcome comments, suggestions and input for future newsletters.

Ken

**Bits of the unusual in Marshfield in 1909**

**Smoking Is Bad For You**

A Granton man scraped together a pipeful of tobacco out of his son's pocket last week without noticing that the young man carried revolver cartridges loose in the same pocket. The old man just fired up and settled down for a comfortable smoke when one of the cartridges which he had placed in the pipe along with the tobacco, exploded and gave him a rather unpleasant shock. The bullet sped harmlessly however, and the only damage was to the pipe.

**Bad Coin in the Church Box**

A.L.Bouldrie is seldom deceived as to the genuineness of the coin of the realm and he is about the last man in town who would be expected to take any bad money: nevertheless, while checking up after acting as cashier at the sale and supper at St. Alban's guild last week he found a counterfeit dollar in the box which had probably passed through many hands without being detected. The counterfeit was very clever and the coin was but a trifle under weight.

**Marshfield News March 1, 1914**

**MILL CREEK**

Casper Gallatin hauled a load of hay to Marshfield last Wednesday in spite of the bad westher. Mr. Gallatin has decided that he will not haul another load of hay on such a day come what will.

**ORDER OF CREATION OF WISCONSIN'S  
COUNTIES**

COUNTY	WHEN FORMED	FROM
Brown	Oct. 26, 1818	MI Territory
Crawford	Oct. 26, 1818	MI Territory
Iowa	Oct. 9, 1829	Crawford
Milwaukee	Sept. 6, 1834	Brown
Calumet	Dec. 7, 1836	Brown
Dane	"	Crawford, Iowa, & Milwaukee
Dodge	"	Brown
Fond duLac	"	Brown
Jefferson	"	Milwaukee
Manitowoc	"	Brown
Marquette	"	Brown
Portage	"	Brown, Crawford
Racine	"	Milwaukee
Rock	"	Milwaukee
Sheboygan	"	Brown
Walworth	"	Milwaukee
Washington	"	Brown, Milwaukee
Grant	Dec. 8, 1836	Iowa
Green	"	Iowa
Winnebago	Jan. 6, 1840	Brown, Calumet, Fond du Lac, & Marquette
Sauk	Jan. 11, 1840	Crawford, Dane & Portage
St. Croix	Aug. 1, 1840	Crawford
Richland	Feb. 18, 1842	Crawford, Sauk
Chippewa	Feb. 3, 1845	Crawford
Bayfield (LaPointe)	Feb 19, 1845	St. Croix
Lafayette	Jan. 31, 1846	Iowa
Waukesha	Jan. 31, 1846	Milwaukee
Columbia	Feb. 3, 1846	Portage
Adams	Mar. 11, 1848	Portage
Kenosha	Jan. 30, 1850	Racine
Marathon	Feb. 9, 1850	Portage
Oconto	Feb. 6, 1851	Brown
Door	Feb. 11, 1851	Brown
Waushara	Feb. 15, 1851	Marquette
Outagamie	Feb. 17, 1851	Brown, & Winnebago
Waupaca	Feb. 17, 1851	Brown, & Winnebago
LaCrosse	Mar. 1, 1851	Crawford
Vernon (Bad Axe)	Mar. 1, 1851	Crawford
Kewaunee	April 16, 1852	Door
Jackson	Feb. 11, 1853	LaCrosse
Shawano	Feb. 16, 1853	Oconto, Waupaca & Winnebago
Ozaukee	Mar. 7, 1853	Washington

COUNTY	WHEN FORMED	FROM
Pierce	Mar. 14, 1853	St. Croix
Polk	Mar. 14, 1853	St. Croix
Clark	July 6, 1853	Jackson
Buffalo	July 8, 1853	Jackson
Trempealeau	Jan. 27, 1854	Buffalo, Chippewa, Jackson, & LaCrosse
Dunn	Feb. 3, 1854	Chippewa
Douglas	Feb. 9, 1854	Bayfield
Monroe	Mar. 24, 1854	LaCrosse
Burnett	Mar. 1, 1856	Douglas, Polk
Wood	Mar. 7, 1856	Portage
Eau Claire	Oct. 6, 1856	Chippewa
Juneau	Oct. 13, 1856	Adams
Pepin	Feb. 25, 1858	Dunn
Green Lake	Mar. 5, 1858	Marquette
Barron (Dallas)	Mar. 19, 1859	Chippewa, Polk
Ashland	Mar. 27, 1860	Bayfield
Lincoln	Mar. 4, 1874	Marathon
Taylor	Mar. 9, 1875	Chippewa, Clark, Lincoln, & Marathon
Price	Feb. 26, 1879	Chippewa, & Lincoln
Langlade (New)	Feb. 27, 1879	Oconto
Marinette	Feb. 17, 1879	Oconto
Florence	Mar. 18, 1882	Marinette, & Oconto
Sawyer	Mar. 10, 1883	Ashland
Washburn	Mar. 27, 1883	Burnett
Forest	April 11, 1885	Langland, & Oconto
Oneida	April 11, 1885	Lincoln
Iron	Mar. 3, 1893	Ashland
Vilas	April 12, 1893	Oneida
Rusk	May 15, 1901	Chippewa
Menominee	May 1, 1961	Oconto & Shawano

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**FIRES!**

At last Marshfield has had a fire, the first in the history of the place, but in all probability will not be the last. Last Saturday morning about four o'clock the village was awakened by the cry of fire! And people jumped out of bed, and rushed into their clothes too soon, some thinking the whole business

portion was ablaze, but it was only the grist mill across the railroad track, nearly in range of the south side of the Ave., had the wind been a little stronger, Marshfield would have laid in ashes before night, as there was no means of putting it out, except with pails; as it was a number of buildings had close calls by flying cinders. **THE TIMES** understands the mill was insured for \$2,000, which does not cover the loss on the machinery, say nothing about the building. How the fire originated is at present writing a mystery. It was quite a surprise to Mr. Kehr, the owner, when he got home from the Rapids at noon, to find himself minus a grist mill.

At Campbell settlement, On Sunday morning, the saw-mill owned by Nick Pinion, was burned to the ground. The boiler and engine was all that was saved. Loss \$4,000. No insurance. Mr. Pinion will rebuild.

A disastrous fire has been raging in the woods just below Port Edwards and caused considerable loss to the farmers, burning down fences and other property. Joseph Wilson lost his stables, wagons, hay, grain, etc., a few hogs and calves. The buildings were not of much value. A man by the name of Sweeney, who was moving his goods to another place, lost three horses which were in Wilson's stables at the time. They were valued at \$300. A house belonging to Mr. Tim Hurley in the town of Sartoga and occupied by Chas. Little, was burned last Thursday night. Mr. Little saved most of his furniture. In attempting to go up to the chamber the stair gave way and he was quite seriously injured (Reporter, May 4. Racine, the third city of Wisconsin, was threatened with annihilation last Saturday morning, nearly half the city consumed by fire. Loss estimated at \$600,000.

#### **Mannville**

The fireman at Pierce's mill at Mannville, was badly injured Monday by the breaking of the belt attached to the shingle machine, which struck him on the right shoulder, passing down and severely cutting his arm. Dr. Hanna dressed the wound, and the young man is now doing well, but will be laid up for several weeks.

#### **Marshfield**

**January 14, 1918**

#### **179 GERMAN ALIENS LISTED**

**Names of 95 recorded at the Police Station,**

#### **Remainder at the Post Office**

#### **Registration Times Extended Four Days, Ending Last Night—Names Below**

Ninety-five German aliens registered at the police station and 84 at the post office last week, total 179.

The police station was the place of registration for the German aliens living in the city, while those living in the country who are served by rural routes were required to register at the post office.

The period for registering was from February 4 to 9. Saturday Attorney General Gregory extended the period of registration up to last night to give all who were required to enroll under this order sufficient time to comply with the president's proclamation.

Those who were listed at the police station follow:

Henry Carl Burmeister, 808 N. Central Ave.

Aug. Berlin, 500 W. C St.

Paul Herman, 372 E. Fourth St.

Fred Krause, Arlington Ave.

Wm. Boehning, E. Fourth St.

John W. Schultz, W. A St.

Jacob Thor, 505 N. Vine St.

Aug. Raatz, E. Ninth St.

Mathias Nunnier, S. Maple St.

Fred Gentel, 604 W. Fourth St.

Jacob Moeller, 704 E. Fourth St.

Wm. Gersbach, 301 S. Cedar St.

Chas. Mundt, W. D St.

John Schiloski, Northside

Henry Schwartz, 309 W. Fifth St.

Jacob Wayars, 204 N. Maple St.

Henry Aug. Imoehl, City, R. No. 7

Andrew Haertle, 509 W. B St.

Chas. Miller, W. A St.

John Heidler, 613 S. Vine St.

Henry Schmidt, E. Ash St.

Albert Neuenfeldt, 309 W. Fourth St.

Fred Wein, Sr. E. Ninth St.

Wilhelm Gross, 805 S. Cedar St.

Fred Hopp, 400 S. Peach St.

Herman Hopp, E. Fourth St.

Ernest Wegner, 1100 S. Cherry St.

Albert Miller, 125 S. Central Ave.

Max Stangl, 808 N. Maple St.

John G. Fisher, 1104 S. Cherry St.

Emil P. Witte, 709 S. Ash St.

Frank Sebold, Bakerville St.

Christ Schunk, E. C St.  
 Julius Baumann, City, R. No. 5  
 Gust H. Binnebose, 313 S. Cedar St.  
 Carl Porath, 912 S. Cedar St.  
 Fred Mundt, 205 W. C St.  
 Fred Oestreich, 500 W. Fourth St.  
 Joseph Griebel, City  
 Mathias Folz, 300 W. C St.  
 Joseph F. Fisher, W. D St  
 August Olstinski, 508 W. Fourth St.  
 Max Bartl, 512 N. Central Ave.  
 Wm. Schroeder, 711 E. Fourth St.  
 Aug. Witt, S. Central Ave.  
 Wm. Oestreich, 500 W. Fourth St.  
 Anton Joehren, City  
 Carl F. Schmidt, 511 W. A St.  
 Henry Oestreich, 710 E. Fourth St.  
 Fred Beling, 404 Bakerville St.  
 Fred Meitsch, R.F.D. 5  
 Gustave Poppe, 402 W. A St.  
 Benedict Gerspach, N. Central Ave.  
 Henry Oestereich, 402 Bakerville St.  
 Herman Voegt, 407 S. Maple St.  
 Jacob Becker, E. Fourth St.  
 Emil Abrahams, 316 N. Central Ave.  
 Claus Hinricks, 717 Adler rd.  
 Mike Steger, Northside  
 Ed. Olstinski, 312 Palmetto St.  
 Paul Hahm, 406 S. Cedar St.  
 Ludwig Schrendel, N. Depot St.  
 Emil Burger, 109 S. Maple St.  
 Mike Weinfurter, N. Peach St.  
 Herman Bores, Washington St.  
 Alfred Bores, 711 E. Second St.  
 John Schultz, 811 N. Central Ave.  
 Carl Taube, 600 W. C St.  
 Mike Miedaner, 200 N. Walnut St.  
 Frank Ritt, 201 S. Peach St.  
 Ernest Kuhling, 606 W. C St.  
 Joseph C. Sautner, 813 W. A St.  
 W. H. Schwartz, 621 S. Vine St.  
 Fred Mess, 300 Palmetto St.  
 Joseph Reisinger, 201 S. Peach St.  
 Wm. Seelenbrider, 304 N. Depot St.  
 Carl Kerske, R. F. D. 7  
 Herman Meitzel, Fourth St., R. 2  
 Jos. Aloysius Groff, 210 W. Depot  
 John Gergs, 730 E. Fourth St.  
 Charles Gergs, R. F. D. 2  
 F. Emil Gergs, 728 E. Fourth St.  
 Otto Meyer, 315 W. Fifth St.  
 Carl Butke, 812 S. Peach St.  
 Rudolph Jensen, Majestic Hotel

Christ Meyers, 400 E. D. St.  
 Wm. Zieghan, W. Bakerville St.  
 Herman Leader, 614 S. Cedar St.  
 Joseph Wolf, 809 W. A St.  
 Max Meyer, E. Fourth St.  
 Gustav Ghrig, Summit St.  
 Charles Smith, city, R. No. 5  
 Nick Bear, 413 W. B St.  
 Rudolph Kerske, R. 7  
 August Fohrmann, N. Maple St.  
**RURAL ROUTES**  
 Oscar Porst, Route 3  
 Jos. Karperger, Route 2  
 Wm. Jingling, Route 3  
 Andrew Michelbeck, Route 5  
 William Kalkan, Route 3  
 Herman werth, Route 2  
 William Weilbecker, Route 7  
 Frank Kottenbeutel, Route 5  
 Carl Heise, Route 5  
 Albert Stoeck, Route 3  
 August Bruch, Route 5  
 Stephen Schroefér, Route 4  
 Jacob Henseler, Route 1  
 Jos. Gleissner, Route 2  
 Joseph Brey, Route 7  
 Jos. A. Schatzel, Route 6  
 Max Degner, Route 3  
 Herman Poppy, Route 2  
 Adolph Doll, Route 5  
 August Seehafer, Route 1  
 F. W. Bartz, Route 1  
 Carl Ferd Readel, Route 1  
 William Rabe, Route 1  
 Carl Berg, Route 1  
 Fred Breheim, Route 3  
 Geo. Muehlbauer, Route 5  
 Fred W. Schultz, Route 3  
 Bruno Schatzel, Route 6  
 Leo Singstock, Route 1  
 Mike Fischer, Route 1  
 Jos. Sautner, Route 3  
 Albert Arndt, Route 6  
 Peter Kasperger, Route 1  
 Jos. Pankratz, Route 5  
 William Witte, Route 3  
 Gustave Rabe, Route 1  
 Frank Kohlbeck, Route 3  
 Fred Schroeder, Route 5  
 William Schroeder, Route 5  
 Ernest Weichert, Route 5  
 August Hell, Route 3  
 William Gessert, Route 3

Ed Meilke, Route 2  
 Fred Fischer, Route 6  
 Otto Hoff, Route 6  
 Fred Striegel, Route 6  
 William Gauger, Route 6  
 Fred Podratz, Route 4  
 Albert Arndt, Route 6  
 Gottlieb Seehafer, Route 4  
 William Hoff, Route 3  
 Aug. F. Schultz, Route 3  
 Fritz Kloehn, Route 4  
 Wm. F. Schmidt, Route 4  
 Charles Lutge, Route 4  
 William Greenberg, Route 5  
 Aug. Mathias, Route 6  
 Aug. Popp, Route 6  
 Louis Schaller, Route 4  
 John Slatczyny, Route 6  
 John Pelarczyk, Route 4  
 Anton Frank, Route 4  
 John G. Dietel, Route 4  
 Carl Ewichman, Route 4  
 Wm. Riethus, Route 6  
 Geo. Schimmel, Route 6  
 Theo. Lehrman, Route 4  
 Fred Shallock, Route 4  
 Adam Bach, Route 4  
 Fred Schallock, Route 4  
 Aug. Schallock, Route 6  
 Mat Britten, Route 6  
 August Kloehn, Route 4  
 Wm. Schallock, Route 4  
 Carl Weber, Route 4  
 Aug. Lutze, Route 4  
 Frank Freuhbrodt, Route 4  
 Fred Podratz, Route 4  
 Albert Waldt, Route 4  
 Jacob Adler, St. Joseph St.  
 August Senn, North Maple  
 Chas. A. Brown, West Bakerville Ave.  
 John Flasch, Adler St.  
 Herman Beell, West Sixth St.

## Some Fun In The News

### Marshfield was a HOT town in 1895

#### Marshfield News 5 Sept. 1895 P. 5

A sporty old boy from Wausau was looking for chief of police Gerwing Friday claiming that the night before he was robbed of \$75 in the maison de

joie in the northern suburbs of the city. Gerwing went down with the aged Lothario, who was at least 75 years old, and spent some time at the resort, looking into the merits of the case and examining the girls. The fact finally developed that the old man had gone out for a time and evidently found one. The account of his expenditures showed that he had blown in all of the amount he claimed to be robbed of, and this fact he afterwards admitted. He was given \$2 by the presiding goddess of the cottage to pay his fare to Wausau and departed for that burg a sadder and wiser man.

A second article appeared in 1911 that reported the closing down of a Bawdy House in the 100 block of So. Maple. The two women, who were named, were given 1 and 2 month jail terms and the "well known young man" who was arrested there was never named and given a \$10 fine. Equal treatment under the law.

#### Marshfield News 5 Sept. 1895 p. 4

#### B.T.T.O.T.G.B.C.

Messers Arthur Kelley, E. E. Finney, Frank Cummings and G. W. Ford, all cats of high degree, went to Eau Claire last Thursday to attend a concatenation of the order of Hoo-Hoo. There were twenty-nine kittens that had their pur-blind eyes opened to the dazzling light of Hoo-Hoo land, good fellows all of them. The work initiating the candidates started at two o'clock in the afternoon, and at supper time a recess was taken till 7:30 p.m. "Papa" Heminway and his assistants resumed their task which was not completed until a late hour. After the excitement of the afternoon and the evening all were soon ready to mount the roof and engage in the gleeful gambols which fittingly conclude the concatenations of this illustrious order. The banquet hall, which was invaded about midnight, presented a scene that would have delighted the heart of a bon vivant. The tables were arranged in a three square, and decorated with a profusion of roses, smilax, carnations and sweat peas. Three large black cats were in evidence, one occupying the center of each table. In the corner of the banquet hall red, white and blue ribbons extended from floor to ceiling enclosing a large cat complacently regarding a hugh pyramid of "cold bottles," whuile on the sideboard amid the potted plants two frolicsome black kittens gamboled to their hearts content. In the distance, behind a screen of

palms and flowers, a mandolin orchestra discoursed dulcet strains of melody. The banquet was one of those joyful occasions which live long in memories, and was in every respect a credit to Mine Host Parkinson of the Eau Claire House. The menu card was in keeping with the rest. Beneath grotesque and humorous terms was disguised an elegant bill of fare, both solid and liquid. The card, which was tied with black ribbon and headed with a picture of a half dozen black cats on a house roof, read as follows:

#### SOUPS

Saw Dust Soup, Hoo-Hoo Sauce  
Planked Cat-(Fish)

Members are requested to remain quietly seated while the waiters pour soup down their backs

#### COLD DISHES

Cold Feet Stewed Iceberg Freeze-out

#### RELISHES

Stale Jokes

#### ROASTS

Cod Fish Gizzards Rubber Car Springs  
Sacred Cow, Hoof Sauce Drummer Expense Acct.

#### ENTREES

Mud-Hen Divers Sauce, Boiled Fills, Corn-Cob  
Salad, Horse Blankets Fricasseed, Umbrellas,  
Rainwater Sauce

#### GAMES

Base Ball After the Ball High-Low Jack  
Old Maid Cinch

#### VEGETABLES

Carter's Little Liver Pills Beans Soaked in  
Showmaker's Wax

#### PASTRY

Rubber Pie, With Goodyear's Patents Sawdust  
Pudding, a la Pine Sauce Leather Pie with Buckles

#### DESERT

Cake Walk Liver Jelly Floating Raft Door Jam

#### FRUIT, NUTS, ETC.

Adam's Apple Iron Bolts and Nuts Peeled Onions  
Jaw Breakers Pickled Door Knobs

#### DRINKS

Sour Milk Smart Weed Tea Benzine Irish Moss  
Coffee Boiled Oak Leaves

After all had done ample justice to the repast, cigars and black coffee were passed and the speech making commenced. Those who were called on by Toastmaster Hemingway either had to tell a story, sing a song or make a speech, and some did all three. Nearly one hundred cats and kittens gathered around the festal board, and the mirth and song were prolonged till the wee sma' hours.

## NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

### Marshfield News 5 Sept. 1895 P. 5

August Furstenberg exhibit's a basket containing 7 potatoes that weigh 9 pounds. He has 25 bushels of the tubers raised from one half bushel of seed.

Geo. Seubert was called to Woodville, Calumet County, Sunday evening, to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, John Russmeier. The deceased was an old settler and was 73 years of age.

Joseph Betts, of Junction City, was playing with his little brother Tuesday evening, and the youngster seized an ax and chopped Joseph's right hand off at the wrist.

Mrs. M. J. Powers and Miss Clara Erion were in Minneapolis this week purchasing the latest designs in millinery with which to stock their new store next to Kohl's shop.

Appleton Post: At Prescott hospital, Saturday, Dr. Rodermund removed from Joseph Frisch of Marshfield, an eye which had been destroyed by a piece of steel which had lodged in it some time ago.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Agnes Brown Friday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, at three p.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Marinette and Wausa are having a pretty fight over the location of the Home for the Feeble Minded. If justice was done neither of these places would be in it. There is not another city in the state which can offer the advantages of Marshfield for any state institutions, and yet we are not even considered. The fact of the matter is that political trades have been made and any city's real advantages are a secondary matter. It is very apparent now that altogether too much was expected here in benefits from the landslide of a year ago.

1918

### MAIL BY AIR

Surely we are revolutionizing. A Washington dispatch says that the post office department has called for bids on five aeroplanes for the establishment of a mail route between Washington, Philadelphia and New York. The service will begin

with one round trip a day and will carry first class mail. It won't be long before we will be looking for letters from heaven.

**High School Sports Teams  
Marshfield Times 8 January 1908**

**Baseball**

Craig P. Connor-Manager	Warren Bulman CF
Raymond Kraus (Capt) Catcher	Robert Heat IF
Elmer Krahn Pitcher	Ernest Wharfield 1 B
Ed Kalsched 2 B	Ray Brooks 3 B
Ted Baker SS	Charles Faber RF
Edward Witt Umpire	Mr. Otto Coach

**Marshfield Times 10 June 1908**

**Football**

E. Kohl RG	J. Glassner RT
W. Tack RE	W. Connor LG
D. Connor LT	M. Kraus LE
J. Whittnet C	E. Wright QB
J. Kihl FB	C. Faber RHB
F. David LHB Capt.	Prof. C.W. Otto Coach

**Track**

Patterson--Weights Krahn, Pors--Dashes  
Wharfield, Pors, Uthmeier, Deming, Faber-- $\frac{1}{2}$  &  $\frac{1}{4}$   
mile

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**INCORPORATED TWENTY-FIVE YEARS**

(This will be a continuing feature in the coming newsletters)

**CITY'S FIRST COUNCIL MEETING**

Gathering of City Fathers in Early Days Conducted in Strict Form

The following is a copy of the official report of Marshfield's first council meeting, at which the first set of city officials were elected and other preliminary action taken. The excellent form of the report and the regularity of the proceedings, reflects great credit on the pioneer father:

Marshfield. Wis., April 23, 1882

The Common Council met at John Girk's house, in Third Ward

Present-Mayor Arnold, Aldermen Ingalls, Fornance, Beon, Couture, Cliver, Steinmetz, Girk and Strong. Meeting called to order by Mayor Arnold.

Mayor announces the first order of business to be the election of a President.

Nominations were made as follows: Ingalls and Beon.

John Girk and A. D. Deming appointed to canvass the votes.

On the canvass of votes for president, J. J. Beon received the whole number of votes cast, to-wit: 8 votes and was duly declared elected present (sic) for ensuing year.

The Mayor next announced the election of City Marshal as the next order of business and an informal ballot was taken, which resulted in a greater number of votes than there were members present and the ballot was declared void by the Mayor and a second informal ballot was taken which resulted as follows:

Total vote 8. Luckenbach 4; Tallent 2; Douglas 2.

A third informal ballot was taken which resulted as follows:

Number of votes cast 8. A. Luckenbach 3; J. Tallent 3; M. Douglas 2.

A formal ballot was next taken for City Marshal, which resulted as follows;

Total votes cast, 8. Anton Luckenbach 5, James Tallent 3.

Anton Luckenbach was declared elected City Marshal for the ensuing year.

An informal ballot was then taken for City Attorney, resulting as follows:

Whole number of votes cast 8. C.A. Coon 3; A.E. Deming 5.

A formal ballot was then taken resulting as follows: C.A. Coon 3; A. E. Deming 5.

A. E. Deming was declared elected City Attorney for the ensuing year.

An informal ballot was then taken for Road Commissioner, which vote resulted as follows;

Dan Sheehan 5; J. R. Baxter 3.

A formal ballot was then taken which resulted in Dan Sheehan's receiving 4 votes and J. R. Baxter 4. The Mayor being entitled to a vote in case of a tie, and having declared this a tie vote, cast his ballot for J. R. Baxter for Road Commissioner and J. R. Baxter was duly declared elected Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

The mayor then declared the compensation of Road Commissioner to be in order. Moved and carried that J. R. Baxter as Street or Road Commissioner be allowed two dollars per day.

Motion made by Alderman Ingalls that the overseer be instructed that all men employed by the Road Commissioner shall work 10 hours per day. Carried. Alderman Ingalls made a motion that the City Treasurer be required to give a bond to the city in the



sum of \$5000, conditions that he will faithfully and truly account for and pay over according to law, all money which shall come into his hands as such Treasurer, including all money received from the state or county on account of the drainage fund the school income fund, or any other account whatever. Motion carried.

Motion made and carried that the City Clerk execute a bond as such Clerk to the City of Marshfield in the penal sum of \$100 and condition as required of town clerk by sec. 830, R.S.

Motion was made and carried that the City Marshal and Constable be required to execute a bond as such Marshal and Constable to the City of Marshfield, with like penalties and conditions as required of Town Constables.

The Mayor then declared the letting of the City Printing under sec. 23 chapter 1, Charter of the City of Marshfield. Sealed bids were received from C. A. Coon of the Marshfield Times and E. G. Waring of the Marshfield Gazette as follows: C. A. Coon, Times, one-cent; E. G. Waring, Gazette, two hundred dollars. The printing was let to C. A. Coon.

On motion the Marshfield Times was declared and designated the official city newspaper. Carried.

Motion made that the city be instructed to get all necessary books required to be used by the City of Marshfield.

Alderman Ingalls presented a resolution that bids be received at the meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marshfield for printing in pamphlet form properly indexed, 50 copies of the Charter of the City of Marshfield. The printing to be let to the lowest bidder.

Motion made and carried that the above resolution be adopted.

Alderman Beon presented a resolution that the City Clerk furnish to the publishers of the Times and Gazette a form of index to be adopted by the party to whom the printing of the City Charter shall be let, to be used in the City Charter in pamphlet form.

Motion made and carried that the above resolution be adopted.

William Hirth presented bond as Justice of the Peace and Police Justice which were duly accepted by a majority of the Common Council as required by law.

Motion made that the Common Council adjourn until April 28, 1883 at 7 o'clock in the afternoon at John Girk's house, in third ward, in the City of Marshfield, Wood County, Wisconsin.

A. E. Deming, City Clerk

In following issued there will be a chronological

listing of all Mayors, Council members and City Clerks from 1883 to 1908. There will also be a continuation of the history of the businesses located in Marshfield in 1908 and their owners.

### MARSHFIELD TIMES

#### **WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26, 1908 ANNIVERSARY SECTION PAGE 1 OUR EARLY BUSINESS HOUSES**

The following list of advertisers in the Times issue of 1883, then the only newspaper in the city, shows the business men who were operating here at the time the pioneer village became an incorporated city:

W. A. Sexton, Druggist  
A. Hoersch, Furniture  
Ludolph Wallisen, Bricklayer  
John Luis, Eagle Hotel  
Marshfield Bank, Arnold Bros.  
Mrs. M. J. Platt, Pianos  
A. Hoerl, Meat Market  
Syme Bros & Maurere, Stave and Heading Factory  
P.H. Held & Co., Hardware  
W. H. Budge, Drugs and Chemicals  
Moinet & Hinman, Druggists  
C. M. Upham & Bros., Lumber  
B. Elvis, Jeweler  
W. G. Hinman & Co., Furniture  
J. R. Reily, Insurance  
Merkel Bros., Meat Market  
Miss E. M. Rowan, Milliner  
S. G. McMillin, Law Office  
C. Bulman, Boarding House  
Peter Bogrand, Photographer  
C. B. Warfield & Bros., Grocers  
J. H. Morel, Liquor Dealer  
Weber & McGrath, Move, Raise or Lower Buildings  
of All Types  
Geo. W. Keyes, Restaurant  
J. R. Lawsha, New Cash Store  
Carpenter & Felter, Carpenters & Builders  
J. R. Reily, Life & Fire Insurance  
Dr. Lathrop, Physician & Surgeon

### **COMMENTS BEFORE THE FIRST ELECTION**

**The following two items are from the files of The Times previous to the first city election of 1883:**

The voters of the city of Marshfield will be called upon soon to elect officers to administer the affairs of the city. These officers should be solid, intelligent,

go ahead men. No personalities should be indulged in, and men should be chosen on their ability. For Mayor we suggest the names of L. A. Arnold or E. W. Winch. Both are citizens of Marshfield and both represent a large amount of capital. They are men who have made their way in the world, and both are sharp business men of good sense and sound judgment. Either one could be elected and either would make a good mayor.

We understand that P. Worth is a candidate for City Marshal, and that he is pressing his claim as hard as he can. We have looked the man over carefully, and if being a poor, miserable, lazy, drunken, dead beat is a qualification, then Worth possesses the necessary credentials, and should be appointed. But if a good, straight, reliable, honest, impartial sober industrious man is needed then Peter has not one element to justify the city council to appoint him to the office of marshal.

### **LIBRARY CORNER**

The Marshfield Library has 12 reels of Naturalization and Declaration of Intent documents covering the time period of 1858 to 1991. These are indexed in part.

**Reel 1** Naturalization Index to Declarations and Certificate April 3, 1874 to Aug. 14, 1906.

Naturalization Index to Citizenships Nov. 2, 1874 to Oct. 31, 1973

Declaration of Intentions Oct. 24, 1876 to April 2, 1894

**Reel 2** Declarations of Intention Mar. 15, 1883 to Nov. 14, 1921

**Reel 3** Declarations of Intentions Nov. 15, 1921 to Nov. 17, 1981; Petitions Aug. 12, 1873 to July 14, 1903 and Dec. 26, 1906 to July 29, 1910

**Reel 4** Petitions July 29, 1910 to Oct. 15, 1913

**Reel 5** Petitions Oct. 7, 1913 to Nov. 18, 1918

**Reel 6** Petitions Nov. 27, 1917 to Oct. 2, 1922

**Reel 7** Petitions Oct. 2, 1922 to Oct. 3, 1938

**Reel 8** Petitions Oct. 28, 1926 to June 30, 1955  
Orders granting or denying petitions Oct. 7, 1929 to April 10, 1959

Repatriations Dec. 23, 1940 to Dec. 9, 1969

**Reel 9** Depositions Oct. 5, 1933 to Oct. 31, 1956;  
Certificates of Naturalization Aug. 12, 1873 to Sept. 26, 1906

**Reel 10** Naturalization Records, 1958 to 1991

**Reel 11** Naturalization Records, 1958 to 1991

**Reel 12** Naturalization Records

These microfilms can be found in the cabinets near the microfilm readers. Please ask at the Reference Desk if you need assistance. I am willing to do look-ups if you supply me with the names and give me a mailing address for copies of the document or an e-mail address for a transcription. Ken Wood  
808 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Marshfield, WI 54449  
[woodi199@yahoo.com](mailto:woodi199@yahoo.com)

### **COMPUTER INFORMATION**

#### **Irish Research Gets a Wee Bit Easier**

There is an ongoing digitalization project for the 1901 and 1911 Irish censuses. Part of the 1911 census is online at

<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/search>

#### **National Archives News**

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) announced that they were making available for the first time all the Official Military Personnel Files (OMPF) for those who served in any branch of the armed forces prior to 1946; these represent about six million records. Contained in the typical OMPF are assignments, evaluations, awards and decorations, education and training, demographic information, some medical information and documented disciplinary actions. Some records contain photographs and correspondence. See the news release at <http://www.archives.gov/press-release/2008/nr08-14.html> for details.

From Family Chronicle April 2008 P. 4

#### **Merger**

Pearl Street Software has merged with MyHeritage, <http://www.myheritage.com> This means that Family Tree Legends, <http://familytreelegends.com> and GenCircles <http://www.gencircles.com> are now completely free.

From Family Chronicle April 2008 P. 5

#### **International Tracing Service Opens Archives**

After more than 60 years, the archives of ITS have become accessible to the public online at <http://www.its-arolsen.org/index.php?id=2&L=1> Holocaust and Historical researchers and other interested people can now examine archives and documents from WW II at the Tracing Service in Bad Arolsen, Germany.

From Family Chronicle April 2008 P. 5

**Genealogy Today**  
[www.genealogytoday.com](http://www.genealogytoday.com)

Family Tree Connection, the largest of several databases on the Genealogy Today site, aims at making nontraditional resources available to genealogists. Its index covers a wide range of records, such as high school and college yearbooks, city directories, fraternal organization memberships and criminal records. Many more documents published between 1830 and 1930 are in the pipeline.

Price: Free index, \$29.95 annual subscription to get complete references.

From Family Chronicle April 2008 P. 8

**From Dick Eastman's Newsletter**

**NARA Makes Some Passenger Arrival Records Available Online**

This week, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) announced

that it has made available for the first time online more than 5.2 million records of some passengers who arrived during the last half of the 19th century at the ports of Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, New York, and Philadelphia.

The records can be accessed through NARA's online Access to Archival Databases (AAD).

The records were transcribed from original ship manifests into electronic databases by Temple University's Center for Immigration Research at The Balch Institute. The Center donated the digital records to the National Archives.

The records are known as Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Germans to the United States, 1850-1897; Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Italians to the United States, 1855-1900; and Data Files Relating to the Immigration of Russians to the United States, 1834-1897.

This series consists of records of 527,394 passengers who arrived at the United States between 1834 through 1897 and identified their country of origin or nationality as Armenia, Finland, Galicia, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Russian Poles, or Ukraine. There are records of passengers who were U.S. citizens or non-U.S. citizens planning to continue their travels, returning to the U.S., or staying in the U.S. There are records of passengers arriving at the following ports: Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, New York, and Philadelphia; the bulk of the records are for

passengers arriving at the Port of New York. Each of the passenger records may include name, age, town of last residence, destination, and codes for passenger's sex, occupation, literacy, country of origin, transit and/or travel compartment, and the identification number for the ship manifest. Information on each ship is in the manifest header file and includes the ship manifest identification number, the name of the ship, the code for its port of departure, and date of arrival. The ship manifest identification number indicates the port of arrival. The new databases may be found at <http://aad.archives.gov/aad/index.jsp>

**What Happened to This Idea?**

Marshfield Herald Sept. 16, 1911 P. 5

**TO MAKE PULP FROM CORN STALKS**

Cheap print paper is certain if an experiment to be witnessed by paper and pulp manufacturers of Wisconsin, to be conducted on a farm near Milwaukee the latter part of next week, results successfully. A company has been organized for the placing on the market of a miniature pulp mill, the chief equipment of which is a digester and fireless cooker. In this miniature plant it is planned that farmers manufacture print paper pulp from corn stalks and sugar cane. The fireless cooker attachment to the patented device is where the big savings comes in. Corn stalks and sugar cane possess good fiber for print paper pulp, but neither article has ever been made practical in the manufacture of pulp for the reason that the cost of getting it to pulp mills is too great and the keeping of it in large quantities for any considerable length of time is impossible.

**For those of you with Polish roots..**

Subject: [PRUSSIA-ROOTS] Warmia-Mazury, Poland WorldGenWeb  
<http://kintracking.com/plwarmiamazury/index.html>  
 Bob Lipprandt-Clark County History Buffs

**Research Recommendations: *TNA's Paleography Tutorial***

by Michael J. Leclerc

The National Archives of England and Wales

(TNA) is developing an incredibly rich website. In addition to the many wonderful records, such as wills from the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, they have a large number of resources to assist you in your British research. One of these is a guide to paleography (or palaeography as it is spelled in Britain).

Paleography is the study of old handwriting. The online tutorial at TNA was developed with the School of Library, Archives, and Information Studies at University College London, and won The Times Higher Awards 2006 for the Most Imaginative Use of Distance Learning.

The first section of the tutorial tells you where to start. It gives you a discussion of reading, standard phrases, transcribing (vs. abstracting), spelling, and abbreviations. There is also a discussion of the Old English letter called a thorn, which looks like today's letter 'y.' It is always pronounced as a 'th,' never as a 'y.' For example, "Ye Olde Tea Shoppe" is pronounced "The Old Tea Shop." Ye and Yt should always be transcribed as the and th[a]t. The next section is a quick reference guide for dating calendar and regnal years, numbers, money, measures, and counties.

The tutorial itself is interactive, with ten documents ranging from easiest to hardest to read. Each document gives you information about the specific document and transcription tips specific to that exercise. The first (and easiest) document, for example, is a letter dated 16 March 1554 from Elizabeth I, when she was a princess, to her sister, Queen Mary I.

The next page shows an image of the original document, which you can magnify to see more easily. There is a box underneath the image for you to transcribe, line by line, the entire document. The Elizabethan letter, for example, has 54 lines. You then click submit, and it will tell you how you did with your transcription. You can also download a PDF of the entire tutorial.

The next section provides links to numerous sixteenth-to-eighteenth century documents and their transcriptions for you to do additional practice with. There is a game section, the ducking stool game, which uses a woodcut of a seventeenth-century woman who is about to be lowered into the river. Whether she is completely submerged or not depends on your ability to transcribe certain words. The tutorial wraps up with a bibliography of additional resources for further reading.

This online tutorial is an easy, no-pressure way for you to learn how to read ancient documents. Try it

out and see for yourself how much easier it will be for you to read those documents yourself instead of having to get someone else to translate them for you. You can see the tutorial at [nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/default.htm](http://nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/default.htm).

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Social Statistics Census Schedules:

Another View into Ancestral Context

by George G. Morgan

The United States federal censuses date back to 1790, having been authorized by ratification of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Over the decades, the formats of each census have changed, the volume of information requested grew, and the number and type of census schedule forms changed.

In 1850, 1860, and 1870, the Social Statistics schedule was used to obtain detailed information about social conditions in a county or area. I spent part of last Saturday morning examining microfilm of the 1860 Social Statistics schedules for Virginia. As I began writing this article, I was studying the contents of the "Eastern District, in the County of Campbell of Virginia for the year ending June 1, 1860." Here are the categories of columns and the types of information I discovered.

Real Estate Value

Valuation of Real Estate (\$1,361,591) and Personal Estate (\$493,066), How Valued (Assessment Commission), and True Valuation (\$2,022,322)

Seasons & Crops

What crops are short? To what extent? Usual average crop? In the Eastern District of Calhoun County, wheat was at one-third of its annual yield and corn was at one-sixth its annual yield. In another county, the enumerator made the notation, "The short crops was [sic] caused by an uncommon frost on the 5th of June, 1859." What effect would that have had on families and the economy in 1859-60?

Annual Taxes

The name or type of each tax was listed, as well as the amount of tax in each category, and how it was paid.

Colleges, Academies, and Schools

Each category of educational institution was counted

together, such as eight common [public] schools, etc. The total number of teachers in eight schools in this district was eight, and there were 160 pupils. The schedule asked how much funding was received from annual endowments, raised by taxation, received from public funds, or raised from other sources. The district of Calhoun County contributed \$550 in public funds (\$3.44 per student, including teachers' salaries).

#### Libraries

Libraries were listed by category, such as lending, law, medical, school, academic, and other, and the number of volumes was included. (This district had no libraries.)

#### Newspapers and Periodicals

In this category, the name of the publication, its character, frequency of publication, and circulation were recorded. (The district of Calhoun County had none.) This can tell you if there may have been publications you could seek out with news, announcements, obituaries, and other information.

#### Religion

The religion category listed the numbers of denominations, the numbers each could accommodate, and the value of church property. The district of Calhoun County showed values for each denomination's statistics as follows:

- Four Presbyterian--300 capacity--Value \$3,000
- Four Baptist--300 capacity--Value \$3,000
- Seven Methodist-Episcopal--300 capacity--Value \$4,500
- One Methodist-Protestant--200 capacity--Value \$300
- Two Episcopal--33 capacity--Value \$1,500

This may provide you with leads on the religious affiliation of your ancestor, or help you narrow the number of churches in a denomination you might need to contact or research.

#### Pauperism

This category asked for the numbers of paupers supported in the past year (twenty-three native and zero foreign in Calhoun County) and how many supported on June 1st (twenty native and zero foreign). The annual cost of paupers was asked, and this district responded \$45 each, which was generous in comparison to other areas. However, this may be attributed to food, housing, and medical treatment, depending on the area.

#### Crime

This section asked for the number of criminals, native and foreign, convicted within the year. It also

asked for the number in prison as of June 1st.

#### Wages

This economic data presents a picture of relative income of the working class, and is broken down into the following columns.

- Average monthly wages to a farmhand with board (\$10)
- Average to a day laborer with board (\$0.50)
- Average to a day laborer without board (\$0.75)
- Average day wages of a carpenter without board (\$1.50)
- Weekly wages to a female domestic with board (\$1)
- Price of board to laboring men per week (\$1.75)

#### Locating Social Statistic Schedules

Social statistics schedules are available on microfilm for many states and territories. Check with your nearest LDS Family History Center to determine the availability for loan. The social statistics are normally organized by state, and then by county. Calhoun County, West Virginia, was on the Virginia roll. (West Virginia achieved statehood in 1863.) Therefore, be sure to look at formation dates and read the list of county names and locations on each film roll.

Happy Hunting!

George

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#### Book Recommendation

I have found the following book to be of great in organizing and recording data. The title is The Unpuzzling Your Past Workbook. It contains all types of forms and letters that can be used in seeking and recording information. There are a series of forms that guide you through an oral interview of a person, but which also can be used to organize your thoughts when writing a biography or

autobiography. The book is available at the Marshfield Public Library and I am sure at many other libraries across the US and by interlibrary loan. The author is Emily Anne Croom and the Marshfield call number is 929.1 C882u

### **WEB SITE FOR POSTAL DEPARTMENT RECORDS**

HistoryKat at family toolbox.net has begun a digitalization of various Postal Department records including such things as an Index to Names, Aliases and Historical Offenders, a list of names of postal law violators;

Indexes to Rosters of Railway Postal Clerks, 1883-ca.1902, an alphabetical listing of the clerks and the railway postal routed.

Record of First returns Received from Postmasters, 1789-1823; documents include a list of postmasters, date of appointment and, in some cases, rate of pay.

Record Cards of Letter Carriers Separated from the Postal Service 1853-1899: images of 3X5 cards with the names of the letter carrier, post office, date of appointment and date and cause of separation from service.

Record of Appointment of Substitute Clerks in First and Second Class Post Offices 1899-1905. These include date of appointment.

Record of Appointment of Substitute mail Carriers in First and Second Class Post Offices 1885-1903

These include name, post office and date of appointment.

Everton's Genealogical Helper January/February 2008

### **REMINDER**

**DUES ARE DUE BY MAY 1 IF YOU WISH TO REMAIN ON THE MAILING LIST. THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS DUE OUT JUNE 1, 2008. PLEASE USE THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE TO SUBMITT YOUR RENEWAL AND FEEL FREE TO PASS THIS NEWSLETTER ON TO OTHERS AND TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS YOU KNOW WHO ARE INTERESTED IN HISTORY AND GENEALOGY TO COME TO A MEETING AND JOIN OUR GROUP. THE PUBLIC IS ALWAYS WELCOME**

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