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ADDITIONAL PERSONALS

Mrs. J. C. Bickler passed Wednesday in Chicago.

J. H. Miller is spending the week at Montello, Wis.

Wm. Smith transacted business in Chicago Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Miller and daughter, Clara, passed Tuesday in Elgin.

Mrs. Geo. Stilling was among the Chicago passengers Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Fred Justen spent a recent day as the guest of friends at the county seat.

C. Unti attended to matters of a business nature in the windy city Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Kamholz attended the funeral of a relative at Crystal Lake last Thursday.

Miss Trace Barbian passed a few days this week as the guest of Chicago relatives.

Mrs. Mike Worts of Chicago attended the funeral of Miss Anna Weber here Monday.

Mrs. Chas. Gaulke of Woodstock passed one day last week as the guest of McHenry relatives.

Mrs. Frank Zuelsdorf spent Sunday and Monday as the guest of relatives at Palatine.

John Oehmke of Crystal Lake was a Sunday guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Franzen.

Mrs. Earl Brown and daughter of Woodstock passed a few days this week with relatives here.

Mrs. August Pufahl of Hebron was a recent guest in the home of her son, Supt. J. E. Pufahl, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sherman spent a day recently as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moner at Richmond.

Mrs. John Carey passed the latter part of last week as the guest of Elgin relatives.

Miss Christina Adams passed a few days this week as a guest in the home of her brother, Frank, near Spring Grove.

Mrs. John Reihansperger of West Chicago passed Monday as a guest in the home of her son, Chas. J., and family.

Mrs. Inez Caine of Marengo was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Meyers last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. G. C. Boley and son, Kenneth, went to Woodstock Wednesday morning for a few days' visit with relatives in that city.

Mrs. Sam Rogers and son, Sam, Jr., passed a few days recently as the guests of Crystal Lake friends. Mr. Rogers is at the Madison, Wis., university, where he is taking a short tractor course.

Mrs. Fred Deutschmann, who has

been spending the winter with her daughter in Chicago, passed a few days this week as the guest of McHenry friends. Mrs. Deutschmann will again take up her home near this village with the opening of spring.

Mrs. John Oehmke and two daughters of Crystal Lake were recent day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Franzen. They were accompanied home by little Gordon Franzen, who remained their guest for a week, returning home last Saturday night.

Emil Arnold of Woodstock was a visitor in town last Friday. While here he made this office a pleasant call and also imparted to us that he may decide to become a candidate for the office of circuit clerk for McHenry county. Mr. Arnold has many friends throughout the county and should he decide to cast his hat into the political arena we predict for him a splendid endorsement by voters from this section of the county.

Those from a distance who attended the funeral of Miss Anna Weber here on Monday morning of this week were as follows: Mrs. John A. Worts, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Block, Mrs. Theo. Bickler and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Engeln, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wagner, two sons, Joseph and Wm., and daughter, Martha; Anton Immikus and daughters, Christina and Clara; Mrs. Nicholas Schaefer, Mrs. Irving Hart, Anton Tennes, all of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wagner of Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Christensen of Spring Grove passed Wednesday as the guests of relatives here.

Miss Laura Krause visited her sister, Mrs. F. G. Spurling, at St. Anthony's hospital in Chicago Wednesday.

Mrs. John Conway has returned to her home at Fond du Lac, Wis., after a three weeks' visit in the home of P. H. Conway.

Chas. L. Newman and wife, Herbert Carlson and Miss Viola Eidnier of Woodstock spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Linus Newman.

Locals Lost Both Games

The McHenry high school basketball team disappointed a big crowd of rooters at the local gym last Friday evening when they dropped both games of a double header to the classy little teams from Wauconda.

The second team lost the game by a score of 15 to 7, while McHenry's firsts suffered an even more crushing defeat, the visitors registering a 34 to 2 victory.

McHenry's second put up a respectable looking fight, but the heavies failed to make any sort of a showing against the speedy Wauconda lads.

It was a case of being outclassed and McHenry never had a chance to win. Wauconda has developed a classy team and is entitled to all the credit that accompanies victory.

LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS

GLAD TIDINGS RECEIVED FROM RAYMOND MARTIN

Sergt. Edward W. Krepel and Pvt. Wm. J. Hiller Write to Friends Back Home

From Sergt. Edward W. Krepel
The following letter was written to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ritter by Sergt. Edward Krepel from "over there":

Romorantin, France, Dec. 24, 1918.
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ritter—This being Christmas eve I must first wish you all a merry-Christmas; even if it will be a month late, better late than never.

Next I wish to thank you for the papers, which arrived this morning, and let me assure you they were very much appreciated. The Plaindealer in particular was interesting as it kind of reminded me of old friends and home.

Have enjoyed reading the letters published in this issue from the boys over here and am glad to say that with the exception of two they are all modest home letters with nothing of the bragart or bravado in them.

The other two may be meant all right, but they sound a whole lot as though they were written to impress the public at large with the importance of the writer and the large part he has played in winning this war.

As far as the letter Mr. Feffer wrote I do not know what kind of a statement he made or how raw, but why call his hand at this time. Why not wait and see how many medals and citations Mr. Feffer has won for his conspicuous bravery and then let public opinion be the judge.

Of course I realize that most everyone has done some little bit toward winning this war, but I also know that very few have done more than they absolutely had to and none of us that are still living and unhurt have at all times performed our duty without now and then shirking or dodging some detail or only half doing the job if it was impossible to handshake around it.

Another thing to remember is that regardless of what one man does or how good he does it, among the millions of men there was always someone to take his place and do it just a little better, and that very, very dear friend of mine surely is laying it on thick.

I suppose he intends to run for office again as soon as he gets back. Some people can't be truthful even to themselves. Well enough of this or you will think that I, too, am trying to start spreading it.

The weather is still the same as usual, raining and cold, but, unless the Frenchman lied to us, it will be nice after New Year's day. You see they have what they call the rainy season and as this is the twelfth month of the year we are bound to have nice weather after this.

Well, folks, this company is going to celebrate Christmas in grand style tomorrow if everything goes per schedule.

Plenty of turkey, cigars, candy, cigarettes, wine, champagne and say, listen, I am already laying on a full quart of shots all for my lonely. After the feed we are going to put on a little show in our mess shack and then have a smoker. How's that for Christmas in France? But then we've got some captain and lieutenants in this company and I feel sorry for the boys that aren't that lucky.

Must say goodbye now and see what's on for tonight at the Y. M. C. A.

Sergt. Ed. Krepel.
2nd Co., 4th Mechanics,
Rgt. Air Service,
Amer. E. F.

From Pvt. Wm. J. Hiller
The following letter, which was written to Rev. Wm. Weber by Pvt. Wm. J. Hiller, who is in France, will be of interest to our readers:

Dec. 14, 1918.

Dear Friend Father Weber—I received your letter some few weeks ago, but did not find time to answer it. Will try and write a few lines tonight and let you know that I am still in good health and hope you are the same.

You cannot imagine how glad we all are that the war is over and I expect all the people are at home, too. Now we have to pray that they may send us back to our dear homes again in the good United States, which I think will be before many months.

You wrote quite a little French in your last letter. I did not learn enough of it that I can read it, only certain words. I think it is a very hard language to learn, that is I imagine it is.

I am leaving for another trip with horses tomorrow morning. Just came back Wednesday night from one. It takes us five days. We take them overland on a long rope. Last time had one hundred horses and six men.

Tomorrow we take 126 mules and twelve men. We take them from here, Besancon, to Lux. It is a distance of about sixty or sixty-five miles.

We have about nine hundred horses to take care of and it surely keeps us busy.

I heard some sad news the other day. The folks wrote me and said that Ed. Tonyan had been killed in action on Oct. 5 and that my cousin, Henry Freund, was missing in action.

I don't think that is true, because I had a letter from him dated Nov. 17, in which he said that his company was in a rest camp.

I have not been to church very much since I have been in France, as we have to work on Sundays. I went in the afternoon whenever I could get off, but I haven't forgotten my religion. I do the best I can.

We have had lots of rainy weather here during the past few weeks and it is not so very cold. I heard that you had another fair on Thanksgiving and

I hope it was a success.

Well, Father, I will have to close for this time. Hope you had a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

From your friend,
Pvt. Wm. J. Hiller,
308 Field Remount Sgd.,
A. E. F., France.

From Raymond Martin
A letter from Raymond Martin, who is somewhere in Germany, to J. P. Weber of this village, will be of interest to his many friends here.

Mr. Martin is a brother to Mrs. J. P. Weber and the letter is as follows:

Somewhere in Germany, Dec. 11.

Dear John—Just a few lines to let you know I am still alive. I would have written to you before, but I hiked from the front in France to Germany and I have not had time to write as we were on the go all the time and are still on the go. I don't know where we are going, but will write again and let you know as soon as I find out.

Well, John, I think I got my share of the war as I was in it ever since July the fourteenth, the time the Germans tried to cross the Marne river at Chateau Thierry, up until the time the war ended, so I think I got my share or more than my share. There surely was some fighting, what I mean. You missed something, John.

My regiment supported Bob's regiment over the top at the St. Mihiel drive, but I never got a chance to see him. He was looking for me up there, but could not find me. He met some of the boys in my battalion and asked them if they knew me.

The boys said he was a runner in the eighteenth infantry and carried messages from the front-line trenches. He surely was lucky if he did not get hit in this last drive at the Verdun front.

Well, John, I will have to close for this time, wishing you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Ray Martin.

Notice
You and each of you are hereby notified that on and after this date I will no longer be responsible for the bills made by my wife, Christina Miller, and my children, Regina Miller, Albert Miller, Elmer Miller, and Arthur Miller, for furnishings or other material; and whosoever sells same or anything to them on credit does it at their own risk of loss.

Signed this 5th day of December, 1918.

26-10t
Peter J. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barbian were Chicago visitors today.

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FEBRUARY 1

Watch For Program

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WANTED—Girl or woman; good wages, room and board. Ayer's hotel, Harvard, Ill. 32-1c

FOR SALE—S. C. White Leghorn cockers from the best strains. Mrs. L. V. Lusk, Grayslake, Ill. 31

FOR SALE—Plymouth Barred Rock cocks. Price, \$3.00 each. John B. Lundgren, Oakwood farm, McHenry, Ill. Phone 608-M-2. 32-3t

FOR SALE—400 bushels of barley, 300 bushels of oats, 14 tons timothy hay and 50 tons straw. Inquire of Ira J. Stuart, West-McHenry, Ill. 32

FOR SALE—Ford 1918 touring, perfect condition, good as new, for \$150 less than the price of a new one. Frank Weber, Crystal Lake, Ill. 32

FOR SALE—Six tons of choice upland hay in barn; also a quantity of Wisconsin pedigree seed barley. Inquire of Chas. W. Gibbs, West McHenry, Ill. Phone 620-W-2. 30-2t

FOR SALE—Here is your chance to make milk and pork cheap. I can spare about 20 tons choice barley; also 20 tons good ear corn. Your choice at \$40.00 per ton. Inquire of Wm. Bonslett, West McHenry, Ill. Phone 86-M. 32-1t

WANTED—To remodel, reline your furs, special coat work, enlarging, etc., mending muffs, collar and cuff sets, made to order. New goods, nice work, satisfaction guaranteed. Materials returned. Address Miss Fannie Goff, 273 Division St., Elgin, Ill. 30

QUARTER OF A CENTURY

Items Clipped From The Plaindealer of Twenty-Five Years Ago

Born, on Monday, Jan. 15, 1894, to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Owen, a son. Weight eight pounds.

Fifty-one attended the Epworth league social at Isaac Wentworth's on Friday evening last.

John Huemann of Johnsburg had a break down while passing thru our village one day last week.

Geo. Beckwith of this village is serving on the jury in the Delhanty murder trial now in progress at Woodstock.

Miss Maggie Kearns, who has been visiting among relatives and friends here, returned to her home in Chicago the first of the week.

The ice house at the Riverside House was filled on Saturday last with the best ice of the season. It was about ten inches thick and as clear as a crystal.

The weather the past week has been more like April than January. At this writing there is a heavy fog and the thermometer registers forty-eight above zero.

In a copy of the Mellette, S. D., Tribune we find the following item: "F. A. Schnorr was elected chairman of the board of county commissioners at their last meeting."

Sheriff Udell was subpoenaing jury-men in this village on Wednesday evening last. Quite a number drew prizes, but all but one were let off by the court the next day.

J. D. Lotz of Chicago will on Feb. 1 open a merchant tailoring establishment in the Pekovsky block, two doors south of the postoffice, where he will make single garments or full suits.

There will be a partial eclipse of the moon on March 20 and 21, an annual eclipse of the sun April 5, a partial eclipse of the moon September 14 and a total eclipse of the sun on September 28.

Prof. W. H. Strayer, P. S. Mayes, C. E. Lamphere, Miss Mary Wentworth, Miss Fannie Osborne, Miss Flora Sherburne and Miss Alice Bennett attended the teachers' meeting at Wauconda last Saturday.

The election on Saturday last to change the site for the new school-house drew out a large vote. There were two tickets in the field, viz., one for selecting the Owen lot on the hill west of the city hall and one for using the present site occupied by the brick schoolhouse. The unanimous vote was for the Owen lot.

The prospects are good for the building of a branch railroad thru the

northwest part of Cook and the southwest part of Lake counties in the near future. The projected line is to connect with the Chicago & Northwestern either at Barrington or Palatine and thence will proceed via Lake Zurich, Wauconda, Volo, Fox Lake and Richmond to Lake Geneva.

Enthusiastic meetings have been held at Wauconda, Lake Zurich and Volo. At Wauconda \$10,000 was quickly raised.

January 24, 1894

The Nunda collector, S. S. Shepard of Barreville, is sick with la grippe and fever.

Miss Clara Wightman, who is teaching in Chicago, came home on Friday feeling quite ill.

Mrs. E. G. Howe of Ringwood is reported very low with pneumonia and little hopes are entertained for her recovery.

The sudden death of Mrs. Stephen Neiss, of German Prairie occurred on Friday morning last. Mrs. Neiss' maiden name was Katherine Katner.

Our local Driving Park association is making arrangements to have the coming season surpass that of 1893, which will be remembered as a hummer.

The weather at this writing is fulfilling the predictions of Malsill, the famous almanac maker. A snow storm from the northeast is raging with a fair prospect of another run of sleighing.

The lecture given by Rev. Merrill at the city hall on Thursday evening was largely attended and enjoyed by all. The stereopticon views, forty of which were shown, added considerably to the lecture.

Thos. Burke has been making some good improvements at his market in the east end of town. He has lately enlarged his room and put in a fine new cooler and now has one of the best arranged markets in this section.

Miss Flora Sherburne's young friends made her a late call on Friday evening last and when the last callers were ushered in she was notified that it was a surprise party.

Games and lunch were indulged in and all report a good time.

Our German friends in this village and vicinity who are now obliged to go to Johnsburg to attend church, have decided to build a new church here and held a meeting a few days since to talk the matter over and make arrangements for the same. At this meeting it was decided by vote to locate said church on the east side of town.

Real Estate Transfers

E. H. Waite, M in C, to Wm. Bonslett, pt n/2 sw 1/4 sec 26, McHenry \$6000.00

Jacob Schaefer to Rose Mueller, lt 9, Sunnyside Beach, McHenry 200.00

Dr. C. H. Fegers to Jennie Gordon, lts 1, 2, 3 & 4, blk 3, Dr. C. H. Fegers' addn, McHenry 300.00

Marriage Licenses

George N. Docken, 32 Madison Belle Mallory, 32 Baraboo

Abraham Floen, 30 Harvard Laura Fitch, 18 Harvard

Math. B. Laures, 24 McHenry Vera C. Knox, 23 McHenry

Fred J. Smith, 22 Johnsburg Clara M. Schmitt, 22 Johnsburg

Peter J. Oeffling, 24 Johnsburg Susie Michels, 23 Johnsburg

Clarence Siems, 22 Union Emma Kunde, 25 Union

Elmer C. Kretzhmer, 22 Harvard Vera Hutchinson, 22 Harvard

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Glass Coffee Mill \$1.15 \$1.00

No. 2 Gold Blast Lantern \$1.30 \$1.00

No. 1 Tin Lantern80 75c

Set Dover Flat Irons \$2.35 \$2.00

No. 3 Standard Gal. Water Tub \$2.10 \$1.85

No. 2 Standard Gal. Water Tub \$1.75 \$1.65

No. 2 Cistern Pump \$2.58 \$2.50

8-gal. Milk, 2 1/2 lb \$6.80 \$6.00

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