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**"LELAND" PRESENTED TO "THE BOYS" BY THE WELCOME ORCHESTRA**

Fine Upright Piano was Waiting for Local Ex-Soldiers and Sailors Monday.

When the Downers Grove boys who had worn the khaki or the blue of the army and navy assembled in the G. A. R. Hall Monday night for their second meeting they found awaiting them a Leland piano, the gift of the Welcome Orchestra.

This beautiful present is the result of the concert given in the Methodist Church several weeks ago by this organization assisted by several others.

When the note which was lying on the piano was read to those assembled they carried with a whoop the motion that a vote of thanks was in order.

A committee consisting of Harvey A. Drew, Emerson David and Chester Hall is now working on this resolution.

While no definite plan of action has been arranged the boys are just sticking together until more of the honor roll fellows are home when a real organization will be formed.

Lt. Col. Roosevelt and other members of the army and navy are now working on plans for a national organization and will meet as a committee at St. Louis, May 8th.

Every officer and enlisted man who served in the army, navy or marine corps from the time the United States declared war until the signing of the armistice will be eligible for admission.

Because of the fact that a big national organization was a possibility, the local boys decided to get together so that when it became a reality they would be ready to join.

From present plans those who are home Memorial Day will take part in the usual local observance of the day.

**FIFTY YEARS OF WEDDED LIFE CELEBRATED SUNDAY**

Two anniversaries were quietly celebrated last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Snyder on Oakwood Avenue. The events bring their fiftieth wedding anniversary and also the eightieth birthday of Mr. Snyder.

On just such a beautiful April day, as last Sunday, fifty years ago, O. H. Snyder and Ida L. Evans were married in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Four children were born to them, three of whom are living, Henry E. of Fairfield, Iowa and Harlan F. and Edith E. of Downers Grove. The majority of their fifty wedded years were spent in various towns in Iowa, from which state the family moved to Downers Grove almost six years ago.

A family reunion had been planned to celebrate these events, but owing to Mr. Snyder's accident a few weeks ago, it was impossible to carry these plans out. Of the out of town relations only Mrs. Henry Snyder and small daughter Harriette, of Fairfield Iowa, were present.

Many beautiful flowers and congratulations were received from the friends and neighbors which were greatly appreciated and made them realize, as never before, the many friends they have made in Downers Grove.

**AN EX-SOLDIER WHO HAS LOST HIS POSITION**

One man who lost out by serving his country is O. B. Ostewig, who lives at the Central Hotel.

He was employed at the local tower for several years and was working there when called to the colors. After his discharge he came back to Downers Grove and finding he could not get back his old job took the position at the passenger station.

Ostewig has now lost that situation because of someone's else appointment. We think the "Q" officials owe it to Ostewig to place him in a position at least as good as the one he left to serve his country.

**FORMER RESIDENT KILLED BY ACCIDENTAL GUN SHOT**

The accidental discharge of his gun caused the death of Eugene Brunet, a lad of 19, who accidentally shot himself Friday afternoon while hauling hay on the Barry farm near Hecla.

Young Brunet and a son of Mr. Barry were hauling hay in the field and he got off of the load to shoot an owl. After firing a few shots he was returning to the top of the wagon when the gun was accidentally discharged the shot entering his abdomen.

He was rushed to Aberdeen for medical attention but all efforts failed to save his life.

He has worked for Mr. Barry for the past three years and just last week returned to the farm from Downers Grove, Ill., where he was called by the death of his mother.

—Aberdeen, S. D. Weekly News.  
 Eugene Brunet was born in Chicago in April 1900 and with his parents moved here soon afterward. He was a graduate of the Downers Grove schools and well known here.

Three years ago he left to go west and has been farming near Aberdeen since. He died Sunday, March 30th from the effects of an accidental gun shot wound in his abdomen while hunting the day before.

His brother, Hector Brunet and brother-in-law, Chas. MrVicka, went to Aberdeen April 1st and returned last Sunday with the body. Funeral services were held Monday morning at St. Joseph's Church, Dr. Goodwin officiating and burial was made at St. Bernard's cemetery south west of the village.

He leaves a father, E. Brunet, four brothers, Hector, Lieut. Leon, Henry and Edward and three sisters, Mrs. Florence Mrvicka, Isabelle and Eva to mourn his untimely taking away.

**DOWNERS GROVE INVITED TO ENTER "Q" BASEBALL**

The following towns, Riverside, Congress Park, LaGrange, Western Springs and Hinsdale are forming a Suburban Baseball League and have requested the undersigned to organize a team in Downers Grove to become the sixth member of this league.

Anyone in Downers Grove, players or sympathizers, interested please communicate with me at once.

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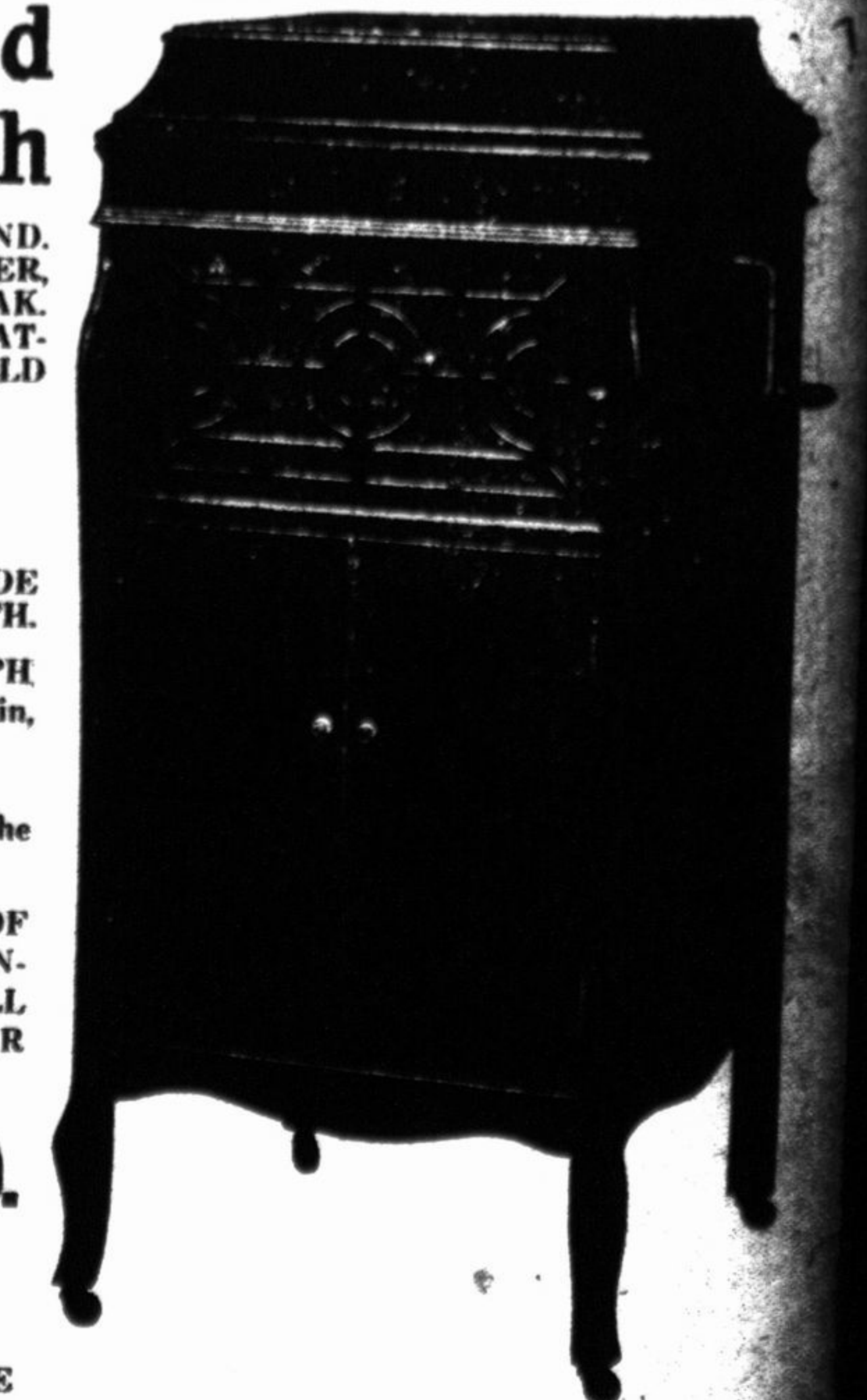
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