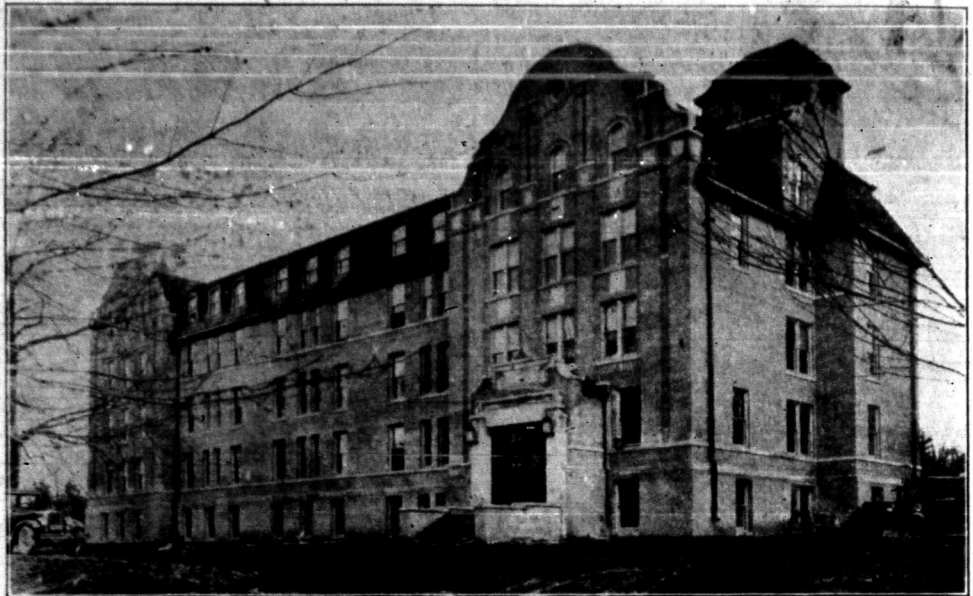


HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL



One of Merrill's finest institutions, this building was dedicated in 1925 after an intensive campaign had secured volunteer contributions from hundreds of Merrill people. The L. N. Anson family was the largest single contributor. Charles W. Bruce headed the building committee.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA
 Mulberry Camp No. 409 of the Modern Woodmen was organized on July 30, 1891, in Mihl's hall on West Main street. In 1893 the Camp changed its meeting place to the Hankwitz building on Prospect street where A. S. Schram's furniture store is now located. In 1900 the camp relocated again in Zemlika hall on Main street, where Kohlhoff & Krueger's is now located, and remained there until after the fire that destroyed the building. For the past 15 years the camp has met in the Merrill Social and Sick Benefit Society hall on Grand Avenue.

The charter members are: George Rothlsberg, Consul; Dell Forsyth, Clerk; John Hook, Banker; Wm. Burton, Advisor; J. J. Hoffman, Escort; John E. Hoffman; W. H. Hebert; H. Barr; Ernst Gall; Chas. W. Graham; Hans Hanson; John E. Miller; Wm. E. Stahl; Wm. Buhler; A. C. Heckman; Myron W. Brand; Sam Weinfeld; W. J. Thatcher; Dr. A. R. Wittman and Dr. Charles E. Spring, Camp Physicians.

The present officers are: Herman C. W. Rathke, Consul; George Steiniger, Advisor; Guy L. Henry, Banker; Chas. Bjorklund, Secretary.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA
 Mary Ludington Camp No. 189 Royal Neighbors of America, was instituted on Sept. 13, 1895. The following were adopted as charter members:

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hoffman
 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hankwitz
 Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Dawson
 Mrs. Myra Smith
 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reidel
 Mrs. Ellen H. Chaney
 Mr. and Mrs. Adam Salscheider
 Mrs. Minnie Beine
 Mrs. Augusta Nienow
 Mrs. Clara Gorman
 Mrs. Helen Mortl
 Mrs. Bertha Peterson
 Mr. H. P. Peiterson
 Mrs. C. N. Smith
 Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Gall.
 Mr. and Mrs. Max Mase
 Mrs. Mary Eberhart
 Mrs. Thomas Callow
 Mr. Thomas Callow
 Mr. and Mrs. Will Callow
 Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hoffman
 Mrs. Rose Hoffman
 Mrs. Anna Dalve
 Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Hoffland
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mooney
 Mrs. Magdalena Kubasta
 Mrs. Amelia Schmidt
 Mrs. Robert Bunsch
 Mrs. Hattie Powell
 Mrs. Ella Stiefvater
 Mrs. Anna Heckman
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trowbridge
 Miss Helen Combs
 Mrs. Eva McCormick
 Mrs. Lucia L. Evans
 Mrs. Sarah Stewart
 Mr. D. E. Stewart
 Mrs. Margaret Kelly
 Mrs. Paulina Euler
 Mrs. Emelie Steiniger
 Mrs. Maria Wendorf
 Mrs. Catherine Heckman

B. P. O. ELKS

For the purpose of instituting Merrill Lodge No. 696, B. P. O. Elks, Thomas B. Mills, District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for Wisconsin, organized the Grand Lodge at 2:30 o'clock P. M. on May 7, 1901, with the following Grand Lodge Officers: Thomas B. Mills, Grand Exalted Ruler; Thomas B. Mills, Grand Esteemed Leading Knight; Chas. Weinfeld, Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight; H. A. Lathrop, Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight; W. J. Conway, Grand Secretary; H. McCrossen, Grand Treasurer; Chas. Livingston, Grand Tyler; John Kiefer, Grand Esquire; F. Blake, Grand Inner Guard; Col. Pier Grand Chaplain; J. Brennan, Grand Organist; Gus Heinemann.

Assisted by Brother Elks from Wausau, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Marshfield, Grand Rapids, the Wausau Lodge No. 248 was directed to take charge of the initiation.

The following were duly initiated into Merrill Lodge No. 696, B. P. O. Elks and became the charter members thereof: L. N. Anson; H. H. Alderson; H. H. Foster; S. Heineman; Chas. Quinn; J. S. Thompson

ROTARY CLUB

Merrill at present has an active local branch of the Rotary International which has a luncheon meeting once each week. It was organized here in February, 1916, and since that time has followed the objective of service—local, national, and international—that marks the club. Many projects have been undertaken here by Rotarians for which the club has never claimed credit. It has always been content to know that it has been of service.

FIDELITY LIFE ASSOCIATION

Merrill Lodge No. 374, Mystic Workers of the World was organized January 7, 1901, in Tockley's Hall on West Main street with the following officers:

Richard B. Reed, Monitor
 John A. Fraser, Vice-Monitor
 Herbert F. Fraser, Secretary
 Theo. B. Tyndall, Banker

The other charter members were: Wm. Pynn; Sol. Hendershot; Mrs. Edith Martin; Albert G. Martin; Frank Hitke; Mrs. Theresa Sandhofer; Mrs. Jennie Bunde.

The present name of the organization was adopted in 1929. The present place of meeting is in the Merrill Social & Sick Benefit Society Hall on Grand avenue, and meetings are usually held the second Tuesday of the month. The present officers are: Ora Ellsworth, Prefect; Mrs. Alice Beattie, Monitor; Mrs. Mildred Scott, Secretary; Mrs. Theresa Howard, Banker.

MACCABEES

The Merrill branch of the Maccabees was organized here in February, 1893, and has continued to hold its regular meetings to this day. Its weekly meeting night is Thursday. The first officers were: Commander, John Kelly; Lieutenant Com., Allan W. Irick; Record Keeper, David W. Chamberlin; Finance Keeper, Marcus Kelly. The present officers are: Past Commander, Frank Stimers; Commander, Jas. Schorey; Lieut. Commander, August McDonald.

TYPICAL LINCOLN COUNTY HERD



This splendid herd of Holsteins is the property of the Lincoln County home and is one of very excellent foundation herds in the county. Through the selective breeding of pure-bred cattle the county is building its most promising industry, dairying, to a rank where it will compare with any other district in the world.