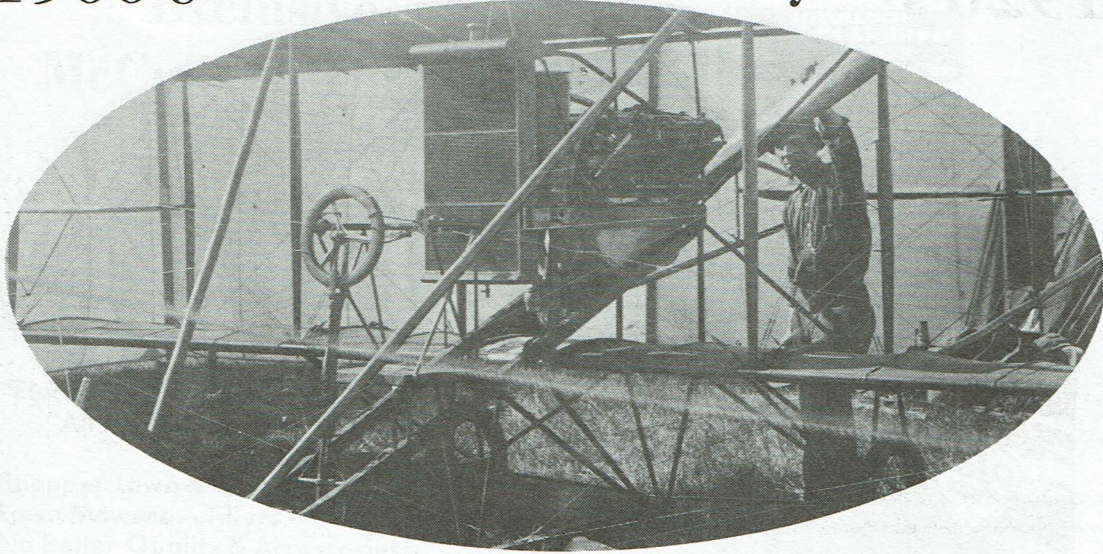


1900's

Turn of the century



Merrill's first airplane



Johnny Doughboy



John Kasper wrestling with bear Alice Teddy

"Wait till the sun shines, Nellie" gives you an idea of the mood of the early 1900's and became a favorite song of the barbershop quartets popular in that time. This period was known as the "Cocksure Era" and it was a time when women wore bloomers as a sign of rebellion.

"When Johnny comes marching home again" expressed the feelings that people shared when the doughboys who fought to "make the world safe for democracy" came trudging home from France in 1919. Symbolizing the post-war happy-go-lucky spirit, Model T's began zipping through muddy streets at 10 mph.

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June 12, 1916 - Mary Pickford movies shown every Wednesday nite at Badger . . . Lincoln Box Company purchases 6,400 pound truck for hauling to factories . . . War - President Wilson sends troop to Mexico Border - Latin America agrees with U.S. . . June 27, 1916 - J. T. Club: Social Dance Party funds to be used for a visiting nurse and clinic in Merrill. . . July 25, 1916 - Herald Bathing Beach fund at \$61.00 to be used for bath house . . . Merrill may have a hoop mill J. M. Peel inspects sites for quantity of elm. February 11, 1918 - Secret Service Men throughout Wisconsin searching every house for over-supply of food . . . 1918 - Sinking of the Tuscania . . . In Merrill, old timers recall George Crapsey's boxing bear, Alice Teddy. . . February 26, 1918 - Seventh grade students of fifth ward school made fifty sweaters for Red Cross. Serious coal shortage if experimenting by fuel administration doesn't cease . . . March 16, 1918 - Senate accepts daylight savings bill. . . April 22, 1918 - Earthquake in California. . .

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