

A HISTORY SHORT World War I Departure



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Pine City Area History Association

On September 22, 1917, seventy Pine County men left to serve the United States in World War I.

**Liberty Boys
Go To Camp**

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Seventy From The County
Given Rousing Farewell
at Pine City

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PINE POKER
SEPTEMBER 27, 1917

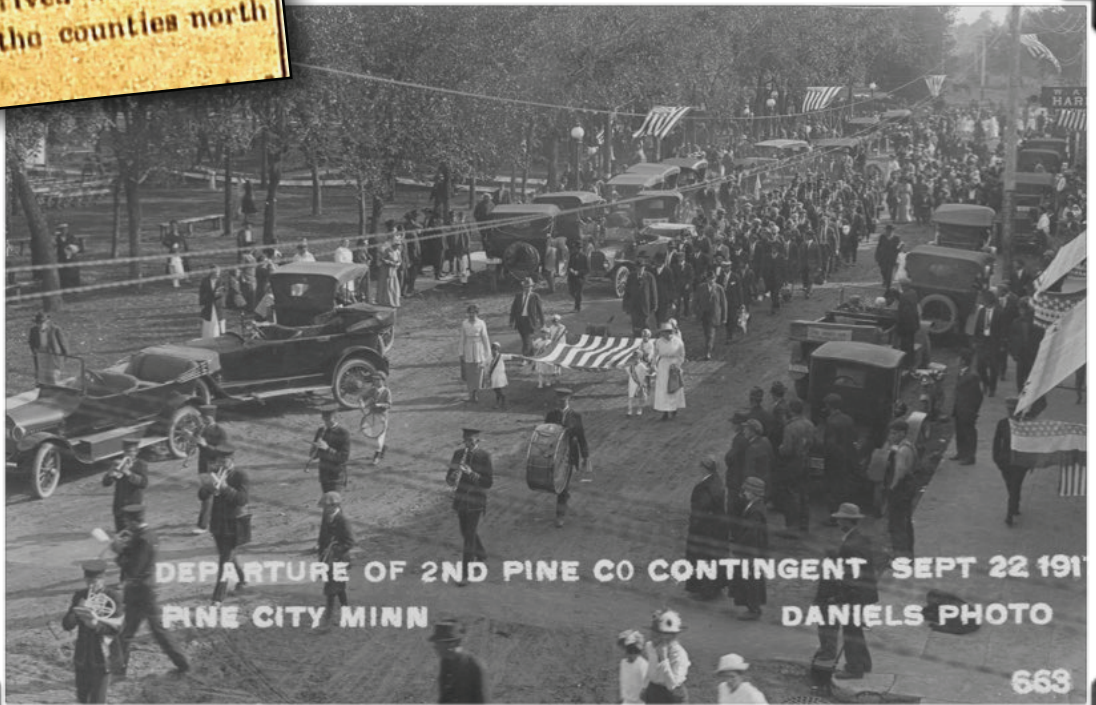
Seventy more of Pine county's Liberty Boys left, last Saturday, for the training camp at Fort Dodge, DesMoines, Ia., making a total of 87 that have gone from the county out of the 156 that Pine county will furnish for the first draft. It is expected that the next contingent will leave the latter part of next week, or maybe the week after. This contingent will include 69 men and will finish up the first draft.

After the exercises in the park, the crowd repaired to the court house corner, where music was had. The Liberty Boys were in the court house yard where they were served home made candy by the ladies employed there and cigars and patriotic post cards were distributed by Auditor Hamlin. Each of the boys was also presented with a Comfort Kit.

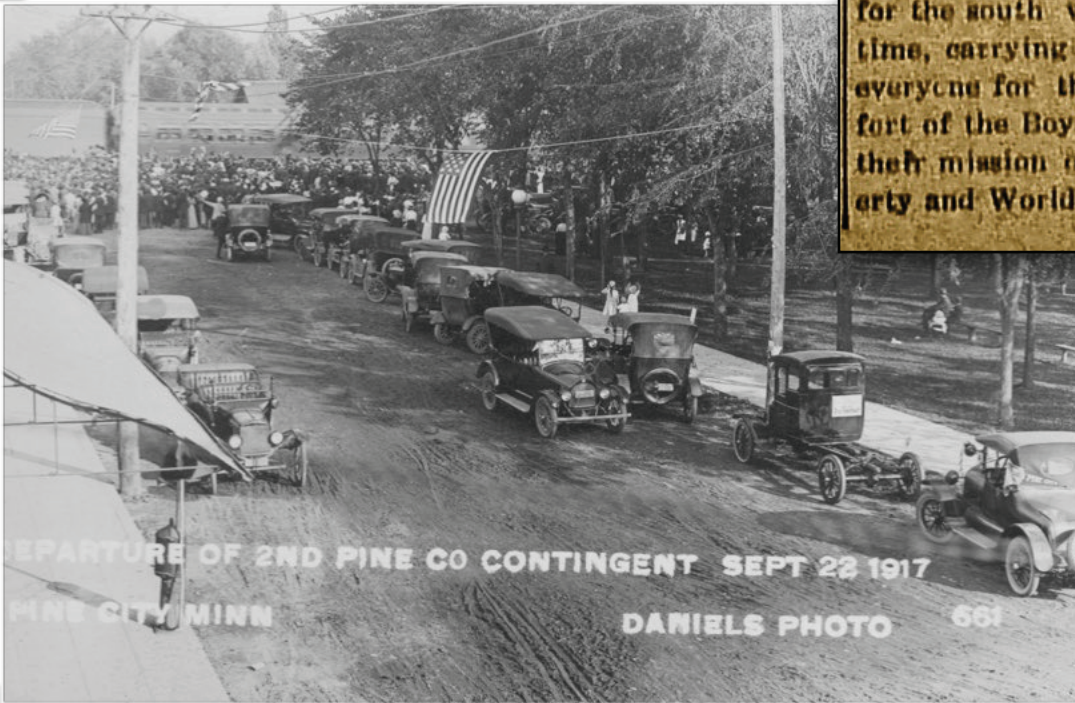


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A parade was formed at the court house, whence it moved to Second avenue near the depot where music and visiting were enjoyed until their train which carried the Boys to Minneapolis arrived with a large contingent from the counties north of us.



As they filed into the rear end of the train, there were many hearty greetings from the crowd and the Boys every time yelled a cheerful response. Everything went like clock work and the Pine county contingent was aboard and the train off for the south within a very short time, carrying the best wishes of everyone for the safety and comfort of the Boys and the success of their mission of World wide Liberty and World-wide Justice.



Men from the Pine City area included:

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| John Nicholas Edin | Edward Hanson | Oscar John Carlson |
| Alfred Herbert Decker | Leonard Felton | Gust Hendrickson |
| Axel V. Holmstrom | Fred Hanson | Alex Krintz |
| Harry Lester Musmer | Stanley Haberman | Anton Chris Klicker |
| Frank Joseph Vosmek | Archie L Kendall | Ray Allen Nelson |
| William J. McKusick | Hugo Saumer | Herbert Merriman |
| Frank Joseph Chalupnik | | |