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Horeword

N a stately panegyric, whose words still kindle the soul as the eye travels along the pictured page, Cicero, the prince of orators, bids the Roman senate erect the most splendid monument to Roman heroes, living and dead. "For," he said, "mighty and marvellous are their services to the Republic." In this year, ever memorable, do the citizens of a greater Republic erect to nobler soldiers their monuments of gratitude and affection, for deeds of might and right in the awfulest strife since soldier fought. Marble, bronze, the proud page of history, are but the poor and perishable outward sign of the rich and living love and memory which America will treasure as long as she endures.

This modest volume records the notable share of Richfield Springs in the national memorial. Its form-due to the unfailing good taste of one who represents with distinction our sentiments —is most apt and pleasing. It resumes for us and expresses with cogency the activities and sacrifices of our community during the war. Its pages, with a simplicity that touches the heart, show forth not only the sound love of country, but a love that has a quick ear and an open hand for every form of need and oppression. It recalls the faces and short and simple stories of lads with whom we lived, commonplace indeed, who went forth from school and shop and farm at the call of Mother America and returned, thank God, transfigured by the consecration of a Holy War. Some, indeed, bearing lasting scars besides which the most brilliant decorations seem paltry. Yet not all. There are faces we have lost awhile. Ward H. Shepard and John Leo Purcell sleep well in honored graves at home. Joseph Huggick sank on a foreign but friendly field of honor, thinking, perchance, of the home and neighbors he is nevermore to see. Will not they and our thousands of dead be very sacred, unforgotten voices, calling from the heights in a golden splendor, calling us up to them by the way they went, the way of faith and self-sacrifice? God bless them and God rest them. "A great stillness falls; a life's affection is raised beyond chance and change by that last of sacraments, a soldier's death on the field of duty, battling for a just cause, looking to no reward except faith kept and honor vindicated even as he passes to the unseen." It will be for old companions-in-arms and for citizens of Richfield Springs through long years and perhaps in distant lands a priceless souvenir which enshrines sacred memories of a war of men and demons in the air as on land and sea and below the waters of the sea and, too, of a patriotism that never feared and never faltered, of all of which they were a part.

All the devices of science, all the cruelties of man were exhausted in mutilating and killing men. They fought a foe who did evil designedly, who recognized no law of nations or of humanity, in sewer-like trenches, the water up to their belts, the mire swallowing them down, in scenes of blood and filth to make the heart sick which no one dares to picture and which mercifully stun the imagination of the survivors. In the strong language of Isaiah: "Hell hath enlarged herself and opened her mouth without measure." The malignant frenzy of savage hordes was eclipsed by deliberate professors who at ease in their laboratories invented new plagues to choke and poison the soldier of liberty. The perverted ingenuities of science destroyed ruthlessly the noblest works of God and man. Incredible things happened that stagger and sicken and yet it made no difference. The spirit of '76 and '61 overcame an inferno that the superlative genius of Dante could not body forth and Chateau-Thierry, Belleau Woods, the forests of Argonne, St. Mihiel will quicken the pulse and brighten the eve of the lovers of freedom in all lands and will cause the name of the New World to be held in benediction by generations yet unborn of the Old.

All this our soldiers suffered and triumphantly endured for their own land; for, to paraphrase Wendell Phillips, the torpedo aimed at the Lusitania was the yell of pirates against the Declaration of Independence. But in vindicating the liberty and honor of the United States of America they fought willingly and generously for the freedom of every race and every people against the common enemy of all. Patriotism, the love of our fathers, their thoughts and hopes, their deeds and aspirations, springs from the deeps of our being, and the tender line of Horace—"It is a pleasant and glorious thing to die for one's country"—has evoked in the human heart an universal response. "What land, what people," says Dr. Spalding, "has the sun ever illumined more worthy of the heart's deep affection than our own?" We love our fatherland not chiefly for the food it gives, the property it protects, the security it provides, but for the richer, freer, nobler human life which it makes possible. Our country is the symbol of all that is most priceless on earthliberty, truth, devotion, loyalty. In the words and in the deeds of the patriots who made the Declaration of Independence there breathes a lofty and unselfish spirit, which, to the end of time,

shall thrill every true and generous heart. Their sons have not been unworthy of them. Let us, chasing no beautiful rainbows, hew to the line of the wise and solid realities of which we are the richer heirs. Let not patriotism run to foolish vanity and unwise boasting, but set to work in a new day with a new vision to purge out the wrongs, the inequalities, the dishonesties still clinging to our national life. As we set down this volume, reflection will teach us that it is yet higher and more useful to live for our country, that chastened in the day of victory we should with reverent minds pray the Giver of every good and perfect gift:

"And Thou, O God, of whom we hold
Our country and our Freedom fair,
Within thy tender love enfold
This land; for all Thy people care.
Uplift our hearts above our fortunes high,
Let not the good we have make us forget
The better things that in Thy heavens lie.
Keep, still, amid the fever and the fret
Of all this eager life, our thoughts on Thee
The Hope, the Strength, the God of all the Free."

A. J. K.



JOHN A. LOSEE

Chairman of the five Liberty Loan Campaigns, whose loyal devotion, progressive business methods and delightful personality spelled success for the several loans in this district.

THE FIVE LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGNS

The town of Richfield had quotas in the five Liberty Loans that totaled \$824,900. Its 4,018 subscribers purchased \$1,034,900 worth of the bonds, an average for the whole of 131 per cent. This record of the support given the boys in the front line defense by those at home is worthy of a place in this Memorial, for many of these 4,018 buyers of bonds did a part in the winning of the war through actual sacrifice in the accumulation of sufficient funds to purchase a fifty dollar bond. An examination of the list of subscribers in the town of Richfield will reveal many such bond owners.

In the history of the raising and oversubscribing of the quota in each of the five campaigns, the work of John A. Losee, chairman for each loan, will stand as unforgetable testimony to this man's patriotic zeal, his untiring energy and his unshakeable confidence in Richfield's desire and ability to meet the demands made upon her. His personality and his work were the chief agents in the success of the campaigns. The First National Bank of Richfield Springs through its officers and directors, notably its cashier, James McKee, was an important factor. It made the raising of the quota the chief consideration at all times, and its loyal co-operation with the Liberty Loan Committee and the accommodation it accorded subscribers were the two determining influences in the oversubscription of the quotas. The Mungor-Ackerly Company in the Mercury contributed unlimited space to the advertising of the loans. All members of the men's and women's committees did their utmost, both by example and by solicitation, to make those at home see and fulfill their obligation to the boys of the first line.

The officers and members of the Liberty Loan Committees for the five loans were: John A. Losee, chairman; Thomas J. Wetzel, vice-chairman; Lewis A. Williams, secretary; Clarence E. Ackerly, publicity manager; Marvin J. Bennett, Allen J. Bloomfield, Murray E. Brace, Owen P. Brady, George D. Caney, Olcott A. Chamberlin, Oscar B. Chapman, John D. Cary, George H. Cook, Clellan Curtis, Howard M. Curtis, Ed. D. Derthick, Earl W. Dunmore, Harry E. Elden, Fred F. Fox, Clarence E. Goodale, Isaac J. Kent, Herbert B. Leary, James McKee, Richard Owen, George A. Peckham, Louis S. Raymond, Arthur J. Rockwood, Charles A. Ross, Willard A. Smith, George Schneider, Charles M. Tuller, George E. Tunnicliff, William T. Welden and Charles M. Wikoff.

Mrs. John D. Cary was chairman of the women's committee for Richfield Springs and Mrs. George T. Brockway was chairman for Richfield. The other members of these committees were Mrs. C. E. Ackerly, Mrs. J. Gordon Black, Mrs. W. P. Borland, Mrs. Murray E. Brace, Mrs. Owen P. Brady, Miss Margaret L. Brady, Miss Belle Bullion, Mrs. Harrie V. Frink, Mrs. John A. Losee, Miss Dorothy Mason, Mrs. W. G. Robinson, Mrs. David B. Shappee, Mrs. Daniel Shaul, Mrs. George A. Sitts, Mrs. William T. Welden, Mrs. Charles M. Wikoff, Mrs. Lewis A. Williams, Miss Ella L. Winne and Miss Mae Derrick.

THE LIBERTY LOAN RECORD

	Quota	Subscribers	Subscribed	Percentage
First Loan	\$135,000	307	\$136,700	101
Second Loan	\$202,500	805	\$215,150	106
Third Loan	\$109,000	894	\$227,000	208
Fourth Loan	\$218,000	1246	\$255,500	117
Victory Loan	\$160,400	766	\$200,550	125

C. E. A.

WAR RELIEF LEAGUE

Shortly after the opening of the Great War, when the need for help for Belgium was beginning to be known, on November 20, 1914, a meeting was called by Mrs. William T. Welden at her home on Church Street, when a dozen women were present. At that time the War Relief League of Richfield Springs was organized, to meet one evening each week to sew for the Belgian refugees, and it was planned that money be raised by voluntary contributions for the purchase of materials. The officers elected were: Mrs. Welden, president; five vice-presidents, representing the various churches, were Mrs. Harry E. Elden, Methodist; Mrs. Annette F. Bloomfield, Universalist; Mrs. Claude Soares, St. John's Protestant Episcopal; Mrs. John D. Cary, Presbyterian; Mrs. David B. Shappee, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic; other officers were Mrs. John A. Losee, secretary; Mrs. Clarence E. Ackerly, treasurer. It was also voted to extend an invitation to neighboring villages to co-operate, and Mrs. Thomas B. Roberts, Miss Elizabeth Buchanan, Mrs. Oscar B. Chapman and Mrs. Harrie V. Frink were made a committee for this purpose.

During the winter of 1914-1915 meetings were held weekly at the members' houses, more than one hundred women being in attendance or working at home, and six hundred garments were sent to Belgium as a result. A tea was held at the home of Mrs. Cary on February 13, 1915, when \$25 was raised; a lecture on Robert Burns was given at the same place, when Mr. John Mackie of Utica very courteously contributed his services, and additional gifts of money proved ample to provide for the payment for materials used.

The next winter the work was carried on, the officers being: Mrs. Welden, president; Mrs. Elden, Mrs. Ward Watson, Miss Marian H. Smith, Mrs. Cary and Mrs. Shappee, vice-presidents; Miss Ella L. Winne, secretary; Mrs. Ackerly, treasurer; Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Frink, Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Clarence E. Goodale, directors. In April, 1916, a tea was held at the Public Library at which \$40 was raised, and during the spring several hundred garments were made and forwarded to Belgium.

On November 9, 1916, a meeting of officers was called at the home of Mrs. Welden, when it was voted to discontinue the work of the League in favor of the American Red Cross, a chapter of which had been formed in October. It was also voted to give \$5 to that work and the sum remaining in the treasury was sent later to Mrs. Whitney Warren for the Secours National.

During the existence of the League, besides the garments and several pieces of new material sent to Belgium, donations of money were sent to the Commission for the Relief of Belgium, the National Allied Relief Committee and the War Relief Clearing House as well as to the two organizations above mentioned.

E. W.

AMERICAN RED CROSS—RICHFIELD SPRINGS CHAPTER

In October, 1916, a meeting of some half dozen members of the Canadarago Home Economics Society was held at the home of Mrs. Herman H. Baker to consider a project to be taken up as an outside interest for the ensuing year. It was decided to form a chapter of the American Red Cross and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Baker, chairman; Mrs. James McKee, chairman; Mrs. Clarence A. Boutelle, secretary; Mrs. John A. Losee, treasurer. Meetings were held once a month, first at the Public Library, where old linen was made up into hospital supplies, and later, as the scope of the work widened, at St. John's Parish

House. The membership gradually increased to about 200 and the women of Monticello, Brighton, Warren, Twelve Thousand and Schuyler Lake all asked for work. A branch was formed at the last named place, Mrs. George Cushman, chairman, succeeded by Mr. Merton J. Clarke; Mrs. John Grey, vice-chairman; Miss Nina Wright, secretary; Mr. C. W. Stephenson, treasurer.

In the summer of 1917, when the meetings were held at the Parish House, Miss Wigginton of Baltimore gave instruction in the making of muslin bandages and Miss Sara T. Lowman of New York conducted a class in surgical dressings, graduating eight pupils. Four of them, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Isaac J. Kent, Miss Daisey Reed and Miss Virginia Swift, continued through an advanced course, qualifying themselves to teach.

In October, 1917, when the work was constantly growing, the directors of the First National Bank gave the Chapter the use of three large rooms in their building, and furniture and equipment were donated, Mr. W. H. H. Holland also giving his services in caring for the rooms. The use of the telephone was donated by the Otsego and Delaware Telephone Company and the electric light by the Southern New York Power Company. They were open each afternoon and the new officers, who were the Reverend Albert L. Evans, chairman; Mrs. Baker, vice-chairman; Miss Daisy Reed, secretary, and Mr. George T. Brockway, treasurer, prepared for a steady increase in work. Chairmen from the various churches were in charge and the Chapter has every reason to be proud of the amount accomplished.

In February, 1918, the Reverend Albert L. Evans resigned because of his enlistment in the army, when he was sent overseas as chaplain, and his place was filled by Mr. Charles M. Tuller, who has served the Chapter with faithfulness and zeal. In July Mrs. Baker, whose heart was with the work from the first, was obliged, by reason of home responsibilities, to give up her office. Mrs. H. A. Ward was appointed and served with great ability for the remainder of the term, resigning at the end of that time.

The October, 1918, election resulted as follows: Mr. Tuller, chairman; Mrs. M. W. Dawley, vice-chairman; Miss Reed, secretary; Mr. Brockway, treasurer, and these officers are now in charge with the exception of Miss Reed, who resigned because of numerous other duties on March 3, 1919, her place being filled by Mrs. Isaac J. Kent.

A brief resumé of the work done from October, 1917, to June, 1919, with those in charge, is as follows:

Chairman of Supply Service, October, 1917, to October, 1918, Mrs. H. A. Ward

Surgical dressings, Mrs. Kent	4808
Hospital garments, Mrs. David B. Shappee, October, 1917, to Janu-	
ary, 1918; Mrs. Dawley, January, 1918, to date	314
Knitted articles, Mrs. R. W. Armstrong	1386
Miscellaneous articles	2134
Given for Linen Shower	1227
Layettes, Mrs. L. F. Barker	

The Comfort Kits were in charge of Mrs. Daniel Shaul, who was succeeded by Mrs. Harry Derrick; and Miss Anna Louise Tunnicliff superintended the preparation of the Christmas packages.

Thirty-five hundred pounds of second-hand clothing were collected in the two drives for the Belgian refugees; the first was in charge of Scoutmaster George E. Tunnicliff and the Boy Scouts, and the second managed by Mrs. Kent. An Honor Roll, containing the names of the soldiers, sailors and marines and posted on Lake Street, was given and kept up by Mrs. J. D. Reed, while the Home Service Department, frequently of service, was conducted by Mr. Richard Own.

Too much cannot be said in praise of Mrs. M. W. Dawley, who has been at the rooms daily since she assumed office and who has shown great executive ability in the service of the Chapter. She has been ably seconded by Mrs. Kent, who also has been a most faithful worker.

The financial side has been no less inspiring. A total membership of 1946 brought \$1,953, of which the Chapter received fifty per cent. In the spring drives of 1918, of which Mr. Tuller was chairman, the first, with a quota of \$1,000, raised \$2,400. This was in March, and the money so raised was devoted to the use of the Chapter in the purchase of materials and the ready to make garments furnished by the American Red Cross. The Second Red Cross War Fund in May, with a quota of \$2,000, brought \$3,461.87. Only twenty-five per cent of this was retained by the Chapter, the remainder being given to the American Red Cross.

Mr. A. J. Rockwood of the New York State Highway Department was notable in aiding this, as he organized his one hundred men and collected \$747.90 from them for the fund.

Benefits for the cause have included a ball given at Bloomfield's in June, 1917; a tea given in August by Mrs. Edward D. Ibbotson at her summer home, Tarry-a-While; a concert given by the Music Club; a concert arranged by Miss Swift and given at Shaul's Theatre in the summer of 1918, and a delightful little play given by the children of the Junior Red Cross at St. John's Parish House.

The work of Mr. George H. Cook, in whose hands was placed the collection of the funds from the various drives, has been especially valuable and efficient. He has been assisted in this by Mrs. H. R. Chase, Miss Ethel Joslyn and Miss Delia Ross. The two Christmas membership drives of 1917 and 1918 were ably managed by Mr. Frederick Bronner.

E. W.

JUNIOR RED CROSS

On February 22, 1918, the Junior Red Cross was organized, Mrs. Horace G. Getman being appointed chairman; Mrs. John P. Simmons, secretary and treasurer. The local school and eight others in the vicinity quickly attained a hundred per cent membership, and the receipts to date have been \$314.56, with 1596 articles made and given. In September, 1918, Mrs. Getman resigned and Mrs. John A. Losee succeeded to the office, which she still holds.

E. W.

UNITED WAR WORK CAMPAIGN

The President of the United States set aside the week of November 11th to November 18th, 1918, as a time for united effort in behalf of the seven great organizations whose activities in camp and field had so much to do with maintaining the morale of the vast forces of the Republic. The amount to be raised was \$170,500,000 and this was to be divided according to an agreed percentage among the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association, National Catholic War Council (Knights of Columbus), Jewish Welfare Board, War Camp Community Service, American Library Association, and the Salvation Army. The quota for the town of Richfield was \$4,838. The Hon. Allen J. Bloomfield, Assemblyman from the Otsego district, was made the chairman of the local forces. He opened his energetic and successful campaign with a mass meeting at Shaul's Theater on the Sunday evening preceding the can-

vass. Under the stimulation of the chairman's efforts and the excellent speeches of Mrs. Arthur Ryerson of Springfield Center, who had just returned from France, and the Reverend Father Arthur J. Kelly, of St. Joseph's Church of Richfield Springs, the sum of \$1,400 was pledged to the fund at this meeting. Chairman Bloomfield named as his vice-chairmen, Rev. A. J. Kelly, Rev. Claude Soares, Rev. A. P. Palmer, with the following as the personnel of the executive committee: J. A. Losee, W. T. Welden, J. D. Carty, Herbert Leary, H. E. Elden, T. F. Hinds, Samuel Grossman, G. D. Caney, James McKee, Charles Wikoff, Owen Brady, C. E. Goodale, C. A. Ross, Dr. H. V. Frink, H. M. Curtis, George E. Tunnicliff, A. J. Rockwood, John Nugent, S. H. Conklin, C. M. Tuller, H. C. Brockway, Fred Bronner, C. E. Ackerly, John Simmons, Dr. H. A. Ward, M. E. Brace, M. J. Bennett, Hon. W. G. Bullion, O. A. Chamberlin, G. A. Peckham, W. A. Smith, Richard Owen, J. G. Black, Dr. M. W. Dawley, O. B. Chapman, Harry Derrick and T. J. Wetzel.

The committees for the soliciting of the town's quota were named to cover the three election districts and their activities were devoted to that jurisdiction. For election district No. 1, the chairman named Mrs. Herbert R. Hadcock as the Captain, who was assisted by Mrs. D. B. Shappee, Miss Nellie E. Brady, C. A. Ross, Mrs. W. T. Welden, Miss Louise Hinds, Mrs. J. D. Cary, Miss Ella Winne, Mrs. T. B. Roberts, Joseph Famulare, Miss Daisey Reed, Mrs. J. G. Black, Mrs. A. P. Palmer, Mrs. Owen Brady, Mrs. C. E. Ackerly and Miss Delia Ross. In district No. 2 John Nugent was captain, with the following aides: Mrs. F. B. Getchel, Mrs. W. G. Bullion, T. F. Hinds, Miss Mae Derrick, S. B. Sheridan, Miss Cecilia Leary, Miss Marian Smith, Mrs. G. A. Peckham, Mrs. I. J. Kent, M. J. Bennett, Charles Wikoff, Mrs. H. R. Chase, Mrs. A. D. Risley, Miss Belle Bullion and Miss Anna Jordan. In district No. 3 Murray E. Brace was the Captain, assisted by Mrs. Everett Ames, Mrs. George T. Brockway, Miss Vera Robinson, Thomas Burke, Dr. S. A. Haggerty, Miss Mary Dugan, Mrs. Adelbert Atkins, Miss Kittie Fenton, Miss Ansatsais Branigan and Mrs. R. D. Perkins. Mrs. John D. Cary acted as treasurer of the campaign, continuing in her work long after the conclusion of the canvass. In the history of the township no such sum was ever assessed before for patriotic purposes and yet at the end of the week's canvass Richfield was the first town in Otsego to report its quota filled, the sum of \$5,000 having been subscribed. It is fitting to record in conclusion that this patriotic fund was, with less than a half dozen exceptions, given unreservedly to the united organizations, demonstrating in the strongest possible manner the spirit of the citzens of the town.

STATE MILITARY CENSUS

On June 6th, 1917, Governor Charles S. Whitman made proclamation designating the period from June 11 to June 25th for the taking of a State Military Census, to comprise all persons in the State of New York between the ages of 15 and 50. This remarkable task when completed showed in detail the man power of the commonwealth, the vocations of her people and the availability of her resources for military purposes. It was completed in the limited time and furnished data of immeasurable value through the patriotic activity of the volunteer workers. In the town of Richfield the Supervisor of the Census was Lewis A. Williams, assisted by Clarence E. Ackerly, captain of the 1st election district, comprising the village of Richfield Springs, and Murray E. Brace, captain of the 2nd district, comprising the village of Richfield. The enumerators of the 1st district were Mrs. Daniel Shaul, Mrs. John A. Losee, Mrs. James McKee, Mrs. Thomas B. Roberts, Mrs. Clarence E. Ackerly, Miss Marian Smith, Miss Ella Winne, Mrs. John D. Cary, Miss Madeline Elwood, Mrs. David B. Shappee, Miss Louise Hinds, Mrs. Lewis A. Williams, Mrs. Oscar B. Chapman, Mrs. Harrie V. Frink, Mrs. William T. Welden; in the 2nd district, Miss Esther Walker, Morris Young,

Arthur Fenton, Ernest M. Johnson, Munson Barringer, William Leary. As a result of their labors the enumeration showed a total of 1079 persons of both sexes, between 15 and 50 years of age. Of this number, the 1st district had 362 males, 424 females; the 2nd district, 164 males, 129 females.

F. B.

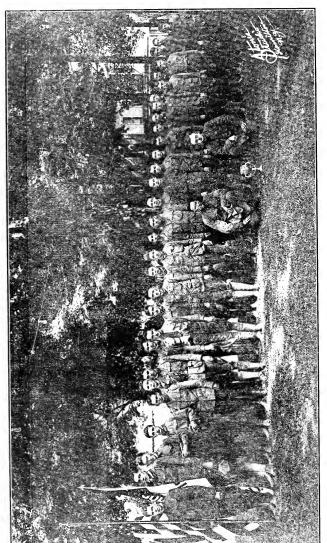
WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Of the varied war activities of the town of Richfield, the campaign for the sale of War Savings Stamps was pushed the least, and yet the work accomplished during the week of June 22nd, 1918, set apart for the taking of pledges, was very creditable to the community and those who had the campaign in charge. Lewis A. Williams was the chairman in the town of Richfield and he was assisted by the members of Ganowauges Chapter, D. A. R., who secured pledges amounting to \$15,000. The stamps were sold at the Richfield Springs postoffice and the Richfield postoffice and the total amount taken up of these "little bonds" at this writing is \$18,768.13 in the Richfield Springs postoffice. F. B.

THE FOUR MINUTE MEN

The work of the local Four Minute Men has been very helpful in all of the drives for war measures or associated charitable enterprises. In all of the campaigns for the sale of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps, for Belgian or Armenian Relief, for the Red Cross and the United War Work Funds, systematic and active use has been made of this popular way of appealing to all the people, as an addition to rally meetings for education and arousing increased enthusiasm. Mr. Ray Shaul, manager of Shaul's Theater, has been uniformly courteous in greeting and announcing the different speakers, and practically placing the theater and its audience at their service for whatever time was asked. The active members of this body have been: J. D. Cary, chairman; the Hon. A. J. Bloomfield, John A. Losee, Prof. C. A. Boutelle, Prof. H. E. Elden, the Rev. Claude Soares, Theo. F. Hinds, Richard Owen, Richard Owen, Jr., Frederick Bronner, Frederick Bronner, Jr., Scoutmaster George E. Tunnicliff, A. Ross Eckler, Lucius G. Cary, William T. Welden, Horace G. Getman, Charles M. Wikoff, Herbert B. Leary, Mrs. Thomas B. Roberts, Mrs. Herbert R. Hadcock, Miss Margery Cary and Mrs. J. D. Cary. J. D. C.





TROOP NO. 2, RICHFIELD SPRINGS, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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The activities, during the four years of the World War, of Troop 2, Boy Scouts of America, recruited in Richfield Springs, N. Y., merit a prominent place in this volume. Their valuable work was largely promoted by Scoutmaster George E. Tunnicliff and Assistant Scoutmaster Charles A. Ross, and there was no phase of the patriotic labor through the momentous struggle with which the Troop of thirty-two members was not identified.

Perhaps the most important work with which they are to be credited is that performed in behalf of the five great Liberty Loans subscribed in this district. It is greatly to their honor to chronicle here that the United States government presented nineteen members of Troop 2 with medals, which were won by selling individually ten bonds to ten different subscribers. For additional sales made by the members, in the succeeding campaigns, they were awarded sixteen bars. In each of the Loans they served as bill posters and distributors of literature, ushered at mass meetings many times, furnished vocal music on several programs and also paraded on many occasions to promote public interest in the sales. The splendid total of their efforts as bond salesmen is approximately \$100,000 and in addition to this they bought patriotically of the several issues.

They raised by public entertainment the sum of \$105.00 and turned the proceeds over to the Y. M. C. A. In the United War Work Campaign they not only subscribed liberally to the fund, but posted bills and did other work which added materially to the great success of the campaign.

In the sale of War Savings Stamps their purchases aggregate a considerable amount and one of the Troop was awarded an ace medal for salesmanship. They collected a large quantity of garments for the Belgian Relief and packed and shipped them. The Troop with its officers was attached to the 3rd Naval District Secret Service Bureau and reported or investigated any suspicious circumstance coming to their attention. The members also gathered statistical information for the government.

At the funeral obsequies of Ward Shepard and Leo Purcell the Troop acted as an escort. In the observance of the French national holiday held during the summer of 1918, they paraded and presented a very creditable appearance, as on many other occasions.

It is indeed fitting that their part should be memorialized in this way. They will soon be the young men of our village and nation. As such they will read the notable record of their activities in the World War and will be justly proud of their contribution to the cause of humanity.

F. B.

PHILIP D. ALLEN

The son of Daniel Allen and Rose Daly Allen, was born in the town of Exeter, Otsego County, New York, on October 10th, 1899. He attended the public schools at Exeter and Schuyler Lake and later graduated from the West Winfield High School in the class of 1917.

He entered Albany Medical College, Union University, in the fall of 1918, and joined the Students' Army Training Corps at that institution, training for service.

After the Students' Training Corps was disbanded by the Federal government, he remained at Union University studying medicine.



JOHN ALMOND AMES

The son of Marion D. Ames and Mary L. Ames, was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on July 22nd, 1895. He attended the district schools at Brighton and Richfield and later entered the High School at Richfield Springs. He had been engaged in farming, automobile repairing and truck driving prior to his induction into the service, August 30th, 1918.

He was first assigned to the 4th Co., 152nd Depot Brigade; transferred to the 36th Co., same Brigade, at Camp Upton; transferred to the 3rd Co., Army Service Corps, and went overseas on October 20th, 1918, and in France assigned to 305th Motor Truck Co., 402nd Motor Supply Train.

He left France on his trip home on January 10th, 1919, and arrived in Hoboken on January 21st.

His service overseas consisted principally of driving supply trucks and for six weeks he was detailed to transport supplies to the front.

It was while engaged in this hazardous assignment that he was blown from a truck which he was driving on the afternoon of November 7th, 1918, by the explosion of a shell from the German lines, making him unconscious for several hours. He was carrying supplies at the time in the Argonne Forest region. He was afterward sent to Blois and was ready with another load for the front when the armistice was signed, November 11th, 1918.

While still weak and nervous from the shock he landed in the home country and was soon taken with an attack of influenza and sent to the military hospital.



ANTONY BACHANS

Was born in Lithuania, Russia, in 1890, where he attended school and worked at farming. He came to the United States in 1911 and directly to Richfield Springs, where he was employed as a farm hand. He entered the service May 25th, 1918, and reported to Camp Gordon, Ga., with the Depot Brigade, for training. Later he was transferred to Camp Meredith, New Jersey, from which point he was shipped overseas with Company K, 47th Infantry, in August, 1918. He experienced a great deal of active fighting in France, was wounded in the elbow from shrapnel, from which he has recovered.

At the present writing he is with the Army of Occupation in Adenau, Germany.



CHARLES (BACHANS) BONS

Was born in Lithuania, Russia, in 1894, where he attended school and worked at farming. In 1912 he reached the States, coming directly to Richfield Springs, where he began work in Chase's Mills. He entered the service May 27th, 1918, and reported to Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, for training. While here, he was appointed Corporal and attached to Company A, 60th Pioneer Infantry. He was dispatched for duty overseas and had been en route five days when the armistice was signed, November 11th, 1918. His ship was called back and he was returned to Camp Dix, New Jersey, with the 47th Company, 12th Battalion, 153rd Depot Brigade, where he was honorably discharged December 29th, 1918. He immediately returned to Richfield Springs and is at work with the state road forces.

Through an error in the interpretation of his registration his name has been carried on the records as Bons, although his family name is Bachans, and he is a brother of Antony Bachans, also in the service.



GEORGE BAISTER

The son of John Baister and Mary Baister, was born in the town of Richfield, Otsego County, N. Y., on April 22nd, 1892. He received his education in the district schools of the town of Richfield, N. Y., and was engaged in farming when he entered the service on May 27th, 1918, being later assigned to Co. M, 2nd Pioneer Infantry, training at Camp Wadsworth, at Spartanburg, S. C.

He was sent overseas with the A. E. F. and is at this writing, May 25th, with the Army of Occupation in Germany.



HOWARD LOOMIS BEADLE

The son of Charles W. Beadle and Carrie Beadle, was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on September 7th, 1894. He finished his 3rd year in the Richfield Springs High School, and later graduated from the Utica Business College, entering the employ of the National Cash Register Co. as road salesman. He is the husband of Rita Ostrander Beadle.

At the time he entered the service, on April 12th, 1918, he was successfully conducting a general store, and sold out his business to take up his new duties.

He was first assigned to Supply Company, 304th Infantry, 76th Division. On November 15th, 1918, was transferred to 1st Replacement Depot, as a permanent personnel. He received his training at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., from April 12th to July 7th, 1918.

His overseas service extended from July 8th, 1918, to March 25th, 1919. While a member of the A. E. F. he was located at Chateauneuf-sur-Cher with the 304th Infantry, which was a Training Unit, where men from the States received their final training preliminary to their being sent up as replacements.

On August 1st, 1918, he was made a Corporal.



RALPH GROVER BENDER

The son of Charles Bender and Ida Bender, was born at Utica, Oneida County, New York, on February 1st, 1889, and is the husband of Clara Isabel Peplinski. He was educated in the Utica High School.

At the time of his call to the service, on September 8th, 1917, he was a contracting painter.

He was assigned to the infantry, and sent to Camp Dix. Was later made a Cook in the 310th Supply Company.

Has seen overseas service, during which he was slightly gassed and at one time was thrown fifteen feet by the explosion of a shell.

Was engaged in the severest of the battles in the Argonne Forest.



MARY VERONICA BOLTON

The daughter of John Bolton and Bridget Lannen Bolton, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on March 2nd, 1879, and educated preliminarily in the Richfield Springs High School, graduating in 1901. Later she entered Syracuse University and also took a course at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., well qualifying her for the important duties she later assumed.

Before her enlistment in the Red Cross Service, she served as Librarian at Far Rockaway, N. Y.; Accountant at the Board of Education Building, New York City; Social Worker in Oneida County and New York City. Her success was immediate in each of these positions and her record of performance an enviable one.

She took up her duties as a professional Red Cross Worker on October 25th, 1917. She sailed during the latter part of that year for France. The Red Cross had singled her out to assist in its work of rehabilitating the civilian population of France and she accepted the call willingly and gladly. She was a trained social worker with much experience gained as county chairman for dependent children and later Institutional Inspector for the Department of Public Charities in New York City.

The first task she assumed was to visit the French children's institutions and relieve their suffering. The tragic condition of these children, including the many hundreds of child refugees, demanded immediate attention. Under these conditions, Miss Bolton, whom the children called "The Red Cross Lady," found a warm welcome, carrying the gifts and the help for which the American Red Cross is blessed in every corner of France.

She has been long stationed in Marseilles as the Directrice de la Section d'Aide Sociale, where she has visited all the institutions that need help and has organized all the social work in that great haven of the refugee. This capable young American woman has written a splendid page in the history of the Great War.



IAMES EDWARD BOTSFORD

The son of T. Edward Botsford and Mary Botsford, was born at Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York, on July 3rd, 1896. His education was obtained in the public schools of Cherry Valley and Springfield Center.

Following the example of his forebears, he enlisted in the service of his country on April 16th, 1917, being assigned to the 34th Machine Gun Co., U. S. Regulars. Later was transferred to the 64th Machine Gun Co., then to the 21st Machine Gun Battalion Regulars, with which he acted as Runner or Dispatch Carrier in France.

He was trained at Fort Slocum and sent to Galveston. He then went to Fort Bliss and was stationed along the Mexican border, assisting in quieting several raids made by Villa on the ranches in the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

Went overseas in July of 1918, arriving in Liverpool on July 20th, and went directly to France. Spent one month in hard training and entered the lines in September with his regiment. Fought in several battles in Alsace-Lorraine; in the capture of Hill 210, November 1st, 1918, and also in the Argonne Forest.

He was on the firing line when the last gun was fired on November 11th, 1918, at 11:00 A. M., and was then forced to retire under orders to go to hospital. Received no wounds during the war, except suffering from a bursted ear drum, caused by the concussion of high explosives.

He left the service as a 1st Class Private on April 24th, 1919, being discharged from Camp Upton.



THOMAS HERMAN BOYLSTON

The son of Herman S. Boylston and Anna A. McBride Lynch, was born in New York City on January 10th, 1896. He was educated in the Richfield Springs High School and the High School of Commerce, New York City, also taking a course in the Utica School of Commerce, Utica, N. Y.

At the time of his enlistment, on March 16th, 1918, he was employed by the S. N. Y. R. R. Company.

He was assigned to Co. 138, Camp St. Helena, Norfolk, Va., U. S. Naval Training Station.

On April 22nd, 1918, reported aboard the U. S. S. C-192 for active duty, at Coast Patrol, defense, and Convoy Duty.

On January 19th, 1919, transferred to Hospital Corps Training School at Hampton Roads Naval Operative Base, Va., for training Pharmacy, and 1st Aid Independent Duty.

On February 20th, 1919, placed on inactive status of the 3rd Naval District.



ALMOND CRANDALL BROCKWAY

The son of George T. Brockway and Maud Cutler Brockway, was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on October 15th, 1896.

He graduated from the Richfield Springs High School in 1914, and received his degree of B. S. from Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., in June of 1918.

He enlisted at Albany, N. Y., on May 31st, 1918, in the United States Marine Corps, being second man from his township who entered this branch of the service. He was inducted into the Marines soon after June 21st, 1918, at which time he received notice to appear at Training Camp.

He reported at Paris Island, S. C., the permanent Training Camp for the U. S. M. C., and was assigned to the 199th Co., with which he was identified for eight weeks; he then entered the Non-Commissioned Officers' School, assigned to Co. S, and remained there eleven weeks, until discharged from the 416th Co. on March 15th, 1919.

He was rated as a Corporal on September 26th, 1918.



KATHERINE FRINK BROCKWAY

The daughter of Luman Brockway and Marian Frink Brockway, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 7th, 1896, and attended the Richfield Springs public school until 1914, when she entered the Training School for Nurses at Crouse Irving Hospital, Syracuse, N. Y., graduating therefrom in June of 1917. She did private nursing from the time of her graduation to October of 1918.

She enlisted in the American Red Cross on October 1st, 1918, but after entering camp was transferred to the Army Nurses' Corps, and was sent to Camp McPherson, Ga., General Hospital No. 6. This institution accommodated 2000 patients, made up principally of overseas men who were sent there from debarkation hospitals.

In April, 1919, she was transferred to General Hospital No. 5, at Fort Ontario, N. Y., where she is at this writing.



WALTER CHARLES BROOKS

The son of Benjamin Brooks and Elizabeth Brooks, was born at Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York, on November 22nd, 1889. He attended the Richfield Springs High School and later removed to White Plains, N. Y., where he was employed as a buyer for the Tri-State Garage when he enlisted in the service on July 1st, 1918.

He was sent to a training school in New York City, as an automobile mechanic, and later transferred to Camp Raritan, Metuchen, N. J., and promoted to Corporal, having charge of the gasoline and oil supply.

He was listed for overseas duty, but did not get away on account of the influenza epidemic.

At this writing, May 15th, 1919, he is still in the service and is rated as a 1st Class Automobile Mechanic, at Camp Raritan, N. J.



WILLIAM ANDREW BROOKS

The son of Benjamin Brooks and Elizabeth Brooks, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on June 4th, 1896. He attended the Richfield Springs High School and later the White Plains High School, to which place his family had moved. He is the husband of Edith Friedel Brooks.

At the time he was called to the service, May 23, 1918, he was serving as an accountant for the New York Central R. R. Company.

He was sent to Camp Hancock, and was later an Instructor in the Machine Gun School, being made a Sergeant.

On March 23rd, 1919, he was sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., and was discharged from there on April 14th, 1919, returning to his former position with the New York Central R. R. Company.



ARTHUR ROSCOE BROWN

The son of Dewitt Brown and Ella Elliot Conway, was born at Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York, on June 20th, 1889, and is the husband of Kittle Angermier Brown.

He entered the service in July, 1918, and was sent to the Buffalo Technical School, where he remained eight weeks and was later rejected on account of physical disability, returning to his position as foreman in a knitting company at Whitesboro, N. Y.



GLENN A. BROWN

The son of Wesley E. Brown and Mary L. Brown, was born on a farm north of the village of Jordanville, Herkimer County, New York, on March 12th, 1894. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and finished three years in the High School there. He then took up the management of the home farm on R. D. No. 1, out of the Mohawk post-office, and after three years of successful work there, he was called to the service of his country, on September 21st, 1917. His first assignment was with Headquarters Co., 301st Machine Gun Battalion. In August of 1918 he was transferred to the Motor Transport Service. On September 20th he was attached to the 79th Division Headquarters as a Dispatch Rider, and was sent to Camp Devens, Mass., for training. He was located in this camp for seven months, where he was trained as a Battalion Agent and Signal Man.

In France he was with the Service of Supply, and in this capacity he was largely employed as a driver of a supply truck from the supply station to the lines. As a dispatch rider he carried messages from division headquarters to the front. This perilous work was on the Argonne front at the beginning of the big drive.

On October 9th, 1918, at about nine o'clock at night he was wounded in the right leg when a shell exploded in the road over which he was returning on a motorcycle after delivering a message to the front.



LLOYD WESLEY BROWN

The son of Wesley E. Brown and Mary L. Brown, was born at Mohawk, Herkimer County, New York, on January 25th, 1892, and obtained his later education at the Richfield Springs High School.

At the time of his entering the service he was employed as an automobile machinist. He enlisted in the Naval Aviation and was assigned to Co. 38, at Pensacola, Florida; transferred to Hampton Roads, Co. 7, and later to the Great Lakes Naval Station, Co. X.

He went through the training for Machinist's Mate at Hampton Roads and passed the examination, and has been rated as a 1st Class Machinist.

After training he was placed at the Great Lakes Station as an Instructor in the Motor School there.



RAYMOND GEORGE BROWN

The son of Wesley E. and Mary Brown, was born at Mohawk, N. Y., March 5th, 1900. He received his early school training at Richfield Springs, after which he took up the duties of farm foreman. He enlisted in the Navy April 16, 1917, and was sent to the U. S. Naval Training Station at Newport, R. I., where he was under training for five weeks. He was then transferred to the U. S. S. Wyoming, the Portsmouth Hospital, then back to the U. S. S. Wyoming, and then to the U. S. S. Pennsylvania. He was on a convoy to the U. S. S. George Washington on President Wilson's first trip to France, leaving New York December 5th, 1918, and returning December 26, 1918.

During his service he suffered from empyema, which made an operation necessary, and was four months in the hospital.



WILLIAM M'DONALD CARNEY

The son of William J. Carney and Sarah McDonald Carney, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on December 29th, 1903, and was a pupil at the Richfield Springs High School.

He enlisted on January 2nd, 1917, and without question is the youngest volunteer from his native village. He entered the Naval Training Station at Newport, R. I., as an apprentice seaman, and later was sent to the Brooklyn Navy Yard. At the time of his discharge he ranked as a petty officer.

During the war he made two trips to France on the U. S. S. Sierra. He has left the service and is now employed with the Durston Gear Company at Syracuse, N. Y.



ALBERT HORTON CARY

The son of Ezra Cary and Stella Horton Cary, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on May 18th, 1892. He attended the Richfield Springs school and later took a business course in Utica, N. Y. Was employed as a scenery painter.

He was called to the service from Utica and left on May 30th, 1918, for training at Camp Wadsworth. He was sent overseas in July of 1918 and landed in France on August 1st.

He has been made a Corporal, assigned to the 301st Engineers, A. E. F., and at this writing, May 20th, 1919, is in a vocational school, Army of Occupation, Germany.



RICHARD EDGAR CARY

The son of John D. Cary and Martha G. White Cary, was born at Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on August 20th, 1892, and obtained his preliminary education in the Richfield Springs High School. He attended the Stone School, Cornwall-on-Hudson, 1912-13; Cornell University, Agricultural College, 1914-17, enlisting in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force on April 21st, 1917, while a student at Cornell.

While attached to the U. S. N. R. F., he was officer of the guard, Cloyne Field Barracks, S. C. 320, S. C. 87, U. S. R. Training Regiment, U. S. M. F. (Newport, R. I.), and afterwards ordered to the U. S. S. Canonicus, then lying at 56th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

His ship, the Canonicus, was of the U. S. Mine Force, Squadron One, Atlantic Fleet, and based at Inverness and Invergordon, Scotland, from May, 1918, to December, 1918. It mined the North Sea, Orkneys to Norway. This famous craft has the record of carrying more mines on one excursion than any other planter in the world's service, and that in fifteen excursions theirs was the glory to lay more than any other in the hazardous service, this being accomplished without accident in handling or planting the mines.

He was commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. N. R. F. on January 19th, 1918. It is his intention to finish his course at Cornell, entering in the fall of 1919.



JAMES CLAIRE COLWELL

The son of Clarence Colwell and Angie Colwell, was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on May 4th, 1895. He is a graduate of the Albany College of Pharmacy, and received his preliminary education at the Richfield Springs High School.

He was engaged as a pharmacist at the time of his call to the service, on May 1st, 1918.

He entered a machine gun company and was sent to Camp Hancock, Georgia. Here he was promoted to 1st Sergeant, on June 18th, 1918, and later sent to Camp Gordon, Georgia, where he was discharged from the service, after a period of ten months from the time of his entrance.



ALFRED VAN RENSSELAER CRAIN

The son of Dr. Alfred R. Crain and Harriet S. Manley Crain, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 13th, 1899. He secured his preliminary education at the Richfield Springs and Albany High Schools and later attended the National Military Academy at Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y.

He enlisted in the United States Navy on April 24th, 1918. Had three months' training at the U. S. Naval Radio School at Newport, R. I., and was later assigned to the U. S. S. Evans, doing convoy duty between Boston and Liverpool, England. He made three trips across the Atlantic.

Was discharged from the service during February of 1919.



RUFUS BAKER CRAIN

The son of Dr. Alfred R. Crain and Harriet S. Manley Crain, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on April 12th, 1888. His preliminary education was secured in the public schools of Richfield Springs and New York City, graduating from the Richfield Springs High School in the class of 1907, which he followed with a postgraduate course in that institution.

He obtained his degree as Doctor of Medicine at the Albany Medical College, Union University, in 1913, serving as an interne in the Albany Hospital during the year 1913-14. He afterwards was an assistant instructor in medicine in the Albany Medical College, 1913-1916, and practiced his profession at Cornwall, N. Y., 1916-1917.

He was called to the service on August 9th, 1917, attached to the Medical Corps, U. S. A., and immediately assigned for foreign service with the British Expeditionary Force, France.

Left for overseas August 29th, 1917, and served with the British forces until March 21st, 1919. Transferred to the American Expeditionary Force on March 25th, 1919.

He was attached to Holborn Military Hospital, Mitcham, Surrey, England, for hospital course of seven weeks. Arrived at Le Havre, France, October 29th, 1917. Assigned to Home Counties Field Ambulance, 58th Territorial Division (in Ypres salient). On May 10th, 1918, transferred to the 3rd Batt., London Regt., Royal Fusiliers, as Battalion Medical Officer.

Promoted to Captain on November 14th, 1918. Was gas poisoned on April 18th, 1918.

His experiences on the battle front include the operations about Ypres, November, 1917; battle of St. Quentin, March 21st, 1918; defense of Amiens, April, 1918; Somme advance, August and September, 1918; Lens, October, 1918.

Captain Crain arrived in New York on April 25th, 1919, and was discharged from the service on April 29th, 1919.

On June 11, 1919, notice was sent to Captain Crain from Adjutant-General W. E. Cole of the forwarding to him of a military cross, awarded by the British government.



LE ROY CAVERLY CRIM

The son of Jerome Perry Crim and Pamela Crim, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 2nd, 1887. His early school training was obtained at the Richfield Springs High School. He is a graduate of the Bliss School of Electrical Engineering, Washington, D. C., and holds a diploma from the International School of Correspondence qualifying him in the same line of technical training. After concluding his education he was engaged in electrical construction, engineering, and power plant operation. At the time of his enlistment January 30th, 1918, had attained a prominent place in his chosen field.

Enlisted specialist, graduate of Coast Artillery School, Fort Monroe, Virginia, and assigned to Headquarters, 50th Co., C. A. C., he was sent to Camp Eustis, Virginia, where he had a limited military training, but intensive electro-mechanical instruction.

He remained in France four months, embarking and disembarking through Brest, and was attending school at Angers, receiving final instruction, when the armistice was signed, November 11th, 1918.

Received a warrant rating from Washington as Electrician—Sergeant 1st Class, dated July 16th, 1918. He is now engaged with the Southern New York Power Company at Hartwick, New York.



FRANCIS JOHN CRIST

The son of Frank and Sarah M. Crist, was born in Cullen, Herkimer County, New York, on August 15th, 1897, and received his education in the Richfield Springs High School. He assumed various clerical positions, but during the war held a responsible position with the Goodyear Rubber Company at Akron, Ohio. He entered the service of his country August 1st, 1918, reporting for duty to Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, where he was attached to the 5th Pioneer Infantry and in training for about six weeks. He was then sent overseas, being attached to the 4th Pioneer Infantry, and landed at Brest. Here he received his final training and was in Paris on his way to the front lines when the armistice was signed, November 11th, 1918.

At this writing Private Crist is doing military police duty for the United States at Brest and expects to be engaged in this service for at least six months longer before he is sent back to the United States.



PULASKI B. CULBERT, JUNIOR

The son of Pulaski Culbert and Mary Culbert, was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, on June 26th, 1898. He was educated at the Richfield Springs High School.

He had been employed by the D., L. & W. and S. N. Y. R. R. Company previous to his enlistment in June, 1918.

He enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps, was assigned to the 115th Co., 3rd Regiment, and first sent to the General Training Station at Paris Island, S. C., where in September, 1918, he earned a marksmanship badge.

From Paris Island he was sent to San Domingo, West Indies, where he is stationed at this writing, May 20th, 1919.



JOHN FRANCIS CURLEY

The son of Martin Curley and Anna Curley, was born at West Exeter, Otsego County, New York, on May 12th, 1895. He attended the West Winfield High School and is a graduate of the Utica Business Institute.

He was engaged in clerical work when the call came to man the farms and he was employed on the home farm when he was called to the greater service, on October 5th, 1917.

He reported at Camp Devens, Mass., and was assigned to Co. K, 303rd Infantry. Later transferred to the office of a supply company.

After training for ten months he was sent overseas in July of 1918. First camp was Winchester, England; then to Le Havre, France, and finally to Meillant, where the company was engaged in training and equipping men for the front when the armistice was signed.

Then he was moved nearer the front and to a town called Is-em-Tille, and here assigned to a Prisoner of War Escort Company, No. 223, being engaged in office work and supply purchasing.

At this writing, May 15th, he is still engaged in the latter position, with no knowledge as to the time of his ultimate release from the service.



PALMER GEORGE CUTTS

The son of Edward B. Cutts and Clara Cowles Cutts, was born at East Winfield, Herkimer County, New York, on May 5th, 1894, and attended the public school of that neighborhood.

He had worked at the trade of carpenter, when he entered the service on April 4th, 1918, reporting at Camp Dix for military training. He was later sent overseas and landed at Folkestone, England, about the middle of May, 1918.

He was a member of Co. M, 309th Infantry, 78th Division. After his arrival in England he was moved into France and then put in the front line trenches in Italy.

He was kept in the fighting lines, being in the St. Mihiel sector until October 14th, 1918, when he was gassed and wounded, and confined to the hospital until February, 1919. He was then assigned to police and guard duty at Genay, France.

He shipped home from Bordeaux and landed in New York on May 30th, 1919, receiving his discharge shortly after his arrival.



PATRICK JOSEPH DALY

The son of Edward Daly and Bridget Daly, was born in Exeter, Otsego County, New York, on April 21st, 1888. He attended school at Exeter and Richfield Springs, and for one year was in the Law School, New York University. Later he received an appointment to the New York City police force, and was with this municipal department for about seven years, severing his connection with it to enter the service, enlisting in September of 1917.

Was at Camp Upton for training, sailing for overseas service the latter part of January, 1918. At this writing, May 20th, he is with the Army of Occupation overseas.



JOHN ALBERT DERTHICK, JUNIOR

The son of John Albert Derthick and Isabel Hadley Derthick, was born at Brooklyn, New York, on September 11th, 1897. He graduated from Public School No. 152, Brooklyn, and Erasmus High School. After finishing his education he entered the Bankers' Trust Company of New York, where he held an important position as teller when he enlisted in April of 1917, with Troop E, 1st New York Cavalry.

He was sent to the Mexican border for police and guard duty with his troop, and in the fall of 1917 was sent to Spartanburg, S. C., and became identified with Co. L, 106th Machine Gun Battalion.

He sailed overseas in May of 1918, landing at Brest, and was sent to the front with the British forces under General Haig.

He was made a Corporal in July of 1918 for an especial act of bravery and saving the life of his army chum and intimate personal friend.

He was in continuous fighting with the 27th Division to October, 1918, until he was taken from the front line trenches on October 17th, 1918, suffering from pneumonia. He died in the Hospital at Rouen on October 27th, 1918.



JOHN DOMBROWSKI

Was born in Lithuania, Russia, in 1890, where he received his early education. He came to the United States in 1912 and worked at milliwork and farming in and about Richfield Springs. He entered the service in October, 1917, and was immediately sent to Camp Devens, Mass. After preliminary training at Devens he was sent to Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., and attached to the 325th Field Hospital. Later he was transferred to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from which Camp he was honorably discharged from the service.



HERBERT ANDREW DYE

The son of Andrew Dye and Lily Dye, was born at Burlington Flats, Otsego County, New York, on March 5th, 1890. He attended school at Burlington and was engaged in farming when he entered the service on February 27th, 1918.

He was sent to Camp Upton for training until April 26th, 1918, when he went overseas, arriving at Brest, France, on May 4th, 1918, a member of Co. E, 302nd Ammunition Train of the 77th Division. Was sent to Bordeaux on May 11th, where he remained in training until July 14th. He then moved up to the Baccarat sector in France, being there from July 21st to August 4th; then in the Vesle sector, from August 11th to the 18th; then in the Oise-Aisne offensive, from August 18th to September 16th; then in the Meuse-Argonne offensive, from September 28th to November 11th. In all these engagements he suffered no disability of any sort.

After the armistice was signed the 77th Division was moved back to Chaumont, France, for drilling and training for two months. On February 7th, 1919, the Division was moved to La Marne, where it remained until April 16th, 1919. Then transferred to Brest, arriving there April 22nd.

On April 26th, 1919, sailed from Brest on the U. S. S. President Grant, arriving in New York City on May 6th. Was sent first to Camp Mills, then Camp Upton, where he was discharged from the service on May 19th, returning to Richfield Springs, his father's home, and intending to take up his former occupation of farming.



ELMER JAMES ELLSWORTH

The son of Jesse J. Ellsworth and Anna M. Ellsworth, was born at Schuyler Lake, Otsego County, New York, on July 2nd, 1898. He was educated in the High Schools of Schuyler Lake and Cooperstown.

He enlisted on April 8th, 1917, in Co. G, N. Y. N. G.; transferred to Co. G, 107th U. S. Infantry, 27th Division, October 10th, 1917, and trained in the following camps: Van Cortlandt Park, New York, six weeks; Camp Wadsworth, S. C., for seven months, in all modern methods of warfare, making it one of the best trained combat divisions sent overseas.

He sailed from Newport News on May 10th, 1918, and served in France and Belgium in the following engagements and operations: East Poperinghe Line, July 9th to August 20th, 1918; Dickebush sector, Belgium, August 21st to the 30th, 1918; Hindenburg Line (vicinity of Bony), September 27th to the 30th, 1918.

He was wounded in action with the enemy in the attack on the Hindenburg Line, south of Vendhuile, France, September 28th-October 2nd, 1918, receiving a machine gun bullet in the left shoulder, and was operated on in the Hospital at Rouen, France, and was also confined later in the hospital at Bristol, England. He was returned to his company on December 10th, 1918.

He arrived in the United States on March 6th, 1919, via the U. S. S. Leviathan, and went to Camp Merritt, N. J., parading with the famous 27th Division in New York City on March 25th, 1919. He was discharged from Camp Upton on April 2nd, 1919.



ALBERT LESLIE EVANS

The son of J. D. Evans and Maria Walrath Evans, was born at Hammond, New York, on January 10th, 1879. He married Leah Craig, who with their three young children is living in Watertown, N. Y., during the absence of Lieutenant Evans.

He attended as a young man, the Potsdam Normal Training School and graduated from the Albany Business College. He is a graduate of Hamilton College, class of 1904, where he won the Pruyn medal for oratory. He is also a graduate of the Auburn Theological Seminary, class of 1908, and there won a scholarship which enabled him to study social work in England for one summer.

After this he took up the work at the John Hall Memorial Chapel, with its Settlement work, at 342 East 63rd St., New York, under care of the Fifth Avenue Church. He served there for seven years and then accepted the call to the First Presbyterian Church at Richfield Springs, N. V.

Although engaged in his life's work, the ministry, he felt the dire need of men to serve their country as well as their God, and volunteered his services. He was at Camp Meade from February, 1918, to April 7th, 1918, and was first assigned to Headquarters Army Artillery.

On arriving in France he was placed with the Headquarters General Intermediate Supply Depot and later made Senior Post Chaplain, bearing the rank of First Lieutenant.

Chaplain Evans is still located at the largest Supply Depot in France and has the supervision of ten other Chaplains. He has recently been made School Officer of the post, in addition to his duties as Post Chaplain.



HARRY SYLVESTER FEDERAL

The son of J. M. Federal and A. J. Federal, was born in New York City on the 31st day of December, 1897. He obtained his education at the Sharon Springs High School. Was variously employed previous to his enlistment, working at one time as a machinist, and at the time of his enlistment, April 18th, 1918, was a conductor on a street car line.

He was sent to Fort Standish and assigned to the 29th Co. of the Coast Artillery Corps. Also trained at Fort Andrew and from there was transferred to Camp Eustis, Va., to the 48th Artillery. He was then sent to Camp Stuart preparatory to going overseas. Here he was taken ill and after his recovery was sent to Camp Hill in a company of casuals, finally being assigned to the 45th C. A. C. From Camp Stuart he sailed as a member of the A. E. F. and landed at St. Nazaire, France. From the rest camp he was sent to southern France and was several months at St. Denis, a country place, and was later stationed at Lebourne, sailing for home from Bordeaux.

He was honorably discharged from the service at Camp Dix,, N. J., February 12th, 1919, and returned to his place of enlistment, South Boston, where the railroad corporation with which he was employed at the time of his enlistment put him back in his former position.



LUTHER FREDERICK FERGUSON

The son of James Ferguson and Adelia Ferguson, was born at Lynchburg, Virginia, on June 9th, 1886. He attended school at Charleston, West Virginia.

He followed the carpenter's trade and was a machine operator in coal mines. He came north to New York City in 1910 and to Richfield Springs in 1912, following the business of contractor and carpenter.

He entered the service on May 27th, 1918. Reported to Camp Wadsworth, S. C., and was immediately assigned to the 52nd Pioneer Infantry, remaining in camp there for six weeks. Was then transferred to Camp Upton, Long Island, and shipped overseas on August 2nd, 1918, landing in Brest on August 11th.

In France he was held at Napoleon's Old Barracks, awaiting transportation for the front, for one week. He then entered a Gas School and went to the front on August 20th.

From September 6th he was in range of shell fire continuously until November 11th, when the Armistice was signed.

The principal engagements he participated in were Meuse, Argonne and Verdun. He was slightly gassed and lost his speech for two weeks, but continued fighting actively during that period.

Returned from Brest on the U. S. S. "K. I. Luckenback" and was discharged from Camp Dix on April 8th, 1918, returning to Richfield Springs.



FRANCIS LAUGHLIN FINN

The son of Laughlin Finn and Mary L. Finn, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on January 25th, 1891, and attended the Richfield Springs public school.

About 1910 he went to New York City and later received an appointment in the postal service.

He entered the army in July of 1918, and was sent to Fort Ontario, Oswego, N. Y., for ten weeks training. Transferred to Camp H. G. Wright, Fisher's Island, N. Y., and continued training until December 18th, 1918, when he was discharged from the service.

At Camp Wright he was appointed a Corporal, 4th Co., Coast Artillery Corps. After his discharge he was again made a postal employee.



WILLIAM CURTIS FRETTS

The son of Mead W. Fretts and Lula B. Zoller Fretts, was born at South Columbia, Herkimer County, New York, on April 29th, 1899, and received his education in the local school.

He was engaged in farming when he enlisted on July 2nd, 1917. Was a member of Co. M, 1st New York Infantry. Discharged from the National Guard and mustered into the Federal Army, August 5th, 1917; transferred on August 1st, to Co. F, 102nd U. S. Engineers. Trained at Camps Weller, Wadsworth, Humphrey and Stuart.

He was a member of the famous 27th Division, and had nine months service overseas, landing at St. Nazaire. Hiked to the Belgium front; in Belgium to Arras, to St. Emily.

Was in the following engagements: Battles, Hindenburg Line, September 29th and 30th, 1918; Bony, September 30th; Le Selle River, St. Souplet, October 17th; Jonc-de-Mer Ridge, October 18th; Vierstraat Ridge, August 31st to September 2nd, 1918; the Knoll—Geulement Farm, September 27th, 1918; St. Maurice River, October 12th to 30th, 1918. Was also in minor engagements on the Poperinghe Line and in the Dickebush Sector, in July and August, 1918.

He was gassed at the Battle of St. Souplet on November 2nd, 1918, and was in the Hospital at Amiens for six weeks.

Was discharged from Camp Upton on April 3rd, 1919.



DARWIN GARLOCK

The son of Fred Garlock and Nettie Flint Garlock, was born at Lone Rock, Wisconsin, on December 29th, 1890. He received his school training in the Richfield Springs public school.

He had been following the trade of carpenter at the time of his call to the service, on June 24th, 1918. He entered the infantry as a private in Co. 10, 152nd Depot Brigade, at Camp Upton, Long Island, New York. Transferred to the 345th Supply Co., 87th Division, and was appointed Wagoner on August 11th, 1918, at Camp Dix.

At Camp Dix he was engaged in driving a four line mule team, fitting him for a very necessary and hazardous arm of the service overseas.

He sailed for France on August 24th, 1918, and remained in the A. E. F. until January 5th. 1919.

While overseas he served as a wagoner in the Supply Train of the 345th Infantry at several different bases of supply, both of food and ammunition.



MARSHALL P. GETCHEL

The son of Frank B. Getchel and Jennie Getchel, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on January 9th, 1890, and educated in the public schools of his native village.

Previous to his entrance into the service, March 29th, 1918, he had been engaged in the observation of the assembling and general manufacturing of typewriters and adding machines, with a view to fitting himself for an efficiency and production engineer.

He was assigned to the 19th Co., 5th Battalion, 159th Depot Brigade, Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky. Served as line man for about two months and taken into the office as Company Clerk, serving as such for about six months. Transferred to 1st Training Battalion, 159th Depot Brigade, as Sergeant.

Promoted to Sergeant-Major in 1st Battalion, serving about four months. Honorably discharged from 1st Battalion, 159th Depot Brigade, April 2nd, 1919, to accept appointment as Army Field Clerk, and assigned as such to the 159th Depot Brigade on April 3rd, 1919.



EARL GOULD

The son of Charles Gould and Mary Gould, was born at Mount Upton, Chenango County, New York, on September 8th, 1892, and was educated in the district school of his neighborhood.

He was engaged in farming when called to the service, on September 22nd, 1917, and was first assigned to Co. A, 303rd Infantry, then to 301st Machine Gun Battalion, H. Q., then Co. C, then 302nd Machine Gun Battalion.

Sent overseas with Co. B, 12th Machine Gun Battalion, from Boston on July 8th, 1918, and landed in London on July 22nd. Previous to his sailing he had been in training at Ayer, Mass., for a machine gunner.

For a time he was stationed at Montreshed, France, near St. Nazaire.

He was at Verdun, Argonne Forest and went over the top with his company three times, suffering no injury.



WILLIAM DELOS GRIFFIN

The son of Leon Griffin and Lulu Wolcott Griffin, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on June 17th, 1896. He attended school at Richfield Springs and was employed at the Utica Knitting Company mills when he enlisted and was later sent to Camp Dix, April 4th, 1918.

He shipped overseas on May 20th, 1918, from Hoboken to Halifax, landing at Southampton on June 8th. Then was sent to Folkestone on the English coast and on June 13th crossed the Channel for France. After being in a rest camp for four days, moved south just back of the Arras front, being at Marquay for about a month, then to Vitry. On September 10th he went into the lines at the St. Mihiel front. Was here in the trenches for twenty-one days.

From St. Mihiel he started with his Co. H, 309th Infantry, for the Argonne woods, going into the lines on the 15th of October and over the top on the following day.

On the morning of the 18th of October, 1918, he went over the top again and was wounded in the arm and back. He was in the hospital for over a month. At this writing, May 20th, 1919, he was expected to go to a seaport town very soon, and from there to ship for home.



HERBERT ROSS HADCOCK

The son of James A. Hadcock and Martha Marilla Hadcock, was born at Mount Elgin, Ontario, Canada, on July 30th, 1877, and is the husband of Grace L. Wikoff Hadcock. His preliminary education was obtained in the public schools of Mount Elgin and Ingersoll. In 1901 he graduated from the Y. M. C. A. College, located at Springfield, Mass.

He served as Y. M. C. A. secretary at Warren, Penn., and later at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

He enlisted in the 90th Canadian Regiment in the autumn of 1914, and was called to military Y. M. C. A. work in April, 1915. As a technically trained Y. M. C. A. secretary, his services in the army continued along the line of his training.

During 1915 and 1916 he was supervisor of military Y. M. C. A. organizations in the camps located in British Columbia and Alberta, visiting and supervising the work in all of the military and internment camps in that area.

He was called overseas by cable in December of 1917, and later became the Supervisor of Y. M. C. A. work in the 1st Division of the Canadian Army.

He was commissioned a Lieutenant in February, 1918, and a Captain in August, 1918.

He was gassed in October, 1918, during the final Canadian drive.



GORDON A. HAGGERTY

The son of Dr. S. A. and Lelia Haggerty, was born in Richfield March 18th, 1897. He attended school in Richfield and in Richfield Springs and later the School of Pharmacy of Union University. He was a licensed pharmacist and spent his vacations during the college year in this line of work. He enlisted in the service June 21st, 1918, and reported at Pelham Bay Park August 5th, 1918, where he was under training for six weeks. He was then detailed for a time in an infirmary and February 19th, 1919, was ordered to the U. S. S. America as pharmacist mate, third class.

As this is written, information is at hand that he has been at sea for the past three months, with only twelve days in port and without shore leave. He has made the trip back and forth to Brest three times and is just about to make the fourth trip.



WILLIAM DANFORD HECOX

The son of Eugene D. Hecox and Hannah Hecox Brice, was born at Springfield Center, Otsego County, New York, on March 28th, 1890, and attended school at Springfield Center and Richfield Springs.

At the date of his call to the service, April 29th, 1918, he was the deputy postmaster at Springfield Center, N. Y.

He was assigned to Co. K, 311th Regiment, infantry, and was sent to Camp Dix for training. He was there but a few weeks and sailed for France May 20th, 1918, arriving at Southampton, England, June 4th, 1918. Soon left for Calais, France, where he trained for about three months. Was then moved to the St. Mihiel sector, where he put in twenty-one days in the front line trenches. Then moved to the Argonne and was in fighting trenches there for three weeks. Was being transferred to another front when the armistice was signed, November 11th, 1918. Was sent to Cop-de Ore sector, where 78th Division was stationed, for six months. Went to Bordeaux May 4th, 1919, and in six days was shipped home, arriving in New York May 22nd. Was sent to Camp Merritt, then to Camp Upton, where he was discharged May 30th, 1919.



PAUL WILLIAM HERDMAN

The son of Alexander Herdman and Nellie Herdman, was born at Springfield, Otsego County, New York, on November 18th, 1896, and obtained his education at the Cherry Valley High School.

He has followed farming and at the time of his call to the service, September 9th, 1918, was employed in a garage.

He was assigned to the artillery, Battalion D, 7th Regiment, F. A. R. D.; later to the 26th O. A. R. D., Headquarters Co.; then 3rd Regiment, F. A. R. D.

He was sent to Camp Jackson, South Carolina, where he was trained for two months and sent to Newport News. He was on board the transport when the armistice was signed.



JOHN E. HIBBARD

The son of Emerson Hibbard and Vera Hibbard, was born at Vernon Center, Oneida County, New York, on September 15th, 1899. He was educated in the common schools.

Enlisted on August 7th, 1916, at the age of 16 years, and will therefore be known as one of the youngest veterans with the A. E. F. He joined Co. M, 1st New York Infantry, but was later transferred to Co. M, 107th U. S. Infantry, of the famous 27th Division.

He was trained at Camp Wadsworth, at Spartanburg, S. C., and went to France on May 10th, 1918. At his training camp he was drilled in bayonet work for one and one-half years.

He was engaged in the battles at East Poperinghe line (from July 9th to August 21st); Dickebush sector, Belgium, August 21st to August 30th); Hindenburg line, Bony (September 29th and 30th).

He was wounded with shrapnel in the stomach and gassed.



E. LOUISE HINDS

The subject of this sketch, is well known throughout the east as a reader of exceptional talent. Miss Hinds was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, and is the daughter of the late Eugene A. Hinds, many years postmaster of Richfield Springs, and Mary Buchanan Hinds.

In June of 1917, she offered her services to the "Y" to entertain soldiers and sailors in the various camps of the East. She recited before large and enthusiastic audiences at Newport, R. I., Syracuse, N. Y., Camp Dix, Camp Upton and Camp Merritt.

Later she was summoned to the tidewater camps and did splendid work at Camp Lee, Newport News, Norfolk, Camp Meade and Camp Humphrey, receiving from the Director of the Southern Section Activities letters of most cordial appreciation.

Her efforts to strengthen the morale of the soldier and sailor in camp and station entitle her to the gratitude of every patriotic citizen and the place she won in the hearts of the men who listened to her is indeed a large one.

Her ambition was to go overseas and there is no doubt that her services would have been accepted had not illness in her family prevented. Her work before and after the armistice has endeared her to many thousands of the men who preserved the world's peace.



HERBERT ELMER HOSFORD

The son of Frank D. Hosford and Clara L. Evans Hosford, was born in Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on May 21st, 1895, and received his education in the Richfield Springs High School.

He was employed on his uncle's farm at the time of his being drafted into the service on September 6th, 1918. Was first sent to the Syracuse Recruiting Camp and assigned to the 92nd Co., 22nd Battalion. In a short time he was transferred to the Coast Artillery at Fort Totten, Long Island, where he served as a driver for officers and field clerks.



KENNETH HOWARD HOUSE

Was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on January 14th, 1893. He attended the Richfield Springs school. Was employed by the Remington Arms for about five years and was with the Utica Knitting Company when he entered the service, in August of 1918.

He reported at Syracuse for training, and was later transferred to Camp Merritt, attached to the 340th Guard and Fire Company.

Was later transferred to Camp Upton and from that place discharged from the service on December 30th, 1918, returning to civilian life at Richfield Springs.



JOSEPH HUGGICK

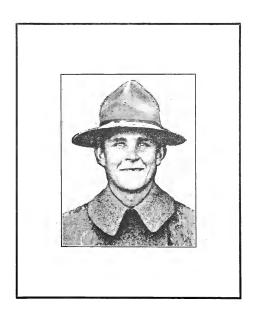
The son of Albert Huggick and Mary Huggick, was born at South Columbia, Herkimer County, New York, on February 20th, 1896, and attended the district school in his native township.

He was engaged in farm work on the home farm when he was called to the service, about October 18th, 1917.

He was attached to Co. F, 303rd Infantry, and sent to Camp Devens, Mass., and then transferred to Co. M, 60th Infantry, at Camp Green, N. C., shipping with that company for France.

But little is known about this young soldier after he arrived in France, but one letter being received by his parents, and this stated that he was in the 3rd line trenches.

He was killed in action about October 25th, 1918. On Sunday afternoon, April 18th, 1919, a memorial service was held in his home town under the auspices of the Red Cross, the program being in charge of Mrs. M. M. Hatch, the president of the South Solumbia Chapter, and the address being made by the Rev. Charles Niles of Jordanville, N. Y., who with all of the company present paid tribute to this brave son of Columbia.



CLARENCE ROBERT HUYCK

The son of Edgar Huyck and Minnie Huyck, was born in Exeter, Otsego County, New York, on July 9th, 1896, and was educated in the district school in his neighborhood.

He engaged in farming, and at the time of his enlistment, June 8th, 1917, was employed in the Remington typewriter plant at Ilion, N. Y.

He enlisted at Schenectady, N. Y., and was sent from there to Pelham Bay, N. Y., and then to Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., where he was attached to Co. A, 105th U. S. Infantry, 27th Division.

Was discharged at Camp Jackson, and took up employment in the Remington Arms at Ilion, N. Y., when he was drafted and sent to Camp Jackson, where he remained for five months.

Was listed for overseas service when the armistice was signed and remained at Camp Jackson until sent to Camp Mills, Long Island, where he was discharged from the service on December 28th, 1918.



FRED ABBOT JOHNSON

Was born at Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, New York, on March 3rd, 1893, and was educated in the Richfield Springs public school.

Previous to his enlistment, on July 15th, 1917, he was in the railroad service. He enlisted in Troop G, 1st N. Y. Cavalry, at Utica, N. Y., and was later assigned to Co. B, 106th Machine Gun Battalion. Was first sent to Brooklyn and then to Spartanburg, S. C., training there for seven months.

He left for overseas on May 10th, 1918, and landed at Brest, May 26th, 1918. He served in the East Poperinghe line from July 9th to August 20th, 1918; Dickebush sector, August 21st to August 30th. Was at St. Quentin and Cambrai in September of 1918.

He was sick in hospital in France from drinking the water from poisoned wells and was laid up with pneumonia for two months.

Was discharged from the service on April 2nd, 1919, as a member of the famous 27th Division, 54th Brigade.



HARRY D. JONES

The son of David A. Jones and Carrie Baker Jones, was born at Yonkers, New York, on August 16th, 1894. He is the husband of Marguerite Sitts Jones.

He enlisted in July of 1917, in Toronto, Canada, and in September of that year was transferred to the Royal Flying Corps, graduating in the school for aviators at Toronto University.

He served as an instructor in aviation at Fort Worth, Texas, and was discharged from the service in December of 1918.



EDWIN CLIFFORD KENT

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac J. Kent, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 27th, 1887, and received his preliminary education at the Richfield Springs High School, later taking a course in the Albany Business College.

He was called to the service on March 15th, 1918, and was assigned to the Signal Corps, later being transferred to Department of Aeronautics and served with the 92nd Aero Service Squadron. He trained at Waco, Texas; Camp Greene, Charlotte, S. C.; Mitchell Field, Long Island.

Served overseas in England as chauffeur, 1st Class, at Yapton Aerodrome, Yapton, Sussex, England. He was made a chauffeur in August, 1918, and promoted to the 1st Class in September, giving him the rank of Sergeant, which he held at the time of his discharge.



MORTIMER J. KEOUGH

The son of James Keough and Nora Keough, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on December 12th, 1888. He attended school at the Richfield Springs High School and later assumed charge of the homestead farm.

He enlisted on July 8th, 1917, and was assigned to Co. L, 23rd Infantry, 2nd Division, reporting at once at Syracuse, where he trained until September of 1917, sailing overseas on the 7th of that month, landing at St. Nazaire, France. He remained there nine days completing the military organization and was then transferred to Goncourt, France, for barracks building.

In February of 1918 he entered the 1st line trenches. He was engaged in the Verdun, Toule and Troyon sectors in the early part of that year. From June 1st to July 16th, 1918, he was in the continuous fighting at Chateau Thierry. He went over the top on July 18th on the Marne counter offensive at Soissons, then was sent to Nancy neighborhood for about three weeks. Was in the St. Mihiel drive on September 12th. In October entered the Champagne drive with the 4th French Army.

He was wounded on October 5th, 1918, in the Champagne drive by high explosive shrapnel in both arms, and was sent to the French hospital at Toulouse. After six weeks there he was transferred to the American hospital at Vichy, France, remaining in that institution until the first week of January, 1919. When again fit for duty was sent to replacement camp near Tours, and started back for the 2nd Division organization on the Rhine. En route he stopped at Toul three weeks and entered a casual detachment, and shipped home from Bordeaux. He landed in New York on March 24th, 1919. Was sent first to Camp Dix, then to Camp Upton, and from that place discharged in April of 1919.



CHARLES AUGUSTUS KING

The son of Francis King and Anna King, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on September 4th, 1887, and attended the public school at Richfield Springs for eight years.

Previous to his call to the service on May 27th, 1918, he was engaged as a cattle buyer and wholesale butcher.

He was assigned to Co. D, 52nd Pioneer Infantry, and was with that company and regiment from the time it was organized at Camp Wadsworth until it was disbanded at Camp Dix on May 19th. He trained at Camp Wadsworth at Spartanburg, S. C., and then left for overseas service.

He was for a time engaged in repairing roads for the artillery; helped break the Hindenburg Line at Avacourt and the Meuse and was in the great Argonne offensive.

He was discharged from Camp Dix, May 19th, 1919.



GORDON I. KNOX

The son of Frank Knox and Ella Knox, was born at Rome, Oneida County, New York, on July 2nd, 1902, and was educated in the public schools of Utica and Richfield Springs.

He enlisted in Co. E, 9th Infantry, on April 18th, 1917, before he had attained the age of fifteen years. He was large for his age, and for this reason succeeded in passing the enlisting officer.

He was sent to Fort Slocum, then to San Antonio, Texas, then back to Syracuse in the 47th Infantry. From Syracuse he was transferred to Camp Greene, N. C., in October, 1917; then to Camp Mills, in April, 1918.

He sailed for overseas on May 10th, 1918, having been made a Sergeant at Camp Mills the preceding January.

He was in the second battle of the Marne and was in the front line at the time the armistice was signed, on November 11th, 1918. Since that time he has been with the Army of Occupation in Germany at Adenau.

This young veteran of the A. E. F. has never been sick or wounded since the date of his enlistment.



AUGUST FRANK KURKOWSKI

The son of Anthony Kurkowski and Pauline Kurkowski, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on February 12th, 1896. He attended the Richfield Springs public school.

At the time of his call to the service, September 9th, 1918, he was working on the home farm near this village. He was assigned to Co. B, 2nd Division, Camp Jackson, S. C., and transferred to Quartermaster's Corps, Barracks Co. No. 1, East Utilities Division, located at the same camp. Here he was employed as motor truck driver.

He was at Camp Jackson until March 22nd, 1919, when he was honorably discharged from the service.



MAURICE LLEWELLYN LANE

The son of Henry D. Lane and Flora Llewellyn Lane, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on July 5th, 1895. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and later graduated from the Utica School of Commerce, accepting a position as clerk in the Citizens' Trust Company, Utica, N. Y., where in 1918 he was advanced to teller in the institution.

He twice tried to enlist in the service, but was not accepted. On September 4th, 1918, he was called under the selective draft. He was entrained from Cooperstown, N. Y., and sent to Camp Upton, Long Island, attached to the 27th Co., 152nd Depot Brigade. After four weeks of regular training he was ordered to report as a Company Clerk. In October a call came for men to serve as clerks on draft boards and he was detailed to his own Local Board in Cooperstown, N. Y.

Immediately after the signing of the armistice he was ordered to Camp Upton by the Personnel Office for duty connected with the discharging of soldiers.

On December 21st, 1918, he unexpectedly received the order for his discharge, and on the following day was discharged from the service, shortly resuming his position as teller with the Citizens' Trust Company of Utica, New York.



CHARLES LAWSON

The son of Thomas W. Lawson and Susie Doxstater Lawson, was born at Fort Plain, Montgomery County, New York, on August 24th, 1882, and attended school at Johnstown, N. Y.

He enlisted on May 2nd, 1917, and reported at Camp Weller, Mohawk, N. Y., where he remained three weeks. He was then sent to Van Cortlandt Park, New York, and was there for one month. Was then transferred to Camp Wadsworth, S. C., for nine months' training, at the conclusion of which he was sent to Newport News, Va., where he sailed overseas in May, 1918. He landed at Brest and immediately went to the Belgian front.

He participated in the following battles and engagements: East Poperinghe line, July 9th-August 20th, 1918; Dickebush sector, Belgium, August 27th-30th, 1918; Hindenburg Line (vicinity of Bony), September 29th-30th; Le Selle River (vicinity of Souplet), October 17th, 1918; Jonc de Mer Ridge, October 18th, 1918; St. Maurice River, October 19th-20th.

He was a member of Co. M, 107th Infantry, of the famous 27th Division, and was graded as a Private, 1st Class. After the armistice was signed he was stationed at different points in France, doing police and guard duty.

He left Brest in March, 1919, for New York, and was discharged from Camp Upton on April 2nd, 1919.



ARTHUR PAUL LEARY

The son of John R. Leary and Mary Curley Leary, was born in the town of Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on November 21st, 1897, and is a graduate of the Richfield Springs High School.

He was working on the home farm when he entered the service on October 5th, 1918, joining the Engineering Corps of the Students' Army Training Corps at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.

He was discharged from the service on December 6th, 1918, and is continuing his course at Union College.



JOHN JOSEPH LEARY

The son of John R. Leary and Mary Curley Leary, was born in the town of Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on November 27th, 1888. He is a graduate of the Richfield Springs High School and of Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y.

At the time of his entering the service, on July 10th, 1918, he was a member of the medical staff of the Utica State Hospital.

He entered the Medical Corps, Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, remaining there for two months; entered State Psychopathic Hospital, Camp Wadsworth, S. C., for intensive course in neurology and psychiatry, with hospital work. He has also been located at Fort Ontario, N. Y., and General Hospital No. 43, National Soldiers' Home, Va.

In June of 1917 he was commissioned a 1st Lieutenant, and at this time, June 1st, 1919, is located in the Hospital at Hampton, Va.



LEO V. LEARY

The son of Richard Leary and Mary Ellen Horen Leary, was born near Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on January 14th, 1896. He was educated at the Richfield Springs High School.

At the time of his call to the service, on August 26th, 1918, he was working on the home farm.

He entered a machine gun school at Camp Hancock, Georgia, finished in double time, and was transported from Camp Merritt, N. J., for overseas service on November 8th, 1918, as a member of the 138th Machine Gun Company. He arrived in England after the signing of the Armistice.

He was taken into France in a replacement division and at this writing is serving as a P. E. S. at Bourges, France.



JOHN MARCUS LEE

The son of George Lee and Lida King Lee, was born at Cranberry Creek, Fulton County, New York, in November of 1894. He was educated in the country schools of his neighborhood.

Previous to his call to the service, on May 27th, 1918, he had been employed at farming and was later an employe in the Remington Arms Company plant at Ilion, N. Y.

He entered the Red Cross Ambulance Corps, in Co. 40, 6th Division. He was sent to Spartanburg, S. C., transferred to Camp Mills and went overseas in July of 1918. He was in the trenches for a time, but principally was engaged in bandaging the wounded men and carrying them back to motor ambulances for transportation to the base hospitals.

At the present time he is with the Army of Occupation in Germany.



BENJAMIN PAUL LENT

The son of James and Harriet Lent, was born at Richfield Springs March 25, 1892. He received his early schooling at Richfield Springs, after which he took up his duties as a chef and meat cutter and prior to his entering the service was working in the Remington Arms plant at Ilion, N. Y.

He entered the service July 31, 1918, and was sent to Camp Upton, L. I., where he entered the school for bakers and cooks, taking up this training for a regular army cook. He succeeded in this particular line of work and passed the examination, graduating as a Mess Sergeant. He was honorably discharged from Camp Upton December 13th, 1918, and returned immediately to Richfield Springs.



DELMONT LENT

The son of James and Harriet Lent, was born at Richfield Springs June 20, 1894. He received his early education at the High School at Richfield Springs, after which he learned the trade of a barber. He was engaged in this work when he entered the service, April 29, 1918. He received his first military training at Camp Dix, N. J., being assigned to Co. L, 311th Infantry, then later attached to the 36th Co., 9th Battalion, 152nd Depot Brigade.

His work at Camp Dix included drilling and guard duty. He was discharged from Camp Dix January 13th, 1919, and returned to Richfield Springs.



ERNEST LEONARD

The son of William Leonard and Julia Leonard, was born at Richfield Springs, County of Otsego, New York, on January 15th, 1887.

He enlisted as a Machinist's Mate, 2nd Class, on November 21st, 1907. Served in the first cruise on the U. S. S. Connecticut. Discharged as a Chief Machinist's Mate.

He re-enlisted on March 19th, 1912, and served on board the U. S. S. Florida two years and six months.

Was appointed a Machinist on December 28th, 1914, and served three years as Engineer Officer of the U. S. S. Ontario.

He received a temporary commission as Ensign on August 15th, 1917; made a Lieutenant (junior grade) on March 1st, 1918, and a Lieutenant on September 1st, 1918.

Served on board the U. S. S. Housatonic as Engineer Officer from December 1st, 1917, to March 15th, 1919.



RALPH EDWARD LEONARD

The son of Gilbert Leonard, was born at Gilbertsville, Otsego County, New York, on January 15th, 1894. He attended the Gilbertsville High School for two years.

He was a foreman in the Utica Knitting Co. plant at Richfield Springs at the time of his call to the service on June 28th, 1918.

He was sent to the recruiting camp at Syracuse, N. Y., and later to the Poison Gas Plant at Edgewood, Maryland. Was later discharged from the service.



BENJAMIN HARRISON LEWIS

The son of George E. Lewis and Emerette Murdock Lewis, was born in Otsego County, New York, on November 19th, 1894, and is the husband of Marion Schooley Lewis. He was educated in the Cooperstown High School.

He was called to the service on July 1st, 1918, and entered a training school at Buffalo, N. Y. Attached to band as Chief Musician and also had charge of electrical wiring detachment. On August 25th, 1918, was transferred to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, Signal Corps. On November 5th, 1918, sent with battalion to Camp Benjamin Franklin, Md., preparatory to going overseas.

In the electrical class at the Buffalo Training School he stood second highest.

He was made Director of Band on September 12th, 1918; promoted to 1st Class Private on September 29th, according to Signal Corps regulations, and again advanced by examination on November 6th, 1918, to Corporal.

He was honorably discharged from Camp Benjamin Franklin, Md., January 6th, 1919.



DIO ALONZO LEWIS

The son of A. S. Lewis and Flora E. Lewis, was born in the town of Columbia, Herkimer County, New York, on March 5th, 1892, and was educated in the district school of his neighborhood, later attending the High School at West Winfield.

He has been employed at farming and in the Library Bureau at Ilion, N. Y.

He was called to the service on October 5th, 1917, assigned to the 303rd Infantry and sent to Camp Devens, Mass; transferred to the 60th Infantry and sent to Camp Greene, N. C., and later to the 79th Field Artillery at Camp Merritt, N. J.

Sent overseas in August of 1918. Landed at Brest and was in training in France until the close of the war. Is at this writing, May 15th, 1919, with the Army of Occupation.



GUY WALTER LLEWELLYN

The son of Frank and Elizabeth Llewellyn, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 10th, 1893. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and was employed by the Utica Knitting Company.

He entered the service on August 26th, 1918, was sent to Camp Gordon, Georgia, and assigned to Co. E, 3rd Infantry, Replacement Regiment. Trained at Camp Gordon until October 24th, 1918, and then sailed for overseas. He did not reach the front, as the armistice was signed on November 11th. Almost upon his arrival in France he was sent to Bordeaux and transferred to the cavalry. Later was sent to Romagne, France, where he is doing guard duty at this writing, May 25th, with Co. 16, O. A. R. D., and hopes to reach the United States by August 1st, 1919.



JOHN FRANCIS M'BRIDE

Was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, in 1890 and attended the Richfield Springs public school.

He was engaged in farming when he enlisted in Troop G, 1st N. Y. Cavalry, and served in Mexico in border warfare. Was again placed in civilian life and enlisted at Utica in the World War forces and was a member of the famous 27th Division throughout the war. Was in East Poperinghe sector July 9-August 21st; Dickebush sector, August 21st-30th, and helped smash the Hindenburg Line, at Bony, September 29th-30th.

He has been discharged from the service and is now with the N. Y. State Railway Co.



CHARLES LYNN M'CREDY

The son of Harry McCredy and Nettie Hilsinger McCredy, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 27th, 1889. He was educated at the Richfield Springs High School. He is the husband of Clara Lewis McCredy.

At the time of his call to the service he was engaged as salesman for a wholesale saddlery and harness company. He entered the army on June 23rd, 1918, and was assigned to the 8th Co., 152nd Depot Brigade, Camp Upton. Transferred to Co. G, 348th Infantry, Camp Dix, and while there was again transferred to Machine Gun Co. 348 of the Infantry.

He has to his credit six months' overseas service, being attached to the 54th Engineers, doing construction work in Southern France.



THOMAS M'GUINESS

Was born in New York City on May 21st, 1890. He enlisted at Richfield, N. Y., on October 6th, 1917, and was assigned to Co. K, 303rd Infantry, and served for a time as supply company sergeant, later being made a Corporal.

He sailed for France on July 18th, 1918, and was transferred to the 162nd Replacement Division. At the present time, June 1st, 1919, he is in Paris, acting as a member of a Provost Guard Company.



FRED J. MALLOY

Was born in the northern part of New York State and during his boyhood attended school in Mohawk, N. Y. He took up farming after he left school, and in April, 1917, he enlisted as an apprentice seaman. He was sent to the Naval Training School at Newport, R. I., where he was under instruction for several months. Later he was ordered to the U. S. S. Wisconsin, where he is now doing duty at sea.



JAMES HOMER MARTIN

The son of James Martin and Amanda Burke Martin, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 29th, 1896.

He graduated from the Richfield Springs High School in 1915, and attended Cornell University during 1916-1917. He also spent one year in the Remington Arms as machine operator.

He was called to the service on September 5th, 1918, sent to Camp Jackson, S. C., and assigned to Battery E, 7th Regiment, F. A. R. D.; transferred to 106th Ordnance Depot Company on December 5th, 1918; again transferred to Camp Supply Detachment, Camp Jackson, on February 1st, 1919; and discharged from that place on March 20th, 1919.

He is now employed by the U. S. Government at Camp Jackson, May 15th, 1919, as clerk in the Ordnance Department.



FRANK MEEHAN

The son of James Meehan and Ellen Meehan, was born in the town of Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on November 15th, 1891. He attended the Richfield Springs public school.

He was employed with the Buchanan Hardware Company, Richfield Springs, at the time he entered the service, on May 28th, 1918. He reported at Camp Wadsworth, S. C., for six weeks' training. He shipped overseas from Camp Upton and arrived at Brest in August of 1918. He was moved up to the front line at once, being placed in the Belgian sector.

Corporal Meehan was a member of Co. D, 52nd Pioneer Infantry, and served with the 5th Army Corps of the 1st Army, A. E. F., participating in the Meuse, Argonne and Verdun operations from September 20th, 1918, to November 11th, 1918.

He was discharged from Camp Dix, N. J., on April 19th, 1919, and later assumed his former duties with the Buchanan Hardware Company.



MATTHEW WILBUR MEEHAN

The son of James Meehan and Ellen Meehan, was born in the town of Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on June 22nd, 1896. He was educated in the public school at Richfield Springs.

He was licensed as a chauffeur previous to his enlistment in the service, July 10th, 1918.

He reported at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on September 30th, 1918, and was later transferred to the Naval Training Station at Pelham Bay, N. Y. Here he was in training for about one month, when he was stricken with pneumonia and was confined to the hospital at Pelham Bay for two months.

After recuperating he was transferred to a shipping regiment, in preparation for draft to Siberia as armed guard. For this purpose he was examined and on account of his recent illness was ordered home and his name placed on the inactive list of the U. S. N. R. F.

He returned to his home in Richfield Springs and took up his duties as mechanic.



RICHARD AUGUSTINE MEEHAN

The son of James Meehan and Ellen Meehan, was born in the town of Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on May 25th, 1899. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs.

He enlisted in the U. S. Navy on November 2nd, 1917, and reported at once to Newport, R. I. Here he attended the Hospital School for six months, fitting himself for hospital apprentice. He left Newport on draft transfer to Commonwealth Pier, Boston. Was there a short time, and then transferred to Chatham, Mass., for six weeks, returning later to Commonwealth Pier.

He was next ordered aboard the U. S. S. Foote, a destroyer, and one of the fastest boats in the U. S. N. The Foote convoyed the NC fliers in the trans-Atlantic flight, now historic, as one of them, NC-4, succeeded in crossing the ocean and established a new record.

He is rated as a Gunner's Mate, and will presumably remain in the service for four years, the period of his enlistment.



WILLIAM ROBERT MEEHAN

The son of James Mechan and Ellen Mechan, was born in the town of Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on November 3rd, 1889. He was educated in the public schools of Warren and Richfield Springs.

Previous to his enlistment in the U. S. N., on December 14th, 1917, he was employed as a clerk in retail stores.

He reported at Newport, R. I., trained there until January 20th, 1918, and was then made Junior Instructor of Apprentice Seamen, which line of duty he continued until August 15th, 1918.

He then entered Quartermasters' School at Newport and graduated on November 1st, 1918. On November 22nd, 1918, he was transferred to the Naval Base, Hampton Roads, Va., where he remained for one month.

On December 28th, 1918, he was transferred to the U. S. S. Clio, as Quartermaster, where he is now stationed.



JAMES ERNEST MOORE

The son of George Washington and Anna Mary Moore, was born in Sullivan, Michigan, February 16, 1889. He attended the district school at Sullivan and later at Richfield Springs. Upon leaving school he took up the duties of farming and also worked for the Utica Knitting Company for some time.

He entered the service July 23, 1918, and reported immediately to Camp Meade, Md., where he was assigned to the Headquarters Company of the 23rd Field Artillery of Lafayette Division. He was later transferred to the infantry, 22nd Division, 154th Depot Brigade. He was honorably discharged from Camp Meade, Md., December 12th, 1918, and returned at once to Richfield Springs, where he resumed his former duties on the farm.



FRANK MROZEK

Was born in Lithuania, Russia, in 1893, where he attended school. He came to the United States when about eighteen years of age and worked as a laborer in Schenectady. He came to Richfield Springs in 1917 as a farm-hand. He entered the service in July of the same year and was sent to Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, for preliminary training. He was soon sent overseas, being attached to the 1st Pioneer Infantry, and has seen active military service.

At this writing Private Mrozek is with the Army of Occupation in Andernach, Germany.



CHARLES M. MULLEN

The son of John Mullen and Delia Mullen, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 11th, 1895. He graduated from the Richfield Springs High School in the class of 1914. He later took a course in accounting, assuming at its completion a position with the D., L. & W. Railroad Company, and before entering the service he was the manager of a cigar business. He enlisted on April 4th, 1918, and was assigned to Co. H, 309th Infantry, 78th Division. He trained at Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., for a few weeks and was then sent overseas. He trained on French soil until August 1st, 1918, when his company started for the Metz sector, hiking until September 5th. On the following day they started straight for the front lines. On September 16th, 1918, they took over the sector from the Marines on the drive to Metz. He remained in the St. Mihiel sector until October 5th, 1918, when he was wounded, being struck by shrapnel in the right leg, below the knee, and was sent to Base Hospital No. 21. He also had been gassed on September 20th, 1918.

His was the first battalion of the division to take a front line sector, and they remained there with the exception of a four days' rest. He was promoted to Corporal in July, 1918, and made a Sergeant after recovering in Hospital No. 210.

After his recovery, on February 7th, 1919, he went to St. Aignan and then to Brest, where he was put in a Casual Company, No. 1456, and returned to the United States on the U. S. S. George Washington. He was discharged from Camp Upton, N. J., on April 6th, 1919.



FRANCIS MULROONEY

The son of John Mulrooney and Delia Mulrooney, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on February 11th, 1895, and attended the Richfield Springs public school.

He entered the service in April, 1917, and was sent to Syracuse, N. Y., where he was under military training until October. He was then sent to Camp Greene, S. C., where he finished his training and was sent overseas, a member of Co. D, 9th Machine Gun Battalion, 3rd Division.

His company and entire division saw hard fighting south of the Marne during the summer of 1918, and he received a bullet wound in the leg during the engagements.

At this writing, May 20th, 1919, he is with the Army of Occupation and does not expect to reach the United States before July or August.



GEORGE J. MULROONEY

The son of John Mulrooney and Delia Mulrooney, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 14th, 1893, and attended the Richfield Springs public school.

He entered the service in April of 1917 and was immediately sent to El Paso, Texas, for guard duty on the Mexican border. He took part in several light skirmishes with Mexican outlaws. In October, 1918, he was sent to Camp Merritt, N. J., and shortly shipped overseas.

He arrived in France about the time the armistice was signed. He is a member of Co. L, 34th Infantry, 7th Division.

At this writing, May 20th, 1919, he is in France with the A. E. F.



WILLIAM D. NORTHRUP

The son of Charlie and Jennie Northrup, was born in Syracuse February 12th, 1893. He attended school in Richfield Springs, after which he engaged in farming. He entered the service August 8th, 1918, and reported immediately to Fort Slocum, New York. In a few days he was transferred to Camp McClellan, Alabama, where for six weeks he was attached to the Field Artillery. He was discharged from the service from this camp September 30th, 1918, bearing a surgeon's certificate of disability. He returned at once to Richfield Springs and resumed his work on the farm.



FLOYD J. OSTRANDER

The son of C. H. Ostrander and Eula Shaul Ostrander, was born in the town of Warren, Herkimer County, New York, on November 19th, 1893. He was educated in the district school of his neighborhood.

He was called to the service on August 13th, 1917, and was sent to Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.; transferred to Camp Greenee, N. C., on February 10th, 1918, and was in the hospital there until May 10th, 1918, when he was sent to Camp Merritt, N. J., sailing overseas on May 21st, 1918.

He arrived in France in June, and while in the A. E. F. was in Co. M, 60th Infantry. He returned to the United States in December of 1918.



LEROY E. PALMER

Was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, and is a graduate of the Richfield Springs High School, class of 1911, later entering St. Lawrence College.

He enlisted on May 28th, 1917, in the U. S. Marine Corps and was sent to Paris Island, S. C., and made an expert machine gunner, with rank of Sergeant.

He was one of the first to be sent overseas, and took an active part in the battles that turned the Germans from Paris. He was wounded in one of these engagements.

After his recovery, he went back into the lines and was wounded again. Was sent in again at the Argonne, and near the end of the fighting sprained an ankle and suffered from the breaking down of the arches of the feet, incapacitating him and placing him in a Marine Band, connected with a battalion show now going from unit to unit entertaining the men of the Army of Occupation along the Rhine.



LOUIS B. PALMER

Was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, and educated at the Richfield Springs High School.

He was called to the service from Akron, Ohio, on May 29th, 1918, and was a member of Co. L, 59th Infantry, 4th Division. Trained at Camp Gordon, Georgia. Was sent to France early in July, 1918, and was in the Argonne fighting for over one month. He came out unharmed and without illness during these engagements.

At this writing, May 20th, 1919, he is stationed on the east bank of the Rhine, 3 kilometers from Coblenz.



RICHARD W. PALMER

The son of Frank Palmer and Mary Flint Palmer, was born at Little Falls, Herkimer County, New York, on May 28th, 1893. He attended the Richfield Springs High School. He is the husband of Rose Voight Palmer.

He was employed by the Remington Arms Company, Ilion, N. Y., at the time of his call to the service, May 30th, 1918. He was first sent to Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., and later transferred to the Arsenal at Edgewood, Maryland, in the Chemical Warfare Department.

He was discharged from the service in December of 1918 and returned to Ilion, where he resumed his duties with the Remington Arms Company.



STANLEY EARL PALMER

The son of Curtis B. Palmer and Nettie Palmer, was born in the town of Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on June 8th, 1895. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and later married Violet Brown, whose subsequent illness brought about his discharge from the service.

He first enlisted in Troop G, N. Y. Cavalry, and was with the Border Police on the Mexican border for about two months. After his discharge he again enlisted and was sent to Brooklyn for three months, then to Spartanburg, S. C., where he was transferred to the artillery, being later discharged through the illness of his wife.

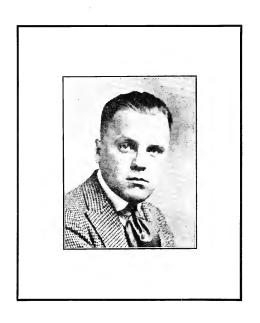


JOHN LEO PURCELL

The son of John Purcell and Mary A. Purcell, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on June 19th, 1896. His education was obtained at the Richfield Springs public school.

He was employed at the Remington Arms plant at Ilion, N. Y., at the time he volunteered his services on June 3rd, 1918. He reported for duty on August 22nd, 1918, at the Pelham Bay Naval Training Station, being rated as a 2nd Class Seaman. Here he was stricken with influenza and was taken to the hospital on Monday night at 10:45 o'clock, and on the Saturday following, October 5th, 1918, he died at 11:40 P. M.

His body was brought home and buried from St. Joseph's Church with military honors, the funeral eulogy being delivered by the Reverend Father Arthur J. Kelly. Just two weeks previous, to a day, the deceased sailor had been home to attend the funeral of a younger brother, James Purcell.



WALTER A. PURCELL

The son of John Purcell and Mary A. Purcell, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on August 2nd, 1899. He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and at the time of his enlistment was taking a course in electrical engineering.

He volunteered his services and entered the great army on April 16th, 1917, and was assigned to the infantry, being first sent to Fort Slocum and later transferred to Texas with the 9th Infantry. En route he was stricken with pneumonia and for two weeks of the five of his illness he had the remarkable temperature of 104 degrees. His sturdy vitality sustained him and he recovered and was transferred to Syracuse, where he was detached from the 9th and assigned to the 48th Infantry for a time.

He sailed with the A. E. F., as a member of the 9th Infantry, in September of 1917, the first native son of Richfield to go overseas.

He was engaged in the Verdun, Toul and Troyon sectors in the early part of 1918. From June 1st to July 16th, 1918, he was in the continuous fighting at Chateau Thierry. He went over the top on July 18th on the Marne counter offensive at Soissons, then went to a point near Nancy for about three weeks. Was in the St. Mihiel drive on September 12th, in October entering the Champagne drive with the 4th French Army. Then back to the Meuse and Argonne with the American forces.

He is at this writing, May 15th, 1919, with the American Army of Occupation in Germany.



CHARLES HORACE RIVETT

The son of Joseph Rivett and Jessie Rivett, was born at Orwell, Vermont on January 26th, 1885. He attended school at Granville, N. Y., and later worked in the granite and slate quarries.

He enlisted in the Spanish War and afterward returned to Canastota and Richfield Springs, where his father resides.

He enlisted in the regular army in December, 1914, and reported for duty at Fort Monroe. Was sent directly to the Panama Canal Zone to assist in guarding the interests of the United States, and was held there until August, 1918.

Was sent to Camp Beauregard, La., to prepare for service overseas. Here he was stricken with the epidemic then prevailing and was very ill with pneumonia. At this camp he was attached to Co. H, 5th Infantry, and was made a Sergeant.

After about four months at Camp Beauregard he was sent to Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky, with the same company, where he is now located.

Sergeant Rivett plans to remain in the service and possibly enlist in the Army of Occupation in Germany.



RICHARD MORRIS ROBERTS

The son of Thomas B. Roberts and Elizabeth A. Roberts, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 20th, 1894. He is a graduate of the Richfield Springs High School, class of 1914, and the following year graduated from the Utica School of Commerce.

He was first employed at the Borden plant in Richfield Springs as bookkeeper; then accepted a position at Cooperstown, N. Y., as clerk in the G. F. & P. A. office of the Southern N. Y. Railroad Company, being later transferred to Richfield Springs as the soliciting freight and passenger agent.

He enlisted as landsman for Quartermaster Aviation, U. S. N., on December 15th, 1917, and was assigned to the Mechanics' School Office at Pensacola, Fla. On April 9th, 1918, he was transfer to U. S. Naval Air Station, Montauk, Long Island, being assigned to dirigible and kite balloon work. On December 3rd, 1918, he was transferred to 8th Regiment, Pelham Bay Training Camp, and here spent a month in the hospital.

On January 8th, 1919, transferred to Officer Material School, Princeton University. On March 1st, 1919, he was transferred to 2nd Regiment, Pelham Bay, having qualified for Ensign (Pay Corps), U. S. N. R. F.

His activities in the several corps and schools included yeoman work at Pensacola; dirigible and kite balloon work at Montauk, making several flights during the summer. At Princeton he studied the duties of paymaster and supply office.

Promoted to Quartermaster, 2nd Class (a), January 1st, 1918. Made Quartermaster, 1st Class (a), October 1st, 1918. Chief Storekeeper, November 26th, 1918. Honorably discharged from the service on March 27th, 1919.

Commissioned Ensign (Pay Corps), U. S. N. R. F., on March 27th, 1919.



CLAUDE M'KINLEY ROSE

The son of Byron D. Rose and Annie M. Rose, was born at Schuyler Lake, Otsego County, New York, on October 10th, 1896. He finished three years in the Schuyler Lake High School and later took an I. C. S. course in electric lighting work. He was two years with the Southern New York Railroad Company at Henderson, N. Y.; several months at machinist's work and one year as an electrical contractor at Schuyler Lake, N. Y.

He was called to the service on December 26th, 1917, entering as L. E. G., and was stationed at Newport, R. I., until February 11th, 1918. At this time he was transferred to Naval Radio School at Cambridge, Mass., entering Ship's Co. on March 1st, 1918, being engaged there as an Electrician until April 15th, 1918. Was transferred then to Naval Radio School at Camp Perry, and assigned to Co. B, 7th Regiment. At Newport was assigned to the 2nd Regiment, 7th Co.

Was rated as Electrician, 3rd Class, July 1st, 1918, and as Electrician, 2nd Class, March 1st, 1919.



KAZIMERS RYNCHOVITCH

Was born in Lithuania, Russia, February 20th, 1899, where he attended school and learned the trade of a carpenter. He reached the United States in 1913, coming directly to Richfield Springs. Here he worked for the Utica Knitting Company until he entered the service, May 10th, 1918. He received training in five different camps and the order of his transfers was as follows: Fort Slocum, New York; Camp Hancock, Georgia; Camp Upton, Long Island; Camp Meredith, New Jersey. Then he was sent to the Du Pont factories to do ammunition work for about two months, after which he was returned to Camp Dix and attached to the Depot Brigade Receiving Detachmeent. He was discharged from Camp Dix December 23rd, 1918, and returned to Richfield Springs, resuming his work in the knitting mills.



RAYMOND HENRY SCHOOLEY

The son of Herbert E. Schooley and Minnie E. Llewellyn Schooley, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on March 26th, 1884. He is the husband of Anna Cecelia George Schooley, and has one child. Hazel Anna Louise Schoolev.

He attended the public school at Richfield Springs and graduated from the High School in the class of 1902. After leaving school he was engaged in the grocery business in New York City.

He enlisted as apprentice seaman in the U. S. Navy, October 6th, 1905. Promoted through grades of ordinary seaman, seaman, gunner's mate—third, second and first-class—and honorably discharged on completion of enlistment, after four years' service, Oct. 5th, 1909, as gunner's mate, first-class. He made cruise around the world from December; 1907, to February, 1909. Afterward engaged in the advertising business and followed it for eight years, 1910 to 1917, inclusive.

He resigned this position and enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force as Chief Gunner's Mate, on December 31st, 1917. Was sent immediately to the Officers' Material School at Pelham Bay Park, New York City.

Graduated and appointed Ensign, U. S. N. R. F., March 25th, 1918, and ordered to active duty as such on March 26th, 1918. Served as an officer in the Third Naval District Patrol Fleet until September 30th, and was then transferred to the U. S. S. North Carolina, on convoy and transport duty between New York City and Brest, France.

Upon his own request he was placed on inactive duty, March 21st, 1919.



FRANK ALBERT SEELOW

The son of Albert Seelow and Sarah Seelow, was born at Gloversville, New York, on June 21st, 1894, and was educated in the public school and business college in his native city.

He enlisted on December 12th, 1917, in Naval Aviation Corps and trained at Pensacola, Florida, and was sent to Pavilly, France, March 1st, 1918, and to Paimboeuf, France, on April 4th, 1918. Returned to Charleston, S. C., on February 1st, 1919, and was discharged from the service on February 18th, 1919.

His overseas service consisted of mechanical work on dirigibles and air ships.



ELMER BRYANT SHAUL

The son of Alvin W. Shaul and Elizabeth H. Shaul, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on May 4th, 1887. He received his preliminary education at the Richfield Springs High School, and graduated from that institution to enter the Liberal Arts College, Syracuse University, where he took a two years' course, and later graduated from the Medical College, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y. He also took a course in Opthalmology in Philadelphia Polyclinic Hospital and College for Graduates in Medicine. He then took up the practice of medicine. He is the husband of Ruth Keller Shaul.

He was called to the service on June 13th, 1917, and assigned to the Medical Corps. He was in training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., until August 25th, 1917, and was then transferred to the 306th Sanitary Train, and has been serving with that organization ever since. From June 16th, 1917, to July 10th, 1917, he attended lectures and drills at Medical Officers' Training Camp, Camp Greenleaf, Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga.; on July 10th, 1917, was transferred to the Field Hospital Section at Camp Greenleaf, where he was engaged in the training of the enlisted personnel in the section.

On August 14th, 1917, he was placed in command of Divisional Field Hospital A, which later became Field Hospital 322. On August 25th, 1917, with Field Hospital A, was sent to Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C. While in Camp Jackson they operated as a Camp Hospital until January 8th, 1918, when the Base Hospital was completed and the Camp Hospital dismantled.

From this time to the date of departure overseas, August 8th, 1918, he was occupied with the usual duties of routine.

He arrived overseas on August 20th, 1918, and from that time until November 7th, 1918, the 81st Division, to which the 306th Sanitary Train was attached, was in training, or occupying a quiet sector. At this time he was Director of Ambulance Companies.

From November 9th to 11th, 1918, in the Belrupt Sector, the 81st Division took part in the Meuse Argonne offensive. During these three days' fighting the Division suffered over a thousand casualties, which were evacuated by the Ambulance Section of the 306th Sanitary Train.

He was commissioned a First Lieutenant, M. C., May 9th, 1917; Captain, M. C., November 13th, 1917; Major, M. C., June 13th, 1918; Lieutenant Colonel, M. C., February 26th, 1919.

At this writing, May 25th, Lieut. Col. Shaul is with Headquarters Ambulance Section, 306th Sanitary Train, France.



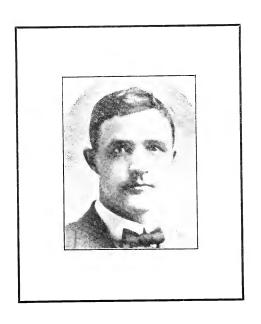
WARD H. SHEPARD

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel W. Shepard, was born in the Town of Wilmurt, Herkimer County, New York, November 23rd, 1891. In 1910 he married Miss Elvira Brown of Richfield Springs, now deceased.

He lived about ten years in the Village of Herkimer, N. Y., and for a considerable period previous to his call to the service he had been employed in the Brockway Garage, at Richfield Springs, N. Y.

He left Cooperstown, N. Y., on September 9th, 1918, for Camp Jackson, Georgia. Here he was stricken with Spanish influenza and died on September 28th, 1918, three weeks after he had left Richfield Springs for camp.

He was the first soldier from the Town of Richfield to give up his life in the great cause. His funeral obsequies were very impressive and were held from St. John's Church. The body was escorted by a squad from Co. M, of Mohawk, N. Y., who fired the military volleys over the grave in Lakeview Cemetery. At the grave the Masonic service was conducted by the Honorable Allen J. Bloomfield.



JOHN A. SITTS

The son of George A. Sitts and Katherine Sitts, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on July 18th, 1888, and was a pupil at the Richfield Springs High School.

At the time of his enlistment, June 12th, 1917, he was about to be assigned an engineer's cab on the Delaware and Hudson R. R., which he is now forever prevented from doing by the loss of the vision of the right eye, incurred in the service.

He enlisted in the Quartermaster's Corps and was later transferred to the Machine Gun Corps. He received his military training at Peekskill State Camp and at Spartanburg, S. C., under the supervision of French and Australian officers.

He has seen nine months' service overseas, and was fourteen times "over the top" in battles in Belgium and France, and in the last one, his Division, the famous 27th, broke the Hindenburg line.

He was seriously wounded by shrapnel in the shoulder and side, and lost the sight of his right eye.



GREGORY PHILIP SMITH

The son of Michael Smith and Anna Smith, was born in the Town of Exeter, Otsego County, New York, on January 2nd, 1897. He obtained his preliminary education at the district school in West Exeter and the Schuyler Lake Union School, and is now a student at the Utica School of Commerce.

When he was called to the service, on November 13th, 1918, he was engaged in farming.

He was attached to the Infantry and sent to Camp Humphrey, Virginia.



BRYAN CLINTON SNYDER

The son of Edward Snyder and Alice Snyder, was born at Cullen, Herkimer County, on November 18th, 1896. He attended school at Cullen and Richfield Springs.

He was called to the service on May 10th, 1918, reporting at Fort Slocum, and after one week transferred to Camp Hancock, Georgia, in the 8th Machine Gun Corps. In two months he was sent to Camp Upton and then to Camp Merritt, where he was assigned to the 155th Infantry, 39th Division.

He went overseas on July 21st, 1918, landing at Brest. Here he was again transferred to the 355th Infantry, 89th Division, and moved to the front.

He was at St. Mihiel, September 12th to the 23rd; Argonne, September 26th to November 11th. He was appointed a corporal on May 25th, 1918, at Camp Hancock.

He returned on the "Northern Pacific," leaving France on Christmas Day, landing on this side on January 5th, 1919, the boat being stranded for four days on Fire Island.

He was honorably discharged from the service on February 27th, 1919, from Camp Dix.



OMAR ROBINSON SOUTHWELL

The son of George Southwell and Myrtle Robinson Southwell, was born at Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on February 19th, 1900. He was educated in the Richfield Springs High School.

He had been employed as a bookkeeper and had been working, previous to his enlistment, August 5th, 1918, in the Remington Typewriter plant at Ilion, N. Y.

He enlisted in the Engineering Force of the regular United States Navy, and was assigned to the Naval Training Station at Newport, Rhode Island. Here he was under training for about two months when he was transferred to Ship's Company, in the Main Power Plant.

He is still in the service and stationed at Newport.



DEWEY SPONBURG

The son of George S. and Maria Sponburgh, was born in Richfield Springs, July 4th, 1898. He received his early school training in the Richfield Springs High School after which he took up his duties as knitter with the Utica Knitting Company.

He entered the service June 21, 1918, and reported at Fort Slocum, N. Y., where he was assigned to Company 2. Shortly afterwards he was sent to Del Rio, Texas, and there assigned to Troop C, 313th Cavalry. Later he was transferred to Camp Knox, Ky., to the 69th Field Artillery, Battalion B, where he received training as a motorcyclist. He was discharged from the service Dec. 20th, 1918, and immediately returned to Richfield Springs, where he took up his former work with the Utica Knitting Company.



ROY SPONBURG

The son of Elmer Sponburgh and Eva F. Sponburgh, was born in Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 28th, 1894. His wife is Alma Mae Ranney Sponburgh. He was educated at the Richfield Springs public school and left that institution after his second year of High School work. At the time of his entrance into the service of his country, on October 6th, 1917, he was engaged in farming.

He was first assigned to Co. G, 303rd Regiment of Infantry; later transferred to the 157th Depot Brigade, and finally sent to Camp Gordon, Ga., preserving the same military assignment. His military training was obtained at Camp Devens, Mass.



RALPH SPRAKER

The son of Oliver Spraker and Emma Spraker, was born at Salt Springville, New York, on September 1st, 1887. He was educated in the village school at that place. Previous to his call to the service on May 27th, 1918, he had been a farmer.

He was assigned to Co. D, 52nd Pioneer Infantry, and later transferred to Co. G, as cook.

On September 26th, 1918, he sailed overseas with the 52nd Pioneer Infantry and was attached to the First Army and 5th Army Corps and was engaged with the 310th Engineers in road construction. He entered Argonne Forest during his experiences with A. E. F.



FRED STEELE

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Steele was born in the Town of Richfield in 1896, and educated in the district schools of his neighborhood.

He was engaged in farming when he enlisted in the United States Navy in October of 1917.

After a preliminary training at a Naval Station he was ordered to the U. S. S. Oklahoma, and at this writing, May 15th, 1919, he is still in the service.



WILLIAM FOLTS STEELE

The son of Richard and Florence E. A. Steele, was born in the Town of Richfield, Otsego County, N. Y., October 7th, 1899. He attended the district school after which he engaged in farming. He enlisted as a seaman May 30th, 1917, and was in training at Newport, Rhode Island, for some time. Later he was ordered to the torpedo destroyer Duncan where he is serving at this time.



HAROLD DERTHICK STERNBERG

The son of Watson A. Sternberg and Harriet Derthick Sternberg, was born at Binghamton, Broome County, New York, on June 20th, 1891. His education was obtained at the Richfield Springs public school.

He enlisted in Troop G, 1st New York Cavalry, on July 8th, 1917, and was transferred to Co. C, 106th Machine Battalion. Later was assigned to Co. D, 102nd Ammunition Train and remained with that organization until the date of his discharge.

He was sent to Camp Wadsworth, S. C., for his training of nine months.

He left the United States on June 14th, 1918, with the 102nd Ammunition Train, a port of the 52nd Brigade, Field Artillery, and was attached to the 2nd American Army, on the Meuse, Argonne Sector.

He was in nineteen battles, among them being Le Claire, Chattencourt, Le Mort Homme 295, Bras Brabout, and Le Torge.



CECIL H. TAYLOR

The son of Fearnley and Mary Ellen Taylor, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 27th, 1890. He attended the Richfield Springs School and took up stationary engineering until he enlisted on May 11th, 1917. Reported at Fort Totten, Long Island, and in training there until July 14th, when he shipped overseas and landed at Plymouth, England, July 26th, 1917. Then was sent to Camp Borden, England, with the 11th Engineers for gas instruction. Ordered to Boulogne, France, and received supplementary gas training at Calais on the way to the front.

He operated on the St. Quentin and Cambrai fronts for five months. Was accidentally injured here, breaking his leg, and confined to the Base Hospital, No. 9, at Rouen for six weeks,

On November 29th, 1917, the 11th Engineers, attached to the 3rd British Army, were the first American troops in an engagement in the battle of Gonsecourt. In April, 1918, was replaced in the 13th Engineers, attached to the 2nd French Army. Went to Verdun, where he was engaged in railroad operating.

Was later in the St. Mihiel, Meuse and Argonne drive. Sent to Marseilles, France, on March 17th, 1919, and sailed for the United States April 12th, landing in New York on April 28th. Was sent to Camp Mills, then Camp Upton, where he was honorably discharged from the service on May 14th, 1919, returning to his home in Richfield Springs, expecting later to take up his former vocation.



HARRY ALBERT TAYLOR

The son of Spencer A. Taylor and Rosa House Taylor, was born in Richfield Springs, New York, September 25th, 1893. He was educated in the Richfield Springs High School and later engaged in farming. He entered the service August 1st, 1918, and was sent to Camp Wadsworth, S. C. On September 1st he was sent to Camp Stuart, Newport News, Va., and on September 15th sailed for France. He landed at Brest September 28th where he remained for three days. He was soon sent up to the front and on October 17th was gassed and sent to Base Hospital, No. 4. After recuperating he was transferred to a training academy at Noyon and made an acting corporal and coacher on a rifle range. He was later held as a witness to the shooting of a corporal by the Military Police. He was sent back to Brest December 27th, 1918, and sailed for the United States January 17th, 1919. He arrived in New York January 26th, was first sent to Camp Mills and then transferred to Camp Upton where he was honorably discharged from the service February 5th, 1919. He immediately returned to Richfield Springs and resumed his duties on the farm.



LEO ELMER TEFFT

The son of George Tefft and Eliza S. Tefft, was born in Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on November 8th, 1894. He received his education in the Richfield Springs High School, and at the time the young man volunteered his services, he was engaged in farming.

He enlisted on June 3rd, 1917, and was assigned to the Infantry, Co. G, 49th Regiment, but on July 16th, 1918, was transferred to Co. C, 1st Division Battalion, and was sent for his training to Camp Upton, Long Island, spending nineteen months in the different army camps. He was stationed at Syracuse, Camp Merritt, New Jersey, in addition to the others mentioned above.

He received his honorable discharge at Fort Slocum on January 9th, 1919, and at once took up the duties of farming. He is now located at Nichols, Tioga County, New York.



FRED S. TEN EYCK

The son of Salathiel Ten Eyck and Caroline Remington Ten Eyck Young, was born at Ilion, Herkimer County, New York, on March 19th, 1882, and educated in the Ilion public school.

Previous to his enlistment he was employed in the Remington Arms plant at Ilion, this great business having been founded by his ancestor. Eliphalet Remington. He enlisted on March 18th, 1918, and has the distinction of being the oldest man to enlist from the Town of Richfield.

He was assigned to the 50th Infantry, Co. K, 22nd Division, and was located at different times at Fort Slocum, Washington, Potomac Park, Camp Sevier, S. C., and Camp Dix.

He was one of the guards stationed to protect the White House and Government Buildings at the National Capital, and was about to go overseas, when the epidemic of influenza broke out in his camp and he was detained until after the signing of the Armistice.

He was discharged from the regular army on the 24th day of February, 1919.



WILBUR FISK TEN EYCK

The son of Salathiel Ten Eyck and Caroline Remington Ten Eyck Young, was born at Amsterdam, Montgomery County, New York, on February 4th, 1893, and educated in the district schools of that locality.

He was called to the service in May of 1918, and assigned to the 57th Engineers, Co. E.

He sailed for France from Camp Laurel, Md., and has participated in all the engagements credited to his company.

At the present writing, May 15th, 1919, he is with the American Army of Occupation.

This young veteran is the great grandson of Eliphalet Remington, who in 1816 forged the first Remington rifle.



LESTER CLYDE TICE

The son of Horace and Anna Tice, was born at Schuyler Lake, N. Y., March 18, 1899. He received his school training at Richfield Springs after which he took up his duties as a sawyer and was engaged in this work at the time of his induction into the service April 16, 1917.

His military training began at Fort MacIntosh, Laredo, Texas, where he was first assigned Company M, 37th Infantry, and later transferred to the Supply Company of the 37th Infantry.

His services in Texas consisted largely of guard and border duty and he has taken part in several of the border skirmishes with the Mexicans.

At this writing he is still occupied with his police duties on the border of Mexico and will probably be stationed there for some little time

He has two medals, one for Mexican invasion and the other for marksmanship.



EARL T. TINKER

Was born in Chenango County, New York, and was educated in the public school at Waterville, N. Y.

Previous to his enlistment he had been with the Borden Company and at the time of his entrance into the service was a trainman running between Richfield Springs and Binghamton, N. Y.

Sergeant Tinker is a member of Company A, 23rd Infantry, 2nd Division, the Division listed as losing the most men of any in the A. E. F. His record as an overseas officer dates back to the early part of 1918, when he had been three times over the top and in the trenches at Verdun for two months.

He fought with his famous Division at Chateau Thierry, the fourth most decisive battle of the war, and was in the thick of it for 41 days. The day of May 30th, 1918, they were located in a small French town and by daylight moved out in trucks and on June 6th, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon began the battle which lasted until the next morning. The next night followed another engagement and then on until the American forces began to drive the enemy back. Every night they brought back their dead at Triangle Farm, near Belleau Wood. They had been without eating or drinking for about a week and at the end of forty-one days, when relieved, they came out of the trenches like living skeletons, with uniforms nearly rotted away.

Next the 2nd Division went to Soissons, where they drove the enemy back 13 kilometers, and captured 10,000 prisoners. From Soissons they went to St. Mihiel, duplicating their action at the former field. Thence to Mt. Blanc, Champagne, and later to the Argonne Forest.

In the middle of April, 1919, Sergeant Tinker was across the Rhine, in a town named Vallendar, with the American Army of Occupation.



ROBERT FEEKS TOWNSEND

The son of William Cocks Townsend and Mariana Seaman Townsend, was born at Locust Valley, Long Island, New York, on September 24th, 1884. He was educated in the public school at Locust Valley. He is the husband of Grace F. Richardson Townsend.

Previous to his enlistment he had organized the Matinecock Launch & Power Co., at Oyster Bay, N. Y., acting as its secretary and general manager. Retired in 1908 and organized the Nassau Oil Co., serving as its president. His health broke down and he came to Richfield Springs, N. Y., in 1911. He was the assistant general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Utica, N. Y., 1913 to 1915. From 1915 to 1917 he served as industrial secretary of the Central Branch, Y. M. C. A., Brooklyn, N. Y., which he had planned to make his life work, when the need of the hour made apparent that his former training in ship building was of greater emergency value and he enlisted, being called to active service on July 25th, 1917. He was sent, as assistant naval constructor, immediately to City Island, N. Y., to take charge of the conversion of yachts, taken over by the government, and the equipment of the same for naval crews and patrol work along the coast. Reconstructed and equipped twenty-three vessels by December 15th, 1917.

He was then ordered to Hoboken, Port of Embarkation, to supervise the reconstruction of German, and other ships taken over by the navy, making them into troop transports. These included the Leviathan, formerly the Vaterland, the Mount Vernon, formerly the Kronprinzessin Cecelie, the Agamemnon, formerly the Kaiser Wilhelm II, the Von Steuben, formerly the Kronprinz Wilhelm, the America, Covington and others. Equipped and kept in care constantly, more than forty transports, and at times had over a thousand mechanics to lay out work for and supervise. He was stationed there from December 15th, 1917, to February 12th, 1919, when he requested that he be placed on the inactive list.

He was commissioned a warrant officer being Chief Carpenter.



WILLIAM ROBERT VAN DE WALKER

The son of Gary Van De Walker and Cornelia Cronk Van De Walker, who was the granddaughter of Hiram Cronk, the last survivor of the War of 1812, was born at Rome, Oneida County, New York, on February 11th, 1883. He was educated in the Rome High School and is the husband of Mary Angermier Van De Walker.

Previous to his enlistment on May 15th, 1917, and to his induction into the service on October 15th, 1917, he had for fifteen years worked with the New York Telephone Co., in the Utica district.

He enlisted in the Signal Corps and spent a little time in Camp Sherman, Chilicothe, Ohio, and was there made cook in Co. E, 403rd Telegraph Battalion in May, 1918, was transferred to Camp Mills, Long Island. On June 7th, 1918, sailed for France, and on arrival was again transferred to Co. D, 403rd Telegraph Battalion.

While at Camp Sherman he was promoted at First Class Cook, and served as such overseas.

He was stricken with influenza, which left him with a severe case of asthma, being confined several weeks in Base Hospital, No. 20, in France.



KENNETH H. VEDDER

The son of William H. Vedder and Ida M. Vedder, was born in the Town of Stark, Herkimer County, New York, on June 3rd, 1892. His education was obtained in the common school, and at the time of his entrance into the service, August 26th, 1918, he was working on the home farm.

He was first assigned to the 157th Depot Brigade, and subsequently transferred to Auxiliary Remount Depot 309. Was sent for training to Fort Slocum and later to Camp McClellan, Ala., where he was a victim of the influenza epidemic, and was quarantined for twenty-one days.

He left Camp McClellan for Camp Upton on March 26th, 1919, and was honorably discharged there from the service on April 3rd, 1919.



FRANK W. WALKER

Was reared on the old Derthick Homestead overlooking Canadarago Lake. He attended the Richfield Springs High School, and later took up his duties on the farm. He was also a licensed chauffeur. He enlisted in the Quartermaster's Division December 26th, 1917, and was first sent to Fort Slocum, New York, and shortly afterwards to Newport News, Va. He sailed for overseas April 12th, 1918, and has been stationed at Camp St. Sulpice, Gironde, France, with Company B, 312th Labor Battalion, Q. M. C., U. S. A.

At this writing a letter to friends advises he is in good health and hopes to get back to the good old United States about July 1st, 1919.



LYNN WILLIAM WALKER

The son of George Walker and Cora Walker, was born in the Township of Richfield, Otsego County, New York, on November 24th, 1893. He attended the rural school and later entered the Richfield Springs High School. He is also a graduate of the Greeley School of Elocution and Dramatic Art of Boston. For a time he was employed in the Remington plant at Ilion, and later went to Ithaca to work for the Thomas-Morse Aircraft Corporation.

He volunteered at the Syracuse Recruiting Station on December 10th, 1917, and entered the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps, which was later segregated into the Air Service, and was enrolled as a Chauffeur. Afterwards was made an Airplane Machinist in the 349th Aero Service Squadron, later designated as the 110th.

During his term of service he was located at Fort Slocum, New York; Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas; Dorr Field, Arcadia, Florida. He was honorably discharged from the service from Camp Upton.



JAMES ARTHUR WATERMAN

The son of Horace V. Waterman and Florence Moore Waterman, was born at Winfield, Herkimer County, New York, on October 14th, 1892, but a large portion of his youth was spent at Richfield, N. Y., and his academic education was obtained in the Richfield Springs High School.

Enlisted in the fall of 1911 in Co. M, 1st Infantry, N. Y. S. National Guard, serving for three years, being honorably discharged therefrom.

Enlisted in Troop G, N. Y. State Cavalry, some time after and arrived with his troop at McAllen, Texas, on July 7th, 1916. This organization afterwards went to Hidalgo, Texas, and patroled the Rio Grande River for about twenty miles along its borders.

Enlisted in the U. S. Navy April 7th, 1917, at Albany, New York, and after spending one month on receiving ship at New York City was transferred to Submarine Base at New London, Conn. Later he was again transferred to U. S. Submarine G-3, and then took up optical repair work and finished a course in repairing periscopes and other instruments used in submarine warfare.

From the Sub-Base he was transferred to the U. S. S. Tonopah, a one-turret monitor, and a tender or mother ship for submarines. He arrived at Porila Delgade, in the Azores, on February, 1917, this being a U. S. Naval Base, No. 13. The port was shelled by a German submarine on July 4th, 1916, and two killed. The enemy was driven off by the Collier Orion.

He was last heard from at Valetta, Malta, on April 18th, 1919, and expressed himself as expecting to serve out the remaining two years of his enlistment.

He is rated as a Machinist's Mate, First Class.



JOHN HENRY WEEKS

The son of Mark and Anna Weeks, was born in Milford, New York, October 15th, 1898. He received his early education in the schools about Milford. He entered the service in the summer of 1917 when only nineteen years of age. He was sent to Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, and attached to Company M, 1st New York Infantry, June 21st, 1917. In October, 1917, he was transferred to Company F, 102nd Engineers. He was shipped overseas and engaged with his company in making roads, bridges, etc., to facilitate the moving of men and supplies to the front. He was under heavy fire at the construction of the bridge over the La Salle River.



WILLIAM THOMAS WELDEN

The son of Richard Welden and Catherine Dillon Welden, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on May 4th, 1875. He attended the District School and the Richfield Springs High School and graduated from the University of Buffalo with the degree of LL.B. He is the husband of Mary S. Elwood Welden. He was practicing law and serving as postmaster at Richfield Springs when the U. S. declared war, and immediately tendered his services as a volunteer. Was notified to appear at Manlius, N. Y., in April, 1917, for examination for Officers' Training Camp, and was accepted on May 4th. On May 8th, 1917, he was called to the service and sworn in for duration of the war. He was assigned to Co. 14, U. S. Infantry, 3rd Provisional Train Reg., O. T. C., and stationed at Madison Barracks, Sacketts Harbor, N. Y.

He was mustered into the Officers' Training School and received intensive training in military strategy and other branches of the service.

While in training, varicose veins developed and in consequence of a medical examination, he was honorably discharged from the service on account of this physical disability.

Returning to Richfield Springs he was appointed by Governon Charles Whitman as one of the members of the Otsego County Home Defense Committee. He also served in registering the alien Germans for this district, and was a member of the Liberty Loan Committees and a Four-Minute Man. He was engaged in the recruiting service and enlisted a large number of volunteers. When the draft law, in the fall of 1918, increased the age for enlistment to forty-five years, he waived all exemptions and was expecting to leave for Camp Lee, Va., when the Armistice was signed.



CHARLES LESTER WESTCOTT

The son of Walter Westcott and Martha A. Baker Westcott, was born at Hartwick, Otsego County, New York, on April 6th, 1889. He attended school at Hartwick and Cullen, and later took up farm work for a time. He is the husband of Bessie Newkirk Wescott.

At the time of his call to the service, he was employed at Herkimer, N. Y., and reported for service on September 27th, 1917, being sent to Camp Devens, Mass., where he was promoted to Wagon Master.

Was sent overseas early in July of 1918. Attended automobile training school in France for about two months.

He is attached to Co. B, Headquarters Battalion, G. H. Q., stationed at Chaumont, France, and is engaged in driving and repairing automobiles.

At this writing, May 15th, 1919, he expects to be detained for service in France for at least six months longer.



WILLIAM BAKER WESTCOTT

The son of Walter Westcott and Martha A. Baker Westcott, was born at Cullen, Herkimer County, on March 31st, 1895. He attended school at Cullen and Richfield Springs and became a licensed chauffeur, employed in Rochester, N. Y.

He enlisted in the N. Y. State National Guard, 3rd Infantry, on March 9th, 1916, and sent to Camp Whitman for two months. He was then sent to Pharr, Texas, with the 3rd N. Y. Infantry, Co. G, for police border duty, remaining until November, 1916. He then returned to civilian life and resumed his former duties.

In April, 1917, Co. G was called out to do guard duty at Clyde, N. Y., and Private Wescott was included in this call. After a few months he was relieved from this duty and sent to Spartanburg, S. C. On January 28th, 1918, he was transferred to Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., and attached to the Motor Mechanics Corps. He was then sent to Camp Greene, N. C., April 7th, 1918, and in July, 1918, was sent overseas to France, with the Motor Mechanics Corps.

His duty took him to within fifteen miles of the front lines, where he was engaged in the repairing of motors. He experienced three different air raids without personal injury.

At this writing, May 15th, 1919, he is stationed at Niver, France, with the 412th Machine Shop Truck Unit, and expects to return to the States in July, 1919.



LESTER WINFIELD WHITCOMB

The son of Arthur Whitcomb and Bertha Whitcomb, was born at Cairo, N. Y., on December 19th, 1897.

He was a member of the famous 27th Division, and enlisted in Mohawk, N. Y., in Co. M, March 3rd, 1916, with the National State Guard until June 27th, 1916. He went to Camp Whitman and returned to Mohawk, August 4th, 1918.

On December 26th, 1916, was promoted to Corporal, and from February 4th, 1917, to April 12th, 1917, guarded the New York Aqueduct at Peekskill. N. Y.

On July 15th, 1917, was mustered into the Federal service; August 18th, went to Van Cortland Park; September 25th, to Spartanburg; January 15th, 1918, in School for Cooks, qualifying on March 4th.

On April 23rd, 1918, he married Lillian Tefft, of Richfield Springs, and on April 25th was ordered to camp, being transferred from Camp Wadsworth, S. C., on April 30th and sent to Newport News, Va.

On May 11th, 1918, embarked and sailed for France on the U. S. S. Susquehanna, landing at Brest, May 25th. On Sept. 25th he was transferred to 107th Medical Detachment, as first aid man. Went "over the top" with Cos. L and M, and helped dress wounds of men who had belonged to his old Co. M of Mohawk, N. Y. Was in severe engagements at St. Quentin and once had canteen shot off his hip, with a bullet through his emergency kit. On October 18th, 1918, was gassed and on the following day again gassed, being taken to hospital at Rouen. From its effects he developed pneumonia and was transferred to South Hampton, England, American Base Hospital 37. Here he was ill until he started for home on December 14th, 1918, from Gravesend, on the hospital ship Saxonia, landing on December 26th. He was transferred from Debarkation Hospital to Camps Merritt and Upton and on January 25th, 1919, was honorably discharged from the service.



IOHN EVERETT WILLIAMS

The son of John David Williams and Harriet Heacox Williams, was born at Richfield Springs, Otsego County, New York, on December 29th, 1889. He was educated at the Richfield Springs High School, and after became an expert operator of automobiles, serving several well known families of Utica as private chauffeur.

He enlisted May 16th, 1917, and was sent to Fort Slocum, New York. Was transferred to Camp America, University of Washington, D. C., and attached to the 6th Engineers, Co. D.

He was sent to France in December, 1917, and was attached to the Thirty-fourth British Army Corps. He was severely wounded near Amiens on March 28th, 1918, suffering a permanent disability. In addition to his wound in the shoulder, upper arm and elbow, he was badly gassed, seriously affecting the heart action. He was taken to the dressing station at Amiens and afterwards transferred to the Hospital at Rouen, from which institution he was sent home, arriving at New York on August 15th, 1918.

He was made a Corporal in Co. D, 6th Engineers, at Washington, D. C., on August 1st, 1917. He has been sent to several hospitals since his arrival in the United States for examination but in spite of his disability has secured employment as an automobile salesman.



EARL WALTER YEOMAN

The son of John Yeoman and Anna Pearl Johnson Yeoman, was born at Utica, Oneida County, New York, on November 3rd, 1898, and was educated in the Utica Grammar Schools, supplementing his course with three and one-half years in the Utica Free Academy.

He was a student at the Academy when war was declared and enlisted before the end of the term, on April 26th, 1917. He enlisted at Utica in Troop G, 1st N. Y. Cavalry, was made into Co. B, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, of the famous 27th Division. Was sent to Camp Bliss, Brooklyn, and later to Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C.

He sailed overseas on May 10th, 1918, and did front line duty the last part of June, 1918, in France and Belgium. Was in the East Poperinghe line, July 8th, 9th and 20th; Dickebush Sector, August 21st to the 30th; and was at St. Quentin and Cambrai in September of 1918.

He was wounded at St. Quentin on September 27th, 1918, while in action, on advance.



The following men entered the service from this community but the Committee was unable to secure any further data:

WILLIAM NORTON LESTER BRIGHAM JOSEPH OUILLET NILES D. MORTENSEN GLENN B. COLE



















