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REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION

No Official Statement Has Been Received Here

A story has been current the past week that Bertraw Groves, one of our boys to go to France with the first contingent sent over, had been killed in action.



Reading from left to right: Bert Groves, reported killed; Howard Eisenlord and Carl Goers. A picture of Hugo Schaeper also wounded, intended for this issue, through some mistake did not reach us in time.

Nothing official has been received, and we do not vouch for its truthfulness, sincerely hoping that some mistake has been made. The information obtainable follows:

Dr. J. A. Miller read a letter from France written by a Redford boy in the same company by the name of Dane to his uncle, which stated that young Groves was killed on September 3rd, and that he saw him walking to the dressing station with his left arm off at the elbow, the right one hanging from the shoulder, and that he died of his wounds later. The letter also mentioned the wounding of the other boys.

The above statement is all the information obtainable as we go to press, and in the absence of an official statement, we will all hope for better news later.

Dr. and Mrs. Miller received a letter Thursday morning from their nephew, George Miller, dated "Somewhere in France," September 3rd, in which he says, "I am feeling well and have come out of it fine so far. Norm is with me yet, and is well also. We expect Carl Goers back in a short time, as some of our boys who were taken to the hospital with him are back, and they think Carl will be in a few days. You probably have heard about the rest of the boys by this time."

A card from Edward Eisenlord says he was hit by a small piece of shrapnel, but is doing nicely, and expects to be back with his company before long.

The following letters from Hugo Schaeper give the latest information as to his wounds and condition.

A letter written August 7th, from Hugo Schaeper, in a French hospital states that he was wounded on the 5th of August in the calf of the leg.

A piece of shrapnel about a half inch long by a quarter wide struck him just below the knee. He states that he was on the "big front" at the time he received the wound.

He was at the time of writing in a big room with four others, and it was the first time since leaving home that he had been in a "place that looked like home"—with nice white sheets, an iron bed and everything a fellow wanted.

He wrote that Carl Goers was wounded in the shoulder a couple days before, but was not at the same hospital.

In another letter, written August 11th, he says it is a bright Sunday afternoon, and that he was feeling fine. His leg did not pain him, and he expected in a few days that the doctor would draw the wound together, when he would be able to get around again without the use of crutches, which he was then using.

He writes that he is looking for the war to end soon, because one of the officers was heard to remark that it was either "heaven, hell or Hoboken by Christmas day"—Hoboken is the

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Do It the First Day

By Wilbur D. Nesbit

You *know* you are going to buy Liberty Bonds.
You couldn't be square with *yourself* if you didn't.
You couldn't take off your hat to the flag with half the sense of *ownership* if you didn't.
You couldn't cheer the marching line of troops with half the *thrill* if you didn't.
You couldn't watch the Jackies go by with half the *pride* if you didn't.
You couldn't glimpse a battleship off the coast with half the *joy* if you didn't.
You couldn't read the war news with half the eager *faith* if you didn't.
You couldn't be 100% *American* if you didn't.

You know the Fourth Liberty Loan starts September 28th.
You know that buying a Liberty Bond isn't making a *gift*.
You know you are simply lending your money to your Government—to the best *friend* you and your mother and wife and sister and daughter have.
You know what *security* is back of your loan—security that means good interest and that your money will be paid back to you.
You know all of that—you know the *business* side as well as the patriotic side of it.

Then, buy your Liberty Bonds the very first day of the Loan. Don't wait. Do your thinking beforehand. You don't need to consider it; you don't have to be *argued* into it—you *know* you will buy Liberty Bonds. Be one of the first to get the *badge of honor*—the Liberty Bond button. Get yours on the first day;—September 28th. You *know* what an example that will set.

Make September 28th your Liberty Bond day.
Could you do a better thing right now?

U. S. Government Bonds
Fourth Liberty Loan
Buy Your Liberty Bonds the First Day

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Change in Pastors

At the M. E. annual conference in Detroit last week Rev. J. S. Priestley, who has been pastor of the local M. E. church for the past two years, was transferred to West Branch; and Rev. E. C. Benson, who has been at Clio for six years, comes to the Farmington church.

Rev. Benson, who is personally known to the editor, sends word that he will be in Farmington next Sunday, September 29th, and deliver his first sermon.

Although we are loath to lose Rev. Priestley from our midst, we can assure the people of Farmington that they are getting a good man in his place, the whole family being preachers of merit, his father, Rev. Charles Benson, having retired from active ministry four or five years ago, after practically a whole lifetime spent in Methodist pulpits.

Airplanes at Northville

Word comes to us late Thursday afternoon that a flock army airplanes visited the Northville fair yesterday afternoon, dropping Liberty Loan leaflets in advertising the coming sale.

We are also informed that they will make a trip over the grounds today (Friday) between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock p. m. Today (Friday) promises to be one of the biggest days of the fair, and many of our people are planning to go.

The President's Letter

On page seven of this issue we are publishing a letter from President Wilson, in his own handwriting, in which he appeals very strongly to every man, woman and child in the country for his aid in making the coming Liberty Loan a great success.

The letter, which is an exact autograph from the president, is well worth reading and preserving, and is the Editor's "bit" toward boosting the bond sales. Don't miss reading it, on page seven of this issue.

An Urgent Appeal

The Red Cross has received an urgent appeal from Belgium for clothing for the suffering Belgian people, who are said to be literally freezing for the want of proper wearing apparel.

The Red Cross rooms in this village will be open for the reception of any cast off clothing you can get together Friday and Saturday evenings.

Five thousand tons is what is expected from the district surrounding Detroit. Old cast-off are very acceptable, the leather being used for tapping, as a pair of taps costs about \$7.00 in Belgium.

The call is very urgent, and the clothing must be shipped by the 30th of this month. Don't wait to be solicited, but bring in any and all you can spare, and as quickly as possible.

Resident Forty Years

Thomas Hitchcock died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rosa Botsford last Sunday night, September 22nd, after a residence in this village and vicinity for over 40 years, aged 69 years, 4 months and 27 days.

Mr. Hitchcock was born at Wolf Island, Kingston, Ont., on April 26, 1843, was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Padro, of Chatham, Ont., coming here about 40 years ago, where he lived on a farm for a number of years before moving to the village.

Mr. Hitchcock had been ailing for the past five years, having been confined to his bed, however, only about a week.

He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Rosa Botsford, of this village; five sisters, Mrs. Lena Dean, of Jackson; Mrs. Fannie Cromwell, Mrs. Ada Irwin, Miss Laura Hitchcock, of

Detroit, and Mrs. Harriett Dawson, of Chatham, the latter two of whom are very ill, besides a large number of other relatives, and many warm friends.

Mr. Hitchcock was a member of the local lodge of Masons, having been its Tyler for the past 18 years, the services at the grave in Oakwood having been under the direction of the lodge.

The funeral was held at the M. E. church Wednesday afternoon, Rev. George Gullen, of Detroit, assisted by Rev. J. S. Priestley officiating.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to sincerely thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy in our late bereavement; especially the singers, the Messers, Revs. Gullen and Priestley, and for the floral tributes.

Mrs. Catherine Hitchcock and Family.

NOTICE.

Special communication of Farmington Lodge No. 151, F. & A. M. Thursday evening, October 3rd. Work in M. M. degree. Refreshments. Jas. L. Hogle, Sec.

Last Call for Taxes

The time for paying Village Taxes is nearly by, and there are a number yet to come in. I am at the Warner Dairy Co. office Saturday and Wednesday, from 3 to 6 p. m., for collection of same. N. J. Eisenlord, Village Treasurer.

Enterprise liners sell things

LITTLE WANT ADS

HOUSE FOR RENT—Inquire of Dr. E. F. Holcomb. 44tf

FOR RENT—An up-to-date apartment. Inquire at Warner Dairy office. 22c

FOR SALE—Top Buggy, Robe and Single Harness. Inquire of Mrs. Oscar Smith. 46-47c

STATIONERY—Let us print you some nice stationery. Good work and reasonable prices.

FOR SALE—Onions. Call at the John Landau place, west of cemetery. Landau & Ringle. 46c

FOR SALE—Visiting cards—either printed or engraved. Best of work and prices right. Ask the Enterprise man.

FOR SALE—Strong and pure apple Cider Vinegar, 50 cents per gallon. Don B. Button, phone 4213, Farmington. 47p

PAINTING—Do you want your Auto or Buggy painted? Expert painting done at reasonable prices. Carl Ely, Farmington. 34tf

FOR SALE—Large sheets of Blotting paper; also Bristol Board, Cards of all kinds, either printed or plain. Call at the Enterprise and see what we have.

WANTED—We will pay a straight salary of \$35.00 per week for man or woman with rig to introduce Eureka Egg Producer. Six months' contract. Eureka Mfg. Co., East St. Louis, Ill. 46p

LOST—Monday evening, between New Hudson and Novi, tan suit case, well worn and strapped with one tan leather and one web strap. Finder please notify O. H. Goodell, 422 Buena Vista, W., Detroit. 46c

BIRTH CARDS—We will print you a neat card announcing the birth of your baby, and furnish the envelopes for mailing. Cards and envelopes 25 for 50 cents. Enterprise office.

ESTABLISHED 23 years; specializing in farms. Buyers for all kinds of farms; also small places. Address Mr. McAdams, 1250 West Euclid Ave., Detroit, Mich. Phone Garfield 1117. 1mar9

FOR EXCHANGE—Ford Roadster; one complete set tractor attachments; to convert car into tractor; one tractor plow, for good young team of horses, double harness and wagon. Apply James Hazelton, Longacres, Farmington. 46c