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## HENRY ANDERSON DIED IN CHUM'S ARMS

**Briest Week Returns to Ward County From Battle Front Where He Was Injured and Tells of Death of Minot Soldier.**

Ernest Veek, former member of Co. A from Minot, returned to this city yesterday and left for the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Veek, in Torning township.

Ernest is out of the war, having received shrapnel wounds on the left arm, left shoulder and scalp, but he has done his bit, as he put at least two Huns out of business and nearly gave up his own life.

The brave young soldier brings back the first direct information concerning the death of his chum, Henry Anderson, the 26-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson of this city, who was killed while fighting in the Cantigny battle on July 19, the time that the brave Americans went into the battle and vanquished the Kaiser's crack division of Prussian Guards. Henry was in the same company with Ernest and the soldiers had gone over the top and for three days they had kept on attacking the Huns, who were being driven steadily back. Three machine gun nests were encountered and it was while advancing against these that Henry Anderson was struck by a machine gun bullet thru the heart, falling mortally wounded. Ernest was not supposed to stop, but he did stop for a minute, running over to where his chum fell. Henry recognized him and said, "I knew it, Veek, I knew it," then died in Ernest's arms. Ernest tore open Henry's clothing, hoping to bandage him, but found that the bullet had gone thru the heart, coming out thru the right hip. He picked up the bullet and saved it. He then took a silk handkerchief from Henry's pocket and covered his face, then placed his helmet over his face and left.

Ernest has informed the parents of the young man how Henry met death. Mr. Anderson had been trying to learn something of his boy from the war department but it appears that the only record Washington has is that Henry is listed among the missing.

The next day Ernest himself fell in battle and was nearly killed. They had advanced seventeen miles the next day, and five of the soldiers were going ahead to rout out machine gun nests, when a big shell struck immediately in front of Ernest. The two soldiers on either side of him were blown to pieces, one of them being Clarence McCormick, of Donnybrook, whose death was reported some weeks ago. Ernest remembers of being thrown into the air by the explosion but was not conscious when he came down. When he regained his senses he saw the bodies of his four companions lying near. He lay there wounded for fourteen hours, before he was carried off and became so weak from the loss of blood that he could not even brush the flies off his face. One piece of shrapnel had gone clear thru his upper left arm, making a wound as large as a dollar where it entered, and tearing away the bone, making a great jagged wound where it came out. A severe scalp wound was also made, his left shoulder torn

and his face is powder marked. He can use his left forearm only, but states that the doctor says in time he will recover full use of the arm.

Ernest says that he got at least two Germans, one with his revolver and another in the Cantigny fight.

Speaking of the Prussian Guards who were exterminated in the Cantigny fight, he said, "I tell you the Prussians are fighting fools." They used machine guns until the Americans were right up on them, then they'd throw up their hands and yell "Kamerad." The Americans would invariably feel of the captured machine guns and if they were hot, the German gunners would be killed forthwith. If the guns were not hot, the gunners were spared.

Ernest says that for 73 days his company was not back of the line of artillery. He tells how he and five others brot in 90 prisoners who had been hiding in a dugout.

### \$23,500 FROM WARD COUNTY FOR UNITED WAR WORK

Campaign Will Start Nov. 11 to Raise Funds for Various War Relief Organizations—Nation Must Raise \$250,000,000.

There was a meeting of the county directors of the United War Work campaign at the Association of Commerce rooms this afternoon. A. B. Dale of Fargo, associate state director, was present and addressed the workers with reference to the increase in the original budget decided upon by the national committee last July. At that time the estimate was based upon the number of soldiers overseas in April which was approximately 2,000,000 men. A revision of those estimates was made necessary by the fact that our expeditionary forces, together with the men now in the various national cantonments number around 5,000,000 men. It was found necessary to increase the amount to be raised from \$170,000,000 to \$250,000,000. Mr. Dale said that immediate peace would in no wise affect this estimate as the government authorities state that in the event of peace being declared it will require at least 18 months before the soldiers could be mustered from service and returned home. He also said that while the soldiers were still at the cantonments awaiting their discharge there would be all the greater need for the assistance these various war charities will render. Ward county's quota for the drive which starts November 11 calls for \$23,500. County Chairman J. J. Coyle is confident that in spite of poor crops Ward county will go over the top in such a signal manner as to large that we are on of the state at large that we are on of the most open-hearted and patriotic people in the west when it comes to matters affecting the welfare of our soldier boys. The coming United War Work campaign opens the greatest movement for organized charity that the world has ever seen.

**Wolseth Couple Marry.**  
A marriage license was issued to Miss Gina Greslivold and Sigurd C. Loraas, both of Wolseth, Oct. 29.

**Major Bohonek Now.**  
Capt. F. A. Bohonek, formerly of Minot, has been promoted to the position of Major in the ordnance department of the army. He is now on his way to France. Major Bohonek was once connected with the typographical end of the Independent.

### TURKEY SURRENDERS UNCONDITIONALLY

Another Teutonic Ally is Out of the Running and Austria Appears to be Close on Her Heels.

Reports were received today that Turkey had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies and official notice has been given that an armistice has been given to her army. Turkey has been in desperate circumstances ever since the collapse of Bulgaria.

Austria will be the next one of Germany's Allies to give in. Austria is willing to agree to any terms to get peace and it is likely that she will follow in Turkey's footsteps within a day or two. This would release a million soldiers of the Allies to be sent against the Hun army in the east. The Allies will undoubtedly reserve the right to attack Germany thru Austria.

The Italian drive has probably netted 40,000 Austrian soldiers and it is believed that fifteen Austrian divisions have been cut off from retreat. The official dispatches say that a crisis is near and that the enemy losses are appalling.

According to a London dispatch, the Austrian commander on the Italian front has asked for an armistice.

**Alfred Nixon Deceased.**  
Alfred Nixon, aged 32 and single, died in this city of the influenza. The remains were shipped to Craigville, Alta., for burial. The deceased was a cousin of Mrs. A. Manson of this city.

### ALLIED WAR COUNCIL COMPLETES WORK

Germany Will be Informed of Terms by Which an Armistice Can be Made Possible—Virtually Means Surrender.

The Allied war council has completed its deliberations at Versailles. Germany will know in a short time what she must do in order to gain an armistice at the hands of the Allies. While nothing official is given out, it is reported that Germany must move her armies back into her own country, evacuating Belgium, France, Serbia, Montenegro, Rumania, and Russia.

She must give up her munitions and big guns, and possibly the side-arms of her soldiers. Her troops must go back even beyond the Rhine, leaving the Allies in possession of a strip of territory between them and the river. The Allies are to be given possession of the fortresses of Metz and other strongholds along the German border. All Allied prisoners must be given up, but the German prisoners are to be retained until the devastated territory of France and Belgium are fully repaid. Germany will undoubtedly have to pay a great indemnity for the crimes her army have committed. She will probably insist on having up her fleet, including the submarines. If Germany complies with these terms, she will virtually have surrendered. She will probably not agree to this at once and the war is apt to last a little longer.

### War Work Meet at Shea School House

There will be a meeting at the Shea school house in School District No. 70, south of this city, on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3rd, at 2:30, to take up the matter of the United War Work campaign. Attorney John J. Coyle of this city, county chairman for Ward county, and others will attend the meeting and address those present. It is hoped that a large crowd will be in attendance.

### Boucher-Taylor Nuptials.

Jos. Boucher, one of Minot's well known citizens, was united in marriage to Miss Mary V. Taylor, the ceremony being performed by Father Jos. Raith of St. Leo's Catholic church Saturday evening.

The groom has made his home in Minot for a good many years and has become prominent in this section of the state as a live stock dealer. He is regarded as one of the best fellows in the land and no one possesses more warm personal friends.

The bride has resided in Minot for a number of years, and for some time has been engaged as stenographer for the Minot Hide & Fur Co. She is a young woman with a very pleasing personality and both have a host of friends who extend best wishes.

Dr. V. A. Sandberg is reported very ill with the influenza and pneumonia, at the home of his brother, Chas. Sandberg. His condition is reported slightly better today.

## MAJOR PERSON TRANSFERRED TO FORT SILL

Well Known Minot Officer is in the School of Fire for Artillery Officers.

The following interesting letter received today from Major E. S. Person, will be read with interest by his many friends located in the northwest:

Fort Sill, Okla., Oct. 26.  
Messrs. Truax & Colcord,  
Minot, N. D.

My Dear Friends:  
Will you kindly change the address on my paper to this point. I like to keep informed as to things at home and miss the Independent when I do not get it.

I have been here now a week. This is a School of Fire for Field Artillery officers. There is a new class comes in every Saturday and the course is ten weeks so I shall be here until Dec. 27 unless I get orders to move sooner. It seems that so far my luck in this war has been to learn one branch of the service and then get transferred to another. Of course, I never knew anything about field artillery and never expected or wanted to, in fact I was very much disappointed when I had to leave the cavalry, but I went to West Point, Ky., the last of August and came at once into contact with nothing but artillery, as that is the main firing center of the country. I attended schools there under French and American officers and learned a lot, in fact, I began to like the artillery end of the game and enjoy the work. You have to absorb a lot of stuff before you really know what they are talking about when you go to a new branch of the service, as each has its own vocabulary, which means almost nothing to one who does not understand it. This is an old army post, going back to the Indian frontier days. Many of the first buildings still stand, but it has been enlarged very greatly, so now they have the School of Fire, about 3,000 officers, and a brigade of Field Artillery stationed here. Adjoining is Post Field, where the balloons and airplanes are as thick as birds in the air. It is a splendid place for the purpose. I am told that in summer it is awfully hot and dry but we are fortunate in being here at this time of the year. The nearest town is Lawton, an old frontier town, very much alive now by the patronage it gets from the soldiers. Otherwise it would be perfectly dead.

Well, I hope everything goes well with you at home and that we may all come back to the old town and live together with our old friends and associates again some day.

With very best wishes, I am,  
Very sincerely yours,  
E. S. PERSON.

Address:  
Major E. S. Person, 68th F. A.,  
Class 43, School of Fire,  
Fort Sill, Okla.

### 17 Per Cent of Last Registry Will Enter Class 1.

The state board estimates that at least 17 per cent of the 86,187 men who registered in North Dakota on Sept. 12, will enter Class 1, providing they can pass the physical examination.

That 14,651 out of the state's total of 86,187 September 12 registrants are eligible for Class 1 is due principally to the fact that the percentage of registrants of 19 and 20 was relatively high. A large proportion of all the registrants of these ages are single men, who claim no exemptions on dependency grounds, and who, for the most part, have no agricultural or industrial claims.

**Minot Soldier Reported Killed.**  
Percy F. Wymore, of Minot, N. D., is listed as among those who died from wounds, in Wednesday's casualty list.

## FOR AMERICAN PRISONERS IN GERMANY



Scene in an American Red Cross warehouse in New York, where Christmas packages for American prisoners in Germany are received and sorted.

### Manufacturers Record Hits the Huns.

The Manufacturers' Record is handing it to the Huns just about right. The Oct. 10th issue is full of mighty good reasons why we should accept nothing less than unconditional surrender from the Kaiser and his people.

Under the caption, "Germany Offers peace to its Enemies," The Record says: "Kaiser Wilhelm offers a hand clasp to his enemies based on an 'honorable peace.' To grant Germany and its Allies peace would be to welcome back to civilization without punishment nations which can be truthfully characterized as composed of—

- Assassins.
- Murderers.
- Rapists.
- Manglers of Children.
- Bestial Brutes whose crimes "sicken a tiger."
- Destroyers of Cathedrals.
- Robbers who have looted homes and nations alike.
- Mutilators.
- Bandits.
- Despoilers.
- Plunderers.
- Pillagers.
- Freebooters.
- Looters.
- Criminals whose hands run red with human blood.
- Hypocrites.
- Liar.

### FOR SHERIFF OF WARD COUNTY

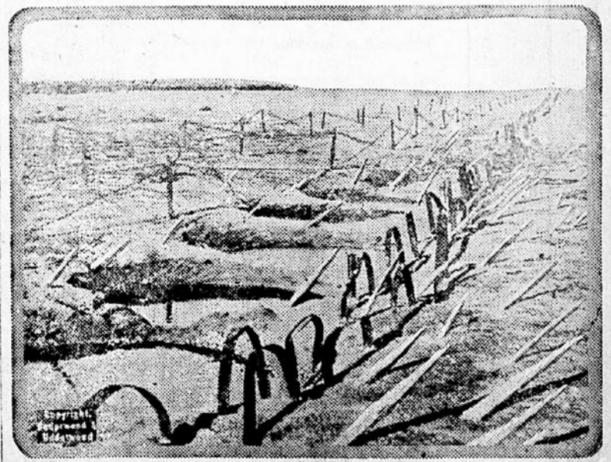
I am a candidate for sheriff of Ward County on the republican ticket, having been fairly nominated at the June primaries. I have lived in Ward County for a good many years, so it will hardly be in good form for me to throw any bouquets at myself, for you all know me. I shall appreciate your support. If elected, I will do my utmost to conduct the office in a manner that will meet with the approval of the residents of the entire county.  
(Pol. Adv't) A. P. SCOFIELD.

### Destroyers of Womanhood and of Civilization alike.

- Atheistic Barbarians who would blot out Christianity.
- Murderers on the High Seas.
- Sharks.
- Gloaters over their own infamies.
- Makers of holidays and medals to celebrate the murder of 1,000 women and children and non-combatants.
- Investigators of every vile Devil-controlled mind and soul in neutral countries to poison the mind as they poison the wells.
- Pirates.
- Violators of every agreement as "Scraps of Paper," whose spoken or written contract is as worthless as a box of matches in hell.
- Would-be world-looters and rulers who cut down fruit trees with the same ruthlessness that they poison wells.
- Crucifiers of Prisoners.
- Bombers of Red Cross Hospitals.
- "And shall we talk peace with such scoundrels whose crimes, whose turpitude, whose normal depravity and inherent wickedness has made them the mental and moral prostitutes of all ages and the willing murderers of millions of men, women and children?"
- "May God forbid!"

Mrs. Bertie Jacobson is reported quite ill with the prevailing influenza at her home in this city.

### TURKISH DEFENSE METHODS IN PALESTINE



This photograph illustrates some of the methods employed by the Turks in their vain efforts to check General Allenby's advance in Palestine. Sharp-edged stakes were driven into the ground and behind them were steel hoops, ditches and barbed wire entanglements.