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## OVERALL FACTORY FILLS WAR ORDER

HAS ALREADY COMPLETED FOUR THOUSAND DOZEN SUITS FOR GOVERNMENT

NOW WORKING ON SECOND BIG ORDER.—SOMEWHAT SHORT OF HELP

Many people of the city are not aware that the local overall factory is engaged in the filling of government war orders. At present they are working on a government order which calls for nine thousand dozen overalls and jackets. This order is the second one received by the local concern during the past few months, the first order being for four thousand dozen. This order was recently completed and work on the new one started immediately.

**Government Inspector Here**  
Louis Friedlander, government inspector, is here most of the time checking up and inspecting the work and seeing that it is turned out by the factory according to government specifications. His time is spent between the two factories of the company, the other factory being located at St. Peter. The blue denim for the garments is furnished by the government while the company furnishes the thread and buttons, and does the cutting.

**Short Of Help**  
Chas. Lindemann, Jr., manager of the local branch states that they will no doubt be employed on government orders for some time. Although they are somewhat short of help they get the orders out on time.

## FIRE TRUCK PURCHASE AGAIN IS DELAYED

At a special meeting of the city council last week bids were opened for the combination fire truck and chemical apparatus which is to be purchased. Four bids were presented but they were of such wide variation that the council decided to have the fire committee of the council and a committee of the fire department to go to the Cities and look over the different makes so as to determine which truck would be best suited for the city's needs.

This committee went down to the Cities Friday and looked over the apparatus of the Northern Fire Apparatus Co. of Minneapolis and also looked over various trucks and engines but as yet has not decided upon any certain one. The council has fifteen days after the opening of the bids in which to accept or reject them and nothing definite will be done at the present time. The following were in the Cities looking over the different trucks: Fred Hamann, F. H. Krook, Christ. Filzen, Emil Mueller, Fred Behnke, Karl Aufderheide, Wd. Eibner, Wm. Backer, Henry Engel and Fred Pfander.

Of the four bids presented F. H. Retzlaff of this city was lowest. His bid was \$5,219.50. The other bids were as follows: Robert Fesenmaier, New Ulm, \$5,491.33; The Seagrave Co., Columbus, O., \$8,000; and W. S. Nott Co., Minneapolis, \$8,250.

The truck wanted by the city must be a combination chemical engine and hose car with pump. The pump must have a capacity of 300 gallons per minute and must be 75 horse power. It must have a hose capacity of 1200 feet of two and one-half inch hose. It must have a forty-gallon capacity chemical cylinder with 200 feet of three-fourths inch hose. Besides this it must be fitted out with the various fire extinguishing necessities, such as two acid receptacles and one acid receptacle holder; two three-gallon Babcock extinguishers; one twenty-foot extension ladder; one twelve foot roof ladder with folding hooks; two fire department standard lanterns; one standard fire department axe; one pike pole; one steel crow bar, held by snaps; and one tool box and one battery box.

## 1918 CLASS RECEIVE INSTRUCTION

Last week notices were sent out to the 1918 registrants to appear at the Armory Friday at four o'clock to receive instructions in military service. The exact program that will be followed has not yet been chosen, but it is certain that the instructions are sure to be along the military line so as to prepare the soldiers for duty when called.

In St. Peter similar services have been arranged and a list of eleven instructors has been prepared who will give lectures on present day topics to the registrants. After that the boys at St. Peter drill with Co. "B" of the National Guard.

## SERVICE FLAG TO BE PLACED IN CITY HALL

Made By City Clerk Wm. P. Backer. Contains Stars For Drafted And Enlisted Men

What no doubt is the first decoration that will adorn our new city hall when it is completed was made recently by City Clerk Wm. P. Backer. The decoration is in the form of a service flag and when completed will contain something like 200 stars. The flag will be a good remembrance of the present gigantic struggle and will show that New Ulm's citizens were in the midst of the fray in large numbers.

Approximately 150 men have been drafted from this city since the entrance of the United States into the war and it is estimated that enough have enlisted to bring the total number up to 200 when all are reported. Gold stars will be placed for those that have given their lives and new stars will be added for all men who enlist or are drafted.

## AGED TAILOR ENDS LIFE WITH BULLET

SHOOTS SELF WITH REVOLVER WHILE LYING SICK IN BED

HAD TOLD HIS NEIGHBORS OF HIS INTENTION. DUE TO ILL HEALTH

Wednesday afternoon, shortly after 5:30, Charles Spreng, Sr., well-known citizen of New Ulm, ended his life by shooting himself with a revolver. The bullet entered his brain from the right side of his head and death followed instantly.

**Act Premeditated**  
The aged man had been sick for quite a while and for the past week with the exception of a few hours spent in the fresh air was confined to his bed. He evidently had had the intention of killing himself for some time as he had made remarks to some of his neighbors that unless he got better he would end his own life. The revolver with which the deed was done was a .38 calibre and no one of the family knew that he had it in his possession.

The body was taken to Buenger's funeral establishment where it was prepared for burial, which took place next day, interment being made in the city cemetery.

## Native of Germany

Charles Spreng was born in Diekirchen, Rheinbayeren, Germany, September 10, 1839, and was therefore nearly 79 years of age. In 1864 he came to America and settled in New York. There he was married to Julia Frank on the 2nd of May, 1868. In 1875 he came to New Ulm with his family where he has lived ever since. After many years of married life, the couple were separated and about eighteen years ago he was married to Mrs. Margaretta Gruenfelder, who survives him.

Three children were the issue of the first marriage, of whom two are living. The only daughter, Julia, died June 12, 1905. The two sons are Louis Spreng of this city and Charles, who lives in Missouri Valley, Ia. Besides these sons he is survived by a brother in Cleveland, O. and a niece in Cincinnati.

Mr. Spreng for many years was a tailor in this city, having learned the trade in Germany when still a youth.

## S. S. CONVENTION HERE.

The 16th annual Convention of the Brown County Sunday School Association will be held in New Ulm Monday and Tuesday August 19 and 20 at the Congregational church. The Convention will open Monday evening with a prayer and song service followed by an address by a state worker. Tuesday forenoon there will be several addresses by various workers followed by the Divisional Conferences. Tuesday afternoon the business session will be held and there will be several papers by various teachers and officers of the County Sunday Schools. Tuesday evening there will be another service to close the session. County officers are: President, H. Bendixen, Secretary, Mrs. A. Frederickson, and Treasurer Henry Berkner. The program in full will be given in next week's issue of the Review.

W. J. Julius and Alfred W. Mueller were in St. Paul Monday where they looked after business matters connected with their respective offices.

## COACH GETS FIRST TASTE OF " - - - "

SAYS HIS KNEES SHOOK WHEN HE FIRST HEARD THE SHELLS BURST

BROTHER TELLS OF HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT AND WONDERFUL WORK DONE

Two interesting letters received by Wm. Pfeifferle from the two Seifert boys "Coach" and "Doc" have been handed over to the Review to pass on to their readers. "Doc" tells of his hospital train and the pleasure he takes in it and also a good deal of the country and "Coach" writes of his experiences in a raid the Germans made where he was at work. The latter is the more exciting of the two but the Doctor's letter tells of the work that the United States is doing in the war is equally interesting. "Coach" begins his letter:

## All Kind Of Experiences

"Dear Bill: I have had all kinds of experiences, have seen air battles and have been in German raids, have had airplane flights and have been up in a balloon to watch a battle along the front but my last experience was the limit. When I think back how it all happened it seems like a dream. I'll try and tell you about it, at least as much as I think will pass the censor.

## Under Shell Fire

"I was called to go up into the line to do some work. Had not been there long when the Germans began to throw over some gas shells. These were followed by high explosive shells. This shelling kept up for almost an hour. It seemed like years. Then the Germans started to come over.

"Of course, I was excited and nervous and did not know what to do. Being near a Captain I just followed him and soon found myself in a little village. When trying to enter a building I was met by another American who was bound for the same place. He was a fighting man and carried a bunch of hand grenades. After handing me a bunch and giving me a few instructions he took his post and I took mine.

## His Baseball Arm

"Suddenly a bunch of the enemy came up the street and the other guy let go and as per instructions I let go. My old baseball arm did not desert me and I threw one grenade after another. How many I threw before the Americans came up I do not know but we had to quit for fear of hitting some of our own men. When the Americans came up the street you should have seen the Germans run. It sure was a great show and I laughed like.....

"After it was all over the fellow with me asked if I ever had been in a scrap before. I told him no. "Well," he said, "you are like all the rest of the Americans" and I knew what he meant.

## What A Different Feeling

"I was asked how I felt. I told them I was feeling fine only my arm was mighty sore but they wanted to know how I felt thru the attack. I tell you, Bill, it was no joke to get mixed up like that. When the shelling started and I saw them coming my knees became so weak that I could barely move. All kinds of thots of home, my friends and heaven, but what a different feeling after I had thrown my first grenade. All my strength came back and I found it to be great sport. Wish I could tell you more about it but take it from me, our boys are real fighters and the Germans know it. I am sure that I will not get mixed up again but I am not sorry that I had the experience. It taught me a great deal.

"I am feeling just dandy and will get a seven day leave next week. Will (Continued on Page 2.)

## DRAFT OFFICIALS FILL NEW ORDERS

FIFTEEN MEN TO LEAVE HERE BY FIFTEENTH OF AUGUST FOR ARMY SERVICE

BOARD RECEIVES ORDERS TO RE-EXAMINE MEN BEFORE SENDING AWAY

Most of the calls for men to enter the federal service under the selective draft call for but a small number at a time and in consequence the draft boards are steadily employed in filling the small calls. So far the men to be drawn from this county up to August 15 number about 15; but new orders may be received daily which call larger quotas.

## Two To Syracuse, N. Y.

A call was received recently for the immediate calling of two men for special and limited military service who are to be sent to Syracuse, N. Y. Mike A. Devans of New Ulm was the first to leave for this place, bidding goodbye to Brown County soil Monday afternoon. The other man picked for this service was found unfit and Albert Jany of Minneapolis will be sent in his place. He will leave this afternoon.

## Eight To Go Friday

Friday afternoon eight of the drafted boys will leave for Jefferson Barracks, Mo. They are: Edward E. Winsemann, Holstein, Ia.; Robert F. Schnobrich, New Ulm; Arthur J. Janka, New Ulm; Charles L. Robertson, Sleepy Eye; Anton Benson, Springfield; Otto Grabner, Sleepy Eye; Alonzo R. Bird, Springfield; Bernhard J. Engelen, Springfield.

## Six To The University

On the fifteenth of this month fifteen men will go to the University of Minnesota where they will receive instruction along mechanical lines, etc. These men will replace those who were sent to the "U" on the fifteenth of June and who will be distributed before the arrival of the new draftees. Those who are to go to the University have not yet been picked but will be during the next three or four days.

In all probability one man will be sent to Indianapolis about the fifteenth of this month to become a chauffeur. This man has not yet been definitely selected but it is very likely that Armin Tauer will be the choice of the board.

## All Draftees To Be Re-Examined

The board received a telegram from headquarters ordering them to re-examine all drafted men sent out, as the new examining rules are more strenuous than the old ones, under which the draftees were examined. This is given as the cause for the large rejection of men sent to Camp Grant during July.

## Send-Off Likely

Although no arrangements have as yet been made for a send-off of the eight boys who leave on Friday it is most likely that the usual program will be followed out.

## BIRD ISLAND MAN ELECTROCUTED

George Bowler of Bird Island was electrocuted Tuesday afternoon last week when a pipe which he was raising to sink into a well dug in his pasture near the county fair grounds at Bird Island came in contact with the high tension wires of the Northern States Power Co. main line running along the road which his pasture adjoins. His son, Clarence, who was assisting with the work was severely burned when he attempted to come to his father's assistance. Mr. Bowler was in contact with the current for several minutes and his arms and body were so severely burnt that he was not able to survive the shock. He was a mail carrier on one of the Bird Island rural routes.

## Program of 8th Park Concert

- "Star Spangled Banner"
  - March: "Battle Royal"..... Jewell
  - Overture: "Military Festival"..... B. Gruenfelder.
  - Fantasia: "The Witch Dance"..... F. Goetz
  - Paraphrase: "Upidee"..... G. L. Tracy
  - Characteristic: "St. Vitus Dance"..... Holmes
- Intermission
- A descriptive American and Indian Fantasy: "The Battle of Little Big Horn" or "The Death of Custer"..... Lee Johnson
  - Spanish Dance: "Sequidilla"..... Ed. Golst
  - Overture: "Morning, Noon and Night"..... F. von Suppe
  - Descriptive: "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep"..... Ch. Lovenberg
  - "Japanese War March"..... G. Luders
  - March: "The Southerner"..... R. Alexander

## DELAY IN ORDERING COAL MAY CAUSE INCONVENIENCE

Those Who Do Not Order Now May Find Coal Hard To Get Later

County Fuel Administrator A. L. Boock stated in an interview with a Review representative Saturday, that all those people who do not order their coal now may have some trouble in getting any later on. All orders for coal should be left by the consumer with their coal dealers as soon as possible. Mr. Boock reports that there are a large number who have not yet signed up for coal and wishes those who want some to sign up immediately with their dealers. This matter should not be delayed any longer.

Mr. Boock has sent out orders to the local fuel administrators of the county to attend a meeting at Sleepy Eye at which the fuel situation will be discussed and arrangements made for the suitable distribution of coal to avoid possible suffering.

## GIBBON MAN MEETS DREADFUL DEATH

RELATIVE OF JOS. SMASAL OF THIS CITY KILLED BY BINDER KNIVES

WOUNDS SO SEVERE THAT HE SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES IN FEW HOURS

George Smasal of Gibbon, cousin of Jos. Smasal of this city met death last Wednesday afternoon in one of the most horrible accidents imaginable.

## Knocked Down by Horses

Mr. Smasal was in the field cutting grain and was about to water his horses, his wife having brought the water out to the field, when they became frightened and bolted. Mr. Smasal was standing directly in front of the horses and tried to jump out of the way but was knocked down in front of the binder which was in motion as he had not thrown it out of gear. He was caught in the sickle and before he could extricate himself his left hand was completely severed above the wrist and his left leg slashed between the knee and the hip. Besides this he was severely bruised about the body and his left leg was broken in two places above the knee. He was dragged some three or four rods before he was released.

## Medical Aid Summoned

When it was ascertained that Mr. Smasal was seriously injured medical aid was immediately summoned but life was almost extinct before anything could be done to prolong his existence. Mr. Smasal is survived by his widow and two children. His mother and a brother and sister also mourn his death.

## NEW ULM TO HAVE POULTRY SHOW

At the annual meeting of the Brown County Poultry Association in Sleepy Eye Thursday it was decided to have the next poultry show at New Ulm next January. Attempts will be made to get the Armory for this purpose.

At the election the presidency of the association fell to Jos. Karl of New Ulm; vice pres., Hy. Leitschuh, Sleepy Eye; sec.-treas., Wm. Lindemann, New Ulm; executive committee, Rev. F. P. Warner and E. H. Snow, Sleepy Eye, and Jacob Vetter, New Ulm. Those who attended from here were: Henry Vedder, Wm. Lindemann, Jos. Karl and Jacob Vetter.

The report of the treasurer of the association showed that a little more money was paid out than was received. The amount paid out was \$816.45 and the amount received \$790.50. The association is in excellent standing, having over \$100 worth of exhibition coops on hand. They are also a life member of the American Poultry Association. The officers of the association in the past year were E. A. Berkner, Sleepy Eye, President; Tom Mason, Sleepy Eye, Vice pres.; Henry Leitschuh, Sleepy Eye, Sec.-Treas.; F. C. Neudecker, E. H. Snow, and R. A. Brust, Sleepy Eye, Executive committee.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Arthur W. Olson.....Minneapolis  
Emma L. Halvorson.....Linden  
William F. Swanson Stutsman, Co., N. D.  
Edna C. Schlick.....Springfield

## CAMBRIA SOLDIER KILLED IN FRANCE

EVAN EVANS IS OFFICIALLY REPORTED AS KILLED IN ACTION

TOOK PART IN BIG BATTLE ON FIFTEENTH OF JULY. AN ENLISTED MAN

Thursday, August 2, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Evans of Cambria received a telegram from the war department stating that their son Evan had been officially reported killed in action. The date on which he was killed was the fifteenth of July and it is taken from that, that he took part in the big allied offensive which started about that time.

## Enlisted In December

Evan Evans enlisted in the United States army in December 1917. His first intention was to become an aviator but his eagerness to get into the big fight caused him to have himself transferred into the 2nd S. S. Co., 38th Infantry. He was transferred to France about the first of April and since then has taken active part in the great struggle. The young man enlisted when but nineteen years of age and would arrive at his twentieth year next December.

## Memorial Services Held

Sunday the people of Cambria held Memorial Services in his honor in the Woodman Hall in that town. Practically the entire place turned out to pay respect to his memory and the hall was but half large enough to hold the entire number. The meeting was opened with an address by Rev. H. Owen. Then followed a selection by the Horeb church quartet after which James D. Pried read one of his compositions in honor of the deceased. Rev. Owen and Rev. Griffith then gave very appropriate and impressive addresses. The sermons were made more impressive by the presence of a squadron of Home Guards from the Mankato Company.

The young man was the first to be officially listed as killed in action from this section of the state but it is very likely that more will follow when the reports of the great offensive come in.

## INFORMATION FOR THRESHERS

The following information, which will be of value to many threshers of the district, has been received from County Agent Webb, who is a member of the County Threshers Organization. The other two members of the organization are C. A. Stolz, Food Administrator and John Torgrimsen, County Threshers Representative. The State Threshing Organization consists of A. D. Wilson, State Food Administrator and L. B. Bassett, representing the Grain Threshing Division.

The object of these organizations is to save grain and for this reason it has been arranged by the government that the threshers coal is to be rushed through by the railroads. Threshers should order their supply immediately.

Other useful hints to the threshers are:

The State Labor Agency, at 319-2nd Ave. So., Minneapolis, can furnish threshers with men.

Using canvass under machines is recommended by the state.

Route machines to save labor, time, fuel and expense.

Threshers do not need to insure their men under the workmen's liability act.

Threshers should not overcrowd their machines as that is likely to cause trouble. Bad order machines should be reported to the committee. Government men will be available for men having trouble with their rigs.

It is lawful to thresh either by weight or measure.

Reports must be sent in each month on time.

There are no county inspectors, the county committee will make occasional visits.

A license is not needed to operate a threshing machine.

All requests for assistance of any kind by threshermen should be made to the county committee.

The price to be paid help by threshermen HAS NOT BEEN SET.

The price to be charged for threshing HAS NOT BEEN SET.

These items are left with the threshers.

Save all wood about the place for firewood this winter. Recent coal orders will probably make wood a more common fuel. It is well to be supplied with plenty.