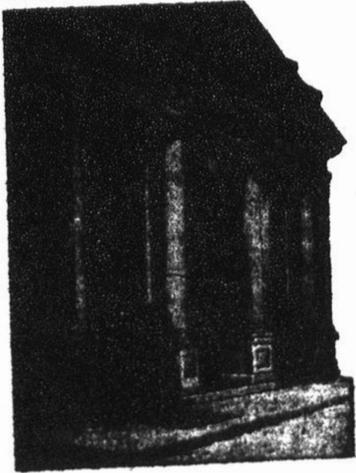


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ALEX BURNS, FIRST DUPAGE COUNTY BOY KILLED IN ACTION, LIES "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"

The war has been brought home to us. Alexander B. Burns the first hero from Downers Grove to lay down his life for humanity's cause died from Burns and aunt Miss F. L. Stewart in this trying hour. Those of our residents with sons or other relatives in Uncle Sam's service, can appreciate what their feelings are.



ALEXANDER B. BURNS

wounds last Sunday, March 16th, and now lies "somewhere over there."

He is the first Downers Grove boy in service to die and the first representative of DuPage County to lose his life from enemy activities.

He was born in Downers Grove October 2nd, 1898 at the time of his enlistment in Battery C of the First Illinois Artillery in April, he was a freshman at Wisconsin University, Madison.

On July 9th, with other local boys, he started training at Ft. Sheridan and was stationed there with the regiment until September 3rd, when the Rainbow Division gathered at Mineola, Long Island, for shipment across.

After their arrival in France, Alex and his brother, Stewart, were detailed to the telephone school and were taught the task of reporting hits from their gun. Stewart at the observation post end of the phone and Alex back at the gun to correct the range. Altho we know nothing about how he received the wounds which caused his death, it is presumed that he was in actual battle.

Alexander Burns was a graduate of the Downers Grove High School, class of 1916 and has the distinction of going from first grade to his senior year without missing a half day or being tardy once. Always athletically inclined he was a member of the high school track, football, basketball and baseball squads and was captain of the basketball five in the 1915-1916 season.

He was popular with his teachers, fellow students and all with whom he came in contact.

The sympathy of the entire community is with his father, J. M.

They called his title private—
He reached no higher grade.
But waited for his orders,
And died when he obeyed.
No pen may write his story,
No chisel carve his fame,
No monument rise o'er him,
No multitude acclaim.

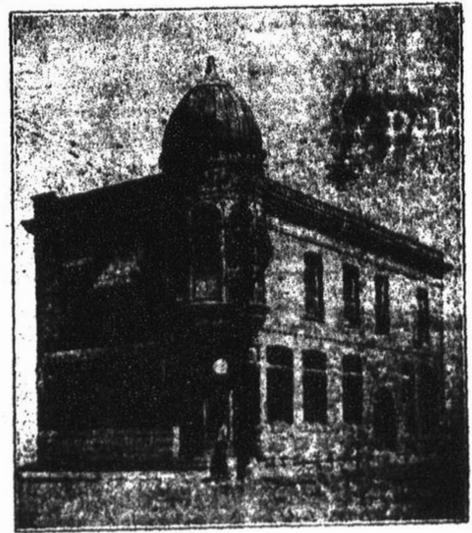
For he was but a private,
And served another's fame,
And, dying, gave his nation
A never dying name.
He gave to order's progress
The life 'twas his to give
And in his country's annals,
Though nameless, he shall live.

He fought and fell a private—
Without promotion he—
To carry freedom's banner
Beyond the utmost sea;
That purpose might not falter,
That peace might have her erign,
And justice work with honor
For man's eternal gain.

He served as but a private,
And never held the sword;
Renown did not come nigh him,
His hand held no reward.
He wrought to give the lawless
The hope of righteous laws;
Nor vengeance marred his valor,
Nor malice cursed his cause.

They called his title private—
He sleeps in glory's bed,
And where he fell, advancing,
Now other privates tread.
Nor glory nor marble
Can honor such as they,
Who answer duty's summons
And die when they obey.

By Frederick C. Spalding.



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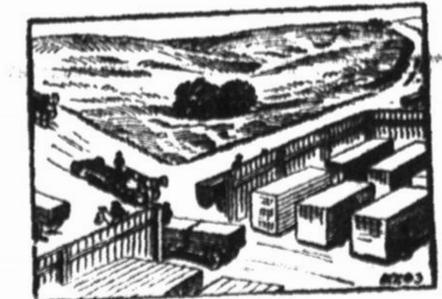
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