MADSEN, Ehler

October 27, 1893
northwest of Viborg
December 22, 1928
Rapid City, South Dakota

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OBITUARY

Ehler Madsen was born October 27, 1893, 2½ miles northwest of Viborg. He died December 22nd 1928 at St. John's hospital at Rapid City, visiting his brother, Chris Madsen, when he met with an accident which proved fatal.

He was assisting Hugh Hershey in loading a carload of horses, when he fell from the loading chute and struck a bolt in a gate which caused a basal skull fracture. This happened on Thursday evening, and he never regained consciousness and on Saturday morning he passed away.

He leaves to mourn his departure, his widow, two little girls, Helen La Faye, 6 yearsold, and Marjorie Elaine, 2½ years old; his aged mother, Mrs. Johanne Madsen of Viborg; his father, Jorgen Madsen preceded his to the great beyond nineteen years ago; one brother, Chris Madsen, of Rapid City; four sisters, Mrs. J. P. Christensen, of Twin Brooks, So. Dak.; Mrs. M. M. Wood, Viborg; Mrs. Stephen Nelson of Viborg, and Carrie Buckstead of Cudahy, Wisconsin.

Mr. Madsen was a member of the local D. B. S. lodge and of the Ole Alendal Post No. 117, American Legion of Viborg. He served in Co. C-29, machine gun Battalion. He trained at Camp Funston, where he was one of the first boys to become afflicted with the influenza. Later he served as undertaker and nurse to his buddies at Fort Riley.

While the deceased was not one of the boys to get in the front lines, he served his country to the fullest extent nevertheless. He was a faith ful nurse to his buddies and worked deligently when he should have been recuperating from the flu. Consequently he never regained his health and one year ago, he was operated on for ulcers of the stomach. While he was in poor health he was always of a happy and cheer ful disposition and will be greatly missed by his family and his many friends.

On September 15, 1921 he married Emelia Knutson at Yankton, who mourns the loss of a kind husband.

The funeral was held from the home of his mother, Mrs. Johanne Madsen on Wednesday afternoon, December 26th at 1:30 and from the South Lutheran Church at 2:00 p. m. Interment was at the Lutheran cemetery, 3 miles west of Viborg.

Rev. Alfred Jensen of Tyler, Minnesota and Rev. H. M. Andersrn of Viborg conducted the services.
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All of his sisters and his brother were here for the funeral.

Six of his cousins were pall bearers. They are the Long brothers: Wilbert, Balsor, Harry, Chris, Tony and Roy.

God bless the memory of our departed hero, who served his country during the World War.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindness shown me during the loss of our husband and father; also for the beautiful flowers and the music. To the lodges we also wish to express our sincere thanks.

Mrs. Ehler Madsen, Helen and Marjorie.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all, both at Rapid City and here, for the kindness, aid and sympathy shown us during the bereavement of our son and brother.

Mrs. Jorgen Madsen, Viborg
Mrs. J. P. Christensen, Twin Brooks, South Dakota.
Mrs. M. M. Wood, Viborg
J. Chris Madsen, New Underwood
Mrs. Stephen Nelson, Viborg .
Mrs. Carrie Buckstead, Cudahy, Wisconsin.