

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1918.

SGT. PURDY DEAD**Accidentally Killed While Fighting For Democracy In France—Age 23.**

Another Marshfield young man has made the supreme sacrifice for his country. He is Willard Dealon Purdy, 23 year-old-son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Purdy, East B street, and a sergeant of Company A, 127th infantry, France, who died on July 4th as the result of an accidental explosion of a grenade. A message to that effect was received by his parents from the adjutant general's office in Washington, D. C., Friday.

The message read:

"Deeply regret to inform you that it is officially reported that Sergeant Willard Dealon Purdy, infantry, died from accidental explosion of grenade July 4."

The young man was born in Shawano and came to this city with his parents when he was about five years old. He joined company A of this city about three years ago and served through the Mexican border campaign with it.

Besides his parents he is survived by four brothers and one sister, who are Chester, a corporal with Company A in France; Frank, in the navy; Westly, Sidney and Gladys, at home, and a half sister, Mrs. Ben Peck, town of Cameron.

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