

Howard D Fahl

Howard was born on February 23, 1893 in South Park, Dakota County to Daniel and Anna Fahl. His father was born in Indiana and worked as a carpenter, and his mother was born in Wisconsin. He was still living in South Park and working as a shipping clerk at Swift & Co. in St. Paul when he registered for the Draft at age 24 in June 1917.

Despite applying for exemption on account of several chronic medical issues, Howard enlisted in September 1917 in Hastings, Minnesota, and was trained at Camp Dodge, IA. He was reassigned from the National Guard to the Army and finally to Med. Det. 109th Ammunition Train, 34th Division. and transferred to Camp Cody, NM in October 1917, where he served until August 1918. He was transported from Hoboken on the *Olympia* to Southampton in October 1918. From there he was stationed in Bassens, France, which was part of a major American base in southwest France, just off the Bay of Biscay. Howard served there until June 1919. He was mustered out of service in June 1919 at Camp Dodge, IA.

After the war Howard returned to Minnesota and worked as a carpenter in a packing house. It is likely he moved to Montana sometime between 1920 and 1930. He died on September 1st 1954 from cancer in Menomonie, Wisconsin and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Wisconsin.

