Conrad Joseph Hinderks

Conrad Hinderks was born on March 18, 1889 in Lennox, South Dakota to Conrad Joseph Hinderks (1843-1917) and Margaretha Elizabeth Luebers Hinderks (1857-1929). His father was a farmer and the family lived in South Dakota and Minnesota (Scott and Dakota County). They had five boys and three girls.

Conrad registered for the draft in Houghton, South Dakota. He was drafted and trained at Camp Freemont, California with Company I, 8th Division, 62nd Infantry on August 6, 1918. The unit was preparing to go to France but they were detached from the 8th Division and remained at Camp Mills, New York until mustered out on March 25, 1919.

He returned to South Dakota and married Alice V Kehoe (1892-1951). He was a farmer in Lansing, Detroit and Hecla, South Dakota. He died on October 16, 1961 at the age of 72. He is buried at the Hecla City Cemetery in Hecla, South Dakota.

Four of the five Hinderks Brothers would serve in World War One: Conrad Joseph at age 28, Frank Bernard at age 22, Herman Henry at age 23 and Joseph Nicholas at age 26.

Sergeant Conrad Francis Hinderks (1919-1943), 23 year old son of Joseph & Lucy Hinderks would die serving his County in World War II. He received the Purple Heart and is buried in Nettuno, Italy.