

Felix Faure Issacs

Felix Issacs was born on December 18th, 1895, to Louis Issacs and Alta Issacs in Graceville, Minnesota. He is the oldest of seven boys and graduated from Humboldt Highschool in 1915. Prior to joining the military, Felix worked on his own agricultural land in Montana, which he cited as a reason for military exemption on his draft registration card. Upon being notified that he would be deployed, he married Medora Beaurline at Saint Louis' French Catholic Church in Saint Paul, Minnesota, on June 5th, 1918.

Felix left the U.S. from Hoboken, New Jersey, on June 30th, 1918, on the U.S.S. Siboney as a Private First Class with Co B of the Fifty-Fifth Engineers. He was quarantined when he arrived in France in an American Hospital due to an outbreak of spinal meningitis. The South Saint Paul Daily Reporter ran an article on August 20th, 1918, with excerpts of letters to his parents relaying how dreadfully bored he was during quarantine. On February 4th, 1919, he sailed away from Brest, France, on his return trip home. He arrived in Hoboken, New Jersey, on February 23rd, 1919, on the U.S.S. Kansas.

Felix returned to his wife and started working as a meatpacking tinner in 1920. By 1940 he and his wife were living in the Lincoln Township in Minnesota as fruit farmers. By 1960 Felix and Medora have separated, and Felix married Edna and moved to Long Beach, California, where his brother Ivan lived. He died on November 9th, 1982, in Riverside, California.