

## **Jorgen Anderson**

Jorgen was born in Hedensted, Denmark on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1894. His parents Martin and Maren were also born in Denmark, and in 1913 Jorgen immigrated by himself to the U.S. In 1917 he was working as a farmer, employed by a man named Peter Peterson, and was living in Farmington when he registered for the WWI Draft.

In May of 1918, Jorgen was called up and enlisted in the Regular Army in Co. B, 53<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, 6<sup>th</sup> Division. He trained at Camp Wadsworth in South Carolina before arriving in France in late 1918. Jorgen participated in the 47-day Allied Meuse-Argonne Offensive in late 1918, one of the deadliest campaigns in American history which finally ended with the Armistice on November 11. He received medical care in early March in France, and was mustered out of service in June of 1919.

After the war, Jorgen continued to work as a farmer and eventually at the Twin City Milk Production Creamery in Farmington. He and his wife Johanna had two children, Gertrude and Ardis, and the family was living in Farmington when Jorgen was drafted into WWII in 1942. Jorgen died on May 14, 1980, and is buried in Fort Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minnesota.