

CHARLES WILLIAM HOWELL

U. S. Army Sergeant, 2nd Battery Officers Training Camp

Died of Epyema on March 23, 1918

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Charles W. Howell was born in Newark, New York on June 15, 1889. His parents were Frank Howell, a Farmer, and Eva Peirson, married in New York in 1884. In 1910, they were living in Lancaster, Erie County, New York. Charles was 20, his brother, Pierson [George P.], was 25, and his sister, Antonette, was 19.

Form 1 REGISTRATION CARD		No. 22	47-1-32-A	
1	Name (Full) <i>Charles William Howell</i>	Age, in yrs. <i>27</i>	REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
2	Home address (No., Street, City, State) <i>836 Main Wheeling W. Va.</i>		1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>Medium</i> Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>-</i>
3	Date of birth (Month, Day, Year) <i>June 15 1889</i>		2	Color of eyes? <i>Blue</i> Color of hair? <i>Dark</i> Bald? <i>no</i>
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? <i>Natural Born</i>		3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? <i>Not disabled</i>
5	Where were you born? (Town, State, Nation) <i>Newark New York U.S.A.</i>		I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject? <i>U.S.A.</i>		<i>Jos. F. Hess</i> (Signature of registrar)	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Field Engineer</i>		Precinct <i>7</i>	
8	By whom employed? (Name of Employer) <i>Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co.</i>		City or County <i>W. Va.</i>	
9	Where employed? (City, State) <i>Wheeling W. Va.</i>		State <i>W. Va.</i>	<i>June 5th</i> (Date of registration)
10	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? <i>No dependance.</i>			
11	Married or single (which)? <i>Single</i> Race (specify which)? <i>Caucasian</i>			
12	What military service have you had? Rank <i>none</i> ; branch _____; years _____; Nation or State _____			
12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?				
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.				
291 <i>Charles William Howell</i> (Signature of registrant)				

When Charles registered for the World War I Draft, he was living on Main Street, Wheeling, and he was employed as a Field Engineer for the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company. He was single at that time, June 5, 1917, but he married Ethel Scoville of Titusville, Pennsylvania on June 21, 1917.

At the time of his death, Charles was in the Officers' Training School and would have been commissioned a Lieutenant. He had an Electrical Engineering Degree from the University of Michigan.

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BODY OF SERGEANT HOWELL OF WHEELING TAKEN TO NEW YORK

Special to The Intelligencer,
BUFFALO, N. Y. March 26 — The body of Sergeant Charles William Howell 29, son of Mr and Mrs. Frank R. Howell of 52 Court street, Lancaster, N. Y., near here, who died Saturday night of pneumonia at Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., arrived at Lancaster this afternoon. Interment will be Thursday afternoon at Lancaster. He was a graduate of Lancaster high school, and was a member of the electrical engineering class, 1914, University of Michigan. He married Ethel M. Scoville of Titusville, Pa., last year, and had resided in Wheeling, W. Va., until called to camp, where at the time of death he was attending the officers' training school and soon would have received the rank of lieutenant. He also leaves a brother and a sister.

Mr Howell was field engineer of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone company in the Wheeling district, and with his wife resided at 63 Fifteenth street. News of his death was received here with great regret, where both Mr. and Mrs. Howell were highly esteemed.

Charles is buried at Lancaster Memorial Cemetery, Lancaster, Erie County, New York. His parents are also interred there.

His widow, Ethel Scoville Howell, returned to Titusville, Pennsylvania and married James Walter Brice, M.D., on June 29, 1929. She died in 1969.