

Emil Magnussen was home on a brief furlough last week on a visit to his parents. Emil has been in active service in France and has been seriously wounded. He had just finished digging a shallow shelter trench and was laying in it when a shell exploded near him, blowing him clear out of the trench. He did not at first think he had been seriously hurt, but soon noticed that one of his fingers had been taken off by a shell fragment, so he started to walk back to a first-aid station. When he arrived here and while he was having his hand dressed he felt a pain in his chest, and found difficulty in breathing so he was examined further, and it was found that he had shell fragments in his side. He was immediately operated on and some fragments removed but he was too weak to stand an operation that was necessary to remove a piece of shell that had lodged in his lung. However, he recovered and was able to be up, and was sent back to this country and stationed at Camp Dodge where he is still under treatment. When here he was uncertain whether the surgeons had decided to operate further on him or not, although the piece of steel is still in his lung. His brother Alfred is also back to this country, and may be home in a few days.