## BAKER, LORING LEE December 26, 1897-August 24, 1920

Loring Lee Baker was a son of W.A. and Mary E. Baer. He was born in Riverdale, Nebraska, on Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1898 (?), just a few months subsequent to the close of the Spanish-American war. At the age of seven with his parents and the other members of the family, he came to Wyoming, locating on the farm near Wheatland. He attended the public schools of the community, his first teacher being Miss Margaret Dillion. After the required number of years of creditable work he was graduated from the high school at Wheatland in 1915.

During the progress of the late war when the objects of that war gripped the hearts of both young and old alike, he became a member of the Students Officers Training Corps and spent several months in the University at Laramie in preparation. Since his graduation from the high school with the exception of the time spent in the University in response to the call of his country, he has been employed on the home farm. Bouyant of disposition, industrious to a marked degree, tenderly solicitous of his parents, deeply chivalrous in his relations with others, his death marks the close of a most beautiful young life and occasions sorrow among his many friends as well as the deepest sadness among his own loved ones.

He leaves to mourn his death, besides his parents, five brothers, Lester, Arlin, Otto, William and W.A. Jr., and five sisters, Miss Stella of the Naval Base Hospital, N.Y., Mrs. Florence Bullen of Spokane, Wash., Mrs. I.N. Sheldon of chug water, and Misses Helen and Hazel who are at home.

He leaves behind him the memory of a well spent life although it consisted of but a few short years.