HERRICK, WATSON 1897-October 7, 1918

WATSON HERRICK FIRST VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

Watson Herrick died at the hospital Monday evening from pneumonia, following an attack of the Spanish Influenza. The young man was taken ill last Thursday. He was taken at once to the hospital for treatment, and everything possible was done for him, but pneumonia developed in both lungs, and death was inevitable. He had been suffering from serious lung trouble the last two years and was quite frail and as soon was stricken with the epidemic which is causing so many deaths all over the country, the doctor advised the friends that there was but little chance for the boy.

Watson was a half-brother of A.D. Russell of Wendover. He has a brother, Gardner Herrick, with the American army in France. For the past two years, he has worked as a janitor for the county offices, taking the entire janitor work for the new court house when it was completed. He was a steady, industrious boy of good habits, and was a favorite of many because of his obliging and courteous manner.