



# Dewsbury Co-operative Society

## 'A memorial to their everlasting memory'



DEWSBURY SACRIFICES

### YOUNG SOLDIER'S SHORT SERVICE.

We hear with regret the very painful circumstances under which Pte. Stanley Palframan Pickles (the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Pickles, of 44, Albion Street, Dewsbury) has lost his life at the Front. He joined up last October, the month in which he attained his 18th birthday. On account of his condition of health—he suffered from a weak heart—and his medical classification of C1 it had not been anticipated that he would be called on for service abroad. He was attached to the West Yorkshires, and it was usual for him to bear what is known as a "dummy" pack, instead of the heavier Service pack, on account of the condition of his heart. With the crisis that came with the great offensive there was, of course, a great call for reserves, and Private Pickles was sent to France only three or four weeks ago. Here he was transferred to the East Yorkshires. On Tuesday of last week a telegram came to his parents stating that their son was dangerously ill on account of bomb wounds, and on the following morning a letter from the matron of the hospital abroad where he had been tended announced

that he had passed peacefully away. It appears he was wounded by a bomb in the right forearm on April 24th, and died on April 27th. He was an "old boy" of Carlton Road School, and had been employed at the Dewsbury Pioneers' Industrial Society's stores in Battye Street. He was also in the choir of St. Mark's Church, but was formerly a scholar of Springfield Congregational Sunday School. During the Irish rising his elder brother, Cyclist William Herbert Pickles, was wounded in the face with his own bayonet. He was found unconscious on the ground, having apparently been struck from behind and having fallen on his bayonet, lacerating his nose. In connection with this injury he has undergone a serious operation.



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### THORNHILL YOUTH KILLED IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lightowler, of 47, the Common, Thornhill, have received news that their eldest son, Pte. George Arnold Lightowler (19), K.O.Y.L.I., was killed in action on March 31st. The fallen soldier was educated at the Walker Council Schools, Thornhill, and was a member of the Primitive Methodist choir. A clerk in the Dewsbury office of the Dewsbury Pioneers' Industrial Society, he was "called up" on March 28th, 1917, and he went to France on December 20th. He was a member of the Thornhill Church Institute, and much liked by all who knew him.



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### DEWSBURY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S HEROES.

#### WAR MEMORIAL UNVEILED.

#### "A SPIRE WITHOUT A CHURCH"

The war memorial tablet to the employees of the Dewsbury Pioneers' Industrial Society, who served in the Great War, was unveiled on Sunday morning by the Mayor of Dewsbury (Alderman W. Naylor). The memorial is a marble tablet and is placed in the outside show-case at the central drapery shop. It contains the names of the 108 employees who served, of whom 14 made the supreme sacrifice. The names of the latter are inscribed on a separate panel.

The president, committee, and employees of the society afterwards attended divine service at Salem United Methodist Church.

The names of the fallen are: E. R. Bowyer, W. Risden, F. Copley, H. Crossland, L. Halstead, H. Hall, J. Clarkson, J. Scargill, A. Watson, H. Raynor, H. Terry, W. Wilby, G. A. Lightowler, S. Pickles.

The following names of men who served are also inscribed on the memorial:—S. Roberts, F. Walker, B. Beevers, F. Bradbury, H. Hirst, J. Lawton, J. Senior, S. Goodall, T. H. Poole, A. Haley, W. J. Dandy, E. Pickard, H. Pollard, T. Wakefield, G. Wilson, F. Copley, L. Ouldridge, R. Sykes, N. Blackburn, H. Tomlinson, C. Lister, H. Greenhough, E. Ambler, S. Wench, A. Raynard, H. Fox, J. Laycock, W. Marsden, J. Sykes, H. Brooks, J. A. Gill, W. France, W. Vero, H. Senior, E. Senior, W. Robshaw, W. Oldroyd, A. Hainsworth, F. Summerscales, W. Ward, L. Blamires, J. Roberts, G. Mortimer, L. Sykes, H. Robinson, E. Cockburn, J. Ramsden, W. Brearey, George Allen, C. Hargreaves, H. Greaves, H. Pickard, J. L. Oddy, W. Furness, F. Shackleton, J. Morris, W. Wood, H. Child, J. Farrand, J. Balmforth, I. Norton, H. Jessop, H. Gaul, J. Gomersal, L. A. Tompkins, G. Coates, W. Hartley, J. Senior, H. Firth, A. Speight, W. Simpson, E. Machell, G. A. Moorhouse, J. Howard, G. Smith, W. Scaife, E. Greenhough, J. Thomason, A. Richardson, A. Scargill, P. Stocks, N. Woodhead, B. Kaye, R. Taylor, J. H. Jones, L. Rushforth, R. Barstow, H. Wadsworth, H. Harrison, E. Barber.