

# BOOK IS MEMORIAL TO LIEUT. BULLITT

Father Pays Tribute to Son Who Was Killed in Battle in France

DEDICATED TO U. S. ARMY

A brave little book of twenty-three pages, dedicated to the United States Army and to the old National Guard of Pennsylvania, has been privately published by Logan M. Bullitt as a tribute to his son, Lieutenant Richard Stockton Bullitt, who was killed in battle overseas. The book in khaki-colored binding, with a crimson keystone on the cover, is a testimonial to the "merry thousands of men who died heroic deaths in the great war." A sketch of Lieutenant Bullitt's life follows a dedicatory preface. Lieuten-

ant Bullitt's grandfather was John C. Bullitt, author of the city's Bullitt bill. The lieutenant was born in Torresdale on April 22, 1896. He schooled at the Episcopal Academy and completed one year in the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the First City Troop at the outbreak of the war, and left for overseas with Company K, 110th Infantry, May 2, 1918. He was killed in action July 29, 1918, near Clerges.

The memorial volume contains a sonnet to the lieutenant by Helen Grace Smith. Following a vivid story of his death and burial, the little book concludes with his last letters. The story of the lieutenant's death is thus graphically pictured: "Lieutenant Bullitt had led his platoon around the northern side of the hill and was attacking the woods from the north-

eastern approach when he was wounded in the thigh by a machine-gun bullet. He saw an automatic rifle squad not far from him, of which the corporal had been killed. He could not walk, but dragged himself to the shell hole and served this gun until the ammunition gave out, receiving four wounds in the chest from machine gun bullets.

"He was approached several times by stretcher-bearers but refused to be carried from the field until all of his wounded men had been cared for, though he was suffering intensely. He

remained encouraging and directing his men.

"The final shot struck him in the forehead and killed him instantly."

In his last letter the lieutenant wrote: "There are now four people I love and loved, that the Germans will have to answer for, or else I will join the four in their eternal rest in the attempt. To me it has ceased to be merely principle and my country

for which I am fighting—it is a personal grievance as well. My one desire is to revenge the death of my comrades. Thank God my opportunity is at hand. I pray that God will spare me long enough to kill one for myself and one for each of my four friends—then I will be contented."

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