

## LOOKER:

(4/5) GEORGE, was born in 1881 at Geraldine  
He started working with his father on Rangitata Island & then Orton, but when the family moved to Temuka, he took a job on the Milford Estate as a laborer.

George was on a farm in the Rangitira Valley (west of Temuka) in WW1 when he enlisted with the army on the 12th of October 1917. He was called-up for service on the 4th of February 1918, & after his training in Trentham, he left for England with the 37th Reinforcements, A Company 4th Battalion, on the 9th of May 1918.

After the regular 3-month period of Training in England he was transferred to a NZ Rifle Brigade & posted to Western Europe.

However not long after his posting, the war ended & he was returned home. In September 1919 he had his final discharge & awarded the Victory, & British War Medals.

He had been a farm-worker at Albury for several years before taking a job as a road -ganger with an Otago roading authority at Otekaiki, near Duntroon, in 1935.

George took a similar job with the Waimate County Council, & lived in a workman's camp trailer on the banks of the Hook river, not far from his brother Joe's farm.

He was still living there when he died in 1954.

George is buried at the Waimate Lawn Cemetery.

grave ref: Section RSA, Plot 06.

George never married. (See Footnote D)

## LOOKER:

(4/6) WILLIAM ISAAC (Bill), was born at Geraldine in 1884.

He started working with his father on Rangitata Island, then Orton, & Temuka.

Several years later he went to Waimate & was a farm laborer at Waiho Forks when he was called-up for Military Service in WW1.

He joined the Army in February 1917, & did his initial training at Trentham before he left for England on the 9th of June with C Company of the 26th Reinforcements Canterbury Infantry Regiment

Toward the end of his England training, Bill & a large number of his Company were struck down with a serious fever, & spent considerable time at an Army Field Hospital before going to Etaples in France. However he & others had a recurrence of the virus & Bill spent the period 6th May to 25th October 1918, in & out of hospital. He was sent back to England in January 1918. By June the medical board discharged Bill citing him as "no longer physically fit for war service on account of illness contracted on arrival at camp, (in New Zealand) "

He was returned home in August 1918, & had his final discharge in September 1919.

He was awarded & presented the Victory, & British War Medals in 1924..

In 1924 he married Emily Thomas Hay (1883--1947), & lived at a North Town Belt address at Temuka, until 1941 when they shifted to 77 Wilkin Street.

Emily died in 1947 & is buried at the Temuka Cemetery.

grave ref: Block 9, Row 215, Plot 613.

Bill was a resident at the Home of Compassion, Timaru, for a time. He died there in 1964, & is buried beside Emily in Plot 614.

They had no family.