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A. C. BADDERS, M. D., president of the Portland Rotary Club, a well-known young physician at Portland and sometime captain in the medical corps of the United States army, is a native son of Jay County and has lived here nearly all his life. He was born in Greene Township on July 10, 1890, and is a son of William H. and Zora (McCURDY) BADDERS, the latter of whom is living, now a resident of Portland. The late William H. BADDERS was born in Ohio, but had been a resident of Jay County since he was a boy, his parents having moved here from Ohio when he was a mere lad. For twenty-five years he taught school in this county and was also for years engaged as a civil engineer, serving as county surveyor for eight years. He died in 1916. He and his wife were the parents of three children, the Doctor, L. Fred and Mae. Doctor BADDERS received his early schooling in the schools of Dunkirk and Portland and was graduated from the high school in the latter city in 1908. He meantime had been giving his attention to the study of medicine, and after some further preparatory study along that line entered the School of Medicine of Indiana University and was graduated from that institution in 1913. Upon receiving his diploma, Doctor BADDERS was appointed an intern in the Deaconess Hospital at Indianapolis and served there until February, 1914, when he located in the village of Onward, in Cass County, this state, where he was practicing when this country entered the World war. The Doctor offered his services, and in July, 1917, was commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned to Ambulance Company No. 3, stationed at Indianapolis, a unit of the Indiana State Guard. In August of that same year this company was mustered into the Federal service as Ambulance Company 149 and was assigned to the 113th Sanitary Train, 38th Division, at Camp Selby, where it remained for a year. On September 3, 1918, Doctor BADDERS was promoted to the rank of captain, and on September 30 sailed with his command for overseas service. In the following November this command was detached from the 38th Division and was assigned to the camp hospital at Angers. Two months later Doctor BADDERS was appointed assistant to the district sanitary inspecting officer and continued to serve in that capacity until May, 1919, when he was returned to the states and assigned to Camp Taylor as assistant chief surgeon, in which capacity he rendered further service until mustered out on February 2, 1920. Upon receiving his discharge. Doctor BADDERS returned to his home County and opened an office for the practice of his profession at Portland, where he has since been located. The Doctor is president of the Portland Rotary Club, elected in July, 1921, is a Democrat, a Scottish Rite Mason and a noble of the Ancient Arabic Order of

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He also is affiliated with the college fraternities, Phi Gamma Delta, Nu Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Kappa. On July 23, 1913, Dr. A. C. BADDERS was united in marriage to Hilda N. EBERLING, who died on March 7, 1919, while the Doctor was in France, and to this union one child was born, a son, William C. SOURCE: Milton T. Jay, M.D., History of Jay County Indiana, Historical Publishing Co., Indpls.1922, Vol. II, pp.168-169. Transcribed by Eloine Chesnut