

Herbert was born on 24th May 1895 at Wauchope, the son of John Denovan and Ruth Eliza Denovan, nee Geary. In 1913 he married Alice Lilian Victoria Hargraves.

After Alice died in early 1914, Herbert joined the AN&MEF stating that he was an erector and giving his mother at 145 Wilson St, Newtown as his next of kin.

He returned from Rabaul on the NAVUA and was discharged, term expired, on 18th January 1915.

In 1917 he married Hilda Brown and moved to New Zealand where he died in Wellington in 1977.