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WORLD WAR II GOLD STAR BOYS



KENNETH D. COOK

Entered Service: July 12, 1943.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
Overseas: March 22, 1944.
Rating: Ensign.
Decorations: Purple Heart; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.
Killed in Action, September 24, 1944.

GOLD STAR BOYS



DELAYNE DENBO

Entered Service: February 1, 1943.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Sarasota, Florida.
With: Squadron O, 336th CCTS, Base Unit SAAF.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty months.
Lost his life on July 17, 1945 near Salina, Kansas.
Smoky Hill Army Air Base.

GOLD STAR BOYS



GILBERT DREHER

Address: 1111 West Pine Street, Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: July 21, 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Adair, Oregon.
Overseas: December 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagement: Fought with 70th Infantry Division.
Decoration: Combat Infantryman's Badge.
Killed in Action at Farback, France, March 17, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Twenty months.

GOLD STAR BOYS



DONALD HARPER
Entered Service: February 13, 1941.
Branch of Service: Infantry, Army.
Training Station: Camp Barkeley, Texas.
Overseas: August 1941.
Theatre of Operations: Philippines.
Engagement: Leyte.
Decoration: Purple Heart.
Rank: Private First Class.

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CLEO HOMER GATES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 1943.
Branch of Service: 8th Air Force.
Training Station: Amarillo, Texas.
Engagements: Raid over Håley, Germany, went up 15th day of August and
was Missing the 16th of August 1944.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Marksmanship Medal; Wings; Purple
Heart; Distinguished Flying Cross.
Rank: Sergeant.
Missing in Action on a bombing mission over Germany, August 16, 1944.

WORLD WAR II



HUBERT ADOLPH

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 11, 1945.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Stations: Camp Fannin, Texas; Fort Ord, California;
Camp Maxey, Texas.
Overseas: October 13, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagement: Military Police.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Victory Medal;
Occupation Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 13, 1946.
Rank: Corporal.
Discharged: December 30, 1946.
Served: Nineteen months and nineteen days.
Present Occupation: Mechanic.



EDWARD ATTEBURY

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 20, 1944. Branch: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Fannin, Texas.
Overseas: August 2, 1944. Returned: April 9, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Northern France; Rhineland.
Decorations: Combat Infantry Badge; European-African-
Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; World
War II Victory Medal; Purple Heart; American Theatre
Medal; Two Battle Stars.
Discharged: October 19, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant. Served: Eleven months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.
Prisoner of War in Germany, four months and was later lib-
erated by the Russians, January 31, 1945 and was turned loose
to shift for himself; he reached American forces a month
later at Odessa, Russia, at the Black Sea.



ARLYES BALLINGER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 6, 1942.
Branch of Service: Signal Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Crowder, Missouri.
Overseas: December 5, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: North American; Normandy; Northern France;
Rhineland; Ardennes; Central Europe.
Decorations: Bronze Star Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 13, 1945.
Discharged: November 18, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



THEODORE KEITH BATMAN

Address: 3904 Prairie Lane, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
Entered Service: June 1, 1942.
Branch of Service: 2nd Division, Marine Corps.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: October 14, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: Saipan; Marianas Islands,
Decorations: Presidential Unit Citation; Good Conduct Medal;
Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 1, 1945.
Discharged: May 31, 1946.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Forty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Auto-Diesel Equipment Repairer.

GOLD STAR BOYS



MERLE K. ROBERTS

Entered Service: February 20, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army Headquarters Battery,
59th Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade.
Training Stations: Camp Wallace, Texas; Mojave Desert,
California; Camp Haan, California.
Overseas: January 1, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Marianas Islands on Saipan.
Killed in Action on June 8, 1945 on Saipan.

GOLD STAR BOYS



DALE WILLIAM SPRINGER

Entered Service: February 17, 1940.

Branch of Service: Navy.

Theatre of Operations: European-African-Middle Eastern.

Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Fleet Bar;

European-African-Middle Eastern Medal; American Defense Medal; Purple Heart.

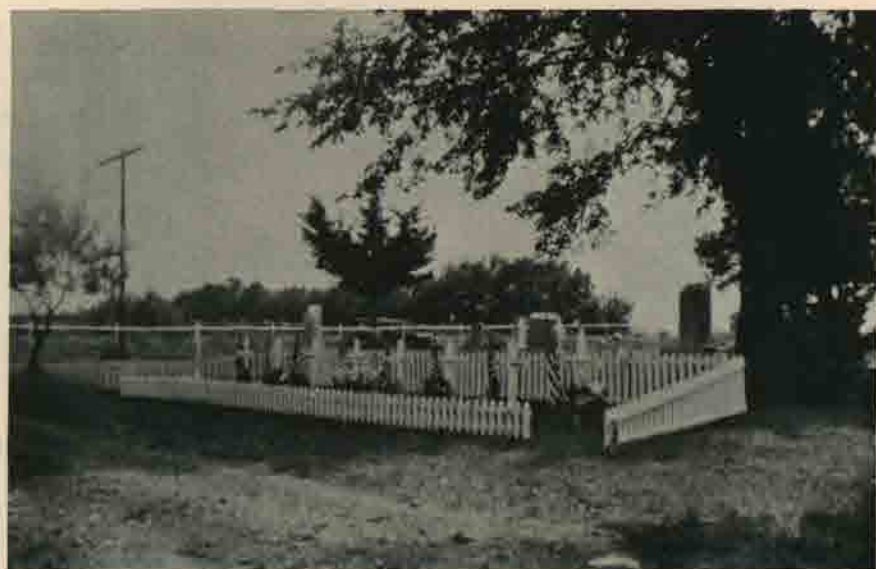
Lost his life on October 10, 1944 in Mediterranean waters off Salerno.

GOLD STAR BOYS



CHAS. JR. STARK

Entered Service: March 31, 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Blanding, Florida.
Overseas: September 9, 1944.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Decorations: Bronze Star, awarded to him after his death for
heroic achievement in action against the enemy on the 23rd
and 24th of October, 1944.
Killed in Action in Germany, December 16, 1944.



Memorial Plot at Oak Hill Cemetery
Elk City, Kansas



Around the World ---



DALE M. BECK

Address: Ocean Park, California.
Entered Service: August 5, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: September 27, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagement: Sicily.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; European Theatre Medal;
Returned to U. S.: August 8, 1943.
Discharged: October 22, 1945.
Rating: Pharmacist's Mate Second Class.
Served: Thirty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Drug Store Clerk.



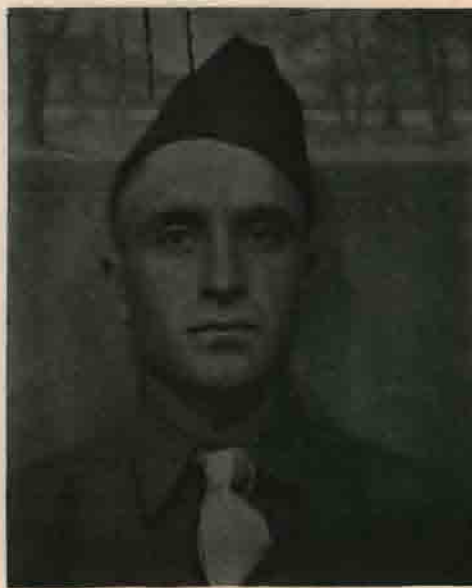
EVERETT EUGENE BENNETT

Entered Service: August 10, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagements: Served as airplane radio mechanic at New Guinea, Philippines, Okinawa and Japan.
Received Ten Medals.
Discharged: November 17, 1945.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-nine months.



CLAUDE ALKEN BENNETT

Entered Service: November 29, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army, 973rd Engineers, Maintenance Company.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Served as car and truck motor mechanic and also drove supply trucks at England, France and Germany.
Received ten medals.
Discharged: February 9, 1946.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Twenty-six months.



CECIL BRAND

Address: Sedan, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 7, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Discharged: July 10, 1943.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Fifteen months.
Present Occupation: Oil pumper.



BILL J. BLACKSTONE

Address: Little Rock, Arkansas.
Entered Service: September 7, 1945.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Theatre of Operations: China-Burma-India.
Discharged: September 16, 1947.
Rating: Gunner's Mate Third Class.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Window Decorator.



JOHN RUSSEL BRIGHT

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 12, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Overseas: January 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Philippines on USS ACORN and USS ANTIETAM.
Engagements: Two.
Returned to U. S.: October 1947.
Discharged: October 20, 1947.
Rating: Storekeeper Second Class.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Oil Field Worker.



WELDON BUCHANAN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 8, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Missouri.
Overseas: July 17, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; European Theatre Ribbon w/3 Bronze Stars.
Returned to U. S.: November 7, 1945.
Discharged: November 13, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Cabinet Maker.



CLARENCE BUTLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 13, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Wallace, Texas.
Overseas: March 15, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: American.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: September 22, 1945.
Discharged: October 5, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-five months.
Present Occupation: Tractor Operator.



HERBERT CHASE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 21, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Kearns, Utah.
Overseas: November 23, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; World War II Victory Medal; American Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 9, 1946.
Discharged: January 17, 1946.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Forty-one months.
Present Occupation: Tooldresser.



CARVEL CLARK

Address: 4821 Ravenscroft Apartments, 311 San Diego, California.
Entered Service: April 29, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: July 1, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific; American.
Engagements: Pelelieu; Palau Group Islands; Leyte, Philippines; Lingayen Gulf, Philippines; Iwo Jima.
Decorations: Philippine Liberation Medal w/2 Stars; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal w/4 Stars; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal; Occupation Medal of Japan.
Returned to U. S.: November 1945.
Rating: Yeoman Second Class.
Served: Four years and four months.
Present Occupation: Navy.



ELBERT L. CLEETON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 20, 1942.
Branch of Service: 315th Infantry, 79th Division.
Training Station: Camp Beale, California.
Overseas: May 11, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European-African-Middle Eastern.
Engagements: Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland.
Decorations: Purple Heart w/1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster.
Returned to U. S.: October 31, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty-five months and twenty-seven days.



FRANCIS W. COFFEY

Address: Maintenance Squadron, APO 731 %Postmaster, Seattle, Washington.
Entered Service: December 18, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Stations: Clearwater, Florida; Savannah, Georgia; Greenville, South Carolina.
Overseas: December 25, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: India; Burma; China; West Pacific.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Four Bronze Stars.
Returned to U. S.: December 26, 1945.
Discharged: January 2, 1946.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Five years and two months.
Present Occupation: Army Air Corps.



WARREN E. COX

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 12, 1944.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Riley, Kansas.
Overseas: November 30, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Southwest Pacific.
Engagement: Luzon.
Decoration: Purple Heart.
Returned to U. S.: April 28, 1946.
Discharged: May 15, 1946.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Eighteen months plus.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



CHESTER COX, JR.

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: December 31, 1941.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Grant, Illinois.
Overseas: December 9, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European-African-Middle Eastern.
Engagement: Rhineland.
Decorations: Victory Ribbon; European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon w/1 Bronze Star; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Ribbon.
Returned to U. S.: February 9, 1946.
Discharged: February 16, 1946.
Rank: Technical Sergeant.
Served: Forty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



J. M. COX

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 12, 1943.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: December 25, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: Saipan; Tinian; Iwo Jima; Occupation of Japan.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: December 25, 1945.
Discharged: January 18, 1946.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Thirty-one months.
Present Occupation: Cable Splicer for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.



MELVIN DARRATT

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 10, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army, Ordnance.
Training Station: Fort Warren, Cheyenne, Wyoming.
Overseas: September 5, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rhineland; Ardennes; Central Europe.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal.
Returned to U. S.: July 12, 1945.
Rank: Technical Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Welder.



EDWARD DARBRO

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 28, 1948.
Branch of Service: Air Force.
Training Station: Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, Texas.
Rank: Private First Class.
Still in Service.



BENNY L. DARBRO

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 12, 1945.
Branch of Service: Air Depot Group.
Training Station: Lowry Field, Texas.
Overseas: November 27, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Pacific Theatre Medal; Philippines Liberation Ribbon.
Returned to U. S.: October 21, 1946.
Discharged: December 1, 1946.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Student.



ROBERT R. DAVIDSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 27, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Force.
Training Station: Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
Overseas: October 3, 1942, November 9, 1943 and July 2, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: African; European; Pacific.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal
Good Conduct Medal; Distinguished Unit Citation w/Oak Leaf
Cluster; Croix de Guerre with Palme; French Air Force 44;
Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 25, 1945 and October 17, 1945.
Discharged: October 24, 1945.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Forty-three months and twenty-eight days.
Present Occupation: Farming.



ADD JACK DAVIDSON

Address: Isleton, California.
Entered Service: December 7, 1942.
Branch of Service: Mechanical Cavalry.
Training Station: Fort Riley, Kansas.
Theatre of Operations: U. S.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Discharged: February 6, 1946.
Rank: Technical Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Diesel Truck driver.



REX O. DAVIDSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: January 5, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Field Artillery.
 Training Station: Camp Roberts, California.
 Overseas: January 5, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: Central Europe.
 Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe.
 Decorations: Victory Medal; American Theatre Ribbon;
 Good Conduct Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern
 Theatre Ribbon w/2 Stars.
 Returned to U. S.: May 17, 1946.
 Discharged: May 23, 1946.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Twenty-four months.
 Present Occupation: Truck driver.



FRED "BUD" DAVIDSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: September 14, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
 Theatre of Operations: Northwest Pacific.
 Discharged: July 5, 1946.
 Rating: Petty Officer Third Class.
 Served: Twenty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Oil Gauger.



MAX DAVIDSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: December 5, 1945.
 Branch of Service: Infantry.
 Training Station: Camp Roberts, California.
 Overseas: April 9, 1946.
 Theatre of Operations: Greenland.
 Decoration: Sharpshooter Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: April 16, 1947.
 Discharged: June 8, 1947.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Eighteen months.
 Present Occupation: Carpenter.



HANSON DEAN

Address: Belleville, Illinois.
 Entered Service: January 22, 1941.
 Branch of Service: Air Force.
 Training Station: Selfridge Field, Michigan.
 Overseas: January 12, 1942.
 Theatre of Operations: Southwest Pacific.
 Engagements: New Guinea; Papua; Dutch East Indies;
 Bismarck-Archipelago.
 Decorations: Presidential Unit Citation w/2 Oak Leaf
 Clusters; Good Conduct Medal; American Defense Medal;
 Pacific Theatre w/4 Bronze Stars; American Theatre Medal;
 Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: October 25, 1944.
 Discharged and re-enlisted.
 Rank: Staff Sergeant. Served: Seventy-two months.
 Present Occupation: Staff Sergeant in Air Force.



RICHARD "DICK" DIXON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 5, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Roberts, California.
Discharged: September 16, 1945.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Superintendent for Pipe Line Construction.



CARL A. ESTEP, JR.

Address: Moline, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 23, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: June 9, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Returned to U. S.: November 25, 1945.
Discharged: December 7, 1945.
Rating: Motor Machinist's Mate First Class.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Milk Hauler.



ROBERT FALER

Address: R. R. #4, Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 10, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Force.
Training Station: San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, Texas.
Overseas: March 6, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: European, Germany.
Engagements: Rhineland and Central Europe.
Decoration: Air Medal.
Returned to U. S.: August 1, 1945.
Discharged: October 19, 1945.
Rank: First Lieutenant.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Airport Operator.



HAROLD EUGENE FORD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 12, 1945.
Branch of Service: U. S. Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Served on USS ZEBRA (AKN-5) and USS LSM #353.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Decorations: Victory Medal; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
Discharged: May 6, 1946.
Rating: Acting Seaman, Seaman Second Class.
Served: Fourteen months and nine days.
Present Occupation: Plumber.



WAYNE FOSTER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 19, 1941.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Scott Field, Illinois.
Overseas: November 21, 1941.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific; European and Middle East.
Engagements: Egypt; Libya; Burma; East Indies; India; China.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Distinguished Unit Badge.
Returned to U. S.: December 9, 1944.
Rating: Sergeant.
Served: Fifty-four months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



ROBERT P. FOSTER

Address: Burbank, California.
Entered Service: July 1, 1943.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps, and Navy.
Training Stations: Bowling Green State University Ohio; Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois.
Overseas: January 1945.
Theatre of Operations: American; Asiatic-Pacific; Philippines.
Engagements: Philippine Islands and Okinawa.
Returned to U. S.: October 1945.
Rating: Lieutenant Junior Grade.
Discharged: September 1, 1946.
Served: Thirty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Sales Representative, Swift and Co.



BERT FOSTER, JR.

Address: Artesia, California.
Entered Service: January 26, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Overseas: November 28, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: Iwo Jima and Okinawa.
Decorations: American Area Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Medal w/3 Stars; World War II Victory Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 13, 1945.
Discharged: October 24, 1947.
Rating: Water Tender Third Class.
Served: Eighty-one months.
Present Occupation: Construction work.

EMMET FOSTER

Address: Springfield, Missouri.
Entered Service: March 31, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Discharged: October 16, 1945.
Rating: Gunner's Mate Third Class.
Served: Nineteen months.
Present Occupation: Operator of Butane Gas Truck.



WILBUR FOSTER

Address: Renton, Washington.
Entered Service: November 18, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: December 10, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European and Italy.
Engagements: North Apennines; Po Valley.
Decorations: American Theatre Ribbon; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon w/2 Bronze Stars; Good Conduct Medal; Victory Medal; Sharpshooters Medal; Second Class Gunner's Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 6, 1945.
Discharged: November 11, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Airplane Mechanic at Boeing Airplane Co.



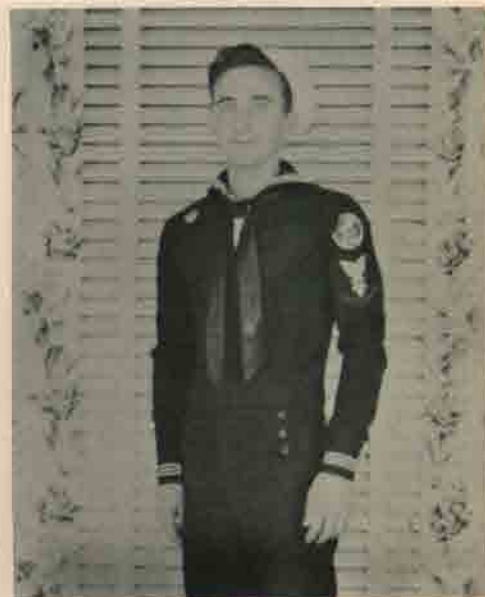
FRANK E. FOSTER

Entered Service: September 9, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Pensacola, Florida.
Overseas: December 10, 1945, South Pacific.
Returned to U. S.: June 18, 1947.
October 9, 1947, on USS VALLEY FORGE around the World Cruise. Returned June 11, 1948.
Rating: Petty Officer Second Class.
Still in Service.



PAUL FOWLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 15, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Sheppard Field, Texas.
Overseas: September 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: New Guinea; Japan; Philippines; Iwo Jima.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: October 1945.
Discharged: November 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



GERALD D. GODSEY

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 15, 1946.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: May 1947.
Decorations: Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 1947.
Discharged: December 3, 1947.
Rating: Machinist's Mate, Construction Battalion Equipment Operator Third Class.
Served: Twenty-one months and twenty-two days.
Present Occupation: Office Supply Clerk at Firestone Store.



EDNA RUTH (WILSON) GRAY

Address: Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Entered Service: 1944.
Branch of Service: Cadet Nursing.
Training Station: Independence Mercy Hospital, Oklahoma.
Graduated: June 1947.
Rank: Registered Nurse.
Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Supervisor on Medical Floor.



HERMAN HAMILTON

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 20, 1943.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Overseas: June 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific, Atlantic Oceans; Panama Canal Zone.
Engagements: Philippines and Okinawa.
Decorations: Victory Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal; European Campaign Medal.
Returned to U. S.: April 1946.
Discharged: May 1, 1946.
Rating: Signalman First Class.
Served: Thirty-one months.
Present Occupation: Letter Carrier, U. S. Civil Service.



CHAS. HAMILTON

Address: Santa Monica, California.
Entered Service: October 5, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Wichita Falls, Texas.
Overseas: March 13, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Ardennes; Normandy; Northern France and Rhineland.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; European Theatre Ribbon w/4 Battle Stars; Presidential Unit Citation w/1 Oak Leaf Cluster.
Returned to U. S.: March 26, 1945.
Discharged: November 13, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Biller and Checker of Merchandise.



GEORGE HARE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 9, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.
Overseas: March 31, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Southern France and Rhineland.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; American Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; World War II Victory Medal; Two Bronze Service Stars.
Returned to U. S.: November 9, 1945.
Discharged: November 24, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Thirty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Livestock Farmer.



JEAN R. HEDGES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Theatre of Operations: England, France; Belgian; Holland and Germany.
Decorations: European Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Discharged: November 26, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty months.
Present Occupation: Farming.



JAMES HIATT

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 18, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army, Field Artillery.
Training Station: Camp Beale, California.
Overseas: July 23, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Three.
Returned to U. S.: December 11, 1945.
Discharged: December 24, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-four months.
Present Occupation: Electrician.



RICHARD OLIN HOUGH

Entered Service: September 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Vessels and Stations Served on: Farragut, Idaho; Dutch Harbor, Alaska Otter Point, Alaska; Chernofski, Alaska; USS THREAT (AM-124).
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.
Discharged: February 21, 1946.
Rating: Signalman Third Class.
Present Occupation: Enlisted in the US Coast Guard for two year term.



GILBERT HOPKINS

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 8, 1945.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Discharged: September 12, 1945.
Rating: Fireman Second Class.
Served: Four months.
Present Occupation: Furniture Manufacturer and owner.



KENNETH LAWSON HOPPER

Entered Service: July 1948.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: 78th Company, San Diego, California.
Still in Service.



LYNN L. HORTON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 28, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Department.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Discharged: February 15, 1943.
Rank: Private.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



LOWELL HOWELL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: December 9, 1942.
Branch of Service: 84th Division Signal Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Howze, Texas.
Overseas: September 29, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Ardennes; Rhineland; Central Europe.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Three Bronze Service Stars; Bronze Star Medal.
Returned to U. S.: December 23, 1945.
Discharged: December 30, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Cement Finisher.



IRBY HUGHES

Address: Holly, Colorado.
Entered Service: February 25, 1941.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Decorations: Pre-Pearl Harbor Medal; American Defense Ribbon.
Discharged: October 28, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Fifty-six months.
Present Occupation: Filling Station Operator.



BILLIE HUGHES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: August 14, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Coast Guard.
 Training Station: New Orleans, Louisiana.
 Overseas: November 27, 1943.
 Theatre of Operations: Mediterranean.
 Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; American Defense Medal; Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: September 10, 1945.
 Discharged: February 16, 1946.
 Rating: Fire Controlman Third Class.
 Served: Forty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Owner and Operator of Filling Station.



BUCKLEY HUGHES

Address: Holly, Colorado.
 Entered Service: December 30, 1941.
 Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
 Training Station: San Diego, California.
 Theatre of Operations: Aleutians; Pearl Harbor; Hawaii; Attu; Gold Bay.
 Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; American Theatre Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: August 6, 1945.
 Discharged: September 26, 1945.
 Rank: Corporal.
 Served: Thirty-seven months.
 Present Occupation: Construction worker.



VIRGIL HUGHES

Address: Independence, Kansas.
 Entered Service: March 20, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Combat Engineers, Army.
 Training Station: Camp Abbot, Oregon.
 Theatre of Operations: Manila.
 Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; American Defense Ribbon.
 Discharged: January 12, 1946.
 Rank: Corporal.
 Served: Twenty-one months.
 Present Occupation: Cities Service Employee.



ORA W. HOUSER

Entered Service: August 19, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Army, 1923rd Engineer Composite Battalion.
 Overseas: November 17, 1942.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Decorations: European Theatre Ribbon; Good Conduct Medal; Four Overseas Bars.
 Returned to U. S.: January 20, 1945.
 Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
 Served: Thirty-one months.



OLIVER K. HOUSER

Entered Service: June 12, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Medical.
 Training Station: Camp Boise, Texas.
 Overseas: September 5, 1943.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland; Ardennes.
 Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: November 7, 1945.
 Discharged: November 13, 1945.
 Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
 Served: Forty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Medical Laboratory and X-ray Technician.



WILLIAM ORA HOWARD

Address: Coffeyville, Kansas.
 Entered Service: September 18, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Air Corps.
 Training Station: Kearns, Utah.
 Overseas: June 9, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: South America.
 Returned to U. S.: November 2, 1945.
 Discharged: December 3, 1945.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Thirty-eight months.
 Present Occupation: Shipping Clerk at Ozark Smelting and Mining Company.



HAROLD HOWARD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: September 9, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
 Overseas: November 1942.
 Theatre of Operations: South Pacific; Pearl Harbor; Midway; Newport, Rhode Island; Panama; Marshalls; Guam; Tokyo.
 Returned to U. S.: January 1946.
 Discharged: January 7, 1946, Norman, Oklahoma.
 Rating: Seaman First Class.
 Served: Forty months.

WILBUR ROY HOWARD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: March 24, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: San Diego, California.
 Overseas: May 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: Pacific; Pearl Harbor; Honolulu.
 Returned to U. S.: December 1945.
 Discharged: January 24, 1946.
 Rating: Seaman First Class.
 Served: Twenty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Truck driver.

JAMES ARTHUR HOWARD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: September 9, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
 Overseas: November 1942.
 Theatre of Operations: South Pacific; Pearl Harbor; Kaneohe Bay, Territory of Hawaii.
 Discharged: December 1945.
 Rating: Coxswain.
 Served: Thirty-nine and one half months.
 Present Occupation: Sergeant in Army, Newburgh, New York.



CHARLEY E. HOWELL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 28, 1948.
Branch of Service: 37th A. I. B. RC, 3rd Armored Division,
Engineers Corps.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.
Theatre of Operations: Far East Command.



DAVID J. JOHNSTON

Address: Elk City, Kansas, R. R. #3.
Entered Service: March 27, 1946.
Branch of Service: Air Corps, Army.
Training Stations: Sheppard Field, Texas; Keesler Field,
Mississippi.
Discharged: December 28, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



ARTHUR W. JOHNSTON

Address: Wichita, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 12, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army Air Corps.
Training Stations: Fort Wayne, Indiana; Buckley Field,
Colorado; Fort Myers, Florida.
Discharged: January 18, 1946.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Employee, Beech Aircraft Corporation.



JOHN J. JOHNSTON, JR.

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 10, 1943.
Branch of Service: Parachute Infantry.
Training Stations: Camp Fannin, Texas; Fort Benning,
Georgia.
Overseas: May 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Southern France; Ardennes; Rhineland.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; European Theatre
Medal w/3 Bronze Stars; Purple Heart.
Returned to U. S.: June 25, 1945.
Discharged: December 13, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



MUREL KIMREY

Address: Wichita, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 10, 1945.
Branch of Service: Naval Reserve Air Corps.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: January 10, 1946.
Theatre of Operations: Cuba; Islands of West Indies.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: March 16, 1946.
Discharged: March 22, 1946.
Rating: Seaman Second Class.
Served: Ten months.
Present Occupation: Electrical Musician.



MERLE A. KNIFFEN

Address: Coffeyville, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 2, 1943.
Branch of Service: 346th Field Artillery Battalion, 9th Division.
Training Stations: Camp White, Oregon; Camp Adair, Oregon; Yakima Valley, Washington.
Overseas: April 1, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rome-Arno; North Apennines; Po Valley.
Returned to U. S.: September 10, 1945.
Discharged: November 15, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Three years and thirteen days.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



HAROLD KOGER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 15, 1945.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Crowder, Missouri.
Theatre of Operations: States.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Marksmanship Medal.
Discharged: June 5, 1946.
Rank: Private.
Served: Seven months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



WILLARD KOLB

Address: Longton, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 27, 1943.
Branch of Service: 165th Combat Engineers Battalion.
Training Station: Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
Overseas: June 27, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Northern France.
Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon; Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Five Battle Stars.
Returned to U. S.: February 27, 1946.
Discharged: March 8, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Farm hand.



ROBERT L. KRONE

Address: 3277 South Corona Street, Englewood, Colorado.
Entered Service: March 19, 1941.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Falcon Field, Mesa, Arizona.
Overseas: January 30, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Central Africa; North Africa; European.
Engagements: Rome-Arno; Battle of Naples.
Returned to U. S.: January 30, 1945.
Discharged: October 17, 1945.
Rank: First Lieutenant.
Served: Fifty-six months.
Present Occupation: Tire Inspector, Gates Rubber Company, Denver, Colorado.



CHARLES KYGER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: April 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Decorations: Pacific Theatre Medal; American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal; Expert Rifle Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 1946.
Rating: Gunner's Mate Third Class, Midshipman.
Served: Forty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Midshipman U. S. Naval Academy.



ROBERT "BOB" LANDIS

Address: Sycamore, Kansas.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Luke Field, Arizona.
Overseas: April 29, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Africa; Italy.
Engagements: Rome-Arno; North Apennines.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Three Battle Stars.
Returned to U. S.: August 19, 1945.
Discharged: October 17, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Forty-two months.
Present Occupation: Repair Parts Manager, Peck's Farm Equipment.



CLYDE LAWRENCE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: July 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Medics, attached to Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Adair, Oregon.
Discharged: January 21, 1944.
Rank: Private.
Served: Six months.
Present Occupation: Produce buyer.



ELDON LEDBETTER

Address: Woodward, Oklahoma.
 Entered Service: November 11, 1943.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
 Overseas: February 14, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: Pearl Harbor.
 Decorations: American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; World War II Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: January 13, 1946.
 Discharged: January 19, 1946.
 Rating: Seaman Third Class.
 Served: Twenty-six months.
 Present Occupation: Taxi driver.



WILLIAM F. LESSMAN

Address: Independence, Kansas.
 Entered Service: July 29, 1943.
 Branch of Service: Army, Military Police.
 Training Station: Camp Dodge, Iowa.
 Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Victory Ribbon.
 Discharged: November 2, 1945.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Twenty-seven months.
 Present Occupation: Under-Sheriff.



ELDON LLOYD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: February 26, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Signal Corps, transferred to Air Force.
 Training Station: Camp Crowder, Missouri.
 Overseas: April 23, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
 Engagements: Bismarck-Archipelago; Northern Solomons; Southern Philippines.
 Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: November 15, 1945.
 Discharged: November 25, 1945.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Forty-five months.
 Present Occupation: School teacher.



NEAL B. LOETHER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: July 26, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Army.
 Training Station: Camp Hood, Texas.
 Overseas: January 20, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
 Engagements: Southern Philippines; Luzon.
 Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Philippine Liberation Ribbon w/2 Bronze Stars; Purple Heart; Victory Medal; Occupation Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: August 2, 1946.
 Discharged: August 8, 1946.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Twenty-four months and thirteen days.
 Present Occupation: Post Office Clerk.



JACK McAFEE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 1, 1946.
Branch of Service: Army Air Force.
Overseas: June 1, 1947.
Theatre of Operations: Okinawa; Tokyo.
Rank: Corporal.



JAMES McCARTY

Address: % Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.
Entered Service: October 1, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army, Artillery.
Training Station: Camp Bowie, Texas.
Overseas: August 12, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rhineland and Central Europe.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal w/2 Bronze Stars.
Returned to U. S.: January 28, 1946.
Discharged: February 3, 1946.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Forty months.
Present Occupation: Construction Foreman.



WALTER E. McCLAUSKEY

Entered Service: May 13, 1948.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.
Overseas: August 20, 1948.
Theatre of Operations: Guam.
Rank: Private.



LEE McCORKILL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 4, 1944.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Hood, Texas.
Overseas: October 22, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Central Europe and Rhineland.
Decorations: Combat Infantry Badge; Purple Heart; Good Conduct Medal; World War II Victory Medal; Two Bronze Service Stars.
Returned to U. S.: June 28, 1945.
Discharged: November 19, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Auctioneer.



JOHN McELWAIN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 13, 1945.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Discharged: September 7, 1945.
Served: Four months and seventeen days.
Rating: Seaman Second Class.
Served: Santa Fe Section.



ALBERT MEADOWS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 22, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Lewis, Washington.
Discharged: August 6, 1943.
Rank: Private.
Served: Seventeen months.
Present Occupation: Common Labor.



LEONARD MEADOWS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 15, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Berkeley, Texas.
Overseas: October 20, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Northern France; Germany; Belgium.
Decorations: Bronze Star Medal; Victory Medal; Service Star.
Returned to U. S.: January 8, 1946.
Discharged: January 16, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



PEARL WILSON MILLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 17, 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry, 29th Division, 115th Regiment Company A.
Training Station: Fort McClellan, Alabama.
Overseas: January 18, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagement: Invasion of France, June 6th.
Decorations: European Theatre Ribbon; Purple Heart.
Returned to U. S.: November 3, 1944.
Discharged: March 17, 1945.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



IVAN R. MILLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas, Route #3.
Entered Service: July 10, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army, Military Police.
Training Station: Camp Roberts, California.
Overseas: May 15, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagement: New Guinea.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal; Philippines Liberation Ribbon; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 4, 1946.
Discharged: January 10, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Forty-one months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



LAWRENCE JR. MOORE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 25, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: May 12, 1945.
Theatre of Operation: Pacific Ocean.
Engagement: Bikini, Atomic bomb tests I and II.
Decorations: Philippine Area Ribbon; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Victory Ribbon; Occupational Japan Ribbon.
Returned to U. S.: August 12, 1947.
Discharged: October 23, 1947.
Rating: Storekeeper Second Class.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: State Highway Laborer.



JULIUS NEWKIRK

Entered Service: December 18, 1946.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Brooks Field, Texas.
Rank: Sergeant.



LYMAN NEWTON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 1, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Fannin, Texas.
Overseas: March 22, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Two Bronze Service Stars.
Returned to U. S.: March 6, 1946.
Discharged: March 12, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty months.
Present Occupation: Farming.



CHARLES L. NORRIS

Address: Midwest, Wyoming.
Entered Service: December 26, 1940.
Branch of Service: Army Air Force.
Training Station: Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Missouri.
Overseas: March 26, 1941.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagement: Aleutians.
Decoration: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Ribbon w/Bronze Star.
Returned to U. S.: April 10, 1944.
Discharged: July 25, 1945.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Fifty-five months.
Present Occupation: Stanoline Oil and Gas Company, Employee.



CALVIN OLIVER

Address: Dodge City, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 10, 1942.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: November 28, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: American and Asiatic.
Returned to U. S.: November 26, 1945.
Discharged: December 3, 1945.
Rank: Technical Sergeant.
Served: Forty-one months.
Present Occupation: Salesman.



THORNTON T. PENDERGRAST

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 7, 1940.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Overseas: November 23, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe; Ardennes.
Decorations: European Theatre Medal; American Theatre Medal; Pre-Pearl Harbor; Victory Medal; Occupation Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Bronze Star; Presidential Citation w/Oak Leaf Cluster; Combat Infantry Badge; Three Battle Stars.
Returned to U. S.: September 28, 1945.
Discharged: January 15, 1947.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Seventy-five months.
Present Occupation: Salesman.



LORENE KOGER PIDEK

Address: Chicago, Illinois.
Entered Service: April 30, 1944.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Training Station: Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.
Discharged: May 1, 1946.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Bookkeeper.



JAMES PHELPS

Address: Elk City, Kansas, Route #1.
Entered Service: August 8, 1939.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: April 1, 1940.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Submarine duty, various engagements, mostly sinking ships.
Decorations: Submarine Combat Pin w/3 Stars.
Returned to U. S.: September 10, 1945.
Discharged: September 22, 1945.
Rating: Torpedoman First Class.
Served: Seventy-three and one half months.
Present Occupation: Factory worker.

LEE PHELPS

Address: New London, Connecticut.
Entered Service: May 1939.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: October 1, 1939.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific; Atlantic.
Sinking Enemy ships, various engagements.
Decoration: Submarine Combat Pin w/3 Stars.
Returned to U. S.: November 1, 1945.
Rating: Torpedoman First Class.
Present Occupation: Navy.



JAMES C. PIESKER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy Reserve.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Overseas: December 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: Okinawa Invasion.
Decoration: Marksmanship Medal.
Returned to U. S.: December 1945.
Discharged: December 20, 1945.
Rating: Motor Machinist's Mate Second Class.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Operator for Sinclair Refining Co.



CLIFFORD PIESKER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 19, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Shelby, Mississippi.
Overseas: December 29, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European-African-Middle Eastern.
Engagements: Rome-Arno; North Apennines; Po Valley.
Decorations: Purple Heart and Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: October 18, 1945.
Discharged: October 26, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Forty-one months.
Present Occupation: Sinclair Refining Co., Employee.



JOHN PITTMAN, JR.

Address: Las Animas, Colorado.
Entered Service: May 28, 1943.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps.
Training Station: Camp Barkeley, Texas.
Overseas: November 24, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal w/1 Bronze Service Star; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: December 24, 1946.
Discharged: January 4, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-one months.
Present Occupation: Electrician Linesman.



JOHN J. POWELL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 25, 1944.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Overseas: November 15, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe; Ardennes.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Victory Medal; Purple Heart; Combat Infantry Badge; Three Battle Stars.
Returned to U. S.: July 11, 1945.
Discharged: November 18, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Eighteen months.
Present Occupation: Laborer.



CECIL REED

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: January 29, 1948.
Branch of Service: Field Artillery, Army.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: August 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Mediterranean.
Engagements: Naples-Foggia; Rome-Arno; North Apennines; Po Valley.
Decorations: African Theatre Medal; American Defense Medal; Mediterranean Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 1945.
Discharged: November 4, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Forty-seven months.
Present Occupation: State Highway Employee.



FREDRICK ROGERS

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 2, 1941.
Branch of Service: Medical Department, Army.
Training Station: Camp Grant, Illinois.
Theatre of Operations: Zone of Interior.
Discharged: December 18, 1945.
Rank: First Lieutenant.
Served: Fifty-two months.
Present Occupation: Filling Station Attendant.



KENNETH EARL ROBERTS

Address: Calville, Washington.
Entered Service: August 27, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Detachment, 53rd Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Berkeley, Abilene, Texas.
Overseas: July 5, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Aleutians.
Engagement: Kiska.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: October 5, 1944.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Forty months.
Present Occupation: Logging.



MAX ROTHGEB

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 26, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps.
Training Station: Camp Young, Indio, California.
Overseas: June 16, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Northern France; Ardennes; Rhineland; Central Europe.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal w/4 Bronze Stars; Good Conduct Medal; World War II Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: December 8, 1945.
Discharged: December 15, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



ROBERT "BOB" RUSH

Address: Pittsburg, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 1945.
Branch of Service: 253rd Army Ground Force Band.
Training Station: Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.
Overseas: March 1946.
Theatre of Operations: Mediterranean.
Returned to U. S.: December 1946.
Discharged: December 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Nineteen months.
Present Occupation: Student, KSTC.



CLARENCE LYLE RUBLE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 18, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: 338th Infantry, 85th Division, in Italy; Rome-Arno; North Apennines; Po Valley Campaigns.
Discharged: October 24, 1945, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
Served: Three years, five months and six days.



ALLEN SAUNDERS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 21, 1942.
Branch of Service: Transportation Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Overseas: June 6, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: October 20, 1945.
Discharged: October 26, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Forty-two months.
Present Occupation: Meat Cutter.



JAMES "SHARKEY" SANDERS

Address: Wichita, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 25, 1941.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Williams Field, Arizona.
Overseas: March 3, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Southwest Pacific.
Engagements: Completed 54 missions, 305 combat hours.
Decorations: Distinguished Flying Cross; Silver Star; Purple Heart; Air Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Ribbon w/3 Bronze Stars; American Defense Ribbons.
Returned to U. S.: March 29, 1944.
Discharged: March 29, 1944.
Rank: First Lieutenant, Officers Reserve Corps.
Served: Four years and nine months.
Present Occupation: Salesman, Kansas Reo, Inc.



LEROY SAYRE

Address: Lakin, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 3, 1943.
Branch of Service: Mechanized Cavalry.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.
Overseas: February 20, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Normandy; Northern France; Central Europe; Rhineland.
Decorations: Purple Heart w/1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster; European Theatre Ribbon; Four Bronze Service Stars; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Unit Citation Ribbon.
Returned to U. S.: November 16, 1945.
Discharged: December 3, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty-three months.
Present Occupation: Truck driver.



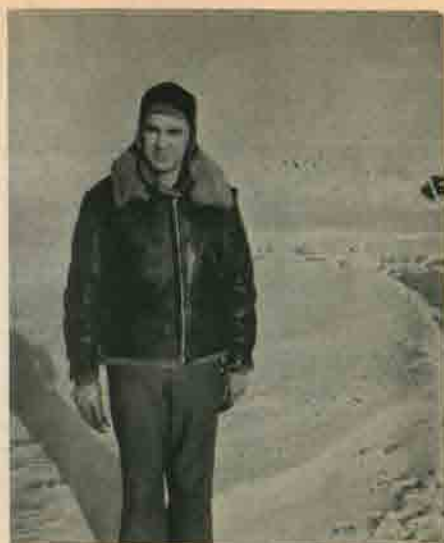
BILL SAYRE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: July 22, 1944.
Branch of Service: Tank Destroyer, Cavalry, Quartermaster, Special Services.
Training Station: North Camp Hood, Texas.
Overseas: March 17, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Central Europe.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: June 24, 1946.
Discharged: July 3, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-three months and six days.



ROBERT A. SAYRE

Entered Service: August 1948.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: 509th Armored Field Artillery Battalion,
Battery D, Fort Knox, Kentucky.
Still in Service.



PAUL SCHWATKEN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 2, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Force.
Training Station: Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.
Overseas: June 26, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific; American.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; American
Theatre Medal; Expert Machine Gun; Sharpshooter Rifle.
Returned to U. S.: May 6, 1945.
Discharged: October 28, 1945.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Forty-two months.
Present Occupation: Heavy Equipment Operator.



BURTON SEARS

Address: Ellinwood, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 15, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Overseas: May 2, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland;
Central Europe.
Returned to U. S.: January 20, 1946.
Discharged: January 27, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Truck driver.



OWEN DALE SEYBOLD

Address: Port Hueneme, California.
Entered Service: April 10, 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Theatre of Operations: Pearl Harbor; Leyte; Okinawa; Dutch
New Guinea, Yokohama, Japan; Tokyo Bay.
Discharged: June 6, 1946.
Rating: Water Tender Third Class.
Served: Twenty-six months.
Present Occupation: Owner and Operator of Sheet Metal Shop.



JOHNNIE WALLACE SIMMONS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Branch of Service: Army.
Served: Thirty-six months.



JAMES L. SIMMONS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 22, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Overseas: March 4, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 14, 1946.
Discharged: January 19, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Three years, two months and fourteen days.



MARION L. SIMMONS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: January 10, 1944.
Branch of Service: Army Signal Corps.
Training Station: Camp Kohler, California.
Overseas: September 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagements: Invasions on Leyte and Luzon, Philippines.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 30, 1946.
Discharged: February 6, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Twenty-five months.



LEROY SMITH
Address: Ulysses, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 15, 1945.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Discharged: August 29, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twelve months.
Present Occupation: Carpenter.



KENNETH SPAHT

Address: Fredonia, Kansas, R. F. D. #3.
 Entered Service: October 19, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Army.
 Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
 Overseas: March 23, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe.
 Decorations: Victory Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon; Two Bronze Battle Stars; Two Overseas Service Bars; Army of Occupation Medal (Germany); Good Conduct Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: August 11, 1946.
 Discharged: August 18, 1946.
 Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
 Served: Twenty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Farmer.



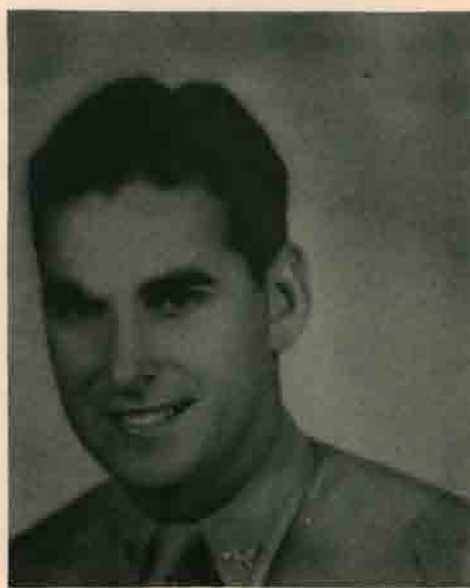
LEE ROY SPARKS

Address: Nevada, Missouri.
 Entered Service: January 26, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
 Overseas: August 11, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
 Engagements: Okinawa; Formosa; Luzon; Leyte; Philippines; Tokyo; Iwo Jima; Manila.
 Decorations: Victory Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/ 8 Stars; Philippine Liberation Campaign Ribbon w/ 2 Stars; Presidential Unit Citation.
 Returned to U. S.: April 28, 1946.
 Discharged: May 3, 1946.
 Rating: Seaman Second Class.
 Served: Twenty-seven months.
 Present Occupation: Office and Parts Manager for Motor Co.



WILLIAM F. STADALMAN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: March 22, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
 Overseas: December 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Atlantic and Mediterranean.
 Speed run from Gibraltar to Norfolk, Virginia.
 Returned to U. S.: November 28, 1945.
 Discharged: December 6, 1946.
 Rating: Fireman Second Class.
 Served: Twenty-two months.
 Present Occupation: Farmer.



JACK STEPHENS

Address: Sacramento, California.
 Entered Service: November 19, 1941.
 Branch of Service: Air Corps.
 Training Station: Miami Beach, Florida.
 Decoration: Good Conduct Ribbon.
 Discharged: December 1, 1945.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Thirty-six months.
 Present Occupation: Refrigeration Mechanic.



RUSSELL STEPHENS

Address: Santa Fe, New Mexico.
Entered Service: April 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry, Army.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Discharged: September 1943.
Rank: Private.
Served: Six months.
Present Occupation: Insurance Adjuster.



WILFORD STEPHENS

Address: Sacramento, California.
Entered Service: February 14, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps, Army.
Training Station: Camp Barkeley, Texas.
Overseas: July 1942.
Theatre of Operations: South Pacific; New Guinea; Australia.
Engagements: Burma; New Guinea; Papau.
Decoration: Presidential Citation.
Returned to U. S.: September 1944.
Discharged: October 1945.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Forty-four months.
Present Occupation: Lumber Salesman.



VICTOR F. STROBLE

Address: Midwest, Wyoming.
Entered Service: December 26, 1940.
Branch of Service: Army Air Force.
Training Station: Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Missouri.
Overseas: January 28, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: India-Burma; China and Central Burma.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; American Defense Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal w/3 Bronze Stars; Distinguished Unit Badge.
Returned to U. S.: August 25, 1945.
Discharged: October 13, 1945.
Rank: Technical Sergeant.
Served: Fifty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Auto Mechanic.



RALPH STROBLE

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 6, 1943.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Overseas: October 5, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Marshalls.
Engagement: Majuro.
Decorations: Victory Medal; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 24, 1945.
Discharged: March 16, 1946.
Rating: Coxswain.
Served: Thirty-one months and sixteen days.
Present Occupation: Driving truck for Montgomery County.



WALLACE STONG

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: 1941.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Polk, Louisiana.
Overseas: August 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: July 1945.
Discharged: October 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Forty-eight months.
Present Occupation: File clerk in Ship Yard, Vallejo, California.



ROSS STONG

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 2, 1944.
Branch of Service: Army, Infantry.
Overseas: September 24, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Northern France; Rhineland; Central Europe; Ardennes.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon w/4 Bronze Stars; Good Conduct Medal; Purple Heart.
Returned to U. S.: July 9, 1945.
Discharged: October 5, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty months.
Present Occupation: Trucker.



J. LAWRENCE TEATS

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 5, 1942.
Branch of Service: Naval Reserve.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Theatre of Operations: American.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal.
Discharged: March 31, 1945.
Rating: Electrician's Technician Mate First Class.
Present Occupation: Radio Engineer, Independence, Kansas.



GLEN THOMPSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 22, 1944.
Branch of Service: Armored Engineers.
Training Station: Camp Hood, Texas.
Discharged: April 21, 1945.
Rank: Private.
Present Occupation: Owner and Operator of Earth-Moving Equipment.



DALE TUCKER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 27, 1942.
Branch of Service: Cavalry.
Training Station: Camp Beale, California.
Overseas: January 18, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Rhineland and Central Europe.
Returned to U. S.: July 27, 1945.
Discharged: February 13, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



NOEL VAUGHN

Address: 516 Tyler, Topeka, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 14, 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Adair, Oregon.
Overseas: April 1, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Italy.
Engagement: Rome-Arno.
Decorations: Purple Heart w/1 Oak Leaf Cluster; European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon; Bronze Star Medal.
Returned to U. S.: May 24, 1945.
Discharged: September 17, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-six months.
Present Occupation: Civil Service (Battery Servicer).



VERLYN VAUGHN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Field Artillery.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: December 31, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Southern Philippines.
Engagements: Southern Philippines and Luzon.
Decorations: American Service Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal; Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: February 12, 1946.
Discharged: February 28, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-two months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



RAYMOND VAUGHN

Address: 305 North State, Yates Center, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 23, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: August 4, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Engagements: Iwo Jima; Okinawa; Philippine Liberation.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; One Citation.
Returned to U. S.: October 30, 1945.
Discharged: November 10, 1945.
Rating: Signalman First Class.
Served: Thirty-eight months.
Present Occupation: Auctioneer.



CLAUDE WARD, JR.

Address: Manchester, Iowa.
Entered Service: April 7, 1943.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Camp Crowder, Missouri.
Theatre of Operations: American.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal;
World War II Victory Medal.
Discharged: April 1946.
Rank: Second Lieutenant.
Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Fish Culturist, U. S. Civil Service.



MELVIN E. WEBER

Address: 501 South 13th Street, Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 10, 1943.
Branch of Service: 723rd Engineers.
Training Station: Camp Beale, California.
Overseas: May 24, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagement: New Guinea Campaign.
Decorations: Bronze Star Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: March 16, 1945.
Discharged: September 30, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-four months and three weeks.
Present Occupation: Service Station.



HERBERT O. WHISTLER

Entered Service: February 1, 1945.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Hood, Texas.
Theatre of Operations: Pacific.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; World War II
Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: January 14, 1946.
Discharged: January 19, 1946.
Rank: Private.
Served: Eleven months and nineteen days.
Present Occupation: Service Station Operator.



MARVIN "PETE" WHISTLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 19, 1944.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Overseas: November 14, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Decorations: American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific
Campaign Medal; World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct
Medal; Philippine Independence Ribbon.
Returned to U. S.: September 30, 1946.
Discharged: November 11, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-five months.
Present Occupation: Painter.



HARRY R. WHISTLER

Address: 1413 North 8th Street, Independence, Kansas.
 Entered Service: October 22, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Bainbridge, Maryland.
 Overseas: February 2, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: Atlantic; Caribbean; Pacific.
 Engagements: Marshall Islands.
 Decorations: American Defense Medal; American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: March 1, 1945.
 Discharged: September 7, 1945.
 Rating: Yeoman Second Class.
 Served: Thirty-five months.
 Present Occupation: Senior Clerk, Sinclair Refining Co. - Pipe Line Department.



GLEN W. WHISTLER

Address: 3110 Gordon Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana.
 Entered Service: December 8, 1941.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Bainbridge, Maryland.
 Overseas: March 31, 1943.
 Theatre of Operations: Atlantic; Mediterranean; Pacific.
 Engagements: African; Sicilian; Philippine Liberation; Okinawa.
 Decorations: American Area Medal; American Defense Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal w/1 Star Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal w/1 Star.
 Returned to U. S.: November 5, 1945.
 Discharged: January 11, 1946.
 Rating: Chief Yeoman.
 Served: Forty-nine months.
 Present Occupation: Field Auditor, Gulf Refining Company.



ROBERT L. WHISTLER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: February 1, 1946.
 Branch of Service: Infantry.
 Training Station: Fort McClellan, Alabama.
 Overseas: June 21, 1946.
 Theatre of Operations: Japan.
 Decorations: World War II Victory Ribbon; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Occupation Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: March 27, 1947.
 Discharged: May 4, 1947.
 Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
 Served: Fifteen months.
 Present Occupation: Tire Repairman, Independence Motor Co.



CLAYTON WHISTLER

Address: 3005 South Davidson Avenue, Wichita 10, Kansas.
 Entered Service: April 26, 1943.
 Branch of Service: Army.
 Training Station: Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming.
 Overseas: December 14, 1943.
 Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
 Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Ribbon; Good Conduct Medal; World War II Victory Ribbon.
 Returned to U. S.: November 14, 1945.
 Discharged: December 7, 1945.
 Rank: Private First Class.
 Served: Thirty-one months.
 Present Occupation: U. S. Postal Letter Carrier.



OLEN WHILSTER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: January 7, 1942.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Sheppard Field, Texas.
Overseas: February 17, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: Southwest Pacific and European.
Returned to U. S.: September 1945.
Discharged: October 23, 1945.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Forty-six months.
Present Occupation: Driller.



RAY WHISTLER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 7, 1941.
Branch of Service: 3rd Armored Division, Army.
Training Station: Camp Polk, Louisiana.
Overseas: September 5, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: France; Normandy; Belgium; Germany.
Returned to U. S.: May 16, 1945.
Discharged: November 2, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Forty-eight months.
Present Occupation: County Supervisor for AAA.



BILL WHISTLER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 1, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
Theatre of Operations: New Caledonia; New Hebrides.
Returned to U. S.: December 10, 1945.
Discharged: April 6, 1946.
Rating: Pharmacist's Mate First Class.
Served: Thirty-three months.
Present Occupation: Salesman, Western Auto, Dayton, Ohio.



LLOYD LEON WHITSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 5, 1948.
Branch of Service: 3rd Armored Division.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.



ORIN EUGENE WHITSON

Entered Service: May 1948.
Training Station: Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
Branch of Service: 82nd Airborne Division.
Still in Service.



DEAN C. WILSON

Address: Neodesha, Kansas.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Sheppard Field, Texas.
Overseas: April 1, 1946.
Theatre of Operations: South Pacific.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal.
Returned to U. S.: February 7, 1947.
Discharged: March 11, 1947.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Produce Manager, Foodtown Grocery.



CECIL CHARLES WILSON

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 2, 1942 at Leavenworth, Kansas.
Branch of Service: Air Transport Command.
Theatre of Operation: Southwest Pacific.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Southwest Pacific Medal.
Rank: Sergeant.
Discharged: October 2, 1945.



VERNON E. WILSON

Address: Wichita, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 1, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army Air Force.
Training Stations: St. Petersburg, Florida; Hammer Field, California; Hamilton Field, California; Tonopah, Nevada; Santa Rosa, California; Salem, Oregon.
Overseas: October 20, 1943. Returned: October 3, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: With the 354th Fighter Group, the "Pioneer Mustang Group" of the 9th Air Force. Served in England France and Germany.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Presidential Citation w/3 Oak Leaf Clusters; European Theatre Ribbon w/6 Battle Stars.
Discharged: Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. October 13, 1945.
Rank: Sergeant. Served: Thirty-six months.
Present Occupation: Construction worker and carpenter.



MERLE E. WILSON

Address: Independence, Kansas.
 Branch of Service: Air Corps.
 Training Station: Sheppard Field, Texas.
 Overseas: March 14, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Europe; Normandy; North France; Rhineland;
 Central Europe; Ardennes.
 Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre
 Ribbon; Good Conduct Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: July 10, 1945.
 Discharged: October 15, 1945.
 Rank: Master Sergeant.
 Served: Forty-five months.
 Present Occupation: Farmer.



ROBERT LOUIS WILSON

Address: Wichita, Kansas.
 Entered Service: February 19, 1943.
 Branch of Service: Army Parachute Troops.
 Training Stations: Camp Beale, California; Fort Benning,
 Georgia.
 Overseas: February 9, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe.
 Decoration: Bronze Service Arrowhead.
 Returned to U. S.: August 13, 1945.
 Discharged: January 31, 1946.
 Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
 Served: Thirty-five months and twelve days.
 Present Occupation: Shipping Clerk, White Star Machinery
 and Supply Company, Wichita, Kansas.



CHARLES B. WILLIAMS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: January 7, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Marines.
 Overseas: July 1942.
 Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
 Engagements: Battle of Guad Conalle and Iwo Jima.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Decorations: Bronze Star Medal.
 Served: Four years.



WILLIAM WILLIS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: October 10, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Infantry.
 Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
 Overseas: March 1, 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: Central Germany.
 Returned to U. S.: August 11, 1946.
 Discharged: August 18, 1946.
 Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
 Served: Twenty-two months.
 Present Occupation: College Student.



DELBERT WAYNE "SANDY" WITT

Address: 1142 North Market, Wichita, Kansas.
 Entered Service: July 10, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Navy Air Corps.
 Training Station: Jacksonville, Florida.
 Overseas: December 1945.
 Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
 Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; American Area Medal; Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: June 1946.
 Discharged: July 10, 1946.
 Rating: Aviation Ordnanceman Third Class.
 Served: Twenty-four months.
 Present Occupation: Coleman Company Inc., Wichita, Kansas.



STERLING "JACK" WITT

Address: Earlimart, California.
 Entered Service: September 11, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Navy, Seabee's 51st Battalion.
 Training Station: Davisville, Rhode Island.
 Overseas: February 8, 1943.
 Theatre of Operations: Asiatic; American; Central Pacific; Ulithi; Saipan; Marcus Islands.
 Decorations: Victory Ribbon; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: December 22, 1945.
 Discharged: December 29, 1945.
 Rating: Carpenter's Mate Third Class.
 Served: Thirty-eight months.
 Present Occupation: Carpenter.



NORMA KOGER WRIGHT

Address: St. Louis, Missouri.
 Entered Service: June 1, 1944.
 Branch of Service: Waves.
 Training Station: Hunter College, New York.
 Discharged: December 10, 1945.
 Rating: Yeoman Third Class.
 Served: Nineteen months.
 Present Occupation: Biller, Typist.



LLOYD YORK

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: June 15, 1942.
 Branch of Service: Field Artillery.
 Training Station: Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
 Overseas: January 10, 1944.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; American Theatre Medal; Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: March 2, 1946.
 Discharged: March 8, 1946.
 Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
 Served: Forty-five months.
 Present Occupation: Oil Field Pumper.

FERRELL LEWIS

Address: Irwin, Kentucky.
Entered Service: February 1918 and 1941.
Branch of Service: Infantry, Army.
Training Stations: Fort Sill, Oklahoma, World War I; Camp Shelby, Mississippi, World War II.
Theatre of Operations: European, War I; Pacific, War II.
Engagements: War I, Verdun, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Alsace-Lorraine; War II, New Guinea, Leyte.
Decoration: Purple Heart.
Served: War I, twelve months; War II, Sixty-two months.
Rank: Lieutenant Colonel.
Present Occupation: Embalmer and Director of Funeral Home.

RAY MARR

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: December 29, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army, Engineers.
Training Station: Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Discharged: September 30, 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-two months.
Present Occupation: Locker Owner and Manager.

JOHN W. STONG

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: September 17, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Overseas: January 22, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic; North West Territory; Canada.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Sharpshooter.
Returned to U. S.: March 1944.
Discharged: November 4, 1944.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-six months.
Present Occupation: Fireman.

WORLD WAR I



WINFREY ANTLE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 27, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Stations: Camp Cody, New Mexico; Camp Dix, New Jersey.
Overseas: October 12, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: France.
Returned to U. S.: July 29, 1919.
Discharged: August 5, 1919.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Fourteen months.



ORRIS ANTLE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 22, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Alabama.
Overseas: July 14, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: France.
Returned to U. S.: June 16, 1919.
Discharged: June 23, 1919.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Sixteen months.
Present Occupation: Retired.



JOE ARNOLD

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: 1917.
Branch of Service: Company K, 139th Infantry.
Training Stations: Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma.
Theatre of Operations: France and Germany.
Engagement: Argonne.
Returned to U. S.: 1919.
Discharged: 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Farming.
Present Address: Denver, Colorado.



LAWRENCE BARNES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 7, 1917.
Branch of Service: Army, 35th Division, 110th Ordnance Department.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: June 17, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: France and England.
Discharged: May 5, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Grocery and Dry Goods Store, owner and Operator.



JAMES W. BIGGS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 4, 1917.
Branch of Service: Infantry, Company K, 137th Division.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: April 24, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagement: Meuse-Argonne.
Returned to U. S.: April 24, 1919.
Discharged: May 11, 1919.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Oil Lease Pumper.



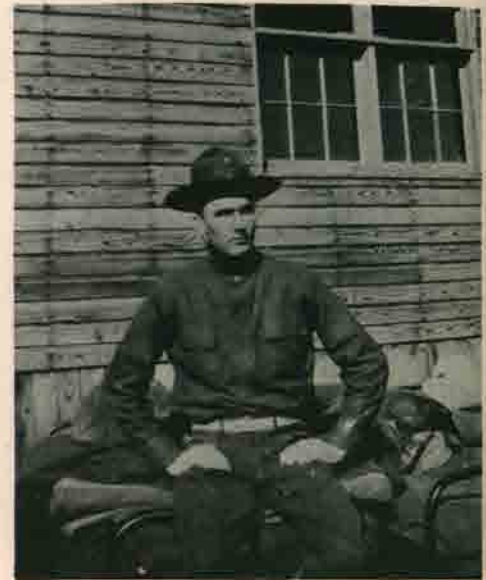
ELLIS J. CLARK

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 7, 1917.
Branch of Service: 35th Military Police.
Training Station: Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma.
Overseas: May 3, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: France; Alsace, Lorraine.
Engagements: Argonne.
Returned to U. S.: April 3, 1919.
Discharged: April 3, 1919.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Twenty-three months and twenty-one days.



HUGHETT CLINGAN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 28, 1916.
Branch of Service: Army, Company 110th Ammunition Train.
Training Station: Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma.
Discharged: May 5, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Thirty-five months.
Present Occupation: Labor.



IRA H. CLINGAN

Address: Ocheleta, Oklahoma.
Entered Service: June 28, 1918.
Branch of Service: 30th Field Artillery Battalion E, 10th Division.
Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
Discharged: January 28, 1919.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Seven months.
Present Occupation: Farming and Stockman.



CALVIN L. COFFEY

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: June 28, 1917.
 Branch of Service: Engineers, Company F, 88th Division.
 Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
 Overseas: July 15, 1917.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagement: Argonne.
 Decoration: Oak Leaf Cluster.
 Returned to U. S.: June 1918.
 Discharged: June 1918.
 Rank: Private.
 Served: Twelve months.
 Present Occupation: Farmer.



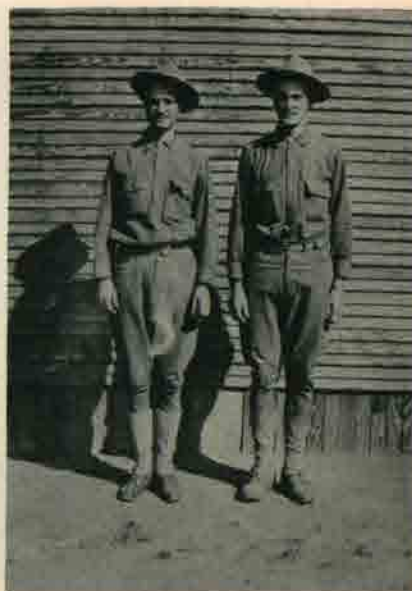
CECIL DAVIDSON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: August 1, 1918.
 Branch of Service: Military Police.
 Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
 Discharged: December 21, 1918.
 Rank: Private First Class.
 Served: Five months.
 Present Occupation: Carpenter.



JAMES E. DAVIS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: April 26, 1918.
 Branch of Service: Company C, 342nd Machine Gun Battalion, 89th Division.
 Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
 Overseas: June 21, 1918.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Engagements: St. Mihiel; Argonne.
 Returned to U. S.: May 30, 1919.
 Discharged: June 18, 1919.
 Rank: Private.
 Served: Thirteen months and eighteen days.
 Present Occupation: Pipe Fitter.



FRED DODSON
 (No Record)



FRANK C. FELS

Address: 128 West First, Russell, Kansas.
 Entered Service: March 5, 1918.
 Branch of Service: Army.
 Training Station: Fort Riley, Kansas.
 Overseas: April 26, 1918.
 Theatre of Operations: American Expeditionary Force.
 Engagements: Five.
 Decoration: Victory Medal.
 Returned to U. S.: April 27, 1919.
 Discharged: May 5, 1919.
 Rank: Sergeant.
 Served: Fourteen months.
 Present Occupation: Telephone Troubleshooter.



HARRY GOODWIN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: June 9, 1918.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
 Overseas: February 10, 1918.
 Theatre of Operations: European.
 Returned to U. S.: September 18, 1919.
 Discharged: September 30, 1921.
 Rating: Seaman Second Class.
 Served: Fifteen months.
 Present Occupation: Trucker.



BOOKER HAMILTON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: June 27, 1918.
 Branch of Service: Navy.
 Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
 Discharged: September 30, 1921.
 Rating: Fireman Second Class.
 Present Occupation: Meter Reader and Local Agent for Union Gas System Inc.



EUGENE HASE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
 Entered Service: June 22, 1916.
 Branch of Service: Army.
 Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
 Overseas: April 1917.
 Theatre of Operations: France.
 Engagements: Wesserling; Gerardner; St. Mihiel; Meuse-Argonne; Sommedieu; Bouee.
 Decoration: One Gold War Service Chevron.
 Discharged: May 11, 1919.
 Rank: Private First Class.
 Served: Thirty-four months.
 Present Occupation: Stationary Boiler Fireman.



O. K. HAYDON

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 31, 1917.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Theatre of Operations: 13th Naval District of Seattle and Portland.
Discharged: July 1, 1919.
Rating: Lieutenant.
Served: Thirty-seven months.
Present Occupation: Physician and Surgeon.



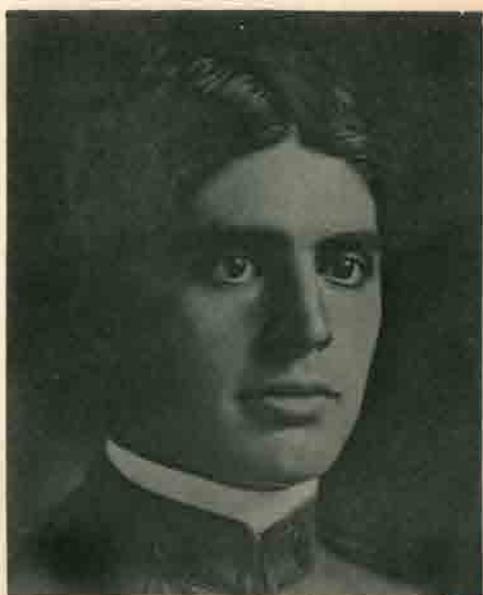
CHAS. E. HODGES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 4, 1917.
Branch of Service: Engineers.
Training Station: Camp Travis, Texas.
Overseas: May 1, 1917.
Theatre of Operations: France.
Engagements: Amiens; Alsace; St. Mihiel; Meuse-Argonne; Verdun.
Decorations: Sharpshooter Medal; Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: April 20, 1918.
Discharged: May 4, 1918.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Rural Letter Carrier.



ROY KIRKPATRICK

Address: Grawie City, Illinois.
Entered Service: 1917.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
Overseas: 1917.
Theatre of Operations: France and Germany.
Returned to U. S.: 1919.
Discharged: 1919.
Rank: Private.
Present Occupation: Steel worker.



JAY KRONE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 16, 1916.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma.
Overseas: April 1918.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Meuse-Argonne and St. Mihiel.
Decoration: Victory Medal.
Returned to U. S.: November 1918.
Discharged: January 14, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Rural Mail Carrier, Elk City, Kansas.



W. B. "WALT" LESSMAN

Address: Omaha, Nebraska.
Entered Service: July 22, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army, 29th Machine Gun Battalion.
Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
Discharged: January 25, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Six months.
Present Occupation: Service Station Manager.



LYMAN R. LOETHER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 14, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: 313th Cavalry Machine Gun Troop at Del Rio, Texas; Transferred to Motorized Artillery, French Motor Battalion, Camp Knox, Kentucky.
Discharged: December 21, 1918.
Rank: Wagoner.
Served: Seven months and seven days.
Present Occupation: Garage Proprietor.



BERT L. LOETHER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: July 2, 1918.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Funston, California.
Discharged: June 19, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Eleven months.
Present Occupation: Garage Mechanic.



JOHN McCONNELL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 27, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Stations: Camp Cody, New Mexico; Camp Dix, New Jersey.
Served in Company C, 136th Infantry, 34th Division and American Expeditionary Force, Company B, 117th Infantry, 30th Division.
Discharged: April 19, 1919. Camp Funston, Kansas.
Served: Ten months.



JAMES EDWARD OWEN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 4, 1917.
Branch of Service: Company K, 137th Infantry, 35th Division.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Discharged: March 12, 1918.
Rank: Private.
Served: Eleven months and eight days.



WILLIAM PENDARVIS

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 7, 1917.
Branch of Service: Military Police.
Training Station: Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma.
Overseas: February 1918.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Returned to U. S.: April 3, 1919.
Discharged: April 10, 1919.
Served: Twenty-three months.
Rank: Private First Class.



LOUIS A. PETTYJOHN

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 29, 1918.
Branch of Service: Quartermaster Corps, 319th Field Remount Squadron.
Training Stations: Camp Funston, Kansas; Camp Johnson, Florida.
Overseas: September 6, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: Bordeaux, France.
Caring for horses.
Returned to U. S.: June 2, 1919.
Discharged: July 2, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Present Occupation: Farming.



ALBERT PETTYJOHN

Entered Service: May 27, 1918.
Branch of Service: Quartermaster Corps, 319th Field Remount Squadron.
Training Stations: Camp Funston, Kansas; Camp Johnson, Florida.
Overseas: September 6, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: Bordeaux, France.
Engagement: Caring for and transporting horses.
Returned to U. S.: June 21, 1919.
Discharged: July 2, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Died: December 18, 1931.



THEODORE PETTYJOHN

Address: Protection, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 27, 1918.
Branch of Service: Base Animal Transport.
Training Stations: Camp Funston, Kansas; Camp Johnson, Florida.
Overseas: August 20, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: Tours, France.
Returned to U. S.: July 20, 1919.
Discharged: July 24, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Present Occupation: Laborer.



RUE L. SLATER

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 25, 1918.
Branch of Service: Machine Gun, Army.
Training Station: Camp Cody, New Mexico.
Overseas: September 16, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: Argonne.
Returned to U. S.: May 2, 1919.
Discharged: May 16, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Ten months.
Present Occupation: Realtor.



ROY SPRINGER

Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 24, 1918.
Branch of Service: Wagoner, 313th AM, 88th Division.
Overseas: August 1, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Discharged: June 12, 1919.
Present Occupation: Farmer.



STERLING WITT

Entered Service: June 16, 1917.
Branch of Service: Wagoner, 110th Engineer Train.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: May 1918.
Theatre of Operations: European.
Engagements: Amiens; Alsace; St. Mihiel; Meuse-Argonne; Sommedien Sector.
Discharged: May 3, 1919.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-three months.
Deceased.

OTIS W. DEGARIMORE

Address: 1812 West Laurel Street, Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 28, 1918.
Branch of Service: Battery E, 30th Field Artillery.
Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
Discharged: January 17, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Six months and twenty days.
Present Occupation: Service Station Operator.

ALLEN FRIZELL

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 1917.
Branch of Service: Cavalry.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Discharged: February 20, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Painter.



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