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SERVICE RECORD BOOK OF MEN AND WOMEN
OF
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ELK CITY AND COMMUNITY BUSINESS MEN
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.
DELAYNE DENBO

Entered Service: February 1, 1943.
Branch of Service: Air Corps.
Training Station: Sarasota, Florida.
With: Squadron C, 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.
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.
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.
DONALD HARPER

Entered Service: February 13, 1941.
Branch of Service: Infantry, Army.
Training Station: Camp Barkeley, Texas.
Overseas: August 1941.
Engagement: Leyte.
Decoration: Purple Heart.
Rank: Private First Class.
GLEO HOMER GATES

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 1943.
Branch of Service: 8th Air Force.
Training Station: Amarillo, Texas.
Engagements: Raid over Haley, 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.
HUBERT ADOLPH
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 11, 1943.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Blanding, Florida; Camp Gordon, Georgia.
Overseas: October 13, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Engagement: Military Police.
Decoration: 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.
Training Station: Camp Fannin, Texas.
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 liberated 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.
Engagements: North Africa; Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland; Ardennes; Central Europe.
Decoration: 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.
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.
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 Keen, 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.
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.
Engagement: Sicily.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; European Theatre Medal.
Returned to U.S.: August 9, 1943.
Discharged: October 22, 1945.
Rank: 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.

CLAUDIA ALKIN BENNETT
Entered Service: November 29, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army, 973rd Engineers, Maintenance Company.
Engagements: Served as car and truck motor mechanic and also drove supply trucks in 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.
Discharged: October 20, 1947.
Ranking: 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.
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 19, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Wallace, Texas.
Overseas: March 19, 1944.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
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.
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 Ravenswood 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.
Decorations: Peleliu; Faisul 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 Besie, California.
Overseas: May 11, 1944.
Engagements: Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland.
Decorations: Purple Heart w/1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Thirty-five months and twenty-seven days.

FRANCIS W. COFFET

Address: Maintenance Squadron, APO 731 5 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; Burm; China; West Pacific.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal; Four Bronze Stars.
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 14, 1944.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Fort Riley, Kansas.
Overseas: November 30, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Southwest Pacific.
Engagement: Luson.
Decoration: Purple Heart.
Returned to U. S.: April 29, 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.
Engagement: Rhineeland.
Decorations: Victory Ribbon; European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon w/1 Bronze Star; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Ribbon.
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.
Engagements: Saipan; Tinian; Iwo Jima; Occupation of Japan.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
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 6, 1944.
Engagements: Rhineeland, 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 DAR BRO
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 28, 1945.
Branch of Service: Air Force.
Training Station: Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, Texas.
Rank: Private First Class.
Still in Service.

BENNY L. DAR BRO
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 12, 1945.
Branch of Service: Air Depot Group.
Training Station: Lowry Field, Texas.
Overseas: November 27, 1945.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Pacific Theatre Medal; Philippine 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 Palm; French Air Force 44; Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Medal.
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/3 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.
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.
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; Paua; Dutch East Indies;
Bismarck-Archipelago.
Decorations: Presidents' 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 Pipeline 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 16, 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 (ARN-5) and USS LSM #353.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic-Pacific.
Decoration: 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.
WATKIN 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.
Engagements: Two 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 11, 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 Buena 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: Europe 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; Sharpshooter's 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 5, 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.
Engagements: New Guinea; Japan; Philippines; Iwo Jima.
Decoration: 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.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: May 1947.
Decoration: Victory Medal.
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.
Engagements: Ardennes; Normandy; Northern France and Rhineland.
Decorations: European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; European Theatre Ribbon w/ 6 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.
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; Belgium; 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 15, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army, Field Artillery.
Training Station: Camp Beale, California.
Overseas: July 23, 1944.
Engagements: Three.
Discharged: December 24, 1945.
Rank: Technician Fourth Grade.
Served: Thirty-four months.
Present Occupation: Electrician.

RICHARD OLLIN NUGGEH
Entered Service: September 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Vessels and Stations Served on: Farragut, Idaho; Dutch Harbor, Alaska; Oder Point, Alaska; Cherimoia, 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.
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 1942.
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.
Engagements: Ardennes; Rhineland; Central Europe.
Decorations: World War II Victory Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Theatre Medal; Three Bronze Service Stars; Bronze Star Medal.
Discharged: December 10, 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.
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.
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.

GRA W. HOUSER
Entered Service: August 19, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army, 1923rd Engineer Composite Battalion.
Overseas: November 17, 1942.
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. HOUSEY
Entered Service: June 12, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical.
Training Station: Camp Blanding, Texas.
Overseas: September 5, 1943.
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 CRA 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 5, 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; Marshall Islands; 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; Kanciohe 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 20, 1946.
Branch of Service: 37th A. I. B. R.C, 3rd Armored Division,
Engineers Corps.
Training Station: Fort Knox, Kentucky.

DAVID J. JOHNSTON
Address: Elk City, Kansas, R. R. #3.
Entered Service: March 17, 1946.
Branch of Service: Air Corps, Army.
Training Stations: Sheppard Field, Texas; Keesler Field,
Mississippi.
Discharged: December 26, 1946.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Nine months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.

ARTHUR W. JOHNSTON
Address: Wichita, Kansas.
Entered Service: November 13, 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.
Engagements: Southern France; Ardennes; Rhineland.
Decorations: American Theatre Medal; European Theatre
Medal w/5 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, 1943.
Branch of Service: Naval Reserve Air Corps.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: January 10, 1945.
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, Engagement: Rome-Arno; North Apennines; Po Valley.
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; Marksman Medal.
Discharged: June 9, 1946.
Rank: Private.
Served: Seven months.
Present Occupation: Farmer.

WILLARD KOLB
Address: Longion, 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.
Discharged: October 17, 1945.
Rank: First Lieutenant.
Served: Fifty-six months.
Denver, Colorado.

CHARLES KYGER
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 1944.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: April 1945.
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.
Overseas: April 29, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Africa; Italy.
Engagements: Rome-Arno; North Apennines.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; Three Battle Stars.
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 25, 1942.
Branch of Service: Signal Corps, transferred to Air Force.
Training Station: Camp Crowder, Missouri.
Overseas: April 23, 1944.
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 McAFFEE
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: 48 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.
Entered Service: October 1, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army, Artillery.
Training Station: Camp Bowie, Texas.
Overseas: August 12, 1944.
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 26, 1946.
Discharged: February 3, 1946.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Forty months.
Present Occupation: Construction Foreman.

WALTER E. McCLAUSKEY
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.
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, 1946.
Served: Forty months and seventeen days.
Rating: Seaman Second Class.
Served: Santa Fe Section.

ALBERT MEADOWS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: March 23, 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 Barksley, Texas.
Overseas: October 15, 1943.
Engagements: Northern France; Germany; Belgium.
Decorations: Bronze Star Medal; Victory Medal; Service Star.
Returned to U. S.: January 6, 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.
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.
Engagement: New Guinea.
Decorations: Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal; Philippine 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.

LAURENCE 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.
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 Ramm, Texas.
Overseas: March 22, 1944.
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 25, 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.
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.
Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe; Ardennes.
Decoration: 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.
Discharged: January 15, 1947.
Rank: Staff Sergeant.
Served: Seventy-five months.
Present Occupation: Salesman.

LORENE KOGER PIBEK
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 6, 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.
Discharged: September 22, 1945.
Rating: Torpedoman First Class.
Served: Seventy-three and one half months.
Present Occupation: Factory worker.

LEE PHELPS
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.
Decorations: 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.
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.
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 FITTMAN, JR.
Address: Las Animas, Colorado.
Entered Service: May 26, 1943.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps.
Training Station: Camp Bartley, Texas.
Overseas: November 24, 1943.
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, 1944.
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 Wollers, Texas.
Overseas: November 15, 1944.
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, 1944.
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; By 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.

FAEDRICK 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 30, 1941.
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 Barkeley, 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 25, 1942.
Branch of Service: Medical Corps.
Training Station: Camp Young, Indio, California.
Overseas: June 16, 1944.
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 19, 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.
Engagements: 35th 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, 1943.
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 Rea, 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.
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 27, 1945.
Theatre of Operations: Central Europe.
Decorations: 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.
 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: Fort Kieneme, 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.
JOHNIE 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 10, 1946.
Discharged: February 5, 1946.
Rank: Technician Fifth Grade.
Served: Twenty-five months.

LERoy SMITH
Address: Ulysses, Kansas.
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Discharged: August 24, 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.
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.
Engagements: Okinawa; Formosa; Luzon; Leyte; Philippines; Tokyo; Iwo Jima; Manila.
Decorations: Victory Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/3 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.
Engagements: Atlantic and Mediterranean.
Speed run from Gibraltar to Norfolk, Virginia.
Returned to U. S.: November 28, 1945.
Discharged: December 5, 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 Barkerly, 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 26, 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.
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 six 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.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal.
Returned to U. S.: July 1945.
Discharged: October 1945.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Forty-eight months.

ROSS STONG
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: February 2, 1944.
Branch of Service: Army, Infantry.
Overseas: September 24, 1944.
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.
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.
Engagements: Rhineland and Central Europe.
Returned to U.S.: July 7, 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.
Engagements: 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).

YERLYN VAUGHN
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: May 24, 1943.
Branch of Service: Field Artillery.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: December 31, 1944.
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: 105 North State, Yates Center, Kansas.
Entered Service: August 23, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: San Diego, California.
Overseas: August 5, 1944.
Engagements: Iwo Jima; Okinawa; Philippine Liberation.
Decorations: Good Conduct Medal; One Citation.
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.
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.
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 Operator.

HERBERT O. WHISTLER

Entered Service: February 1, 1943.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Hood, Texas.
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.
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: December 8, 1941.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Bainbridge, Maryland.
Overseas: February 2, 1944.
Theatre of Operations: Atlantic; Caribbean; Pacific.
Engagements: Marshall Island.
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: October 22, 1942.
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 9, 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.
Engagements: France, Normandy, Belgium, Germany.
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 7, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Farragut, Idaho.
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, 1946.
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 G. 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.
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.
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.
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.
Engagements: Europe; Norway; 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.
Engagements: Rhineland; Central Europe.
Decoration: Bronze Service Arrowhead.
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 S. 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 Guadalcanal and Iwo Jima.
Rank: Sergeant.
Decorations: Bronze Star Medal.
Served: Four years.

WILLIAM WILLIS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: October 16, 1944.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
Overseas: March 1, 1945.
Engagements: Central Germany.
Returned to U. S.: August 11, 1945.
Discharged: August 12, 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 Ordinanceman Third Class.
Served: Twenty-four months.

STERLING "JACK" WITT
Address: Earlimart, California.
Entered Service: September 11, 1942.
Branch of Service: Navy, Seabee's 11st Battalion.
Training Station: Davisville, Rhode Island.
Overseas: February 8, 1943.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic; American; Central Paciﬁc; Ulithi; Saipan; Marcus Islands.
Decorations: Victory Ribbon; Asiatic-Paciﬁc Theatre Medal; Good Conduct Medal.
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: Ely City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 13, 1942.
Branch of Service: Field Artillery.
Training Station: Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
Overseas: January 10, 1944.
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.
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 21, 1942.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: Camp Wolters, Texas.
Overseas: January 22, 1942.
Theatre of Operations: Asiatic; North West Territory; Canada.
Decoration: Good Conduct Medal; Sharpshooter.
Returned to U. S.; March 1944.
Discharged: November 4, 1944.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-six months.
Present Occupation: Fireman.
WINFREY ANTLE

Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 27, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army.
Training Station: 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.
Engagements: 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.
Discharged: May 5, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-four months.
Present Occupation: Grocery and Dry Goods Store, owner and Operator.
JAMES W. BEGGS
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.
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 7, 1918.
Theatre of Operations: France; Alsace, Lorraine.
Engagements: Argonne.
Discharged: April 3, 1919.
Rank: Corporal.
Served: Twenty-three months and twenty-one days.

HUGHETT CLINGAN
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 24, 1918.
Branch of Service: Army, Company 116th 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.
Engagements: 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 F. DAVIS
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: April 26, 1918.
Branch of Service: Company C, 142nd Machine Gun Battalion,
95th Division.
Training Station: Camp Funston, Kansas.
Overseas: June 21, 1918.
Engagements: St. Mihiel; Argonne.
Discharged: June 16, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Thirteen months and eighteen days.
Present Occupation: Pipe Fitter.

FRED DODSON
(No Record)
FRANK G. 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.
Engagements: Five.
Decoration: Victory Medal.
Returned to U.S.: April 27, 1919.
Discharged: May 9, 1919.
Rank: Sergeant.
Served: Fourteen months.
Present Occupation: Telephone Troublemaker.

HARRY GOODWIN
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 9, 1918.
Branch of Service: Navy.
Training Station: Great Lakes, Illinois.
Overseas: February 10, 1918.
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.
Rank: 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: Meuse-Argonne; Somme; Boure.
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.
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; Aisne; 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: Crawfie 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 KROE
Address: Elk City, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 16, 1916.
Branch of Service: Infantry.
Training Station: Camp Donghan, Oklahoma.
Overseas: April 1918.
Engagements: Meuse-Argonne and St. Mihiel.
Decorations: 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: 11th Cavalry Machine Gun Troop at Del Rio, Texas; Transferred to Motorized Artillery, French Motor Battalion, Camp Knox, Kentucky.
Discharged: December 31, 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 OWE
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.
Discharged: April 16, 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 16, 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 24, 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.
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, 113th Am. 88th Division.
Overseas: August 1, 1918.
Discharged: June 12, 1919.
Present Occupation: Farmer.

STERLING WITT
Address: Independence, Kansas.
Entered Service: June 16, 1917.
Branch of Service: Wagoner, 110th Engineer Train.
Training Station: Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Overseas: May 1918.
Engagements: Amiens; Alsace; St. Mihiel; Meuse-Argonne;
Somme-Sector.
Discharged: May 3, 1919.
Rank: Private First Class.
Served: Twenty-three months.
Deceased.
OTIS W. DEGARMORE
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 25, 1919.
Rank: Private.
Served: Twenty-one months.
Present Occupation: Painter.
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