

HEROES WORLD WAR II

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T-SGT. JOHN P. WILSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Wilson, New Concord, was drafted Dec. 21, 1942, from Carlisle County. He trained at Ft. Bragg, N. C., and went overseas in January, 1944. Attached to the 79th Headquarters Field Artillery, T-Sgt. Wilson served in England, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and Germany. His wife is the former Miss Louise Shuck, Hickman. He has three brothers, Cpl. Albert Lester Wilson, Cpl. James Gordon Wilson, and Pfc. William C. Wilson, who served overseas.

LESTER AUBREY WILSON was called to service March 1944.

OLICE CLEATUS WILSON, MoMM 3-C, was drafted February 1944. He was discharged Oct. 19, 1945.

VERNON C. WILSON entered service June 2, 1943 and served with the Medical C.L.R. Company.



C 3-c CHARLES B. WILSON, 31, son of Mrs. Grace C. Wilson, Hazel, was drafted from this county in January, 1944. Before being stationed on a ship in the Pacific, he was trained at Great Lakes, Ill. Wilson wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon. He was stationed in a hospital in Memphis. His wife, the former Miss Rachel Hutson, and their two children, Charlene and Jimmy, resided in Hazel. Wilson had three brothers in the service, Ted, Boyce, and James Wilson.

A-S GEORGE CRAWFORD WILSON, 29 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wilson, Route 5, Murray, was drafted into the Navy from this county July 31, 1945, and is training at Sampson, N. Y. He was employed in Michigan before his induction. A-S Wilson is married to Mrs. Bobbie McCuiston Wilson and is the father of two children, Brenda Joyce and Peggy Ann. His brother, Pfc. William Morris Wilson, is in the Army.



PFC. WILLIAM C. WILSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Wilson, New Concord, was drafted April 5, 1942. He trained at Camp Hood, Tex., and Camp Bowie, Tex., before going overseas. His three brothers, T-Sgt. John P. Wilson, Cpl. James Gordon Wilson, and Cpl. Albert Lester Wilson, all served overseas.



WT 3-c JAMES C. WILSON, 23, son of Mrs. Grace C. Wilson, Hazel, volunteered for the Navy in August, 1942, and received his training at Norfolk, Va., and Millington, Tenn. Wilson was stationed on the USS GAGE, and wears the Good Conduct ribbon, the ETO ribbon with one battle star, and the American and Asiatic-Pacific ribbons. His wife is the former Miss Frances Ballard of Memphis, and he has three brothers, Charles, Ted, and Boyce Wilson in service.



S 1-c TED M. WILSON, 18, son

of Mrs. Grace C. Wilson, Hazel, was drafted from this county in October, 1943. Assigned to the Armed Guard, he trained at Great Lakes, Ill., and Gulf Port, Miss. Seaman Wilson was sent overseas in February, 1944, and wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, and the ETO ribbon. He has three brothers, James, Charles, and Boyce Wilson, in service.



PFC. WILLIAM M. WILSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilson, Route 5, Murray, was drafted from this county July 28, 1942. In December, 1944, he went to Europe with the Quartermaster Corps after training at Camp Swift, Tex., Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., and Indian-town Gap, Pa. Stationed in the South Pacific, Pfc. Wilson has the ETO ribbon with two battle stars, Good Conduct ribbon, Expert Rifleman's Badge, and Asiatic-Pacific ribbon.



T-5 EWIN C. WINCHESTER, 30, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Winchester of Route 5, volunteered for the Army on March 15, 1941. He received his training at Ft. Sill, Okla., and went overseas July 1942. He has been in England, Africa, and Italy. He received his discharge June 29, 1945. He received the Good Conduct ribbon, three Battle Stars, ETO ribbon, and Pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon.

PVT. JOE W. WIMBERLY, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wimberly, was drafted in August, 1944, and trained with the Infantry. Going overseas in January, 1945, he was wounded in Germany. Pvt. Wimberly is married and has a son, Jerry Will.



S-SGT. JOSEPH D. WEST was drafted into the Army Air Corps Nov. 27, 1942. Going overseas with a bomber squadron in May, 1943, he served in England, France, Normandy, and Germany. Sgt. West was awarded the Good Conduct ribbon, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal with three clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross, Presidential Citation with clusters, and ETO ribbon. He served 29 months.



JESSE LEON WINCHESTER was drafted Sept. 21, 1943, and trained at Great Lakes, Ill. He went overseas aboard the General G. O. SQUIRE, in December 1943 and returned to San Diego, Cal. June 1945. Seaman Winchester wears the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon, ETO ribbon and a Presidential Citation ribbon for aiding in the capture of 27 saboteurs who were trying to smuggle U-boat engines into Germany. He attended Murray Training School, and is married to the former Miss Mable West of Almo. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Winchester, Route 5. Pictured with him above is his brother, Harold Otho Winchester.

PFC. HAROLD OTHO WINCHESTER, entered service Nov. 15, 1943, and served with Company "B" 137th Infantry Regiment, 35th Division, going overseas June 16, 1944. He served in Normandy, Northern France, and Germany. He was wounded in Germany Dec. 13, 1944. He was discharged July 5, 1945, and was awarded the EAME ribbon with three stars. He is married to the former Miss Corrynn Wells, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Winchester, Route 5.



M-SGT. JOSEPH W. WINCHESTER, JR., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winchester, Hazel, was drafted Feb. 23, 1942, and trained at Keesler Field, Miss., Ft. Rivers, Mass., and Lake Charles, La. As a mechanic in the Army Air Force, he went overseas in May, 1943, and served in Europe with the 355th Bomb. Sqd. before returning to the States and receiving his discharge Oct. 5, 1945. Sgt. Winchester has the Good Conduct ribbon, and ETO ribbon with one silver star and one Bronze Star. A brother, Pliny Winchester, and a sister, Mildred W. Holland, were in service.



LT. PLINY A. WINCHESTER, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winchester, Hazel, was drafted in February, 1941, and trained at Ft. McClellan, Ala., and Camp Hulen, Texas, with the Infantry. Going overseas in November, 1944, he served in Germany before returning to the States in July, 1945. Lt. Winchester has the ETO ribbon with one battle star and the Purple Heart. His brother, Joseph W. Winchester, and sister, Mildred W. Holland, were in service.



SGT. JOE WINDSOR, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Windsor, was drafted February 11, 1944, and trained at Fort Bliss, Texas, Camp Hahn, Calif., Camp Hulen, Texas, and Camp Maxey, Texas. Going

overseas in January, 1945, he was stationed in the Reconnaissance and Intelligence Division of Armored Infantry, serving in Germany with the Ninth Armored Division. Sgt. Windsor has the Purple Heart and ETO ribbon with several battle stars.

CECIL J. WINDSOR entered service Oct. 7, 1941.

IRA SLYVESTER WINDSOR, S 1-C, entered service April 21, 1944. He was discharged Aug. 27, 1945.



PVT. HERMAN CANNON WITTY, son of Mrs. Jewel Witty, was drafted April 4, 1941. He was a member of the 38th "Cyclone" Infantry Division known as the "Avengers of Bataan". He served in Hawaii, New Guinea, and the Philippines. Pvt. Witty was awarded the Expert Infantry Badge, the American Defense Medal, and the Asiatic-Pacific and Philippine Liberation ribbons.

HUBERT E. WITTY was drafted Nov. 23, 1942.



PFC. OWEN ABBIT WITTY, 23 year old son of Mrs. Jewel Witty, Murray, was drafted from this county Sept. 3, 1942. He took training in Ft. Devins, Mass., and in Niotia, Conn., and was sent across to North Africa, Italy, Sicily, and France. Pfc. Witty was with the 33th Infantry Division of Gen. Clark's Fifth Army. He wears the Purple Heart for wounds received in Italy and four stars for major battles. His brother, Pvt. Herman C. Witty, was in the Army.

BERNICE WISEHART entered service Nov. 23, 1942.

JAMES W. WITHERSPOON, entered service July 29, 1943.

NORMAN BOYD WOFFORD, entered service Feb. 1, 1945.

LOUIS JACKSON WOLFE, ARM 3-C, entered service Mar. 13, 1945, and was discharged July 16, 1945.

PFC. ROBERT L. WOODALL, Dexter, was drafted Sept. 30, 1942, and went overseas in December, 1942. With Co. "A" Signal Battalion, he served in Tunisia, Italy, and Southern Europe, and was awarded the Good Conduct ribbon and the EAME ribbon with five battle stars.



CPL. MARY WILLODEAN THURMAN WOMMACK, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter N. Thurman, and wife of Jimmie Wommack, volunteered for the WAC November 2, 1943. She received her training at Ft. Des Moines, Ia., Orlando, Fla., and Ft. Sheridan, Ill. Cpl. Wommack received her discharge July, 1945. A graduate of Concord high school, she has two brothers in service, Cpl. John Stewart Thurman and Samuel Elvon Thurman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wood, Paducah, was drafted April 29, 1943. He trained at Ft. Jackson, S. C., and Camp Rucker, Ala., before going overseas in November, 1944. Attached to the 7th and 15th Armies he served in England, and France. Sgt. Wood wears the E.T.O. ribbon with two battle stars, and the Good conduct ribbon. His wife is the former Miss LaVonne Rhodes, and they have two children. Arriving in the States in July of '45, he was stationed at Ft. Bragg, N. C.



CPL. EURA OTIS WOODS, husband of Mrs. Hilda Mae Woods, and son of Mrs. Zola Woods, was drafted in October, 1943. After training at Camp Ord, Calif., he went to the Pacific in January, 1945 with the Signal Corps. Cpl. Woods had two brothers, Orville and Ullis Woods, in the Army.

PFC. LEONARD WOOD served in the tank destroyer division in the First Army in Europe. He is the brother of Mrs. Ed Adams.



CPL. JAMES AFTON WOODALL, 27 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Woodall, Route 4, Murray, and husband of Mrs. Loetta Parker, Oakland, Calif., was drafted in January, 1942. He took training at Camp Lee, Va., and was sent to the Aleutians in May 1942. Pfc. Woodall is pictured on the right above.

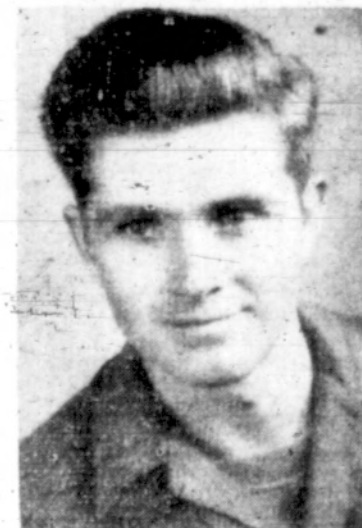
LT. RUPERT L. WOODALL, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Woodall, Murray Route 4, volunteered for the Army Air Corps July 21, 1942, from Nashville, Tenn. He was trained in Florida, Alabama, and Georgia, and was shipped across in November, 1944. He is attached to the Air Transport Command in Torbat, India. He is a wearer of the Air Medal, two battle stars, three bronze stars, the DFC, and the Asiatic Theater ribbon. Lieutenant Woodall is pictured above on the left.



SGT. ORVILLE WOODS, husband of the former Miss Lois Hodges, was drafted in October, 1943. Going overseas in February, 1944, with the Signal Corps, he served in England, France, Luxembourg, and Germany. His brothers, Ullis and Otis Woods, served in the Army. They are the sons of Mrs. Zola Woods.



SGT. G. W. WOOD, 21, son of



SGT. ULLIS WOODS, son of Mrs.

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Zola Woods, was drafted in April, 1943, and was sent overseas in January, 1944, as an engineer with the 9th Army. Having served in England, France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany, he has the ETO ribbon with three battle stars and Bronze Star. Sgt. Woods has two brothers, Eura Otis and Orville Woods, in service.



T-5 ELMO WORKMAN, 30 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Workman, was drafted from Detroit, Mich., April 3, 1944. He trained at Ft. Pierce, Fla., Camp Hood, Tex., Camp Bowie, Tex., and Camp Robertson, Ark., going overseas in July, 1945 to the Hawaiian Islands. His wife, the former Miss Drucilla Morris, and son, Charles Wayne, lived in Detroit.



A. P. Hill Military Reservation, Va., with the Chemical Detachment. He has the Good Conduct ribbon.



PFC. ALFRED H. WRIGHT, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wright, Route 1, Murray, was drafted November 23, 1942. With the Infantry he trained at Camp Van Dorn, Miss., and Camp Maxey, Tex., before going overseas in April, 1944. Stationed in France, he received shrapnel wounds in the Battle of St. Lo, and was awarded the Purple Heart, as well as the ETO ribbon with one battle star, the Good Conduct ribbon, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge. Returning to the states he received his medical discharge June 19, 1945. His wife is the former Miss Youma Rhea. They have a daughter, Raymond Hasten.

CHARLIE DELMAR WRIGHT entered service April 22, 1941.

1ST. LT. JAMES T. WRIGHT, Infantry, was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement against the enemy on Luzon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wright.

S-SGT. WAYNE WRIGHT was stationed in Puerto Rico for two years, and returned to the States and stationed at Patterson Field, Dayton, O. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright, Farmington.

PVT. DALLAS EVANS WRYE, son of Mr. and Mrs. David T. Wrye, Murray, was drafted from this county Dec. 21, 1942. He served in the European Theater of Operations and was wounded December, 1944, in France and then in Germany in April, 1945. Pvt. Wrye has one child, Carolyn Gray.



T-SGT. TOM WYATT, husband of the former Miss Louise Daugherty, was drafted in January 24, 1944. Sent overseas in November, 1944, he served in England, France, and Germany, and has the ETO ribbon with two battle stars and Occupational and Efficiency ribbon. A brother, T-Sgt. George Wyatt, was in service. They are the sons of Mrs. Herbert Wyatt, Benton.



S-SGT. JAMES DENTON WYNN, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wynn, Cadiz, was drafted from this county Dec. 4, 1942, and was attached to a Field Artillery Unit. In 1943 he was sent overseas and stationed in Luzon. His wife is the former Miss Sue Hutson of Buchanan, Tenn.



He went overseas in October 1944 and served in the Pacific Area until the war ended, then he was stationed in China. He was discharged in March 1946. S 1-c Waggoner wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, American Theater ribbon, Good Conduct ribbon, Philippine Liberation and World War II Victory ribbons. A graduate of Murray High School, Waggoner was attending Murray State College when he entered the service. Pictured above on the left is Waggoner.

WILLIAM L. WASHBURN, S 1-c, pictured above on the right, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Washburn, formerly of Murray. He entered service in 1942. A member of the Navy he trained at Tufts College, Mass., Gulfport, Miss., and attended Submarine School, New London, Conn. Washburn served overseas in the Pacific Area.



S 1-C LYNVILLE R. YATES, husband of the former Miss Verble Drinkard, volunteered in April, 1944. He went aboard an escort carrier in June, 1944 and served on Samar, Palau, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. His ship was the USS PETROF BAY. He was awarded the Silver Star for meritorious service and wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, the Philippine Liberation ribbon and 5 battle stars. Seaman and Mrs. Yates have a daughter, Zetta.

SGT. GUS D. YARBROUGH volunteered Sept. 25, 1941, and served with Squadron 0-3505, AAF B Unit. He was discharged Nov. 13, 1945.

PVT. ODIE F. YOUNGBLOOD entered service Sept. 8, 1943, and served with 1471st Engr. Maintenance Company. He was discharged Nov. 27, 1944.



PVT. ORVILLE YORK, 19, son of Mrs. Sophis York, Detroit, Mich., was drafted in September, 1942. Pvt. York went overseas in July, 1944, and died from injuries received in France May 26, 1945, when he stepped on a bomb trap. Mrs. Coleman McKeel is his sister.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The above name was unavoidably omitted in the Gold Star section of this series.)

COXSAIN L. D. WORKMAN, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Workman, Route 6, Murray, volunteered for the Navy in February, 1941. After boot training at Great Lakes, Ill., he was assigned to overseas duty in April, 1941. Coxswain Workman served at Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Islands, South Pacific, Guam, and Okinawa, and wears the American Defense medal, Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with one battle star, and American Theater ribbon.



CPL. CHAUNCEY D. WORLEY, son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Worley, Route 1, was drafted Aug. 20, 1942. He trained at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., and was stationed at

SGT. FLOYD R. WRYE, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Wrye, Route 3, was drafted from this county in 1942. With a Field Artillery unit he received his training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and Camp Breckinridge. Sgt. Wrye went overseas in November, 1944, and has the Good Conduct ribbon, the Sharp Shooter's medal, two overseas stripes, and three battle stars. Now stationed at Camp Swift, Tex., he had a brother, Pfc. Milburn R. Wrye, who was killed on Saipan July 12, 1944.

LOYD HALTON WYATT was called to service December 1943.

NOVICE WYATT entered service April 28, 1942, and served in the Army.

PFC. JAMES C. WYNN, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wynn, Coldwater, was drafted from this county Dec. 18, 1943. Training with the Army Air Corps he was stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., Spence Field, Ga., Scott Field, Ill., and Shephard Field, Tex. Going overseas in May, 1945, Pfc. Wynn was stationed at Stornoway, Scotland, and has the ETO ribbon. His wife is the former Miss Dorothy Jane Thornton of Murray.



RAY NELSON WAGGONER, S 1-c, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Waggoner, volunteered December 2, 1942, in the Navy. He trained at Tufts College, Mass., Gulfport, Miss., and Solomons, Md.

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TAZ YOUNGBLOOD entered service Mar. 11, 1942.

TED O. YOUNGBLOOD entered service Sept. 30, 1942.

A-S ALFRED HERBERT YOUNG, Murray, was drafted in February, 1944. He entered the Navy at Great Lakes, Ill., but was medically discharged a few weeks after his induction.



SGT. HAROLD C. YOUNG, son of Mrs. Omie Young, served two years and was sent overseas. He trained at Fresno, Calif., and Grand Island, Neb. Pictured with Sgt. Young is his wife, the former Miss Doris Culver.



ROBERT YOUNG, SK 3-C, entered service February, 1944, and was trained at Norfolk, Va. He served in the Atlantic. He is the son of the late W. R. Young and Mrs. Young. His wife is Mrs. Janie Young.



T-SGT. MELVIN YOUNG, son of Mrs. Onie Young, Almo, was drafted in April, 1941. He trained at Camp Davis, N. C., Ft. Benjamin

Harrison, Ind., and Long Beach, Calif., before going overseas in April, 1943. He went to Alton, Shyema, the Aleutians, and other South Pacific posts. Upon returning to the States he was stationed at Ft. Bliss, Tex. His brother, Sgt. Harold C. Young, was also in service.

JACK RAEURN YOUNG was called December, 1943.

PFC. BOYD WILSON LINN, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Linn, Murray, was drafted from this county April 4, 1941. He trained at Camp Shelby, Miss., and went to Oahu, Hawaii, New Guinea, and Philippines with the 151st Infantry, Medical Detachment. Pfc. Linn was returned to the states and honorably discharged June 20, 1945.

SEAMAN 1-C CLIFFORD WOODWARD FARRIS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Farris, Route 6, was drafted January 21, 1944, from Indianapolis, Ind. He trained at Great Lakes, Ill., and Shoemaker, Calif. Going overseas he served on Siapan, Guam, Palau, and Leyte Islands. Seaman Farris was wounded in the South Pacific and was awarded the Purple Heart, the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, and one battle star. On April 13, 1945, he received his discharge.

SGT. ROBERT E. YOUNGE, 22, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bumphis was drafted May 27, 1943. Assigned to the Infantry with the 92nd Division he received training at Fort McClellan, Ala. and Fort

Huachuca, Ariz. On September 1944 he went overseas and was awarded the Good Conduct ribbon, M.T.O. with three battle stars, Combat Infantry badge, American Defense ribbon and the Victory ribbon.

S-Sgt. Herman Ellis Awarded Bronze Star



On a U.S. Army drill field in the city of Linz, Austria, Staff Sergeant Herman K. Ellis of Murray, is decorated with the Bronze Star Medal by Colonel Julian H. George, commanding officer of the 259th Infantry Regiment, 65th Division. The award was made for heroic achievement performed by Sgt. Ellis at the battle of Neumarkt, Germany, during the 65th Division's 500-mile sweep through the Reich and Upper Austria as part of General Patton's Third Army.

Cpl. Ivan Lamb Maneuvers To Distract Enemy



The above picture was made on maneuvers of the AAF Training Command, Eagle Pass Army Field, Tex. Pictured on the left is Cpl. Ivan B. Lamb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lamb, North Sixteenth Street. The Skyliners, popular Army Air Force dance band at the training camp to which he belonged, exchanged its musical merrymaking for the noise of battle in combat on the first bivouac of the 618th AAF Band, to which the Skyliners belonged. Lamb was a member of the band, and the soldier-musicians proved they could distract the attention of the enemy and stealthily moved on his positions as easily as they attracted the attention of dancers of GI jam sessions. Lamb plays well 14 different instruments.

Sgt. Lester G. Nanny Receives Decoration



Sgt. Lester G. Nanny stands on the reviewing grounds at Valley Forge Hospital while the Silver Star is pinned on him by Col. Henry Beeuwkes, Commanding officer at Valley Forge.

Sgt. Nanny, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nanny, volunteered February 1941. Placed in the Field Artillery, he was among the first U.S. men who went overseas. He experienced travels and battles on the northern coast of Africa and in Italy. He received serious injuries while encountering the German Army near Tunisia.

Sgt. Nanny spent many months in hospitals overseas and in the States. He is county clerk of Calloway County, being elected without opposition in 1945.

T-SGT. CECIL CLEAVER RECEIVES BRONZE STAR



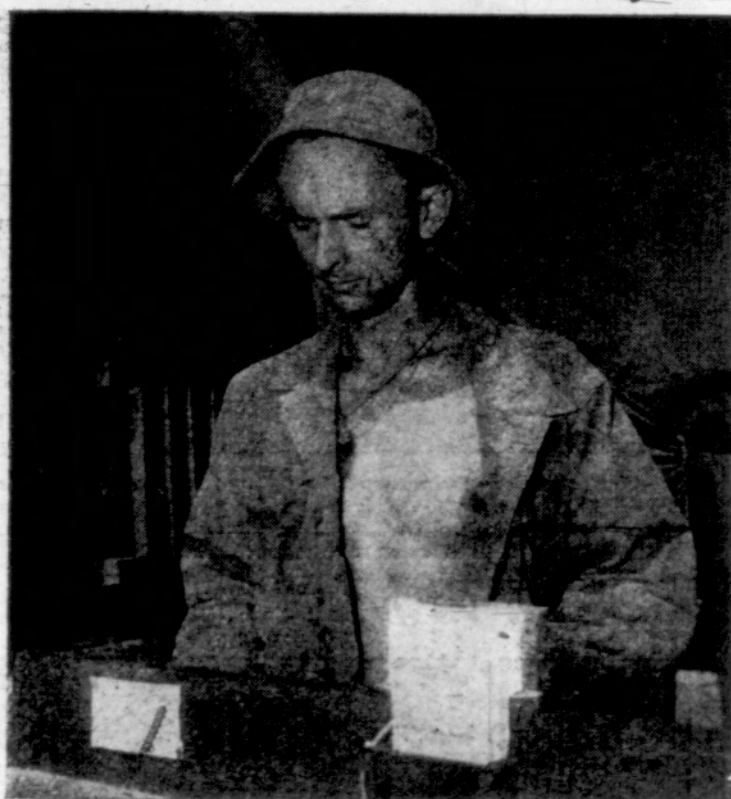
T-Sgt. Cecil Cleaver, Almo, is pictured above (right) as he stood in the Award Ceremony on Luzon. Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, former commander of the 38th Division, shakes hands with First Sergeant Robert Cates, Henderson, during a formal presentation ceremony at Marikina Air Strip on Luzon Island. Cleaver was presented the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement during the Sierra Madre Mountain Campaign east of Manila.

LT. H. K. INGLIS GETS DECORATIONS



1st. Lt. Harlan K. Inglis, pilot, was decorated with the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster. He piloted a flying fortress which earned the navigator the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Clusters. Lt. Inglis was a member of the Murray High School faculty when he volunteered for Service. The above picture was sent from the Eighth AAF Bomber Station in England. (Inglis is on the right.)

Sgt. James W. Brandon Fills Out Money Order



Sgt. James W. Brandon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Brandon, Route 6, was filling out a money order at the Army Post Office at a base in the Marshall Islands when the above picture was made. He served in the Infantry and was drafted December 28, 1942.

It's Coconut Cocktails In The Philippines



WITH THE AMERICAN INFANTRY DIVISION IN THE PHILIPPINES—The official Army photo shows Pfc. James Rudy Allbritten, Murray, eagerly awaiting his turn while his companion, First Sgt. Rillie C. Gumm, Scottsville, takes a healthy swig on a coconut cocktail. These soldiers of the 132nd Infantry Regiment spent 82 consecutive days on the front lines at Cebu. Allbritten is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Allbritten.

Pvt. F. B. Harris Awarded Purple Heart



Pvt. Franklin B. Harris, son of N. F. Harris, Lynn Grove, is pictured above on the left as he was presented the Purple Heart by Major General Frederick Gilbreath. The medal was given Pvt. Harris for wounds received during the fighting on Leyte in the Philippine Islands. He was a member of the Combat Engineers.



Pictured above are the women who finished the Nurses' Aide Course in August 1943: Mrs. B. H. Dixon, formerly Miss Virginia Irvan, instructor; Mrs. Charles Kivett, Miss Lois Dakers, Miss Mattie Lee Fort, Mrs. Frank B. Wetson, Miss Beaton Paschall, Miss Margaret Leedy, Miss Alma Boyd, and Mrs. Garnett Jones.



Pictured above is the fourth class of Nurses' Aides to graduate in Murray. Mrs. H. J. Fenton was the instructor. The graduates shown are: Mrs. Everett Jones, Mrs. M. G. Carman, Mrs. Joe Baker, Miss Ma-naun Crawford, Mrs. Wallace Bellue, Mrs. H. R. Lamb, Mrs. Eugene A. McKenzie, Mrs. Wendall Garlinghouse, Mrs. Maynard Ragsdale and Mrs. Beatrice D. Williams.

Callowayans Stick To The Home Front Guns

The Home Front was maintained by the citizens of Calloway County while the men went to the battle fronts.

Every quota that was assigned this county was met with full measure.

Many men and women served as chairman of committees and as members of committees, but there are a few who headed important organizations during the period of war that should be mentioned here.

W. Z. Carter headed the Red Cross as chairman, and Mrs. Clifford Melugin was executive secretary six years.

Others who served the entire war period are: Max Hurt, National Defense and Home Service chairman; Mrs. A. F. Doran, Special Service; Mrs. G. B. Scott, Production; Mrs. H. B. Bailey, Surgical Dressings; Mrs. S. D. Tandy, Mrs. Foreman Graham, Mrs. Robert S. Jones, Mrs. M. O. Wrather, Mrs. A. Carman and Mrs. Clark Harris, alternating as Sewing and Knitting chairmen; and Mrs. W. J. Caplinger, Nurses' Aide.

Finance Division Meets Quotas

W. Z. Carter served as Finance Chairman six years. This division included the sale of bonds and stamps.

The county was given a total War Bond quota of \$3,274,500 during the six years and raised \$4,322,648.25.

The first bond drive here was led by Mr. Carter. The second, third, and fourth drives were headed by George Hart. The fifth, sixth and seventh drives were led

by T. H. Stokes. The last drive, the Victory Loan, was directed by Mr. Carter. The quota was over-subscribed in each instance.

War Fund Drives

In the campaign for funds in the War Fund Drive, Dr. James H. Richmond served as chairman from 1940 to 1943. H. J. Fenton and Dewey Ragsdale served as co-chairmen from 1943 to 1946.

Murray Women Served on The Home Front By Enrolling In Nurses' Aide Courses

Early in 1942, a Nurses' Aide Training course was organized in Murray through the local Red Cross. These courses continued until peace was declared. Thus the women of this county prepared themselves to help in the local hospitals when there was a shortage of nurses and doctors.

The first graduation exercise for Murray's 10 nurses' aides was held in the little chapel of Murray State College, the night of March 23. Dr. James H. Richmond, president of the college, presided.

The women completed 80 hours of theory and practice with 20 hours first aid prerequisite, and pledged 150 hours free service to the hospitals yearly.

Dr. Ora Mason and Dr. Hal Houston accepted the presentation of the first volunteer Nurses' Aides. Mrs. W. J. Caplinger, of the Calloway County Civilian Defense Unit, made the presentation.

The first graduation group included Mrs. E. L. Garrett, instructor; Miss Jane Neiswanger, Murray; Miss Dora Bell Baird, Murray; Miss Elsie Rogers, Murray; Miss Wathena Slaughter, Detroit, Mich.; Miss Elizabeth Askew, Murray; Miss Netsy Muncy, Berea; Miss Alta Strong, Louisville; Miss Betty Ray, Columbus, O.; Mrs. Fannie Whayne, Murray; and Miss Gladys Snyder. Misses Snyder, Muncy and Strong were instructors on the Murray resident NYA project at Murray college. (Picture not available.)

Thesecond group listed in the Nurses' Aide graduation program are: Mrs. Thelma Parks Saylor, R. N., instructor; Mrs. B. J. Hoffman, Mrs. W. Z. Carter, Mrs. Carnie Hendon, Mrs. Wesley Waldrop, Mrs. Alfred M. Wolfson, Miss Charlotte Owen, Mrs. Charles Mercer, Mrs. Mary Sue Enoch, Mrs. Garva M. Gatlin, and Mrs. Mavis Mardis. Commencement exercises were held June 10, 1942. (Picture not available.)



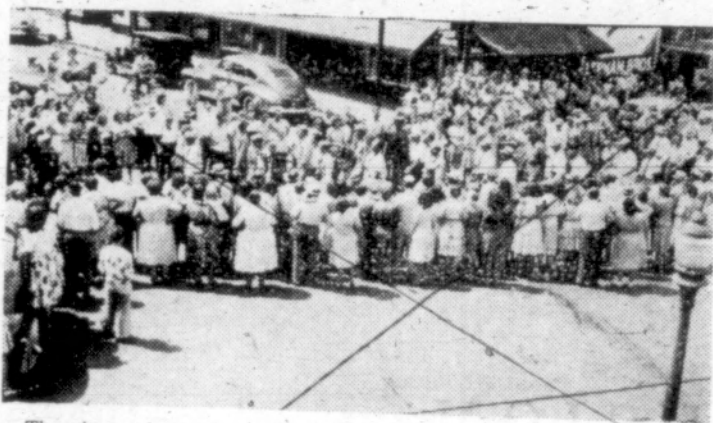
Pictured above is the third class of Nurse's Aides to be graduated in Murray.

From left to right, they are: Mrs. H. J. Fenton, now deceased, instructor; Miss Juanita McDougal, Mrs. Cecil Moody, Mrs. J. O. Chambers, Mrs. Glen C. Ashcraft, Mrs. Jesse Washburn and Mrs. Emma Craig. Mrs. S. R. Marconi, also a member of the class was not included in the picture. Graduation for the class above was held at the Woman's Club house with W. Z. Carter, presenting caps and pins and presenting certificates to members of the two previous classes.

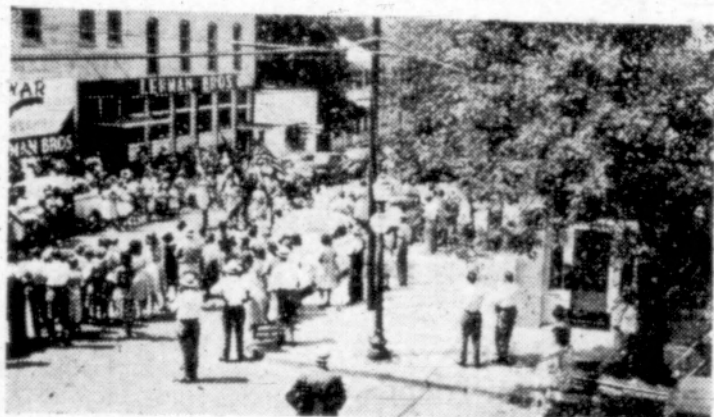


The women pictured above comprised the last Nurses' Aide training class conducted here by the Red Cross. They are: Mrs. H. J. Fenton, instructor; Miss Doris Jane Aycock, Miss Betty Jo Sanders, Miss Oneida Wear, Mrs. W. C. McCoy, Mrs. Clifford Seeber, Mrs. Allen McCoy, Mrs. Sarah Underwood, Mrs. E. A. Tucker and Miss Bernice Posey.

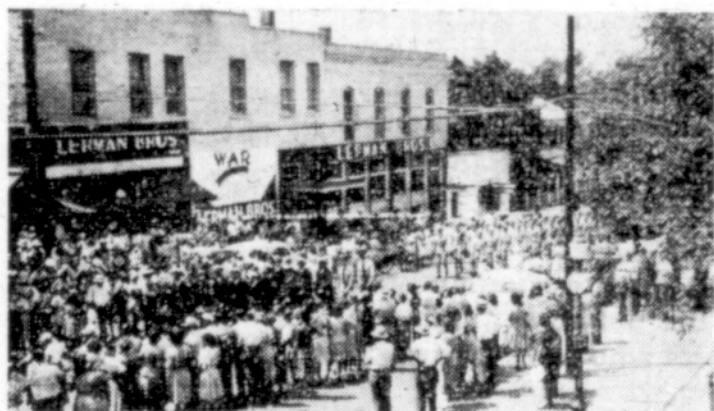
Scenes Taken On Murray Square Wednesday, August 15, of V-J Day



The above photographs were made from a window over Dale & Stubblefield's Drug Store by Maurice Ryan on V-J Day and show the crowds gathered at that corner of the square. The first picture shows the crowd waiting for the parade that started at 11 a.m.



The second picture shows the color guard advancing to the sound of the drummers, Misses Minnie Lee Churchill, Ann Littleton, Hazel Hood, Martha Jean Baker, and Jot Pei Anderson. The service men of World War I and II with Navy officers of the Navy Refresher School of Murray State College followed the flags.



The third picture shows the Navy from the College marching east on Main Street. Not included in the picture were the Boy and Girl Scouts. A number of local individuals may be recognized by looking closely.

LT. J. L. LITTLEJOHN RECEIVES BRONZE STAR



Lt. James L. Littlejohn was awarded the Bronze Star medal by direction of the President for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the Kwajalein operation, February 3-4, 1944. His wife is the former Miss Robbie Sykes, daughter of W. D. Sykes of Murray.

M-SGT. J. W. WINCHESTER



M-Sgt. Joe W. Winchester, Jr. was an airplane mechanic in the Army Air Force. The above picture was made in France. Winchester is kneeling in the picture. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winchester.

FRANK COCHRUM PLAYS BASKETBALL



Frank R. Cochrum, S 1-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burie Cochrum, Hazel, Route 3, is pictured above on the left. He played basketball with the Salem Coast Guard Air Station quintet during his military training. He received newspaper publicity for his good playing.

CAPTAIN HAL HOUSTON RECEIVES AWARD



Capt. Hal E. Houston, Murray, received the Legion of Merit from Lt. Col. Guy C. Randall of McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Tex., in September 1945. Capt. Houston served as neurosurgeon for the 128th Evacuation Hospital and received the Legion of Merit for "Exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services" in Normandy, Northern France and Germany.

Calloway County Draft Board Who Served During World War II



Pictured above are members of the local draft board (reading from left to right): Mrs. Mary Neale, chief clerk; Ed Filbeck, member of the board and re-employment committeeman; Will Washer, chairman of the board, and V. H. Clark, member. Standing is Mrs. Gussie Adams, assistant clerk.

M-SGT. F. C. POGUE GETS BRONZE STAR FOR SERVICE



M-Sgt. Forrest C. Pogue Jr. (right) faculty member of Murray State College, is congratulated by Col. S. L. A. Marshall (left), theater historian, ETOUSA, upon the former's receipt of the bronze star medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations from April 23, 1944, to May 6, 1945. Pogue, a graduate of Murray State College, has the bachelor's degree from Murray, the master's degree from the University of Kentucky, and the Ph.D. degree from Clark University.

The above three members of Calloway County's Selective Service board have never seen action on battle fronts, yet the war couldn't have been won without these men and members of other selective draft board all over the country.

They served more than four years without furlough or relief. It has been hard service, trying, tiresome, and frequently sorrowful—performed without pay, without acclaim, without decoration, with almost no public recognition.

The only decoration these men received was a Selective Service medal. The award was made by Lt. Col. Solon F. Russell, chief of the manpower division of Kentucky headquarters of Selective Service. Roy Brandon, who served for several months on the local board and who is not included in the above picture, was included in the Murray group who received Selective Service Medals.

These men are the human element of Selective Service—the machinery that helped to put the major part of twelve million men into uniform without disrupting the home front. They were on the job from late in 1940, when America's first peacetime draft began functioning with the drawing of blue capsules from a gigantic bowl in Washington. Remember when No. 158 came out first? These people were working then with the exception of Mr. Filbeck who took Roy Brandon's place July 9, 1943, and Mrs. Neale who took the place that had been filled by her husband, E. G. Neale in May, 1941.

IN CONCLUSION

The supplement, Heroes of World War II, is finished with this issue.

Compiling information for this brief and incomplete history of the activities of the men and citizens of Calloway County has not been easy. It has required time and special effort on the part of the Ledger & Times staff.

Each item concerning news of Calloway men in World War II was clipped, filed and assembled into this record for the convenience of those who cared.

Much of the information was contributed by the readers of the Ledger & Times. Without the help of friends, fathers, mothers, wives, sweethearts and children, we could not have had all the information included.

Our only regret is that we could not make the history complete. Names of all men who served in World War II from this county could not be obtained. Pictures of many men were not possible. There are some mistakes that we could not correct and were unintentional. For any errors in rank or fact, we apologize. Most of the material included was collected during August and September 1945, thus many changes have been made in the status of persons included.

The Ledger & Times has given this information, the result of many months work, to the public through the circulation of this paper and to others who have expressed a desire for it.

As the last page is finished and the last sentence written, we pledge our allegiance to this land for which these men fought, to the principles that make our democracy sacred, and to the ever lasting memories of the sacrifices suffered by homes all over our nation.

It is the aim of this publication to be a tribute to those who live and to those who died for the cause of "Liberty and Justice For All."

—Mrs. George Hart, Editor.