

Soldiers who left the SS “Tuscania” in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, upon its arrival on 26 January 1918:

The SS “Tuscania” sailed from New York City on 24 January 1918. The ship arrived in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, on 26 January 1918. Here, 21 U.S. soldiers were removed from the ship due to illness. Then the “Tuscania” became part of a 12-ship convoy, which sailed from Halifax on 27 January 1918. The “Tuscania” was torpedoed and sunk on 5 February 1918.

Some of these men sailed to Europe later aboard another ship. Some did not serve overseas. One died soon after.

After the “Tuscania” sunk, these men were usually reported as missing in action or possibly dead, until the U.S. War Department announced on 13 February 1918 that they had been left behind in Canada and were not on board when the ship sunk.

These men were:

Rupert Abednego Davis – sailed to Europe later, ship unknown

Alberto Diaz – sailed to Europe in March 1918, ship unknown

Henry Earl Forshee – sailed to Europe on “Mercury” in March 1918

William T. George – sailed to Europe on “Saxonia” in July 1918

Frederick John Groomer – sailed to Europe on “N-192” in March 1918

Carl Victor Jacobson – unclear if he sailed to Europe or served overseas

Jefferson Davis Jones – sailed to Europe on “America” in June 1918

Jesse Robert Kime – sailed to Europe on “Pastores” in February 1918

Roderick Donald MacDonald – sailed to Europe on “55” in March 1918

Jacob Wister Martin – did not serve overseas

Stephen Foster Mead – sailed to Europe on “La Touraine” in March 1918

Howard William Meneley – sailed to Europe on “530” in March 1918

Erven Vollie Miller– sailed to Europe on “530” in March 1918

Edward Frederick Parker – sailed to Europe on “1” in February 1918; died in France

Theodore John Pollok – sailed to Europe on “DeKalb (11)” in February 1918 and/or “Pastores” in September 1918

Roy Edwin Powelson – sailed to Europe on “Ryndam/Rijndam” in June 1918

Archie Dwight Roberts – did not sail to Europe, died in Army hospital in New York City in March 1918

George Roscoe Rogers – sailed to Europe on “Carpathia” in March 1918

Elvin Otto Stephens – sailed to Europe on “N-192 (or “530”?) in March 1918

Rufus Welch Taff – sailed to Europe on “DeKalb” in February 1918 and/or “Pastores” in September 1918

Joe Lester Taylor – sailed to Europe on “DeKalb” in February 1918