

TUSCANIA

Boone, Joseph Thomas (Tom)
1892 MO – 1981 OK



Joseph Thomas (Tom) Boone – “Daily Oklahoman” (Oklahoma City OK) Sunday 17 Feb 1918 p 17 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/899764164/>



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| 1. NAME OF DECEASED EXACTLY AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See instructions regarding options) | | | 13. APPLICANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS (No. and street, city, and State) | | ZIP CODE |
| FIRST Tom | MIDDLE | LAST Boone | Thomas H. Boone 6545 E. 28th Tulsa, Oklahoma | | 74129 |
| 2. HIGHEST RANK; AND BRANCH OF SERVICE IN WHICH HELD Pvt. 1st Class USA | | | 14. AREA CODE AND PHONE NO. 918-838-9158 | | 15. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED Son |
| 3. WAS THE DECEASED AWARDED THE MEDAL OF HONOR? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | | | I accept responsibility for placement of the headstone or marker at no expense to the Government. I certify that all statements made are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. | | |
| 4. WARS DURING WHICH DECEASED SERVED WWI | | | 16. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>Thomas H. Boone</i> | | |
| 5. YEAR OF BIRTH 12-28-1892 | | | 17. DATE 6-9-81 | | |
| 6. YEAR OF DEATH 5-7-1981 | | | 18. SIGN TO: CONSIGNEE'S NAME AND ADDRESS (No. and street, city, and State) Donald Gilliland 461 S. 7th Fairfax, Oklahoma | | |
| 7. TYPE OF HEADSTONE OR MARKER REQUESTED (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER | | | 19. AREA CODE AND PHONE NO. 918 642-3495 | | |
| 8. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM DESIRED (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian) <input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Jewish) <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify in item 25 on reverse) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE | | | 20. SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE <i>Donald Gilliland</i> | | |
| 9. NAME DECEASED USED DURING SERVICE (First, middle, last) Tom Boone | | | 21. DATE 6-9-81 | | |
| 10. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 448-36-8492 | | | 22. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF CEMETERY <i>Donald Gilliland</i> | | |
| 11. PENSION NO. OR VA CLAIM NO. C. 00390002 | | | 23. DATE 6-9-81 | | |
| 12. PLACE OF BURIAL (Name of cemetery, city, and State) Fairfax Cem. Fairfax, Oklahoma | | | | | |
| FOR USE OF VETERANS ADMINISTRATION | | | | | |
| INSCRIPTION DATA PFC USA Army / WWI | | | | | |
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Life:

IS YOUR NAME HERE?

Osage County is to furnish 199 men in the first call under the draft made yesterday. It is estimated that one-half of those under the call will be exempt for some cause and that 398 will be included in the call. The list follows:

| | | |
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| 2448 | Ray Halford | 2108 |
| 1358 | Tom Boone | 2503 |
| 923 | Courtland Bray | 1305 |

"Osage Journal" (Pawhuska OK) Thursday 26 Jul 1917 p 6

The First Draft.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Hominy; Clarence Summers, Ponca City; Wichir Martin, Locas Grove; Claud Hicks, Skiatook; Tom Boone, Fairfax; Jas. Whiskey, Merl Rivers, Pawhuska; George Moody, Hominy; Oscar Foster, Bigheart; Lee Kilburn, Wekiva; James Vernon, Avant; Wilber Schooley, Prue.

Accepted.

"Osage Journal" (Pawhuska OK) Thursday 9 Aug 1917 p 8



Fairfax's Roll of Honor.

THE CHIEF is compiling a list of all of the boys who have volunteered or been drafted into the army or navy from Fairfax and vicinity and would be pleased to have their names and addresses. Send us the name and address of anyone you know who has volunteered or been drafted.

Geo B. Shoun, Co. M. 358 Inf.

Fred Labenske, Co. K. 358 Inf.

Tom Boone, Co. M. 358 Inf.

John Kemper, Co. M. 358 Inf.

Flynn Button, Co. M. 358 Inf.

Arch Carroll, Headquarters Co. 343,
F. A. N. A.

Frank E. Wootan, 358 Inf. Head-
quarters Co.

Clarence Cochran, Co. A 557 Inf.

CAMP TRAVIS, TEXAS.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) Friday 23 Nov 1917 p 1

PARTIAL LIST SAVED OKLAHOMANS FROM LOST TROOP SHIP TUSCANIA

B.

ALLEN W. BARNETT, Comanche.
ARTHUR G. BERRY, Orlando.
JAMES C. BLACKBURN, Shawnee.
SILAS J. BUMPASS, Corinne.
MACK BAILEY, New Wilson.
ALBERT J. BENGE, Frederick.
TOM BOONE, Fairfax.
LOUIS D. BLAKE, Okarrche.
CHARLES BARTHOLOMEW, Glenco.
ELMER L. BASINGERZ, Tuttle.
JOHN C. BATE, Stillwater.
WAYNE H. BOX, Coweta.
HENRY S. BURLSON, Minco.
OTTO BUSSAMUS, Indianoma.
RUEL BLAGG, Weatherford.
ERNEST C. BROWN, Thomas.
JACK BRACKETT, Woodward.

C.

"Daily Ardmoreite" (Ardmore OK) Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 5

OSAGE COUNTY BOYS SAFE

Osage county, while bowing her head in sympathy with other sections whose gallant sons went down with the ill-fated Tuscania, rejoices that her three sons aboard, have landed on friendly shores and are alive and well. Alvin Binkley, Tom Boone and Joe Kemper, all from over about Fairfax and Ralston, were aboard the Tuscania when she fell a victim to the German U-boat.

The sinking of this big transport was only what has been looked for ever since our soldier boys have been landing in France. Of course all were dreading to hear it even though they were expecting it. The large percent of the men aboard saved, is attributed to the cool heads and perfect discipline of our men. No mad rush, no stampede, but every man facing death with the same earnest determination that he pledged his all, even his life, to secure the priceless boon of liberty and freedom for all people. Such men are soldiers worthy of the highest confidence and honor. Who is there yet left to enjoy the comforts of home that will not sacrifice their all to help such soldiers and the cause for which they are fighting.

Two Fairfax boys were on the ill fated ship Tuscania, which was sunk last week by a German submarine— John Kemper and Tom Boone, and both were saved. Olin Binkley of Ralston was on the ship and he was saved also. Boone is a son of Mrs. Anna Largent of this city, and Kemper is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kemper, who recently moved to near Ponca City. Considerable feeling has been aroused among the citizens over the sinking of the ship, but all are glad to know that the home boys were saved.

“Osage Chief” (Fairfax OK) Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 7

age of the new rate.

Yesterday Mrs. Anna Largent received a letter from a red cross nurse in a hospital at Paris, stating that her son, Tom Boone, had been slightly wounded, and would be moved south soon. How bad he is injured and where he will be removed to is yet unknown. The fact that he is slightly wounded would indicate that he is being sent to the southern part of France until he recovers. His friends here hope for his speedy recovery.

“Osage Chief” (Fairfax OK) Friday 19 Jul 1918 p 3

Tom Boone received his honorable discharge from the army at Camp Pike on February 22 and arrived home last Saturday. Tom is the first Fairfax boy to return home who had actual service in the war zone in France. He has had some wonderful experiences and can tell first hand of the awful atrocities committed by the Hun. Tom was on the Lusitania which was sunk by a submarine near England. He was not wounded but badly gassed. Welcome home Tom.

Tom was on Tuscania, not Lusitania – “Osage Chief” (Fairfax OK) Friday 28 Feb 1919 p 1

WAR ADVENTURES FROM RALSTON TO THE RHINE

Olan Binkley Writes of His Experiences During Past Eighteen Months.

Ahrweiler, Germany, Dec. 18, 1918

Dear Bud and wife:

As the war is over and everything has quieted down, I will try to tell you some of my experiences since I have been serving our country in the U. S. Army.

It has been one year the 2nd day of last October since I was hooked and sent to Camp Travis, Texas, to my first training camp. There I learned to do "squads east" and "squads west". Was there nearly two months in the 358th Infantry Hq. Co., and early one Sunday morning I got orders to roll my pack; so I did, and was sent to a Detention Camp. I did not mind that at all, as I didn't do anything but eat and sleep for about eighteen days. At last we got orders to pull out. We got on the train the 10th of January and traveled five days and nights. We didn't know where

days and nights. We didn't know where we were going, but we were on our way. After our long journey through the Southern and Eastern States, we landed at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, and after a few days there my Captain asked me if I wanted to take out some life insurance. About that time I felt something slippin'. Some of the boys said, "Bink will make good fish bait, won't he?"

So on the 23rd of January we boarded the Tuscania at Hoboken and sailed for Halifax. It was a three days trip and we stayed in the harbor one day. This was after the big explosion, and believe me it was a sight. There were some large ships lying out on the bank, and the houses and large trees were blown down for a quarter of a mile back from the shore.

Well, we left there with a convoy of twelve large steamers; three or four were loaded with troops and the others were freighters except one big U. S. battleship which was the leader, and from the looks of the large guns which were pointing out over her sides it must have been loaded for bear.

We were bound for Liverpool, England, and we got out about the middle of the Atlantic and things began to look pretty blue. The wind was high and the old boat was rocking and plunging. believe me! Sometimes I could stand on

the top deck and could see for miles and the next minute I could look up and see the big waves rolling. Sometimes they would splash clear over the top deck. At night we would have to lie crosswise in bed and hold on to the sides to keep from rolling out.

On our eleventh day out from New York we met eight British submarine chasers. They looked like hell divers, the way they bobbed up and down: part of the time I could see them and part of the time I could not. They were to clear the way and sink all the submarines for us. (They did—like Jick sunk the ducks) Well we sailed on, and on the thirteenth day out it was pretty sunshiny. That evening a friend of mine, Harry Lawson, and myself stood up on the deck and watched the sun set over sea. It was quite pretty, believe me. We both got sea-sick and were anxious to see land, but nothing could be seen but the old rolling Ocean.

It was the 5th day of February about 5:45 when a spry little submarine sprang up in the Irish Sea, and in it was a Dutchman with a torpedo to spare, and at the Tuscania he fired it and hit her right side. It hit our boat gently and blew a hole in her side. This was after supper and Tom Boone said to me, Lets get our coats and lifebelts and prepare.

We walked up on the second deck and it was getting quite dark when we got that awful jar. We both hit the deck with a crash and nearly broke our constitution. We got up and rushed to our lifeboats and plunged into them. There was lots of excitement for a while. At last we got our boat down with about fifty men in it, and said to myself "Here is where Bink gets an ice-cold bath." With hard rowing and tugging we pulled out from the ship. It was about 9:30 when we were picked up by a British de-

stroyer which they called the Grasshopper. From the way it bucked you would imagine you were riding a grasshopper. At 4:30 the next morning we pulled into the harbor at Londonderry, Ireland, and got off at the dock. They took us to hospitals and barracks and they treated us like mothers. A few days later we got on the train, went to Dublin, Ireland; and got on a boat again. Sailed to Hollyhead, England and got off again. They sent us to Winchester, England, for a long rest and about all we did there was Squad Right and Squad Left. I got on the ship again at South Hampton and crossed the English Channel to Havre, France, and was sent to a replacement camp. Then to Baccarat and was attached to the old Sixty-Ninth which is now the 165th Regiment of U. S. National Guards. Me with two months of training was about like a big fine apple, out drilling with the old soldiers. But they didn't have anything on me with a rifle. They had been to the trenches once at Luneville, and it wasn't long until we went again. My first trip to the trenches was at Battenvilla. When I first heard the big guns they didn't sound good to me. I helped to build barbed-wire entanglements and fix up the blown up trenches. One day I was out working and I saw a "Dutch" observation ba-

loon. I said to myself, "They must be having a baloon ascension over in Germany." By this time he had me located and phoned down to his artillery and gave them a line on me. Then I heard something coming through the air that sounded like an organ; it came pretty close and went BANG, and the shrapnel began to fly. It didn't take long to learn their tricks, and after that when I saw a "Dutch" baloon or airplane I made sure it didn't see me.

Then my next trip to the trenches I was sixteen days on an outpost about 150 yards from the German front line. This was in the mountains about the first of May; the days were long and dreary, the nights were very cool and the Devils were just across No Man's Land. One night we went over the top to capture a machine gun nest or "pillbox" we had located. We got out nearly to their trenches and ran into their barbwire entanglements. The Devil heard us coming and shot up about a dozen flares. It lighted the woods and valleys up like day. They then opened up on us with machine guns and threw granades at us. We hit the dirt and crawled into old shell holes and when the lights went out we made our escape back to our lines. Was there sixteen long days and nights and what we had to eat was Corn Willie and

hardtack. The best part of it all was, we didn't have to take our clothes off to sleep. I had my shoes off just once in sixteen days. Our beds were in dugouts about thirty feet deep.

At last we left there for the Champagne front at Cholians. The Germans were planning a big drive on Cholians and we stopped there to correct their mistake. We slept in shell holes and trenches till the 14th of July. At 12:00 o'clock that night the fireworks started. Both sides opened up their cannons and it sounded like thunderstorms. At 4:30 that morning the pick of the German Army came over to our front line trench but they didn't stay there long. After three days of heavy bombardment and heavy fighting they turned and went the other way. We sure did get those Dutchmen's goat when we pointed our bayonets at their throats. Then we left there for a few days rest.

We went on to Chautea Thierry to capture the rest. When we went in there C. C. was 250 strong and after eight days hard fighting we were 77 strong. We lived in shell holes and ate hardtack while cannons were roaring and the machine guns played pit-a-pat. With gas shells and shrapnel they made us take off our packs. On the 19th of July we

except our rifles and bayonets and went over the top. The Huns saw us coming and all took a crack. We rushed right up on them and then we took a crack. They stuck up their hands and hollered, "Kamerad". And WE said, "Go on Jack!"

We captured their position and Hill 212, and a night or two later we took charge of the Meurcy Farm. On the 3rd day of August we were relieved and marched back to the kitchen and fell in

with a mess kit in our hand.

We camped back of the lines till the 10th of August. We got lots to eat and picked up again. Then we started back to the rear for a rest. We stayed in barracks about a week.

Then we started hiking back to the front. We hiked at nights and rested days. Were bound for Toul Sector to make another drive. We hiked till we finally got there and camped in the woods just back of the lines to wait a few days till our artillery got set.

On the night of September 11th we went to the front. It was cold and rainy and we all got soakin' wet. We stood in mud and water up to our ankles waiting for the hour to come. At 2:30 that morning our work began. The shells sounded fierce going over our heads. They shelled the front line trenches about four hours and at daybreak they raised their barrage, and we followed it up. We got to their front trenches. They were blown all to Hell. They had pulled back to their second line and set their machine guns. We took a good look across Germany and could see nothing but smoke and earth flying up. We crossed their first trenches and all their barbwire, but we were not satisfied till we found where they were. We did-

...till we found where they were. We didn't get far till business picked up. They turned loose their machine guns as usual. Well, we went over and got their grapes. Made about a twelve mile drive to the old Hindenburg Line. I guess you read about the prisoners we took. Was in the front line seven or eight days. It would take a month to write all that happened, so will stop on that front and start on Verdun.

We hiked to Verdun and went into the lines two hundred strong and when we came out we were about twenty-five strong. We came out for another rest and then made another rush and when we stopped going the war was done. We wound it up on the Meuse River near Sedan. Then we started hiking again through Belgium, Luxemburg and on to the Rhine. Now we're Bing, Bang, Bing 'em on the Rhine, near Goblentz, Germany.

Well, I don't think the Kaiser will sink my boat any more.

From your brother,

CORP. OLAN BINKLEY

Co. A, 165th Infantry, A. E. F.

"Ralston (OK) Tribune" Friday 18 Apr 1919 p 1 -
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BACK HOME

When your friend gets back with that honorable discharge in his pocket, tell The Oklahoman his name and address. If he has been overseas, say so, and he will get a star in the column.

*Clarence Steele, Geary.
 *Corp. Frank E. Wootan, Fairfax.
 *Lorence Mills, Fairfax.
 *Tom Boone, Fairfax.
 *Tommie Smith, Fairfax.
 *Joe Denning, Fairfax.
 Dewey Nash, Fairfax.
 Wiley Kreimitz, Hominy.
 Clifford Garlett, Fairfax.
 Omer Largent, Fairfax.
 Henry Laybank, Fairfax.
 Lee Uto, Fairfax.
 Dewey Nash, Fairfax.
 Fred Labenske, Fairfax.
 Eugene Ladd, Fairfax.
 Ernie Newton, Fairfax.
 Ed Fincher, Fairfax.
 Newton Gibbs, Fairfax.
 Clare Haggard, Fairfax.
 Buck Trueman, Fairfax.
 Bill Stepson, Fairfax.
 Bill Revard, Fairfax.
 Hall Good, Fairfax.

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Wounded, Degree Undetermined.

Tom Boone, Fairfax.
 Oliver W. Bryant, Watts.
 Jesse E. Crider, Nebo.
 Floyd W. Bryan, Stillwater.
 Ambrose W. Clark, Grandfield.
 James L. Mayo, Lebanon.
 J. Beard Harvey, Range.

“Harlow’s Weekly” (Oklahoma City OK) Wednesday 21 May 1919 p 10

Haskell Boone has returned home from Wilburton, where he spent a few days with relatives. His nephew, Joe Tom Boone, accompanied him home for a short visit.

“McAlester (OK) News-Capital” Thursday 29 May 1919 p 3

NEWKIRK ROPING CONTEST

One of the most successful roundups ever staged in Oklahoma was pulled off at Newkirk this week. It was a thrill from start to finish. The management advertised the affair extensively and secured the best talent possible. The weather was favorable for the event and the attendance was good each day. They had some real broncos and range steers. In addition to the various roping contests were trick and fancy riding, fancy or exhibition roping, the clown with his mule, lady bronco riding and Roman racing. Those who entered the roping contest were:

Alex Tall Chief, Fairfax, Okla.
Street Birdstrup, Garden City, Kansas.

Lloyd Saunders, Los Angeles, California.

Tom Cornett, Fairfax, Okla.
D. L. Bledsoe, Garden City, Kas.
Scott Maish, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Gene Butler, Fairfax, Okla.
Paul Cedar, Burbank, Okla.
Ben Johnson, Foraker, Okla.
Robert Donaldson, Fairfax, Oklahoma.

Blue Gentry, Burbank, Okla.
Cliff King, Garden City, Kas.
Fred Beason, Oklahoma City.
John Starr, Fairfax, Okla.
John Judd, Ponca City, Okla.
J. H. Cornett, Fairfax, Okla.
Black Gord, Fairfax, Okla.
Clarence Daniels, Ralston, Oklahoma.

Irvin Tipton, Newkirk, Okla.
Guy Shultz, Bliss, Okla.
Bill McKinley, Fairfax, Okla.
Orville Woodring, Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

Bob Parker, Fairfax, Okla.
Haul Good, Fairfax, Okla.
Eddie Burgess, Shulter, Okla.
Frank Fletcher, Fairfax, Okla.
Henry Grammer, Kaw City.
Alvin Carter, Pawhuska, Okla.
Bill Stepson, Fairfax, Okla.
Sam Garrett, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Barton Carter, Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

Oklahoma.

Enes Tall Chief, Fairfax, Oklahoma.
Tom Boone, Fairfax, Okla.
Happy Scott, Harding, Okla.
John Hunter, Fairfax, Okla.
J. H. Cornett, Fairfax, Okla.
Alvin Pool, Hardy, Okla.

Those who enter the steer bulldogging contest were: Slim Casky, Shorty Kelso, Slim Mathews, Jim Massey, Scott Maish, Guy Schultz, Lloyd Saunders, D. L. Bledsoe, Bryan Perkins and Ray Quick. First prize was won by Slim Casky, whose average was 21.4. Shorty Kelso won second money with an average of 24.2. Jim Massey won third with an average of 30.5.

One of the most amusing features of the program was Ed Sublett, from Santa Fe, New Mexico, with his trick mule. He was a good clown and with his mule kept the large crowd in an uproar on every appearance.

The prize winners on fancy roping were: Chester Byers, first; Johnny Judd, second; and Sam Garrett, third.

Prize winners in the Roman races were: Princess Mowhawk, Los Angeles, first, and Jack Brown, Garden City, Kansas, second.

Prize winners in the trick riding contest were Lloyd Saunders, Los Angeles, Calif; Sam Garrett, Cheyenne, Wyo; Jack Ray, Bliss, Oklahoma.

“Newkirk (OK) Democrat-Herald” Thursday 14 Oct 1920 p 1

(Published in Okmulgee Daily Times June 2,
9 and 16, 1921.)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

To Tom Boone, the owner of the following
described real estate situated in Okmulgee
County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

Lots 1 and 8, Block 42, Spelter City.

You are hereby notified that the under-
signed is the holder of Tax Sale certificates
Nos. 32749 and 32752, on the 4th day of
November, 1918, on the above described prop-
erty and unless redemption be made on said
sale within sixty (60) days from date of the
first publication of this notice a tax deed will
be applied for.

(Signed)

EVA DUGAN,
Holder of Certificates.

"Okmulgee (OK) Daily Times" Thursday 16 Jun 1921 p 9

WINNERS IN GOAT ROPING CONTEST AT RALSTON

The goat roping contest at Ralston Sunday afternoon was one of the best attended and interest shown in the "cowboy sport" was an indication of a longing for the "old times" by the lovers of the rope.

Gus Keller of Stillwater took first in the goat roping contest, tying Mr. Goat in 20 2-5 seconds and winning the \$70.00 purse. Jess Thompson of the Osage took second money, \$40, tying his goat in 20 4-5 seconds. Jack Pratt took third money, \$20, 'getting his goat' in 12 1-5 seconds.

In the calf roping contest Bob Parker of Burbank won first in 25 seconds; Neal Sawyer of Otoe second, in 26 2-5, and Tom Boone of Fairfax third, in 41 2-5 seconds.

"Pawnee (OK) Courier-Dispatch" Thursday 14 Jul 1921 p 1

Tom Boone left last Sunday for Russellville, Arkansas, where he will enter the Arkansas agricultural college for a course in animal husbandry and hog raising. He will enter training under the direction of the U. S. Veteran's Bureau.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) Friday 24 Mar 1922 p 6

Tom Boone, who is taking a course in animal husbandry at the Arkansas Agricultural college at Russellville, Arkansas, under the direction of the United States Veterans Bureau, arrived in Fairfax Sunday to spend a two weeks vacation.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) Friday 5 May 1922 p 1

Tom Boone, who has been attending the Arkansas State Agricultural college at Russellville, Ark., returned to Fairfax Monday to spend the summer vacation.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) Friday 23 Jun 1922 p 8

George Shoun and Tom Boone went to Webb City Thursday where they entered some terrapins in the terrapin race held there.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Friday 2 Sep 1927 p 3

Wednesday, December 7
 630—Charley Dixon possession.
 1256—Pat Harris H L McFee possession.
 1259—Jim Colgrove possession.
 1264—Mrs Stella Jackson possession.
 1532—N J Koury possession.
 1804—John Haynes N P A.
 1832—John Haynes possession.
 1807—E L Blair N P A.
 1820—George Donohue possession (sentence Ct 1).
 1824—L F West possession.
 1835—James Kastle Tom Boone possession.
 1849—Mrs Alpha Staggs Rainey possession.
 2258—W J Tyner L B Kester possession.
 2262—Frank Clemmins possession.
 2377—George Donohue Romeo Veal possession.

Possession of alcohol during Prohibition – “Tulsa (OK) Daily Register” Thursday 8 Nov 1927
p 1

They Train Their Own

. . .

Terrapin Owners Come Out With Lavish Arrange- ments for Preparing En- tries for Derby Day— What Will Winner Do With the Money?

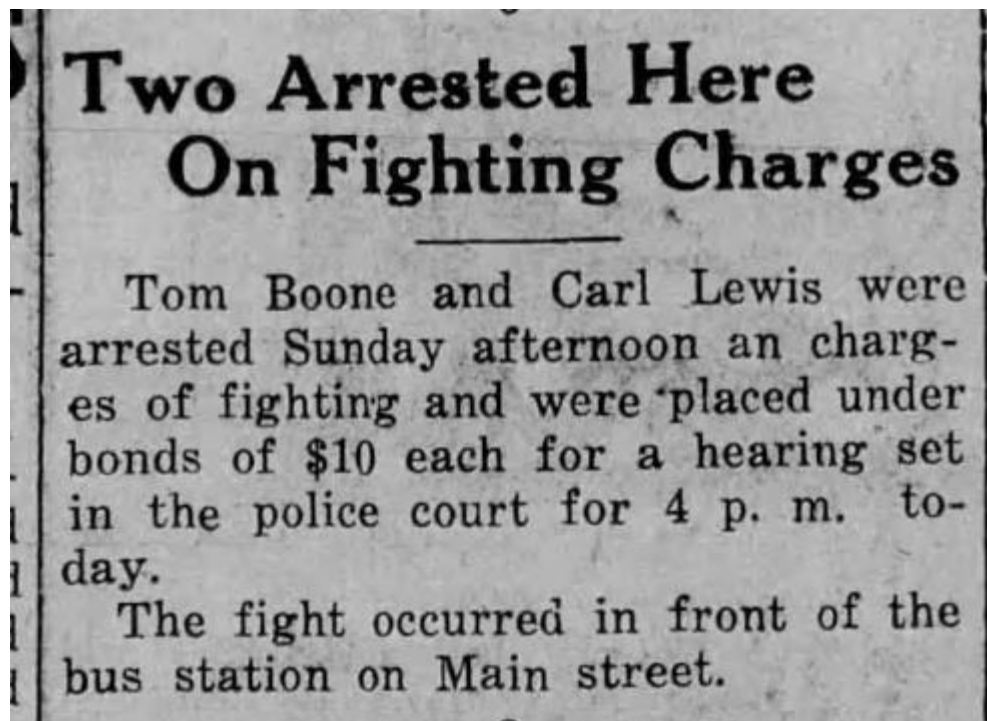
(Special to The News)

Fairfax, Aug. 30.—With prices steady to 50 cents higher for choice fed terrapins and slow to middling on common classes the street market of Fairfax shows an improvement over last week's quotations for racing turtles. Thursday's receipts totaled 4,500 turtles, with choice yellow-leg, red-eyed classes bringing \$5 each, and others ranging down to 25 cents.

Tom Boone, local turtle man, topped the market for Thursday with a fine galloper, sired by Mus-Tin-Kah 1926 grand champion at the 101 ranch, and out of Billie B., grand champion at the 1927 derby. The price received was \$5.25. Yellow eyed turtles were bringing \$1.50@ \$2.00; green grassers, \$1.10@1.40; upland blacks, 85c@\$1.05, and rock mid-gets, 25@75c.

Demand for the past week has been strong, allowing for a recovery from the slight market depression of last week. Glut of the cracker market is foreseen if present terrapin prices continue steady, since terrapin soup consumers are refusing to buy at figures being quoted.

“Ponca City (OK) News” Friday 31 Aug 1928 p 1



"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Monday 10 Jun 1929 p 2

**RALSTON GROUP HERE
TO BOOST CELEBRATION**

A delegation of the Ralston Chamber of Commerce accompanied by their municipal band stopped here yesterday noon while on their tour of this section for the purpose of advertising the June 29-July 4 celebration to be held at Ralston under the auspices of Tom Boone and Jess Thompson, Fairfax rodeo promoters.

According to the delegation, the town, though small, has prepared a full program for their visitors during the week which includes goat, steer, and calf roping, wild cow milking, terrapin race, tug o'war, gunney sack, fat man's and other foot races, steer and broncho riding, saddle horse and Indian pony races, greased poll climbing contest, greased pig catching contest, a free street dance and other features.

The fleet of cars, which were decorated as semi-floats, stopped at the rear of the Triangle building and the band played two numbers before and after the speakers address. Two clowns also amused the crowd which gathered.

"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Thursday 13 Jun 1929 p 8

RALSTON NEWS

Ralston, June 15.—Wednesday morning about 15 cars left here shortly after 8 o'clock on a Booster trip advertising the Fourth of July celebration. At Fairfax they were joined by Tom Boone, who will manage the rodeo of the entertainment. There were 20 members of the town band also on the trip, with a negro comedy act and clow act too. R. S. Jarrell made the announcement at the places where they stopped, which included Fairfax, Burbank, Apperson, Webb City, Denoya, Shidler, Carter Nine, Pawhuska, Wynona, and Hominy. Next Wednesday another trip will be made.

The residence occupied by the

"Ponca City (OK) News" Sunday 16 Jun 1929 p 9

**RODEO WILL BE
AT BALL PARK
HERE JUNE 21-22**

**American Legion Boys Will Have
Charge of Terrapin
Derby**

HAND GAME ON PROGRAM

Tom Boone and Jess Thompson working in connection with Hall Good and the local post of the American Legion are planning to put on a combined program here on the 21 and 22 of this month. The program will consist of a Rodeo, a Hand Game and Terrapin Derby.

Boone and Thompson will have charge of the Rodeo. They have arranged some very attractive events. Calf roping prizes will total \$120.00. They will also have goat roping, steer and bronc riding and other rodeo events.

The hand game will be in charge of Hall Good. Prizes will be awarded. The game will take place in front of the baseball grand stand.

The local post of the American Legion are planning on one of the biggest derby races ever put on in Fairfax. Entry blanks have been printed with full rules and regulations. Any person wanting further information on the Derby will see Bob Craig.

Information may be had from Hall Good on the hand game or Rodeo.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 12 Jun 1930 p 1

The rodeo was postponed Sunday at the Nine Mile corner on account of serious illness of Mrs. Largent, mother of Tom Boone. The ball game played between the Nine Mile Niners and the Doga team was quite exciting. The former team were winners by a score of 11-6. On next Sunday the game will be played between the Fairfax colored team and the Nine Mile boys.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 14 May 1931 p 3

Tom Boone fell from a horse Friday while roping and injured his knee to such an extent that he is having to use crutches.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 25 Jun 1931 p 3

While enroute to Pawnee Bill's Old Town to attend the rodeo and Masonic meeting Friday, Tom Boone and Jess Thompson narrowly escaped serious injury when the car they were driving was hit by a truck. They were going south on the main highway when the truck came from a road hitting Boone's car and nearly demolishing the front of it. They had a trailer with Thompson's horse on the car and the horse was thrown clear of the wreck. No one was hurt but the truck was completely ruined.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 3 Sep 1931 p 8

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Baily who have been operating the store at the Nine Mile Corner moved their home to town Saturday. The store is now being run by Tom Boone and his brother, Homer Largent.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 7 Jan 1932 p 4

Art Comstock Named Legion Commander

At annual election of officers Monday night, Art Comstock was chosen to command the local American Legion post the coming year. Comstock served the past year as service officer of the organization. He has always taken an active part in Legion affairs and has the energy and ability to make a capable commander.

Tom High is the retiring executive officer. During his tenure the post has made some creditable advances in standing and membership. Jack Taylor has served as his adjutant.

Other new officers elected were: Harve Cornelison, vice commander; Carl Morgan, adjutant; Clem Hunt, finance officer; Tom High, service officer; Allen Hutcheson, sergeant-at-arms; Spurgin Richardson, chaplain; Ray Cathey, trustee.

Tom Boone is retiring trustee. Jess Presbury and Harry Stumbaugh are hold-over trustees.

Delegates appointed to attend the annual department convention at Tulsa in September, include all the new officers, and Tom Bailey, Ray Davis, W. L. Hail, Tom Boone, Jack Taylor.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 27 Aug 1936 p 1

Tom Boone has his filling station near Grayhorse completed. It is located on highway 20.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 25 Apr 1940 p 6

days, as with the grandstand.
 Interest in horse racing and other
 rodeo events is growing every week
 as is indicated by the large crowd
 which assembles every Sunday after-
 noon at the Tom Boone place east of
 Fairfax on the Grayhorse road. Sev-
 eral hundred persons turn out each
 week to witness the races and roping
 events.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 20 Jun 1940 p 1

The rodeo at the Tom Boone place
 Sunday was well attended and they
 put on a good show. Tommy Smith
 of Pawhuska took most of first
 honors.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 24 Apr 1941 p 3

Tom Boone has bought Eugene Dil-
 beck's school bus and route.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 11 Sep 1941 p 7

A Third Oil Test To Start Here This Week

With two new tests drilling, location was made first of the week for a third oil test on leases adjacent to Fairfax. All are termed wildcats, as they are a considerable distance from production.

Report is that drilling contractors will drill for Bowers Oil Co. in the southwest corner of NW 21-24-6, which is a half mile south of the Tom Boone corner on the Grayhorse road. The location is only 2½ miles east and south of Fairfax.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 26 Feb 1942 p 1

Work Starts On Test Southeast Of Town

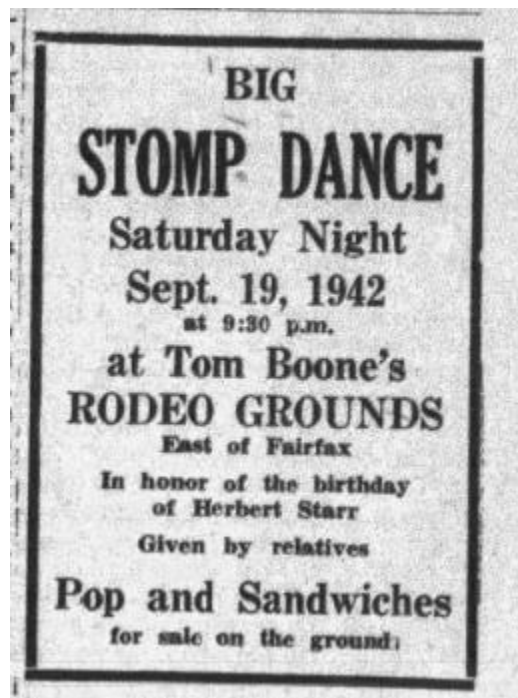
Moore & Gillespie drilling contractors set up a portable rotary outfit Tuesday for a test well 2½ miles east and south of Fairfax.

Location is in the northwest corner of SW 21-24-6, which is a half mile south of the Tom Boone corner on the Grayhorse road. Chas. Peters oil interests own this lease and several others in that vicinity.

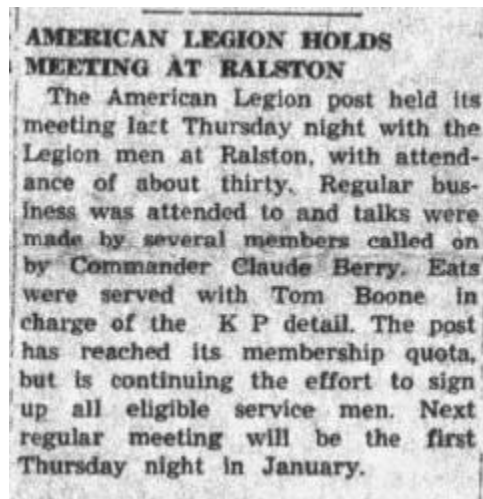
One mile west of town Carter Oil Co. in SW 12-24-5 topping the Mississippi lime at 3110 feet, was dry and abandoned. Only two feet of Burbank sand was found and it was dry. Olson Drilling company dismantled the rotary outfit and moved out Tuesday.

Norbla Oil company test a half mile north of Fairfax, SE 6-24-6, drilled to the Mississippi lime for no showing. It went through 18 feet of Burbank sand that had salt water. Report Wednesday was that this outfit will be moved four miles east for another test.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 5 Mar 1942 p 1



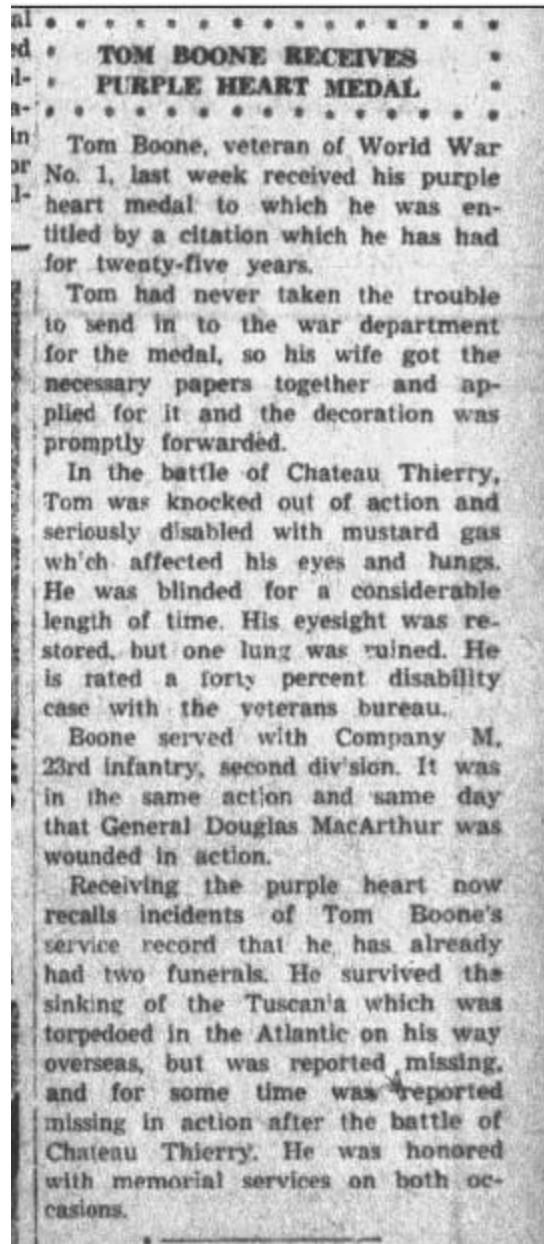
"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 17 Sep 1942 p 5



"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 24 Dec 1942 p 1

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Grayhorse mission met at the home of Mrs. Ben Harrison to elect new officers for the new conference year. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Margie Kirk, president; Opal Dilbeck, vice president; Cora Shaw, secretary-treasurer; Mildred Duggins, social relations. Seven new ones took membership in the society, making a total membership of 15 this year.

Tom Boone's family who moved to Grayhorse recently boosted the Sunday school attendance from twenty-five to twenty-nine.



"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 3 Feb 1944 p 1

Rodeo July 3, 4 Will Be Big Event Of This Part Of State

Everything apparently is getting set and ready for the biggest event Fairfax has had in many years — the rodeo at the Fairfax ball park with three performances, first one at 8:00 o'clock Tuesday evening, July 3, and two on Wednesday, July 4, at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Many ropers and riders from other places are showing interest and will be here for entry in the events. Cash prize money in calf roping will be up to \$400.

A new bunch of steers and calves have been secured by the Round-up club and Tom Boone says they are really live ones. Also some of the meanest wild horses you ever saw have been contracted for. Plenty of action is promised so each performance will be run off with little wasted time and not a dull moment.

Riders will parade on Main street at 5:30 Tuesday evening. Grand entry will be a half hour before each performance time.

Admission is set at 35c for children and 75c for adults, which includes the tax. Jess Thompson, president, announced Wednesday that a 1945 membership card of the Round-up club will admit the member free at the afternoon performance July 4th. One card admits one person.

After the performance Tuesday night, the Round-up club cowboy dance will be at the city hall. It will feature round and square dancing with a string band for the music. Admission is 50c per person.

Rodeo performances will be in front of the baseball grandstand. The ground is level and smooth for fast action. Fences and pens and chutes are being put in good condition. The big flood lights will be made ready this week. It is possible that a band will be secured to play for the performances, but this is not yet definitely assured.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 28 Jun 1945 p 1

Tom Boone closed a deal last week for purchase of the 200-acre Eberwein farm just south of Grayhorse.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 28 Mar 1946 p 5

Boys we want terrapins
Will pay 10c each
Bring them to McInroy's Bar now, up to
4 o'clock p.m., Friday, July 4th

Big Terrapin Derby
Sponsored by VFW of Fairfax
On Main Street, Fairfax, Oklahoma
July 4th, 5:30 p.m.
5 Prizes — 80% Prize Money
\$2 Entry Fee
You may bring your own terrapin or
let the VFW furnish one for you.
Entry Deadline 4 p.m.
Tom Boone, Mgr. Jack McInroy, Asst.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 3 Jul 1947 p 3

TOM BOONE ESTABLISHING HAIRY VETCH PASTURE

In cooperation with the Soil Conservation District of Osage county, Tom Boone of Grayhorse established about 25 acres of hairy vetch and balbo rye mixture on one of his fields, which is planned for permanent cultivation, about September 1, of this year. It appears at this time that Boone will have an excellent pasture on this field within the next ten days. This planting was made as a part of Boone's soil improving plan on this field and it was limed and phosphated according to district recommendations prior to establishing the hairy vetch and balbo rye.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 13 Oct 1949 p 1

Just off Main Street . . . Tom Boone has moved a building on the rear of his residence lot east of the Johnson Service Station and will remodel it for apartments, adding to the housing units of the town.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 16 Aug 1951 p 1

weekend.
Mrs. Lou (Grandma) Chitwood and son, Jack have moved into our community at Grayhorse in the Aubrey Hutchison farm that he recently purchased from Tom Boone.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 15 Dec 1955 p 7

Large Birthday Party Honors Tom Boone

On Sunday, December 15th, a large group of friends from Fairfax and surrounding towns gathered at the V.F.W. hut to honor Tom Boone at a dinner and party on his 65th birthday.

Seasonal decorations, including a large lighted Christmas tree, were used throughout the hall. Many gifts for the guest of honor were piled around the base of the tree.

Before the dinner, served at long tables, Mr. Boone was presented with a certificate of merit for outstanding service in World War I, to this community in which he has lived his entire life, and to the local V.F.W. post. The presentation was made by John Shaw of Burbank.

Following this, assistant Chief Charles Whitehorn of Pawhuska talked in both English and Ojibwe. This was followed by other talks and group singing.

Three long-time Fairfax merchants, A. C. Hunsaker, William Thieme and Porter Williams were recognized for their service to the community.

Present at the dinner were Riley

B. Quarles, G. P. Clark, Bertha Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Les Binkley, Mr. and Mrs. William Thieme, Mildred Thieme, Mrs. Frank Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Fulkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kastl, Bill Wilson, Mrs. Imo Carleton, Helen Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. John Tallchief, Nora Finney, A. C. Hunsaker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Means, Walter Rigney, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tate, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Tallchief, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brush, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Johnston, Vivian and Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hawkins, Porter Williams, Jim Clark, Mrs. Mary Beartrack, Ronnie Green, Mary Fisher, Dee Dee Goodeagle, Eunice Lane, Mrs. Edith Kirk, Mrs. Lillie Burkhart, Mrs. Helen Bear, Mrs. Louise Sroufe, Rev. C. C. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Huey Dixon, all of Fairfax.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Gene Stuart of Tulsa, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitehorn of Pawhuska, Harry Readeagle, sr., of Hominy, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Largent of Muskogee, Lillie Whitehorn of Pawhuska, Frances Stuart of Tulsa, Bob Stuart of Tulsa, John Shaw of Burbank, Thelma Grimm of Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker of Hominy, Mrs. Helen Robinson of Pawhuska, Mrs. Marie Maker of Hominy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warner and Denney of Pasadena, Texas.

DEADLINE NEAR FOR PAYING 1958 VFW DUES

Deadline date for paying 1958 dues to the Veterans of Foreign Wars is near, Commander Jack Stuart warned this week, in reminding members their national magazine stops this month.

National headquarters has informed Stuart that mailing lists are now being revised and delinquent members will not receive mail or information if dues are not paid before April 1.

Stuart said he is accepting memberships now, or dues may be paid to Tom Boone, "Hoot" Buxton, Pearl Clark, or any VFW member. Dues may also be paid to Lowell Johnston, quartermaster, at The Fairfax Chief.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 13 Mar 1958 p 1

FOR SALE — Rat Terrier puppies,
bred for ratters. Tom Boone, call
ME 2-3522 (10-15-2)

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 22 Oct 1959 p 10

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**TOM BOONE CELEBRATES
'ANNIVERSARY' TODAY**

Today, February 5, is Tom Boone's anniversary.

Usually when you think of anniversaries you think of birthdays, weddings, etc., but Tom will not have these in mind today.

Today is the anniversary of the sinking of the Italian troop ship *Tuscania*, sunk by a German submarine February 5, 1918. More than 150 Oklahomans and about the same number of Texans survived that disaster.

For two weeks Tom has been trying to contact any survivors of that sinking. Many of the men spent the night in the icy water of the English channel or clung to the steep cliffs until they could be rescued.

Tom is sure there are many of those rugged characters still in this part of the state.

But today is the anniversary. Whether he celebrates it alone or with "sea-story" telling buddies of that disaster depends on the response he receives from his attempts to locate the survivors.

Joseph Thomas (Tom) Boone's anniversary - "Fairfax (OK) Chief" 5 Feb 1959 p 1

PURCHASE ANGUS COWS

Tom and Oramaye Boone, Fairfax,
recently purchased three Aberdeen-
Angus cows from J. C. Cook, Owasso,
Okla.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 2 Apr 1959 p 6

Two Funerals, Still Going

By WAYNE MASON
Of The World Staff

Most folks who make it through this old life have one funeral. Of course. There have been rare cases where a person has had two funerals — through some mistake. Of course.

But Tom Boone of Fairfax probably has the world's record. He already has had two funerals and is due yet another, one of these days.

Three "services" should be a world's record, or at least a tie for it.

Tom's story is a war story — World War I vintage. He was aboard the Anchor Liner S.S. Tuscania sunk by a German U-Boat torpedo at dusk Feb. 5, 1918. Tom was declared missing and a memorial service was held at Fairfax.

Later, in the battle of Chateau-Thierry, Tom was knocked out of action, seriously disabled by mustard gas and again declared missing. Another memorial service was held.

"Heck, when I got lost again, they never did find me," Tom said. "Even when I got home they were still trying to pay off my mother. Finally I convinced them I was alive."



PHASES — Pictures show phases of Tom Boone's life. Below he is shown with a couple of his buddies during World War I. At left he donned his uniform to pose with his son, Thomas H. Boone of Tulsa, during World War II. At right he poses in front of his fireplace at his home in Fairfax.

Today, Tom lives alone in retirement in Fairfax — a friendly, active man who does not look anywhere near his 79 years of age.

That he is friendly is nothing unusual, he's just one of those folks you like to visit with. That he is active and still in reasonably good health is quite unusual.

When Tom was gassed, he was temporarily blinded, lost his speech for a time because his throat was burned so badly, his lungs were affected and his body was also burned quite severely by the gas.

And it was 25 years later that he was awarded the Purple Heart medal, then only because his wife got the necessary papers together and wrote the War Department.

Expects a Lot of Kidding

With his infectious laugh Tom says, "The boys sure are going to kid me if you write this stuff up."

He said his experiences had never really been written about because, "It was too long ago and I didn't figure anybody would be interested. Nowadays I get to thinking about how people have forgotten about us (WWI vets) and I think maybe they could be reminded. Heck, they've even begun to forget the World War II boys now. They don't even decorate some of the graves now. Those old boys died for this country and they couldn't give anymore than their lives."

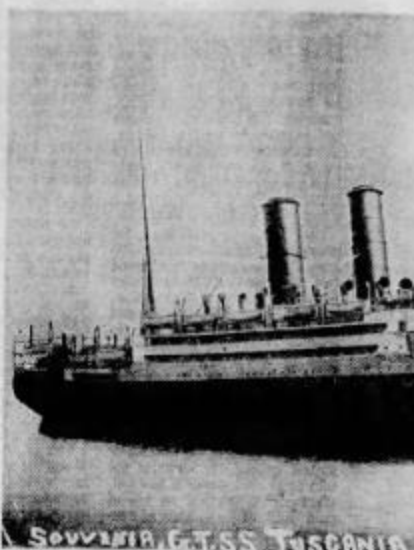
Tom recalls in graphic detail the occasion when the submarine UB-77 sent the Tuscania to the bottom.

"It was about 5:45 in the evening off the coast of Ireland when we were 13 days out," Tom said. "They had told us all to get supper early and get out on deck. That's when it was dangerous, just at dusk. And I do remember I was a seasick sonofabuck."

"Me and another old boy was standing there on rail when there was this dead-sounding explosion. She laid over. Well, they started letting the lifeboats down so the eight English destroyers could take us in."

"A lot of guys were sliding down ropes. The lifeboats were being overloaded and some of the ropes were rotten and they would break. I would have been on a boat but when I saw how they were handling the boats I decided I'd take a rope."

When Tom got on a destroyer, a sailor handed over a rescue rope to him and told him to hold it to keep the slack out



of it. The ropes were working okay — when they didn't break — at first because the sea was calm and the destroyer could stay in close to the sinking ship. But suddenly a wind came up and the sea began to get rough.

Boats Smashed on Destroyer's Side

"Boats began to smash against the side of the ship," Tom said. "Some of them were smashed to bits. I was standing on the destroyer holding that rope and my feet were tangled in it. When the sea began to get rough the destroyer started to move off before I knew what was happening and I like to of





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never got untangled from the rope and it almost pulled me off. Boy, you talk about an old horse at the wire."

Since the Ireland coast was not too far away, many of the lifeboats tried to make a landing, Tom said. However, after the wind came up and churned up the sea, many were smashed against the cliffs and it was here that the most lives were lost.

"When I got home after the war, the depot agent told me that my mother and another woman made him stay up all night trying to find out details about the sinking," Tom said.

"My mother knew I was on the ship and this other woman had a son on the ship. They kept the agent wiring around all over the country, he told me, and by gosh he was able to find out that some of the survivors had landed in Ireland. But he couldn't get any names."

A reunion of the National Tuscania Survivors Association is held every year in Wisconsin and Tom said it always has been too far away for him. He would like to have one closer to home of any survivors and figures this could be done because there were "several hundred Oklahoma and Texas boys on the ship."

Tom hopes any survivors still living will write him at 159 E. Mulberry Street, Fairfax, 74637.

After the February sinking of the Tuscania, it was on June 14 that he was gassed. He was with the 2nd Division, 23rd Infantry Company 34. It was in this company that he



LEFT—That's how the S.S. Tuscania looked before she was converted to war duty. ABOVE—As a U.S. troopship, the camouflage didn't help the Tuscania. BELOW—That is not the sub which sank the Tuscania but is the U-139 which killed the Lusitania.



It was he was gassed. He was with the 2nd Division, 23rd Infantry, Company M. It was in this same action at Chateau-Thierry that Gen. Douglas MacArthur was wounded.

Tom was blind for two weeks and said, "I never had any idea I would ever see again. The burns were real bad where there was any moisture on your body, where you sweated. That's why my throat was hurt so bad."

Records Lost With Tuscania

All Tom's records had been lost when the Tuscania was sunk so he was just assigned to a new outfit. After his stay at the hospital at Bordeaux, France, Tom was given "light" duty guarding prisoners of war.

Finally, he returned home, still missing as far as the War Department was concerned.

"We came to this part of the country in 1901 when I was 9 years old," Tom said. "Boy, there wasn't even a town here then and the country was full of Indians. I remember there was an Osage camp down there on Gray Horse Creek and another over there at . . .," and Tom goes on to name many of the "camps" of the Osages which abounded.

Tom has lived in and near Fairfax most of his life and was raised on a farm. He has farmed, ranched (registered Angus breeder), rodeoed and raised pecans.

He is especially fond of horses, has ridden, owned and rodeoed with them since just a boy. He still mounts up to take part in parades at events around the state but "that's about all the 'hard' riding I do anymore," he said.

Thumbing through his scrapbook veritably filled with "treasures," Tom said, "I didn't put these together for a long time because I didn't think there was much to them. But, boy, you know a scrapbook is a great thing. I get these out and people around here just won't put them down."

TULSA SUNDAY WORLD, FEBRUARY 20, 1972



STORM—This picture doesn't have any direct bearing on Tom's story but is just one type of thing he has in his interesting scrapbooks. The tornado was one which "tore up" Ponca City in 1912.

"Tulsa (OK) Sunday World" Sunday 20 Feb 1972 p 120 -

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Wife Elfa May Curry



Elfa Curry Boone - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/77007210/person/422162385944/media/0c577924-b22a-419e-967f-973cbe422848>

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, KAY COUNTY, ss.

I, Tom Boone of Kay County, State of Oklahoma,aged 24 years, and legally competent to make and to take an oath, do solemnly swear that I am acquainted with

Mr. Tom Boone and Miss Elsie Curry who are parties for the marriage of whom a License is hereby applied for. The said parties and each of them, are of sound and disposing mind and unmarried and not disqualified or incapable under the law of entering into the marriage relation. That said parties are not of the relationship prohibited by law and may lawfully contract to be joined in marriage. I furthermore do solemnly swear that the following schedule, containing the names of the aforesaid parties, their age, color, place of birth and residence, is correct in every particular, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, to-wit:

| NAMES OF PARTIES | AGE | COLOR | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE | FATHER'S NAME |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Tom Boone</u> GROOM | <u>24</u> | <u>White</u> | <u>Missouri</u> | <u>Tarfas, Mo.</u> | <u>Horace Boone</u> |
| <u>Elsie Curry</u> BRIDE | <u>25</u> | <u>"</u> | <u>Kansas</u> | <u>"</u> | <u>Charlie Curry</u> |

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Aug. 12, 1919 Tom Boone ApplicantBy Opie Hart Deputy Frank C. Groshong Court Clerk

MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, KAY COUNTY, ss.

IN THE COUNTY COURT

To Any Person Authorized to Perform the Marriage Ceremony—Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Tom Boone and Elsie Curry of the County aforesaid, whose ages, residence, etc., are as follows:

| NAMES OF PARTIES | AGE | COLOR | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE | FATHER'S NAME |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Tom Boone</u> GROOM | <u>24</u> | <u>White</u> | <u>Missouri</u> | <u>Tarfas, Mo.</u> | <u>Horace Boone</u> |
| <u>Elsie Curry</u> BRIDE | <u>25</u> | <u>"</u> | <u>Kansas</u> | <u>"</u> | <u>Charlie Curry</u> |

And of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days from this date.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, at Newkirk, in said County, this 12th day of August, A. D. 1919Frank C. Groshong Court ClerkBy Opie Hart Deputy

Recorded this _____ day of _____, 19____

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ss.

I, A. S. Burke Judge, County Court
(Name of Official or Minister) (Judge or Clerk of Court or Congregation)
of Newkirk in Kay County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I

joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this License to be married, on the 12 day of Aug., A. D. 1919,
at Newkirk in Kay County, Oklahoma.

in the presence of Opie Hart Newkirk and Frank C. Groshongof Newkirk, Okla.

Opie Hart Frank C. Groshong Witnesses, A. S. Burke
County Judge

My Credentials are recorded in Book _____ Page _____ of Minister's Credentials in the office of the County Judge of
_____ County, Oklahoma.

Oklahoma, County Marriage Records, 1890-1995



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| Name | Tom Boone |
| Gender | Male |
| Age | 26 |
| Birth Date | abt 1893 |
| Marriage Date | 12 Aug 1919 |
| Marriage Place | Kay, Oklahoma, USA |
| Father | Horace Boone |
| Spouse | Elsie Curry |
| Film Number | 001311016 |

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Divorce Cases Filed
 Elfa Boone vs. Tom Boone, case
 D6645, divorce.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 30 Mar 1939 p 6

Two Divorces Sought
 PAWHUSKA. — Divorce petitions
 filed here include the following:
 Mrs. Rosie Carlos vs. C. H. Carlos;
 Mrs. Elfa Boone vs. Tom Boone.

"Ponca City (OK) News" Tuesday 21 Mar 1939 p 3

Divorces Asked

Rosie Carlos from C. H. Carlos, non support. They were married in Beaumont, Texas, February 24, 1936.

Elfa Boone from Tom Boone, desertion. They were married in Newkirk, August 4, 1914.

"Bartlesville (OK) Morning Examiner" Tuesday 21 Mar 1939 p 2

Tommy Boone, M. M. M. 2/c, of Miami, Fla., who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Elfa Boone, left Tuesday to return to his duties. Mrs. Ruby Chapman and daughter, Barbara Ann, of San Diego, Calif., arrived Friday to visit in the home of her mother, Mrs. Elfa Boone, and other relatives.

Thomas Horace & Ruby visit their mother - "Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 9 Mar 1944 p 5

Memorial rites T'day for Elfa Boone, 70

Memorial service for Elfa Boone, 70, will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Hubbard Mortuary Chapel, Chula Vista. Internment will be in Mount Hope cemetery. She died Thursday in a

National City rest home.

She lived in the South Bay for 28 years and resided at 52 Oaklawn, Chula Vista.

She is survived by one son, two daughters, Ruby Gilmore and Nadine Loffmark of Chula Vista; one brother; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Hubbard Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.

"Chula Vista (CA) Star-News" Sunday 5 Aug 1973 p 17

Wife Oramaye Johnston

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"Okemah (OK) Semi-Weekly Herald" Tuesday 27 Jun 1933 p 3

CASTLE SCHOOL NOTES

Our girls lost a well played game to the Mason school team by a score of 23 to 19. It was a good game all the way a return game will be played Jan. 20.

Our boys lost to the Morse school team on the Morse grounds, a return game will be played soon.

Ray Coffman, who was injured in the basket ball game some few weeks ago has returned to school. But will not be able to get back in the game this school year.

Pauline Carper, one of our seventh grade pupils is suffering from a severe attack of tooth ache.

Oramaye Johnston is out of school this week. Will be able to return Friday for a basket ball game with Pleasant Oak.

"Okemah (OK) Ledger" Thursday 12 Jan 1922 p 8

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| <p style="text-align: center;">MARRIAGE LICENSES</p> <p>Marriage licenses were applied for by the following named persons during the last week:</p> <p>Russeli Landers, 22, Okfuskee, Miss Gertrude Haddox, 19, Okfuskee; Carl Williams, 20, Okemah, Miss Noble Mille, 18, Okemah; Miller Lenus, Indian, 37, Sylvan, Miss Hahole Connor,</p> | <p>Indian, 36, Micowber; Earnest Keys, 27, Bearden, Miss Julia Ledon, 18, Seminole; Marion Stephens, 21, Dustin, Miss Allie Bridges, 18, Dustin; Kerney York, 28, Paden, Miss Myrtle Killman, 24, Paden; Dwight J. Miller, 21, Okemah, Miss Faye Wilson, 19, Okemah; Ada Beavers, 23, Wetumka, Mrs. Ruby Hall, 23, Wetumka; B. F. McCanstland, 24, Okemah, Miss Ora Maye Johnston, 20, Castle; Arlie Tuffs, 21, Bearden, Miss Thelma Scarborough, 29, Bearden; Roy Cran-</p> |
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Ike The Tailor.**

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The
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A Permanent Wave is only as good as the materials, the machine and the operator who does the work. Inferior materials, waving solutions, cannot produce a good wave and are often more injurious to the hair and scalp.

Your hair is a valuable asset. My materials and equipment are all first class, and are positively guaranteed to be safe and pure.

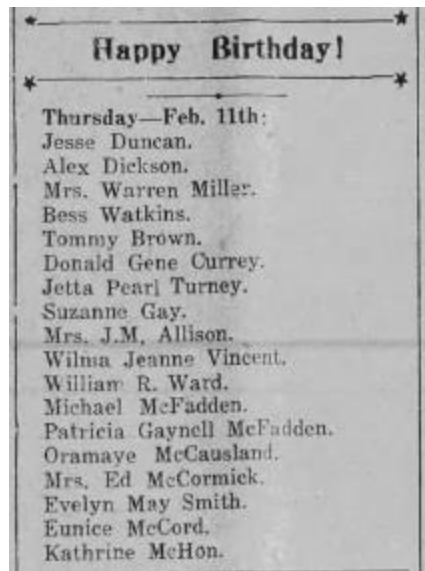
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Special prices on Facials, Scalp Treatments, Eyebrow Dyeing - - Arching - - Manicuring—and
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ALL PERMANENTS ARE
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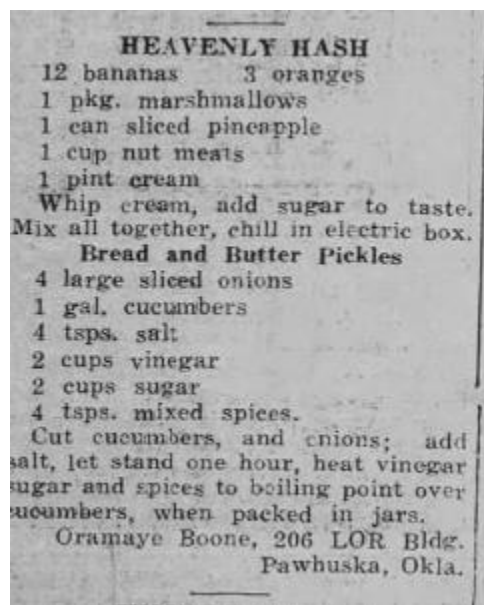
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"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Thursday 20 Jun 1935 p 3



"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Thursday 11 Feb 1937 p 3



"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Sunday 25 Feb 1940 p 17

These Recipes Win 1940 Contest Prizes

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FIRST PRIZE

OYSTER COCKTAIL

If the right amount you take,
This will just seven cocktails make.
In each glass, three oysters toss,
And stand aside, 'till you make your
sauce.

Take of catsup $\frac{1}{2}$ cup.
Same of vinegar and stir up.
One tablespoon of Worcestershire,
It must be hot and burn like fire.
Ten drops of good tobasco add.
Of course this last is just a fad
And if it is not on your shelf
To red pepper help yourself.

Now over each glass of oysters pour
Just three teaspoons and no more.
Serve as first course to your dinner,
It will please both Saint and Sinner.

Oramaye Boone, 206 LOR Bldg.
Pawhuska, Okla.

"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Sunday 25 Feb 1940 p 24

WINNERS SELECTED IN WORD CONTEST

The winners in the Daily Journal-Capital mis-spelled word contest held in conjunction with the second annual Journal-Capital Recipe contest were Mrs. Paul Smith, Mrs. C. E. Wheeler, Mrs. Mildred Lefler, Mrs. Clara Gilliland and Mrs. Nadine Maher, all of Pawhuska.

Checks in the amount of \$1 each were mailed to the ladies Monday evening. They were the winners out of dozens of contestants who checked the advertisements in the Recipe section Sunday morning.

The winners as announced in the Recipe contest included, Mrs. C. A. Clifton, Pawhuska; Mrs. S. M. Erwin, Pawhuska; Mrs. Chas. Harris, Pawhuska; Mrs. Floyd Welden, Pawhuska; Emma D. Perrill, Pawhuska; Mrs. A. J. Crossmeyer, Pawhuska; Mrs. W. P. Reavis, Red Eagle route; Miss Marguerite McCool; Mrs. Chas. Burton, Pawhuska; Mrs. S. E. Hoffman, Red Eagle route; Mrs. Louise Colville, Pawhuska; Mrs. C. M. Hirt, Pawhuska; Mrs. Daisy M. Link, Pawhuska; Mrs. Addie Lee Potter, Pawhuska and Oramaye Boone, Pawhuska.

There were over 525 recipes turned into the newspaper this year, and the above fifteen were the winners. More interest was manifested in the contest and by late Monday evening hundreds of extra copies of the paper had been sent out by Forrest Lewis, circulation manager.

"Pawhuska (OK) Journal-Capital" Tuesday 27 Feb 1940 p 2

Re-opened
for business

**Oramaye's
Beauty Shop**

Friends and customers
are invited to call.

Phone 95
for appointments

Natoma Warner
Oramaye Boone
Operators

RE-OPENS BEAUTY SHOP
Mrs. Oramaye Boone announces that her beauty shop is again open for business. It has been closed while she was recuperating from an operation. Mrs. Boone is assisted by her sister, Natoma Warner.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 29 Nov 1945 left: p 5 and right: p 1

MRS. BOONE'S MOTHER DIES

Mrs. W. L. Johnson, age 76, mother of Mrs. Tom Boone, passed away Saturday, September 1, at her home in Okemah. Funeral service was held Monday of last week at the Baptist church in Okemah. She had been a resident of that town for forty years. Mrs. Johnson spent last winter in Fairfax with her daughter.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" 13 Sep 1946 p 1

FOR SALE

Chihuahua puppies. Tiny type, \$25 up. Male service. Registered Red Sable male Tiny Tinto, T5358.

Oramaye Boone
Box 86, Phone 95
Fairfax, Oklahoma

"Ponca City (TX) News" Sunday 11 Jul 1954 p 20

VFW Resolution Cites Auxiliaries for Work

A resolution praising the work of women in the American Legion auxiliary and Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary has been mailed to both ladies' organizations by Raymond P. Stith, VFW adjutant.

The resolution, passed by the Fairfax VFW post at the June 19 meeting, cited both women's organizations for the co-operative effort made during the weeks preceding Decoration day when graves of veterans were decorated in three area cemeteries.

Women of both organizations pooled their labor and materials to decorate graves of over 90 veterans. White crosses and poppy wreaths were placed on every known veteran's grave.

Individuals cited in the resolution for contributing time or labor, along with grave decorations committees of both auxiliaries, were Mrs. Katherine Hawkins, Mrs. Mae Tallchief, Mrs. Blanche Bear, Mrs. Oramaye Boone, Mrs. Viddie Corneliou, Mrs. Edith Fulkerson, Mrs. Maude Hawkins, Mrs. Verna Elliott, Mrs. Dorothy Fincher, Mrs. Ora Lee McKinney, Mrs. Bernice Means and Mrs. Helen Mashburn.

Others were Miss Imogene Mashburn, Miss Mildred Thieme, Jewel Jones, Jack Smith, Jack Bailey, Tom Boone, Mrs. Nora Finney, Mrs. Lorena Mashburn, Mrs. Georgie Davis, Mrs. Ina Collins, Mrs. Varsie Bayird, and Mrs. Vivian Allen.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 3 Jul 1958 p 1

FOR SALE—Chihuahua puppies (small type). AKC registered. Also non-registered thoroughbred. Also stud service. Oramaye Boone, Oramaye's Beauty Shop, phone 3622 or four miles north Fairfax.

"Ponca City (OK) News" Sunday 5 Oct 1958 p 19

VFW Gold Star Mothers Honored

The Ladies Auxillary of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Redeagle Post 4790, honored the "Gold Star Mothers" of Fairfax, with a buffet supper and Memorial service in observance of Loyalty Day in the VFW hall on Monday, May 4, 1959. All Mothers who lost sons in the service were invited to attend.

A beautifully decorated cake was presented to the mothers in honor of Timothy Tallchief who lost his life in World War II, by his sister, Mrs. Helen Robertson.

A tribute was paid to the following mothers: Mrs. William Thieme, Mrs. E. H. Hunt, Mrs. Louise Helton, Mrs. Mary Beartrack, Mrs. Verna Vansellous, Mrs. Hester Humble, Mrs. Tom Cornelius, Mrs. Bertha Boone, Mrs. L. J. McDonald, Mrs. Rex Harbeson, Mrs. Ben Goldspink and also Mrs. Tom Boone whose foster son was killed while serving in the army.

In observance of Loyalty Day, the auxiliary held memorial services for deceased members, Mrs. Ethel M. Barrier, Mrs. Eslie Clark, Mrs. Rachel Payne, Mrs. Zola Monigold and Mrs. Rhoda Weldon. Honor was given to all known deceased Gold Star mothers of this community. Handkerchief favors were given to each honored guest.

Only four mothers were present, they were Mrs. William M. Thieme, Mrs. Hester Humble, Mrs. E. H. Hunt and Mrs. Tom Cornelius.

The members of the auxiliary wish to express their deepest gratitude to these valliant mothers who gave their sons for freedom and truth.

Foster son killed in Army - "Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 14 May 1959 p 5

ALA Members Have Party

Members of the Fairfax American Legion auxilliary had their annual Thanksgiving party Monday evening with Margaret and Lois Heppel as hostesses.

The hall was decorated with the Thanksgiving motif. Mrs. Helen Robertson, president, presided at the business meeting and the remainder of the evening was spent playing bingo.

Sandwiches, cake, jello and coffee were served to the following members: Betty Johnston, Blanche Bear, Oramaye Boone, Viddie Cornelius, Maude Hawkins, Allie Wayman, Dorothy Fincher, Margaret Heppel, Lois Heppel, Mary Whitfield, Grace Kitterman, Hallie Morris, Vivian Allen, Mildred Thieme, Betty Shaffer and one guest, Metta Hunsaker.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 15 Nov 1962 p 6

Children:

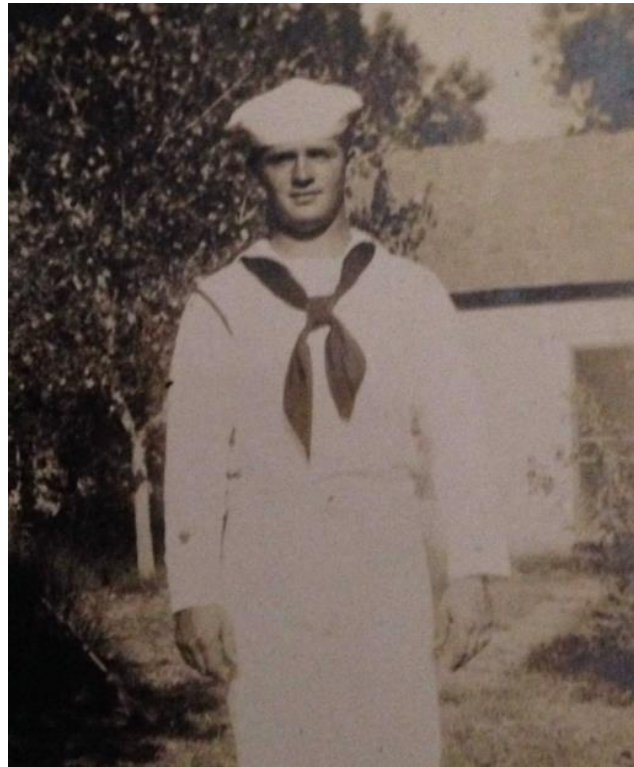


Daughter Ruby Boone Chapman Gilmore (1919-1976) -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/77007210/person/422162393732/media/7ebe3947-883b-4b43-91e6-45081cbf7ea1>

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boone, Oct, 29, 1919.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) Friday 7 Nov 1919 p 10



Son Thomas Horace Boone (1921-1998) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/77007210/person/422162393734/media/a6799db3-fc71-4b78-a9a1-55c605ff0bc7>

Tom Boone, machinist mate 2nd class, is home on furlough. He has been in the Coast Guard service on the east coast for three years.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" 18 Oct 1945 p 1

Thomas Boone is now at the U. S. Coast Guard air school, St. Petersburg, Florida, learning airplane mechanics. His mother, Mrs. Elfa Boone, received a letter from him and a page from the St. Petersburg newspaper showing pictures of the new service men's recreational center there. Tom was very prominent in one of the scenes which showed him seated at a desk writing his Mother's Day letter. He says he likes the service fine.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 28 May 1942 p 1

Thomas H. Boone writes his mother, Mrs. Elfa Boone, that he is now stationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He completed the specialists school of the U. S. Coast Guard at Groton, Conn., and has rating of motor machinist second class, which corresponds to rank of staff sergeant in the army.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 27 May 1943 p 1

DeLane-Boone Wedding
 Staff Sgt. Fred DeLane and Miss Nadine Boone were united in marriage Saturday evening with ceremony by Rev. Charles H. Black of the First Baptist church in Pawhuska. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Elfa Boone and Tom Boone. She graduated from Fairfax high school with the class of 1942 and attended the state junior college at Tonkawa one semester. Sgt. DeLane is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. DeLane, former residents of Fairfax now residing in San Diego, California. He graduated from Fairfax high school with the class of 1941, and has been in the army air forces three years, recently returning from overseas service in Africa, India and China. He left Monday for Denver, Colorado, where he has been assigned to the air corps technical school at Buckley Field.

Daughter Nadine Elfa Boone – "Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 9 Mar 1944 p 5

Mrs. Nadine Boone DeLane is home for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Elfa Boone, and other relatives. She has been with her husband, Staff Sgt. Fred DeLane of the air corps who has been stationed at Denver, Colo., in California, and is now at the army air field, Las Vegas, Nevada.

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" Thursday 31 Aug 1944 p 6

Mother:

**MRS. LARGENT DIES
AT HOME OF SON**

**Cancer Causes Death: Had Lived
Near Fairfax For 30 Years**

Mrs. Annie Largent, aged 63 years, passed away Thursday night at the home of her son, Tom Boone, eight miles west of Fairfax. Death was due to cancer. Funeral services were held at the First Christian church at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Rev. Luther Cole preached the funeral sermon. Interment was in the Fairfax cemetery.

Miss Annie Ragner was born in Polk county, Mo., in 1868. At the age of 22 she was married to Horace Boone. To this union was born two sons, John and Tom, who now live in Fairfax. Boone passed on in 1893.

In 1894 Mrs. Boone was married to C. M. Largent. To this union were born two sons, Homer and Clifford, these two sons also live in the vicinity of Fairfax. In 1901 the family moved from Missouri to Fairfax where they have lived ever since. Mr. Largent died in 1906 and was buried in the Fairfax cemetery. Mrs. Largent was buried beside him.

The deceased is survived by her four sons. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Largent of Humansville, Mo., attended the funeral and are staying for a few days visit.

Annie Ragner Boone Largent – Find A Grave 106326442 – published in “Fairfax (OK) Chief”
Thursday 16 Jul 1931 p 1

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the kind and loving friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy in our hour of bereavement and to especially thank the American Legion and the Auxiliary for their help.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boone
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boone
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Largent
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Largent

“Fairfax (OK) Chief” Thursday 16 Jul 1931 p 2

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Joseph Thomas (Tom) Boone

Name variations: Tom Boone, Thomas Boone, J. Thomas Boone

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 1, 165th Depot Brigade - private

Serial number: 251,368 (used on incoming passenger list, but this is also the serial number of Luther Ball) or 251,386 (Veterans Administration Master Index)

Entered service from: Fairfax, Osage OK

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Tom Boone

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Annie Sargent [sic/Largent], Fairfax OK

Returned from war on: "Rijndam" Jan 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Tom Boone

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Annie Largent, Fairfax OK [pvt, 23rd Inf]

World War I draft registration (1917): b. 28 Dec 1892 Weaubleau MO; res: Fairfax, Osage OK. Single. Farmer for self in Osage Co. OK. Has mother to support. [Annie has been twice widowed]

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: Fairfax OK

World War II draft registration (1942): indicates no middle name. b. 28 Dec 1892 Hickory Co MO; res: Rte 2, Fairfax, Osage OK. NOK John Boone, Fairfax OK. Employed at Grayhorse School District #33 as bus driver, Grayhorse, Osage OK.

Veterans Administration Military Index: as Tom Boone [no middle name or initial]

Enlisted 22 Sep 1917

Discharged 21 Feb 1919

Address: Fairfax OK

Rank/unit: private 1st class, Co. M., 23rd InfantryBirth & death:

Born: 28 Dec 1892 Weaubleau, Hickory Co MO

Died: May 1981, Fairfax, Osage OK

Find A Grave record: 129745167, presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Fairfax, Osage OK

Cemetery: Fairfax

Tombstone: PFC / US Army / WWI

Father: Horace Durant Boone, 6 Nov 1858 MO – 12 Feb 1894 Butcher, Hickory MO. Son of Joel Nixon Boone & Mary Ann Jopling. His tombstone, which looks relatively new on the Find A Grave photo, is inscribed “Son of Joel and Mary” and “Father of John and Tom.” Buried in Fairview Butcher Cemetery, Butcher, Hickory MO.
Find A Grave: 113921858

Mother: Annie/Anna Ragner Boone Largent, Mar 1865 Polk Co. MO – 9 Jul 1931 Fairfax, Osage OK (at the home of her son Tom Boone, 8 miles west of Fairfax OK. Died of cancer.) Following the death of Horace Boone in 1894, Annie Boone married Clinton Malichi Largent the same year. They had 2 sons: Omer & Clifford Largent.
Buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax, Osage OK.
Find A Grave: 106326442

Stepfather: Clinton Malachi Largent, 25 Jan 1836 Burke Co. NC – 26 Jan 1906 Fairfax, Osage OK. Tom’s mother Annie was Clinton’s 2nd wife. Clinton’s 1st wife was Mary Ann Poe Largent (1835-1891). Tom had several stepsiblings who were children of Clinton & Mary Ann Largent (married 1855) and 2 half-brothers from the marriage of Clinton & his mother, Annie.

Clinton was the son of Thomas Washington Largent Sr. & Lucinda Owens.
His children by Mary Ann Poe listed on Find A Grave (as of 27 Jun 2024) are:

Louisa Jane Largent Earnest (1857-1924)
Martha Louvina Largent Taylor (1859-1920)
Thomas Largent (1869-1875)
Thomas C. Largent (1869-1876)
Mary Susan Largent Goans (1872-1967)
Lee Clinton Largent (1878-1936)

Clinton was buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax, Osage OK.
Stepfather’s Find A Grave: 106329294
Stepfather’s marriage: 1894

Spouse: Elfa May Curry Boone, 30 Sep 1893 KS – 2 Aug 1973 (in a National City, San Diego CA rest home; resident of Chula Vista).

Daughter of Charles Edward Curry & Phebe Ann Conklin.

Obituary: “Chula Vista (CA) Star-News” 5 Aug 1973 p 17 – memorial service for Mrs. Elfa Boone, age 70, on 7 Aug with burial in Mount Hope. Died 2 Aug 1973 in a National City rest home. A resident of the South Bay for 28 years. Home at 52 Oaklawn, Chula Vista.

Survived by 1 son (unnamed), 2 daughters: Ruby Gilmore & Nadine Loffmark of Chula Vista & 1 brother.

Buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, San Diego, San Diego CA.

Spouse: 177564951

Married: 1919 - Tom Boone, age 26, son of Horace Boone, b. MO, resident Fairfax OK, married 12 Aug 1919 in Kay Co. OK to Elsie [sic] Curry, age 25, daughter of Charlie Curry, b. KS, resident Fairfax OK.

Partner: Angella H. McKinley, 21 Sep 1893 – 7 Oct 1936 OK. (In Osage, her name: He He Kin To Op Pe). She was an Osage Native American, with whom Tom fathered Betty Lee McKinley.

Angella's husband Alfred ("Hun-kah") McKinley was born 1887 OK & died 27 Jul 1923 in Osage Co. OK. Alfred McKinley is buried in Grayhorse Indian Village cemetery, Gray Horse, Osage OK, F: 178897938. Since he had died in 1923, he could not have fathered Betty Lee, born 1930.

In the Indian Census rolls (1 Apr 1932, 1 Apr 1931, etc.) her name is spelled Angella, she is listed as a widow, with children Mary Lorane/Lorene (b. 1920), Alfred F. (15 Jul 1923), Rudolph (19 Nov 1924) & Betty Lee (female, but described as "son") b. 9 Feb 1930.

Angella is buried in Grayhorse Indian Village Cemetery, Gray Horse, Osage OK, where her husband Alfred McKinley & daughter Betty Lee McKinley Marlar is buried. F: 183045425

Spouse: Oramaye Johnston Boone, 11 Feb 1902 (Social Security: 1903) Castle, Okfuskee OK - 7 Jul 1968 Fairfax, Osage OK. SSN 444-34-7150.

Daughter of William J. Johnston (1867-1939, F: 176467308) & Mattie C. Watts (F: 176465631). Listed as Oramaya on her Find A Grave record & tombstone, but Oramaye on all other records.

In the 1910 census of Castle, Okfuskee OK, Ona (Ora) Johnston, age 7, b. OK, lived with her parents William J. & Mattie C. Johnson.

She taught school in Okemah OK in Jan 1922.

In Aug 1925, Ora Maye Johnston, age 20, resident of Castle OK, took out a marriage license in Okfuskee Co. OK with B.F. "McCaustland" (as the newspaper spelled it). This was Bert F. McCausland, b. 4 Dec 1901, died 4 Oct 1954, buried in Fairview Cemetery, Pryor, Mayes OK, F: 11469719. Oramaye & Bert married 22 Aug 1925 in Okemah, Okfuskee OK.

Oramaye operated a beauty shop in Okemah OK in Jun 1933. Married 1939. Ads in the Fairfax newspaper indicate she raised puppies, including Chihuahas & rat terriers.

Buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax, Osage OK.

Spouse Find A Grave: 129745184.

Marriage: 10 Oct 1939 Fairfax, Osage OK.

Children: by his 1st wife Elfa May Curry

- Ruby Mae / Ruby Elfa Boone Chapman Gilmore , 29 Oct 1919 Fairfax, Osage OK – 20 Dec 1976 Chula Vista, San Diego CA. Birth announced in "Osage Chief" (Fairfax) 7 Nov 1919 p 10 as occurring 29 Oct. The Social Security Death Index lists her name in Dec 1941 as Ruby Boone Chapman & in Jan 1953 as Ruby Elfa Gilmore & on 30 Dec 1987 as Ruby Gilmore. – Ruth Boone married Curtis Edgar Chapman (b. 1916) sometime before 1938. Curtis was born 20 Aug 1915 in Cedar or Eureka Springs, Carroll AR & died 29 Jan 1984 Sacramento Co. CA. He was the son of Charles C. Chapman & Lora Harp. – In the 1950 census for San Diego, San Diego CA, Curtis Chapman (33 AR, cook in a chicken pie shop in Chula Vista CA) lived on Marcy St. with wife Ruby (30 OK, waitress, Kieths Drivein) & children Barbara (11 OK) & Gary (4 CA). - As Ruby E. Chapman, she married 7 Jan 1953 in San Diego CA to Jim W. Gilmore, she age 32, he age 27.

James Winton Gilmore was born 31 Mar 1925 Portland, Multnomah OR & died 1 Feb 1995 in Chula Vista, San Diego CA. - Obituary: "Chula Vista (CA) Star-News" 23 Dec 1976 p 26 – funeral today for Ruby E. Gilmore, age 57, d. 20 Dec 1976 in a local hospital. Resident of 671 Chula Vista St., Chula Vista. Housewife for 37 years, county resident for 28 years. Burial in Mount Hope Cemetery. Survived by husband J.W. Gilmore, son, daughter, brother [unnamed] & sister Nadine Loffmark of San Diego – Buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, San Diego, San Diego CA. F: 201853129

- Thomas Horace Boone, 12 Jun 1921 Fairfax, Osage OK – 13 Aug 1998 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK. – Served in the US Coast Guard in WWII. - Married 18 Oct 1946 Tulsa OK to Rose Marie Burton (1928-2005, F: 156655712). Buried in Floral Haven Memorial Gardens, Broken Arrow, Tulsa OK. F: 146857858
- Nadine Elfa Boone DeLane Loffmark Franklin [and Schmall & more?], 20 Mar 1924 OK – cannot locate. – In 1944 in Pawhuska Co. OR, Nadine Boone married Fredrick Hugo DeLane Sr. (1922 OK-1997 CA, F: 191941618) who is buried in Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego CA, F: 191941618). – In the 1950 census for San Diego, San Diego CA, Nadine DeLane (25 OK, divorced, a waitress at Kieths [Kirth's?] Drive IN, lived at 2635 Logan Ave. In her household were her children Shirley Delane (5 OK), Frederick Delane (3 OK) & a son named James "Moshier/Mosher" who had been born Sep 1949 in CA. Also in the household was her mother, Elfa Boone, 46 KS, divorced. - Nadine E. Boone Delane married 30 Dec 1957 in Imperial Co. CA to Loyfield Wheeler Loffmark, Jr. (1926-2003, F: 72618505) when she was 33 years old & he was 35. She married him again on 2 Sep 1966 when she was 42 & he was 43. They divorced Sep 1968 in San Diego Co. CA. Loyfield Loffmark then married Elisa A. Powers on 27 Jun 1971 in NV. – Nadine Elizabeth Delane married Leonard Franklin on 17 Mar 1972 in Las Vegas, Clark NV. – At some point, Nadine was also married to Roy Alfred Schmall (1924 WA, 26 Apr 2005 CA, F: 75912058), - Nadine's daughter Shirley Ann DeLane married James Dennis Sohn on 18 Nov 1967 in San Diego Co. CA; they divorced Oct 1975. – Nadine's son Frederick Hugo Delane, born 19 Aug 1946 in San Diego Co. CA (mother's maiden name: Boone) married on 30 Apr 1967 in Imperial Co. CA to Patricia V. Creel; they divorced Sep 1975 in San Diego Co. CA. Frederick married Gale A. Hall on 16 Jul 1981 in San Diego Co. CA. – The son referred to as James "Mosher" in the 1950 census was James Michael Loffmark, born 3 Sep 1949 in San Diego Co. CA. Nadine did not marry his father, Loyfield Loffmark, until 30 Dec 1957.

Children: by his relationship with Angela H. McKinley. Tom was the Grayhorse School bus driver in 1942 & also operated a gasoline station in the area.

- Betty Lee McKinley Tallchief Marlar [also Hight], 2 Feb 1930 (Indian census rolls) or 9 May 1930 (Find A Grave) Fairfax, Osage OK – 28 Jun 1995. - Married Thomas Tallchief/Tall Chief (1921-1981, F: 127797453) on 15 Mar 1952 in Kay Co. OK. Thomas was the son of Alex Joseph Tallchief & his wife Ruth Mary Porter. Thomas was the half-brother of famous prima ballerina Maria Tallchief, the first Native

American woman to attain this honor. Maria, whose birthname was Elizabeth Mary Tallchief) was the daughter of Alex Joseph Tallchief & his wife Nettie C. Kastle. - Notice of marriage: "Ponca City (OK) News" 17 Mar 1952 p 10 – Betty, age 22, Thomas, age 33. The Social Security Death Index records her name as Betty Lee Marlar (8 Aug 1980 & 22 Aug 1995), as Betty Lee Tallchief & as Betty Lee Hight. Buried as Betty Lee Marlar in the Grayhorse Indian Village Cemetery, Gray Horse, Osage OK. F: 199453440

Full siblings:

- John Nixon Boone, 18 Feb 1891 Weaubleau, Hickory MO – 21 Sep 1955 Fairfax, Osage OK. Married 4 Dec 1913 at Fairfax, Osage OK to Bertha Isabelle Grimes (1896-1981, F: 47829185). Buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax, Osage OK. F: 47829277

Half-siblings: from his mother Annie's marriage to Clinton M. Largent:

- Omer Edmond Largent, 9 Jul 1896 Weaubleau, Hickory MO – 15 Oct 1965 Muskogee, Muskogee OK. – Married in 1916 to Jeanette Crow (1896 TX – 1979 CA, F: 208010293), who later married a man named Uto & also Richard Wayne Gale. – Married Lenora Boone Stewart (1889-1970, F: 191705307) who had been married to Robert Franklin Stewart (1884 NY – 1935 NM, F: 8131618). Lenora was the daughter of George Wilson Boone & Helen Virginia Champlin. - Buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax, Osage OK. F: 106324254
- Clifford Mary Largent, 11 Jan 1902 Fairfax, Osage OK – 15 Jun 1968 Bartlesville, Washington Co. OK. His middle name of "Mary" is found on several official records. His WWII draft registration notes he had "C.L." tattooed on his left arm. - Age 9 in 1910 census. – The Pawnee OK newspaper reported on 15 Feb 1923 that a marriage license was obtained between Clifford Largent & "Katherine Cates" (age 25, of Fairfax OK). – this may or may not have been the same woman who appears in newspapers as Mrs. Clifford Largent, apparently Cordelia (Delia/Della) Harlin Largent. She was the daughter of Delbert A. Harlin (AKA Melvin Delbert Harlin, 1878-1938, F: 267768328), who was a Native American, and Myrtle O. Stevens, who was white. Her brother Cecil W. Harlin (1899-1954, F: 129488679) also lived in Fairfax OK & is buried in the Fairfax Cemetery. – Cordelia Harlin Largent (28 Oct 1907 Fairland, Ottawa OK – Oct 1961) is buried in Riverside Cemetery, Ralston, Pawnee OK, F: 32345645). She had married Brett Curtis Hart (1908-1967, F: 32345629). – In the 1940 census, Clifford Largent, 38 OK, married, in 1935 a resident of Pawhuska, Osage OK was an inmate of the OK State Penitentiary in Bucklucksy, Pittsburg OK (line 27, conducted 19 Apr 1940). He had been sentenced to 8 months in the state prison for drunk driving. He drove his car into a state patrol car. - Buried in Fairfax Cemetery, Fairfax OK. F: 129744992

Notes:

Wartime:

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 7 Dec 1917 p 8 – Tom Boone is in Co. M, 358th Infantry.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 15 Feb 1918 p 7 – 2 Fairfax boys on Tuscania, with one being Tom Boone, son of Mrs. Anna Largent.

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) 17 Feb 1918 p 17 – photo

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 8 Mar 1918 p 5 – Mrs. Anna Largent received a letter on 2 Mar 1918 from her son Tom, with the AEF somewhere in France, who was on the Tuscania. The letter, written 9 Feb 1918, said that he was fine & dandy.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 19 Jul 1918 p 3 – Yesterday Mrs. Anna Largent received a letter from a Red Cross nurse in a hospital in Paris, informing her that her son Tom Boone was slightly wounded & would be moved south soon. No details on his injuries, but figuring he is being sent to the south of France to recover.

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 30 Aug 1918 p 3 – Letter from Tom dated 6 Aug 1918 in France, addressed to "Dear mother." It has been about 2 weeks since he wrote her but he has received no mail from her. He was in the hospital 14 Jun to 24 Jul 1918. "I wrote someone a letter every day I was there." He says, "don't worry, Mama" if she doesn't hear from him once a week because sometimes he can't get writing paper or can mail a letter. He closes because it is supper time & he was just in from drill. Signed Tom Boone, Special Training Battalion, 1st Depot Division, APO 727, AEF France.

Family account said that he was disabled by mustard gas & was declared missing. He was temporarily blinded for 2 weeks & lost his ability to speak for a time as his throat was badly burned. His lungs were affected.

Post-war:

"Osage Chief" (Fairfax OK) 23 Jun 1922 p 8 – Tom Boone, who was attending Arkansas State Agricultural College in Russellville AR returned to Fairfax 19 Jun 1922 for summer vacation.

"Fairfax Chief" 26 Dec 1957 p 1 – On 15 Dec 1957 there was a large party at the VFW Hall to celebrate Tom Boone's 65th birthday. He was awarded a certificate of merit for his outstanding service in WWI, for his service to this community & his service to the local VFW.

"Fairfax Chief" 23 May 1957 p 3 – Three members of the Red Eagle VFW post got special citations, among them a citation from the state department office in Oklahoma City OK to Tom Boone for his "outstanding service in VFW work."

"Fairfax (OK) Chief" 29 Jan 1959 p 1 – "Tom Boone Hopes to Meet Men of Torpedoed Ship" – Tom has hopes for a reunion & issued a call to Tuscania survivors to contact him at

Fairfax. Next Thursday is the anniversary date of the sinking. Notices were sent to newspapers over OK. He figures there are about 12 Oklahomans and 125 Texans who were on the ship. See article above about the meaning of the anniversary to him.

“Fairfax (OK) Chief” 2 Apr 1959 p 6 – Tom & Oramaye Boone of Fairfax purchased 3 Aberdeen-Angus cows from J.C. Cook of Owasso OK.

“Tulsa Sunday World” 20 Feb 1972 – lengthy article showing the Tuscania & WWI photos – “Two Funerals, Still Going Strong” – pictured on Ancestry.com
Obituary:

Social Security Number: 448-36-8492

Censuses:

1900 Weaubleau, Hickory MO

Clinton M. Largent, 60 NC, Jan 1840, parents b. NC, farmer

Annie Largent, 35 MO, parents b. TN, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [this would be two Boone sons & 1 Largent son]

[son] Lee C. Largent, 22 MO, father b. NC, mother b. KY, Feb 1888, farmer [Clinton’s son by his 1st marriage]

Omer E. Largent, 5 MO, Mar 1895, father b. NC, mother b. MO [son]

Thomas BOON [sic], 9 MO, Jan 1891, parents b. MO [stepson]

John N. BOON, 7 MO, May 1893, parents b. MO [stepson]

1910 Remington, Osage OK

Annie Largent, 42 MO, widowed, farmer [indexed as Danie or Danile but reads Annie on form]

John B. Largent, 20 MO, parents b. MO, farmer

Thomas B. Largent, 18 MO, father b. MO, mother b. AR, farmer [this is Tom Boone]

Omer Largent, 14 MO, parents b. MO

Clifford Largent, 9 OK, parents b. MO

1920 Big Hill, Osage OK

Annie Largent, 51 AR, father b. Germany, mother b. IL, farmer

Tom Boone, 27 MO, father b. MO, mother b. AR, running livery, car [her son]

Clifford Boone, 17 OK, father b. NC, mother b. AR, farming [her son - this is Clifford Largent]

1930 Big Hill, Osage OK – rental

Tom Boone, 37 MO, father b. MO, mother b. AR, married, age 24 at 1st marriage, farmer [no spouse listed], WWI veteran, head of household

Anna Largent, 58 AR, widowed, father b. Germany, mother b. IL

Orval Bundt, 19, lodger/servant, laborer, farm

1930 Fairfax, Osage OK – wife & children – 520 Second

Elfa Boone, 36 KS, married, father b. OH, mother b. IA, no occupation, age 25 at 1st marriage

Ruby, 10 OK, father b. MO, mother b. KS

Thomas, 8 OK, father b. MO, mother b. KS

Nadine, 6 OK, father b. MO, mother b. KS

1940 Fairfax, Osage OK – same place in 1935

Tom BOON [sic], 47 MO, owner, filling station

Ora Maye BOON, 35 OK, manager, filling station

1940 Fairfax, Osage OK – same place in 1935

Elsie Boone, 33 KS, widowed, housework, laundry

Tomas, 19 OK, day work

Nadine, 17 OK