TUSCANIA

Tuscania casualty West, Clayton Burr 1890 KS – 5 February 1918 Tuscania

OTTAWA COUNTY'S QUOTA FOR FIRST CALL PRACTICALLY FILLED; LOCAL EXAMINERS CERTIFY 192 MORE TO DISTRICT BOARD

Excerpt:

Carl Williams, Raymond E. Garren, Roy Hail Brown, Bert John Cooksey, Clayton Burr West, Bert Jefferson Mc-Bride, James Thomas Willis, Fred Welch William Anderson Peters, Samuel Franklin Magee, Adolph Gliedt,

"Miami (OK) Record-Herald" Friday 14 Sep 1917 p 2

REPORTS NOW SHOW 1,832 AMERICANS HAVE BEEN SAVED

Two Hundred More of Those on List of Missing Probably Are Safe in Towns Along the Irish Coast.

DEATH LIST WILL NOT EXCEED 113

Two Kansans, Clayton B. West, of Baxter Springs, and Raymond Roessler, of Medicine Lodge, Unaccounted For.

"Topeka (KS) Daily Capital" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

Two Kansans Missing.

Two Kansas soldiers, of those on board the Tuscania, which was torpedoed in the Irish sea, are among the missing. They are Clayton B. West of Baxter Springs and Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge.

"Columbus (KS) Daily Advocate" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 3

CLAYTON B. WEST LOCATED

The item in yesterday's Citizen asking for information regarding Clayton B. West, the Baxter Springs man who went down with the Tuscania, brought the venerable J. M. English to this office early today with the desired information. Clayton B. West, belonged to the A. O. U. W., here in 1910, at that time claiming Lincolnville, Okla., as his home. Mr. English knew nothing about his occupation or antecedents, but described him as a likely and likable young fellow, who perhaps knowing the reputation this city has gained in the last few years as a mining center, claimed it as his home when enlisting, rather than Lincolnville.

Member of AOUW – Ancient Order of United Workmen - "Baxter Daily Citizen" (Baxter Springs KS) Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

FORMER LYONS BOYS ON TRANSPORT TUSCANIA

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"Lyons (KS) Daily News" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 1

ton B. West, of Baxter Springs, also among the "unaccounted for" is a "formerly of Rice" boy, being a son of "Billy" West, a former well known resident of Mitchell township. Clayton is a brother of Mrs. Chas. Wikoff, who lives on Route 4, out of Lyons, and is thus indirectly, closely affiliated with Frank B. Wikoff, one of our other soldier boys, "Somewhere in France."

"Lyons (KS) Republican" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

Clayton B. West, whom reports listed when the transport Tuscania went down is now listed among the rescued. His address is given as Baxter Springs, Texas, so it is probably not the same man who was known here in 1910.

Erroneous report that Clayton is alive – "Baxter (KS) Daily Citizen" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p

Clayton B. West is the eldest son of "Billie" West who is well known by older residents here. Clayton is also a brother of Mrs. Chas. Wikoff, of Lyons, route 6, and a nephew of Geo. Manwarren of this city.

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The last hope of friends here that Wm. Howard Raisner and Clayton B. West (former Rice county boys) might still be among the living—rescued in some lonely port in northern Ireland or Scotland was dissipated Wednesday evening by the Associated Press carrying their names as among the identified dead, who had been buried on the Scotland Coast.

Mr. West was No. 10 in a trench grave of 78, all duly numbered and named (when identified.)

Wm. Howard Raisner was No. 4 in another trench grave which were numbered from 19 to 34, making him No. 22 in this smaller trench.

We did not find the name of Edward Roessler, of Medicine Lodge, in the list, but there were quite a number of "unidentified."

The sympathy of the old time friends in Rice county go out to the afflicted families.

Buried in Scotland - "Lyons (KS) Republican" Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 5

RICE COUNTY THE HOME OF TWO LOST SOLDIERS

William Howard Raisner and Clayton

B. West Both Formerly Lived Near

Lyons—Burial in Scotland.

Lyons, Feb. 17.—(Special)—The last hope of friends here that William Howard Raisner and Clayton B. West, former Rice county boys who were soldiers on the torpedoed Tuscania, might still be among the living—rescued in some lonely port in northern Ireland or Scotland—was dissipated by the Associated Press carrying their names as among the identified dead, who had been buried on the Scotland coast.

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William Howard Raisner was a son of the Rev. W. F. Raisner, who used to live in Lyons and who married Miss Lizzle Long, a sister of Mrs. S. G. Winkoff, and of the Long boys, J. E. and y. B. W., who were raised here, but who now live in Pratt county. Mr. and Mrs. Raisner have three boys in the army. They come of a loyal fighting family.

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Rice county is certainly getting into this war pretty closely.

[&]quot;Topeka (KS) Daily Capital" Monday 18 Feb 1918 p 3

The causalties of the war are brought home to Hamilton people in the sinking of the Tuscania. Clayton B, West, of Rice county, who is amongst the identified dead, was a brother of Mrs. John Wildoner. Mr. West visited here with his bride some two years ago, Besides his wife he leaves a little child.

"Hamilton (KS) Grit" Thursday 21 Feb 1918 p 8

Mrs. John Wildoner went to Commerce, Okla., last week, where on Sunday a memorial service was held for her brother Clayton B. West, who was one of the Hun victims, off the Scottish coast. when the Tuscania was sent down. His body is buried in Scotland, but his spirit and that of others goes marching on until the Kaiser and his crew are backed off the earth.

"Hamilton (KS) Grit" Thursday 28 Feb 1918 p 5

Mr. and Mrs. W. West, of Colorado Springs have arrived for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Geo. Manwarren and family and with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Derby. They are expecting the body of their son, Clayton B. West, who was killed in the world war to arrive in Lyons soon for burial.

"Lyons (KS) Daily News" Monday 13 Sep 1920 p 1

Another Body Home.

Lyons, Oct. 28.—The body of another Rice county boy who made the supreme sacrifice overseas is enroute to Lyons. The American Legion post here has been notified to expect the casket of Clayton B. West. Funeral services will be held under the Legion auspices.

"Hutchinson (KS) News" Thursday 28 Oct 1920 p 23

OBITUARY.

Clayton Burr West was born near Mitchell, Kansas, in May, 1891, and at the age of 14 moved with his family to Chanute, Kansas. Later he went to Commerce, Oklahoma, where he was married to Willie A. McQuillin. To this union was born one son, Marion Keith.

Clayton was called into service October 4th, 1917, uniting with the 20th Engineers, Co. F, 6th Battalion, and lost his life on the Tuscania which was sunk off of Irish coast February 5, 1918.

Clayton was an energetic young man, putting forth all his energy to the tasks set before him, which, with his likable disposition, endeared him to all who knew him best.

He left to mourn his loss, his wife and baby, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. West of Colorado Springs, Colorado; three sisters, Mrs. J. W. Wildoner of Hamilton, Kansas, who died October 28, 1918; Mrs. J. L. Fields of Wichita Falls, Texas; Wm. H., Lester A., and Jesse D. of Colorado Springs.

> The Lyons Republican, Lyons KS, Monday, November 1, 1920 page 4

[&]quot;Lyons [KS] Republican" Monday 1 Nov 1920, p 4 – from Find A Grave 86365427

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MO death record of Willie Arizona McQuillin West Downing Lovelace - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1464639:60382

WESTE-McQUILLIN

On July 6 Mr. Burr Weste and Miss Willie McQuillin, both of Quapa, Oklahoma, were married by Probate Judge Carter at his office in St. John.

Marriage on 6 Jul 1914 in St. John KS – "St. John (KS) Daily Capital & the County Capital" Thursday 9 Jul 1914 p 1

WAWest

in the Oklahoma, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1890-1995

Name	W A West
Gender	Female
Age	23
Birth Date	abt 1896
Marriage Date	3 May 1919
Marriage Place	Ottawa, Oklahoma, USA
Spouse	William H Downing
Film Number	001305655

MARRIAGE RECORD

<u>919-1919</u>

APPLICATION	FOR MARRIAGE	LICENSE.	
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April (1990)			County Judge.
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Marriage of widow Willie Arizona McQuillin West to 2nd husband, William Harvey Downing, on https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-

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Marriage of Willie Arizona McQuillin West to William Harvey Downing – "Miami (OK) Record-Herald" Friday 9 May 1919 p 8

William H. Downing Died Saturday Evening

William H. Downing, 58 year old retired miner and resident of Picher for twenty five years, died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Amanda Downing, 505 North Maple.

He was a veteran of World War I and had moved to Commerce only two weeks before his death. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Daisy Downing; a daughter, Mrs.

Phyllis Pulley, Treece; two brothers, Ed of Picher, and Ray of Wichita, Kansas; two sisters, Mrs. Susie Perry of Commerce and Mrs. Ethel Bolin of Wichita Kansas, and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist church in Commerce with the Rev. Arthur Hottel officiating. Burial was in the Baxter Springs cemetery.

Obituary of 2nd husband William Harvey Downing – "Tri-State Tribune" (Pilcher OK) Thursday 11 Oct 1951 p 1

WOMAN ASKS DIVORCE

Suit for a divorce fromh William H. Downing was filed in district court late Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Willie Downing of Douthat. The petition charges the defendant with extreme cruelty and gross neglect. Mrs. Downing also asks for the restoration of her maiden name.

Willie divorces William Downing - "Miami (OK) News-Record" Thursday 4 Dec 1924 p 1

Courthouse News Briefly Chronicled

Marriage Licenses
Howard Raynor, 20, Zincville, and
Margaret Coffman, 18, Zincville.
Cecil Bumgarner, 26, Commerce,
and Tressie Bluch, 18, Commerce.
Suits for Divorce
Addie from Jess Lovelace.

Jess Lovelace sued for divorce by wife Addie – "Miami (OK) News-Record" Sunday 20 Jun 1925 p 13

Ten Given Divorces In District Court Ten divorces were granted Tuesday in the district court. Decrees were awarded: Maudie from Clora Edwards; Violet from Harry Smith; Ora from Alexander Evans; George C. from Meda Cepraga; Lula from James M. Anderson; Clarence W. from Clarabel Byrd; Addie from Jess Lovelace; J. H. from Carrol B. Austin; Benjamin A. from Eva E. Carter; William R. from Edith Points.

Jess Lovelace divorced - "Miami (OK) News-Record" Wednesday 30 Jun 1926 p 1

Jess Lovelace and Willie Downing of Douthat attended the dance in Peoria Saturday night.

"Miami (OK) News-Record" Tuesday 28 Dec 1926 p 8

Card Party

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Martin were host and hostess at a progressive card party Saturday night. Those present were: Mrs. Willie Downing, Jess Lovelace, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Porter of Douthat, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Large and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Townsend and family, Mrs. Jack Balding, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Steele and family. At 12 o'clock a chicken sup-

per was served and prizes awarded to Mrs. M. Porter and Jess Large for high scores.

"Miami (OK) News-Record" Tuesday 8 Mar 1927 p 6

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Large entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner Tuesday for Mrs. Willie Downing and Mrs. Jess Lovelace of Douthat.

Hmmm? – "Miami (OK) News-Record" Thursday 7 Apr 1927 p 7

Bissel of Miami.

Mrs. Roy Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jarge, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Jim DeVilliers, Willie Downing, Jesse Lovelace, Lester Allen, Bill Lee, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sharp attended a Thanksgiving dance at Douthat Thursday night.

Surprise Party

Mrs. Jesse Large entertained with a surprise party Wednesday night in celebration of Mr. Large's birthday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen, Lester Allen, Bill Lee, Jesse Lovelace, Willie Downing, Edith Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Townsend and daughter, Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hopkins and daughter, Lucille, Mrs. Jack Baldwin of Paola, Kas., and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Large.

Card Party

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Martin entertained a group of friends with a card party Monday night. The following were present: Jesse Lovelace, Willie Downing, Lester Allen, Bill Lee, Edith Brown, all of Douthat, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Large and the host and hostess.

Three articles on same page - "Miami (OK) News-Record" Sunday 27 Nov 1927 p 2

Mrs. Jess Lovelace visited Mrs.
James Newton and Mrs. Clifford
Ladd in Douthat Sunday.

Willie has married Jess Lovelace by be 1928 – "Miami (OK) News-Record" Tuesday 14 Feb 1928 p 6 Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin motored to Miami Sunday where they attended the funeral service of Tom McQuillin at the chapel of the G. A. R. cemetery. Mr. McQuillin was a pioneer resident of Lincolnville and Quapaw. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Jess Lovelace of Douthat and a son, Harley McQuillin of Flint, Mich.

"Miami (OK) News-Record" Sunday 15 Dec 1929 p 8

Obituary

MRS. WILLIE LOVELACE

Mrs. Willie Arizona Lovelace, a resident of the Picher community 35 years before moving to near Joplin seven years ago, died at 4:25 p.m. Saturday at the Freeman hospital in Joplin.

Mrs. Lovelace, 61, was a member of the Baptist church in Douthat.

Survivors include her husband, Jess Lovelace of the home on Joplin Route 4; two sons, Delbert Lovelace, Welch, and Marion West of Amarillo, Tex., and four grandchildren.

Arrangements for services and burial will be announced by the Hunter Funeral home of Picher.

Lovelace Rites Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Willie Arizona Lovelace, were conducted at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the First Baptist church, Picher, with the Rev. Merl Evans of Joplin, officiating. She was 61-years old.

Burial was in the Osborne Memorial cemetery, Joplin, under the direction of the Hunter Funeral Home of Picher.

Pallbearers were Raymond and George Moser, David Taylor, Jack McGoyne, Paul Pace and Hugh Hardwick.

Mrs. Lovelace, had been a resident of Picher thirty-five years before moving to Joplin seven years ago. She was a member of the Douthat Baptist Church.

Death came at 4:25 Saturday afternoon at the Freeman hospital in Joplin.

Survivors include her husband, Jess Lovelace of the home, Joplin route 4; two sons, Delbert Lovelace, Welch, Oklahoma and Marion Lovelace of Amarilla, Texas and four grandchildren.

Obituary of wife Willie Arizona McQuillin West Lovelace – left: "Miami (OK) News-Record" Sunday 27 Oct 1957 p 3 and right: "Tri-State Tribune" (Pilcher OK) Thursday 31 Oct 1957 p 1

Son:

Amarillo

Marion Keith West

Services for Marion Keith West, 62, of 513 N. Polk, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Memorial Park Cemetery with Paul Sneed, associate pastor of Central Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was to be by Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Mr. West died Sunday.

He had lived in Amarillo since 1946. He was a welder and a member of Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, a halfbrother and six grandchildren.

Son Marion Keith West - Find A Grave 64867328

DISTRICT COURT

Willie Lucille West vs Marion Keith West. Grace Lowe vs William H. Lowe. . Enma June Caldwell vs Robert S. Caldwell. Mildred Norrid vs S. L. Norrid.

"Amarillo (TX) Globe-Times" Friday 17 Feb 1956 p 12

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Mother:



Myra Rose Cummings West - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/69672414/person/38352412367/media/40569af4-f0e9-4637-aa75-a0f631d67c88

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Marriage of brother Ambrose West to Esther Elevira Monson Morrill -

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WEST-MORRILL MARRIAGE PERFORMED HERE

The marriage of Mrs. Esther Morrill, Brentford, and Ambrose West, Mellette, took place yesterday at the Evangelical Free parsonage, with the Rev. H. D. Peterson officiating at a single ring ceremony. Miss Arlene Morrill and Mrs. Peterson were attending witnesses. Mr. and Mrs. West left on a trip through the Hills and Yellowstone National park after which they will make their home in Mellette.

"Rapid City (SD) Journal" Wednesday 27 Aug 1941 p 5

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by the Probate Judge.

To Mr. A. M. Holmes and Miss Adilia Bracker both of Geneseo.

To Mr. Chas H Wekoff, of Galt and Miss Pearl M. West, of Mitchell.

Marriage license of sister Pearl Mae West (1881-1967) & Charles Henderson Wikoff – "Rice County Eagle" (Lyons KS) Friday 30 Nov 1900 p 1



Pearl Mae West & 1st husband Charles Henderson Wikoff on their wedding day - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/69672414/person/38383362134/media/583de02f-feff-4eb1-b495-d2e73f555cde

Mrs. Homer Sherwood

el LYONS - Mrs. Pearl Mac Sherwood, 86, of Lyons, died Tuesday morning at the Lyons | District Hospital after a long iliness. Boin Feb 11, 1881, she 8 married Charles II. Wikoff Nov. C 27, 1900 at Mitchell. He died in 1 1944. She married Homer Sherwood July 29, 1947 at Dodge 5 City. He died in 1950. She had been a resident of the Lyons community all her lite.

She was a member of First Christian Church, Lyons.

She is survived by daughters, Mrs. Eleanor Johnston, Lyons, Mrs. Fern Hoffsman, Green Forest, Ark., Mrs. Pearl Doyle, Los Angeles. Calif., Mrs. Grace Dobbins, Sayre, Okla., and Mrs. Leota McWilliam, Lake Ozark, Ark. two sons, Lawrence Wie koff, Lyons, and Everett Wikoff, d Colorado Springs, Colo; one i sister, Mrs. Esther Fields, Austin, Tex.: brother, Jeff West, Los Angeles. Calif.: 19 grandchildren, and 39 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at church with the Rev. Orvan Gilstrap officiating. Burial will be in Lyons Cemetery. Friends may call today and until 8:30 a.m. Thursday at the Porter and Sillin Funeral Home Sterling.

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Obituary of Pearl Mae West Wikoff Sherwood – "Great Bend (KS) Daily Tribune" 4 Oct 1967 p 2 - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/8473/images/news-ksgr_be_da_tr.1967_10_04_0001?pld=507318273



Pearl Mae West & Charles Henderson Wikoff - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/69672414/person/38383362134/media/d32b00b5-810d-4710-8245-1869ba72638e? phsrc=hFB67250& phstart=successSource



West sisters – Pearl Mae, Myrtle Ethel (1879-1918), Esther Oliver https://www.ancestry.com/mediauiviewer/tree/69672414/person/38284295117/media/20eafd7e-e2d7-487b-b67ed290a91f9600

Miss Esther West of this place and John Fields of Cardin were united in marriage Sunday. The bride was formerly employed in the postoffice and is well liked by her many friends. The groom is also well and favorably known and is employed in the mines at Cardin. They will make their home in Cardin.

Sister Esther Oliver West Fields (1894-1988) - "Miami (OK) Record-Herald" Friday 14 Apr 1916 p 4



Esther Oliver West Fields - https://www.ancestry.com/mediauiviewer/tree/69672414/person/38352413578/media/625fde0b-b5dc-49d9-9f6d-f1e504f1274d

Esther O. Fields

Esther O. Fields, age 93, of Austin, died Saturday, March 5, 1988.

She was a 50 year resident of Austin, former resident of Rebecca Baines Johnson Retirement Center where she was active in their activity programs. She was good will Ambassador while living there, because she was friends with everyone. Mrs. Fields moved to Austin to send her three children to the University of Texas.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday in Capital Memorial Hill, with Reverend B.G. Kidder officiating.

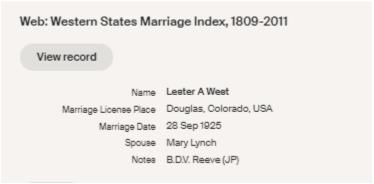
Mrs. Fields is survived by her two daughters, Florence Fields Killen and Mrs. H.T. Baker, both of Austin; one son, Robert O. Fields of Guadalajara, Mexico and Houston, Texas; eight grandchildren, Scott W. Killen of Dallas, Kay L. Killen, Penny L. Baker, both of Austin, Linda Deason of El Paso, Jan Baker and Bobby J. Baker, both of Austin, Sharon Fields of Beverly Hills, California and Ricky Fields of Houston; nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Arrangement by Cook-Walden Funeral Home, Lamar location.

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Marriage of brother William Henry West (1897-1959) to Trixie Mary Lasater on 9 Jun 1924 Colorado Springs, El Paso CO - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/433827:61366



Marriage of brother Lester Alva West (1900-1964) to Mary Frances Lynch on 28 Sep 1925 in Douglas Co. CO - https://www.ancestry.com/family-

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Lester West

in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997

Name	Lester West
Social Security#	558442645
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State of Colorado Division of Vital Statistics MARRIAGE RECORD REPORT County EL PASO Husband's Name WEST, JESSEE Age 21 Race W Wife's Name MOHRMAN, LORETA Age 16 Race W Place of Marriage GOLO SPGS, COLO Date 5-5-1923 Name of Official who Performed Ceremony J. P. BARNES Title JP Address COLO SPGS, COLO

Marriage on 5 May 1923 in Colorado Springs, El Paso CO - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryuicontent/view/433661:61366

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Jesse West in the Colorado, Divorce Index, 1851-1985

Name	Jesse West
Divorce Date	14 Aug 1935
Divorce Place	El Paso, Colorado, USA
Spouse	Loreta West
Record Type	Divorce

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California, Death Index, 1940-1997

View record

Name Jesse D West
Social Security # 570074031
Gender Male
Birth Date 1904
Birth Place Kansas
Death Date 12 Aug 1970
Death Place Orange

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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Clayton Burr West

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 18th/Co. F - private

Serial number: US Army enlisted men were not assigned serial numbers until after the

sinking of the Tuscania showed their value, so Clayton died without a number.

Entered service from: Baxter Springs, Cherokee KS

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Clayton B. West

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": wife Mrs. W. West, RFD 2, Baxter Spring KS [handwritten 1st

name: Willy]

First buried on isle of Islay, Scotland: in Kilnaughton, Islay, Scotland - grave 10, as G.R. West

Body returned from war on: Antigone" arriving Hoboken NJ 29 Sep 1920

Body listed on return ship as: Clayton B. West Rank & unit on return ship: pvt, Co. F, 20th Engrs

World War I draft registration (1917): b. 3 May 1890 Rice KS; res: Commerce, Ottawa OK

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlistment & discharge dates not listeded

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Address: Douthar OK

Rank/unit: private, Co. F, 20th Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 3 May 1890 Mitchell, Rice Co. KS

Died: 5 Feb 1918 Tuscania

Find A Grave record: 86365427 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Lyons, Rice KS Cemetery: Lyons Municipal

Tombstone: veteran flat: Oklahoma Co. F 20 Engrs

Father: William Wallace ("Billy") West, 4 Feb 1853 Noble, Branch Co. MI – 14 Mar 1935 Lyons, Rice KS. Son of James Burr West & Olive Lodema Roberts. Buried in Lyons Municipal

Cemetery, Lyons, Rice KS. Find A Grave: 34307787

Mother: Myra Rose Cummings West, 7 Nov 1862 WI – 9 Jul 1948 Lyons, Rice KS. Daughter of Caleb Cummings (1825-1892, F: 34307784) & Almira Johnson (1824-1890, F: 86365426). Her father Caleb served as a corporal in the Civil War, on the side of the Union, in Co. K, 25th Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry.

Buried in Lyons Municipal Cemetery, Lyons, Rice KS.

Find A Grave: 34307790

Parents' marriage: 27 Nov 1878 Lyons, Rice KS or 1880

Family tree at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-

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Spouse: Willie Arizona McQuillin/McQuillian West Downing Lovelace, 26 Jan 1896 Caddo, Bryan OK - 26 Oct 1957 Joplin, Newton MO. Daughter of Charles Edmond McQuillin & Cornelia Bellows.

Mrs. W.A. West married on 3 May 1919 in Commerce, Ottawa OK to William Harvey Downing (20 Apr 1893 – 6 Oct 1951, buried in Baxter Springs Cemetery, Baxter springs, Cherokee KS, F: 28196884). William was the son of William Delaney Downing & Amanda I. Hollaway. She filed for divorce in Dec 1924 in OK. She asked for a return to her maiden name, but is found in newspapers in 1926 & 1927 at social events with Jess E. Lovelace listed as Mrs. Willie Downing.

Married Jess Elbert Lovelace, 21 Jul 1898 Tipton Ford, Newton MO – 17 May 1968, buried in Osborne Memorial Cemetery, Joplin, Newton MO, F: 62925589. He was the son of George Milo Lovelace & Minnie Belle Eades. Jess, age 21, had married Annie Newton, age 19, on 25 Sep 1918 in Ottawa Co. OK They divorced in Jun 1926. Willie & Jess are married by Feb 1928 when she is noted in the newspaper as Mrs. Jess Lovelace. Willie & Jesse had a son, Delbert Leroy Lovelace (3 Oct 1929 OK – 2011 OK, F: 71146792)..

Buried in Osborne Memorial Cemetery, Joplin, Newton MO.

Spouse Find A Grave: 62925648

Marriage: 6 Jul 1914 St. John, Stafford KS. Their son Marion is born 6 months later.

Children:

 Marion Keith West, 5 Jan 1915 OK - 9 Oct 1977 Amarillo, Potter TX. Survived by 2 sons & a half-brother. Buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Amarillo, Potter TX. F: 64867328

Siblings: Clayton was born after Myrtle. In the 1900 census, his mother says she has given birth to 10 children, 6 of whom are alive. Named are 5 children: Pearl, Myrtle, Clayton, Esther & William. In the 1910 census, she says she has given birth to 8 children, 7 of whom are living.

- Pearl Mae West Wikoff Sherwood, 11 Feb 1881 Rice Co. KS 3 Oct 1967 Lyons, Rice KS. Obtained marriage license in Lyons, Rice KS in Nov 1900 to marry Charles Henderson Wikoff (1874-1944, F: 84005369). They married 27 Nov 1900 in Genesee Co. KS Married in Dodge City, Ford KS on 29 Jul 1947 to Homer George Sherwood, b. 16 Dec 1878 Rice Co. KS to Thomas M. Sherwood & Ulalia E. Davis. Homer George is also found as George Homer. He is buried in Fairview Park Cemetery, St. John, Stafford KS, F: 104286766. In the 1950 census, conducted 11 May 1950, George Sherwood (71 KS) lives with wife Pearl (69 KS) in Dodge, Ford Ks. Pearl is buried in Lyons Municipal Cemetery, Lyons, Rice KS. F: 78834847
- Myrtle Ethel West Wildoner, 11 Sep 1879 Lyons, Rice KS 28 Oct 1918 Hamilton, Greenwood KS. Wife of John Wesley. Wildoner (1882-1946, F: 32115586), whom she married 26 Mar 1905 at Columbus KS. She died 8 months after her brother Clayton. Died of influenze, in the WWI pandemic. Buried in Janesville Cemetery, Hamilton, Greenwood KS. F:32115655
- Alva Jay ("Alby") West, 29 Aug 1892 Rice Co. KS 24 Nov 1895 Rice Co. KS. Not on Find A Grave as of 19 Jun 2023.
- Esther Oliver West Fields, 19 Sep 1894 Lyons, Rice KS 5 Mar 1988 Travis Co. TX. Married 9
 Apr 1916 in Miami, Ottawa Co. OK to John Leslie Fields (6 May 1895 Cherokee Nation OK 1
 Oct 1934 Hobbs, Lea NM). According to the Dawes Rolls, John was 3/64 Cherokee Native
 American. Esther is buried in Cook-Walden Memorial Hill Cemetery, Austin, Travis TX. F:
 34151195
- William Henry (Willie) West, 18 Nov 1897 Lyons, Rice KS [WWII draft also found on family trees as Attica, Harper KS 29 Jul 1959 Colorado Springs, El Paso CO. Married on 9 Jun 1924 in Colorado Springs, El Paso CO to Trixie Mary Lasater (1909-1940, F: 35158663).
 Buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Colorado Springs, El Paso CO. F:35158666
- Lester Alva West, 3 Jun 1900 Kansas City, Wyandotte KS 14 Oct 1964 Inglewood, Los Angeles CA. Married Mary Frances Lynch (1903-1958) on 28 Sep 1925 in Douglas Co. CO. Not on Find A Grave as of 19 Jun 2023.
- Jesse Dale West, 2 Oct 1903 Lyons, Rice KS 12 Aug 1970 Orange Co. CA. Resident of Colorado Springs CO in Nov 1920. At age 21, Jesse married Loreta Fern Mohrman, age 16, on 5 May 1923 in Colorado Springs, El Paso CO. They had 6 children. In the 1930 census, Jesse & Loreta are married & living in Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA. They divorce 14 Aug 1935 in El Paso Co. CO. In the 1940 census, Jess West, 36 KS, single, with no occupation, lives in Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA with his mother Emma West (77 WI). She had lived in Lyons, Rice KS in 1935 & he had lived in Colorado Springs, El Paso CO. On his WWII draft registration (16 Feb 1942) in Los Angeles CA, it notes he has "right leg missing below the knee." Not on Find A Grave as of 19 Jun 2023. Loreta, the daughter of Simon Mohrman & Hattie Mae Dozier, F: 35156590, was also married to Mark Ellis Browning (1893-1995) & Glen Herbert Markus Torguson (1902-1995).

Notes:

Family tree of father at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/191030872/person/122481810059/facts

Pre-war:

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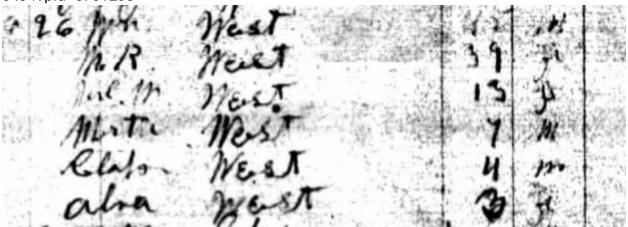
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1895 KS state census - Galt, Rice KS -

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William, age 45 b. MI, M.R. (Myra), age 39 b. WI, children b. KS - Pearl (13), Myrtle (7), Clayton (4) & Alva (3).

1900 Galt, Rice KS

Wm. M. West, 47 MI, Feb 1859, parents b. NY, married 20 years, farmer

Myra R., 37 WI, Nov 1862, father b. VT, mother b. MA, gave birth to 10 children, 6 are living

Pearl M., 19 KS, Feb 1881

Mirtle E., 12 KS, Sep 1889, at school

Clayton B., 10 KS, May 1890, at school

Ester O., 5 KS, Sep 1894

Wm. H., 3 KS, Mar 1896

& servant Lester Snook, 18 MI, father b. OH, mother b. MI, farm laborer

1910 Peoria, Ottawa OK

William West, 57 MI, parents b. NY, in 1st marriage, married 30 years, operator [spelled opperator], lead mine

Myra, 47 WI, father b. VT, mother b. CT, in $1^{\rm st}$ marriage, gave birth to 8 children, 7 are living Clayton, 19 KS, tub hooker, lead mine

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