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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Stoss, Herman
1891 NE – 1973 OK



Herman Stoss - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/15019319/person/332335199540/media/9efa44c0-04d8-4044-be03-606f68cbbb1b>



Herman Stoss & wife Vaney Bell Lovitt Stoss – Scottsbluff NE, 1937 -
https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/8078289/person/-997186172/media/67569a9e-49c7-4b86-b81b-3b804e44b2b7?_phsrc=hFB60216&_phstart=successSource

Life:

NEGRO DANIELS IS HELD FOR SHOOTING

Monday the preliminary hearing of the State vs. Daniels, (colored) who was charged with shooting with intent to kill, was held before County Judge Shutler, and the defendant was bound over to the district court, his bond being fixed at \$500, failing to give which he was committed to the county jail.

Daniels had been employed by Herman Stoss to clear some ground about 12 miles east of Dover, and had been paid some in advance. He was preparing to move away, and Stoss hearing of this, went over to the negro's tent to have a settlement with him.

Stoss carried with him a 22-calibre target rifle with which he was hunting on the way to the tent, but before going to the tent where the negro lived, he set his gun down against a tree some distance away.

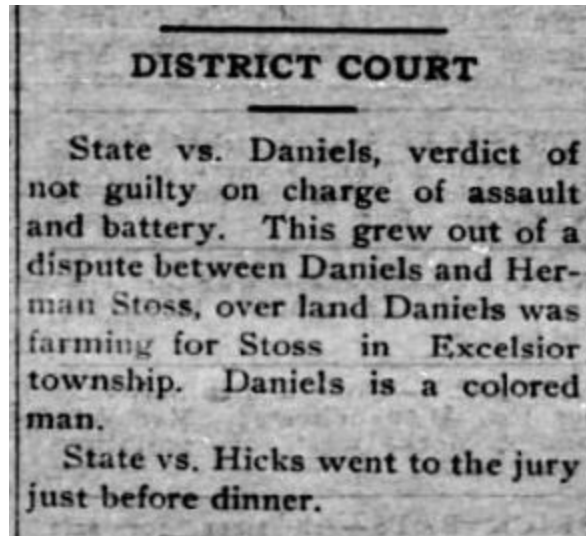
The negro refused to settle and an argument ensued, which resulted in the negro attempting to strike Stoss on the head with a board which he was loading onto his wagon. Stoss started away from the place when the negro's wife handed him a 22-calibre rifle with which he immediately opened fire on Stoss, one bullet striking Stoss a glancing lick in the chest.

Stoss retreated to where he had left his rifle and taking up the same returned the fire of the negro. Several shots were exchanged in which Stoss received an additional flesh wound in the little finger of his left hand, and the negro was shot in the fleshy part of the leg.

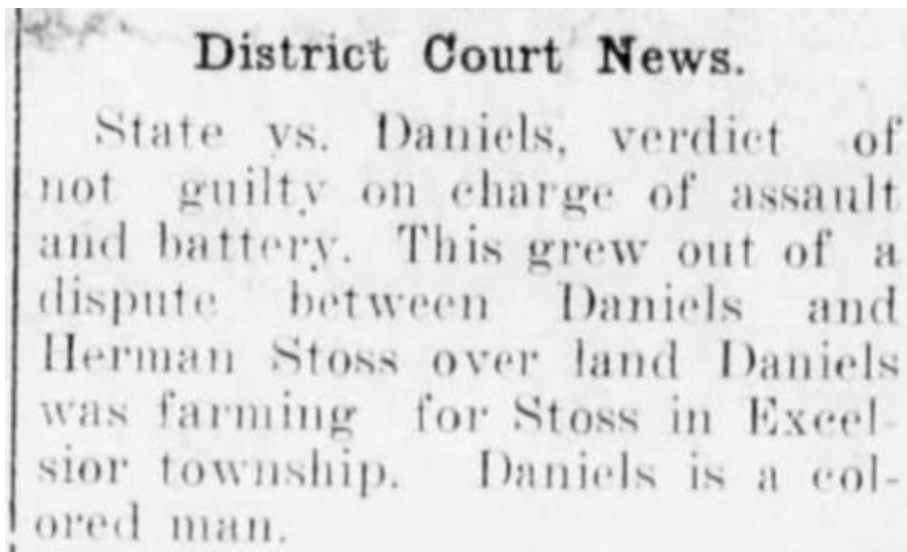
Neighbors hearing the battle rushed to the scene and stopped hostilities temporarily. Wash Drew, who lived within a few hundred yards of the battle started out from his house to assist Stoss who was making his way in

that direction, when the negro took a couple of pot shots at him, one shot striking the house and another lodging in a tree by the side of the house, whereupon Drew procured his pistol and took a few shots at the negro as he made his escape into the brush.

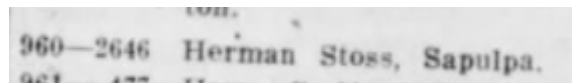
The negro made his way to the house of a white farmer named Cook, and asked protection. He was detained there and Deputy Mauck, of Dover, was phoned for and went and brought the colored gun man to Kingfisher.



"Kingfisher (OK) Daily Free Press" Wednesday 12 Apr 1916 p 3



"Hennessey (OK) Clipper" Thursday 13 Apr 1916 p 1



"Complete List of 1 Draft Notification in Creek County District No. 1 - #960, 2646 Herman Stoss, Sapulpa - "Sapulpa (OK) Herald" Saturday 4 Aug 1917 p 6 -

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/661549750/>

Although first reports stated most of the Tuscania's passengers were from Michigan and Wisconsin, the passenger lists made public today show the men were from at least a dozen states.

The following Kingfisher County men aboard the Tuscania is taken from the passenger list compiled by the war department at the port of embarkation and is complete. The names of the men their next kin and their emergency address are as follows:

Louis D. Baker, J. W. Baker, father, Okarche.

Herman Stoss, Mrs. N. Stoss, wife, Hennessey.

Raymond Fouts, Miss Bertha Fouts, sister, Kiel.

Tuscania passengers were from all 48 states, plus the territory of Hawaii & the District of Columbia
 – “Kingfisher (OK) Free Daily Press” Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 1

Herman Stoss, of Hennessey, has not yet been placed definitely among the survivors.

“Kingfisher (OK) Free Daily Press” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/586118252/>

30 OKLAHOMANS MISSING, LATEST TUSCANIA REPORT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11. — The names of six Oklahomans were added to the list of saved from the liner Tuscania, according to the latest reports received. The number of missing Oklahomans now is thirty.

The list of Oklahoma men who have not been placed definitely among the survivors, is as follows:

HERSCHEL O. SAIRD, Wagoner.
HOWARD E. BOWMAN, Rocky.
JOHN B. BISHOP, Foster.
JOE COCHRANE, Lawton.
LOUIS CARRANTO, Coalgate.
HENRY E. FORSHEE, Hayward.
JOHN C. GALE, Stillwater.
BENJAMIN GEORGE, Talequah.
JOHN KEMPER, Fairfax.
ERNEST LINTHICUM, Oklahoma City.

CAPTAIN LEO P. LEBRON, Guthrie.

JOSEPH MARLIN, Checotah.
L. C. McDANIELS, Belton.
JOHN F. McDONNELL, Hinton.
HOWARD W. MENELEY, Sasakwa.
BURLEY C. NALL, Carlington.
LUTHER W. OZMENT, Broken Bow.

FLETCHER D. PLEDGER, Norman.

ONDIS POWELL, Sasakwa.
RICHARDSON PETERS, Ravina.
GEORGE C. PERRY, Lone Wolf.
JAMES C. PRICE, Boise City.
JOHN RODGE, Pleasant Hill.
JESSIE M. RHOADES, Halbert.
LLOYD L. REKELS, Welch.
VIRGIL J. ROBERTS, El Reno.
JESSE D. SMITH, Coleman.
TULLA B. THOMPSON, Madill.
GEORGE W. TOMLINS, El Reno.
ETHAN WHITE, Arnett.

WILLIAM W. WRIGHT, Bismark.

The following is a list of additional

Oklahoma survivors:
FRANK T. ALLEN, Independence.
RAYMOND T. HURST, Pocomsett.
WILLIAM V. SMITHPETER, Fort Cobb.

OSCAR ROEBUCK, Soper.
HERMAN STOSS, Hennessey.
WALTER ALBERT McCLAIN, Octavia.

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

TEN NAMES ADDED TO TUSCANIA SURVIVORS

Two Oklahoma Boys Among
New Safe Arrivals; Others
Reported Missing.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Only ten names were added to the roll of survivors of the liner Tuscania by dispatches to the war department today and tonight. The list of American soldiers who were on board the liner and who have not been reported rescued now stands at 340, altho it is certain that about two hundred of these and probably more are safe.

The war department tonight was still trying to decipher a number of names received by cable in garbled form and a considerable addition to the list of survivors may be announced tomorrow.

Eleven new names have been reported since yesterday, but one of them, John M. Shortell of De Soto, Mo., had appeared on a list of the saved previously cabled.

Survivors previously listed among those unreported were announced today as follows:

William E. Evans, New York city.

Charles Phillip Merten, Waukesha, Wis.

William Moreau, Leon Springs, Texas.

Second Lieutenant Charles Scott Patterson, Los Angeles, Cal.

Private Walter Alexander, Marshall, Mo.

Private Gustav Beyer Utica, Minn.

Private Robert E. Lee Hickey, Denton, Texas.

Private Oscar Roebuck, Soper, Okla.

Private Clifford D. Spang, Lebanon, Pa.

Private Herman Stoss, Hennessey, Okla.

HERMAN STOSS WAS A PASSENGER ON TUSCANIA

Telegram to His Wife in Hennessey
Announces That He Was Among
Those Who Were Saved

A telegram received Tuesday from the department, stated that her husband, Herman Stoss, who was a passenger on the torpedoed ship, Tuscania, had been saved. This will be good news indeed to their many friends in Hennessey.

Van Joseph, of Waukoms, who was a passenger on the Tuscania, was became a victim of the mups while enroute and was placed in a hospital in New Jersey.

Telegram to wife reports him rescued – "Hennesry (OK) Clipper" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

First Crescent War Victim

In the list of those missing among the passengers aboard the Tuscania which was submarined off the coast of Ireland a week ago Tuesday is Herman Stoss of Hennessey. Herman was raised west of town here by Mrs. Ozee who was kind hearted enough to do all she could for the boy. His history is a little sad. He never knew his mother as she left home when he was a little fellow and never returned. He stayed with his father until he was about twelve years old, then he too left as he said his father wasn't very good to him. He happened to stop at Mrs. Ozee's place and she felt sorry for the boy and gave him a pleasant home. He said years later that she was the only mother he had ever known. He was almost raised with the Mize boys and farmed the Washie Drew farm one year. His widow is still at Hennessey.

The most complete biography of Herman's early life found so far – although the article declares Herman dead - "Logan County News" (Crescent OK) Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/610699099/>

*Found at Last
Not in Davy Jones Locker*

Through the Associated Press it has been learned that Herman Stoss of this vicinity was not among the dead of the Tuscania which was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland, but Herman with a number of others was later picked up on the coast of Scotland.

Herman has already lost several of his lives in his eventful career and his friends are glad to know that this, evidently wasn't his ninth one. Here's good luck to Herman.

"Logan County News" (Crescent OK) Thursday 28 Feb 1918 p 4 -

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/610699118/>

(Give to the Red Cross)
Mrs. Maude McGonigle, of Jenks, Okla., arrived Tuesday evening, to care for her sister, Mrs. Herman Stoss.

"Hennessy (OK) Clipper" Thursday 16 May 1918 p 5

HERMAN STOSS REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION

Announcement Received From Wash-
ington by Mrs. Stoss on Tuesday
—Has Been Missing Since
July 18th

A brief message from the war department, at Washington, D. C, received Tuesday by Mrs. Baney Stoss, announces that her husband, Private Herman Stoss, as missing in action, since July 18th. The message stated that the department had no further information.

Herman Stoss went overseas several months ago and was a passenger on the ill-fated British transport, Tuscania, which was torpedoed and sunk near the Irish coast.

His friends here believe that he will eventually turn up safe and sound.

Missing in action – “Hennessey (OK) Clipper” Thursday 29 Aug 1918 p 1

MISSING IN ACTION

Victim of Tuscania Is Reported Missing.

Hennessey, Sept. 4.—Herman Stoss, whose name appears in the casualty list is a Hennessey boy who has been reported missing in action since, July 18.—He is the son of Mrs. Nancy Stoss of Hennessey, and was raised in this city. He is 27 years of age and was drafted into service November 21, going into training at Camp Travis. He was sent to France the latter part of January and was a victim of the Tuscania disaster. He arrived in France the last of February and has been engaged in active service on the western front since April.

It is thought that he is a prisoner and it is hoped that communications may soon reach him through the Red Cross.

"Enid (OK) Daily News" Thursday 5 Sep 1918 p 1

Herman Stoss of Hennessey, who escaped death when the Tuscania sank, has been missing in action since July 18, according to newspaper reports. Relatives believe that he has been taken prisoner by the Germans. Another Tuscania survivor, Early Sumner of Morris, also was reported missing in action. Sumner was one of the first draft men sent to France from Camp Travis.

"Harlow's Weekly" (Oklahoma City OK) Wednesday 11 Sep 1918 p 10

A LETTER FROM HERMAN STOSS

Who Was Reported Missing in Action
Few Weeks Ago and Was Sup-
posed to Be German Prisoner

With American Expeditionary Force,
August 13, 1918
Mrs. Vaney Stoss, Hennessey, Okla.

Dear Wife:—Will try and answer your kind letter, received a few days ago. Was glad to hear from you and glad to know you are well. I am well and hope that these few lines will find you the same.

I would have answered your letter sooner, but I did not have any paper and envelopes. They are hard for me to get sometimes.

You write and tell Maud and Ephe that I will write them just as soon as I get some writing supplies. I only have enough to write you now.

Well, I guess you and Etter had a good time at Enid the Fourth of July. I wish I could have been there to have enjoyed the trip with you and her, but I wasn't. You said it was hot and dry. I suppose everything has burned up by this time. It is cool at nights here.

You were talking of selling your chickens just as soon as they got big enough to sell. You had better keep them. They will be worth more next spring, if you have enough to keep.

Will you write to Mrs. Fay Morrow, at Wirt, Okla., and ask her where her husband is. He is a pal of mine and I would love to know what became of him. He can't read or write and I have written a number of letters for him. So do this for me.

I don't like this country. You know I have spoken a number of times that if I ever got able I would take a trip over here to see if I could find my folks; but I would never find them in a lifetime, for I can't learn to speak the jabber at all.

Plums are just getting ripe. I wish I was at home to get some of those peaches. You want to can all of them you can get, for they are mighty good in winter.

I would like to be there and pick cotton this fall. I suppose that it is good.

How is wheat around Hennessey? It is good here. I have seen some that I would say would make 45 bushel per acre at least. That is about all they raise here—wheat, oats, rye and spuds. I have never seen a field of corn since I have been over. Oh, yes, sugar beets, too.

Say, do you ever see anyone from Cresecent any more. I have written to Eddie Drew some time ago, but have never heard a word of it. If you ever get a chance, tell the ones you see that the December day wasn't nothing at all to what I have seen since. You know what I mean, don't you?

I would like to know if you ever received the money I sent you from England. You have never said a word about it. I sent you \$50.00. It was about March 1 or 2, I don't just remember which, now.

You were asking me to write to some one. I don't understand what you mean.

Did you ever receive the letter that I sent with the name for the baby?

Mildred, the nome you picked out is all right. Use this one for a midde name.

If you can get a knife like the pearl handled one I had, send it, but not a costly one. I haven't got any and am lost without.

I will close for this time hoping that this letter will find you well and Etter and the baby the same. Write soon. I have received eight letters from you. I am as ever your loving husband,
PVT. HERMAN STOSS.

Co. M, 9th U. S. Inf., Am. E. F.

(Clipper)

The missing Herman Stoss writes home – "Hennessey (OK) Clipper" Thursday 12 Sep 1918 p 12

Herman Stoss is home again after an absence of nearly two years. He was one of the first to go into service from this county, and served for many months with the Expeditionary Forces in France, and at one time was reported among the missing.

"Hennessey (OK) Clipper" Thursday 17 Jul 1919 p 7

Herman Stoss, special deputy sheriff, \$6.00.

Paid by the county commissioners – “Kingfisher (OK) Free Press” Thursday 2 Jun 1921 p 5

Herman Stoss bought 20 acres 6 miles east of Tuttle in section 2-9-5 from Olive Hennings for a consideration of \$1250.

“Chickasha (OK) Star” Thursday 8 Dec 1949 p 6

Olive M. and A. E. Hennings to Herman and Vaney Bell Stoss WD \$1250. E 20 acres Lot 2 Section 2-9-5 $\frac{3}{4}$ minerals reserved by grantors.

“Chickasha (OK) Daily Express” Thursday 8 Dec 1949 p 14

A car was estimated at \$250.
A car driven by Ples Morgan Cooley, 43, Tuttle, and a pickup driven by Herman Stoss, 66, Tuttle, route two, were involved in an accident Wednesday afternoon in Tuttle. It was investigated by Trooper Kizziar.

“Chickasha (OK) Daily Express” Friday 4 Mar 1955 p 2

The 1924 Shooting Incident

WOMAN HELD IN SHOOTING CASE

Mrs. Herman Stoss Jailed
for Wounding Marshal
at Jinks

HUSBAND IS SOUGHT

Disturbance at Cafe Results
in Firing and Arrest of
Woman; He Escapes

Charges of assault with intent to kill were filed Monday in common pleas court against Herman Stoss and his wife, Mrs. V. Stoss, as a result of the shooting Sunday night of A. G. Curtis, city marshal at Jenks. The woman is under arrest while her husband is a fugitive.

Curtis was shot in the left leg, just above the knee late Sunday night, when he attempted to arrest Stoss. The officer is at the Tulsa hospital and attendants say he is not seriously wounded.

Row in Front of Cafe

not seriously wounded.
Row in Front of Cafe

The difficulty occurred in front of a cafe at Jenks, where the officer was eating a late lunch. Stoss, Curtis related Monday, came into the place and ordered a sandwich. He uttered several oaths and urged the waiter to hurry. A moment later, Curtis said, a pedestrain came in and complained that Stoss was creating a disturbance outside. He appeared to be intoxicated.

Curtis went out, jerked a gun from Stoss' hand and tossed it into his car, which was standing close

by. When Mrs. Stoss grabbed the gun, Curtis jerked it from her hand and stuck it in his pocket. As he started away with Stoss, the woman procured another gun from the car pocket and opened fire at the officer.

He relinquished his grasp of Stoss, jumped back to the car and wrestled with the woman for possession of the gun. In the meantime Stoss fled. Curtis placed the woman under arrest and took charge of the car. Other officers found three pints of liquor in the automobile.

May File Liquor Charges

Additional charges of liquor transportation are to be filed in county court against Stoss and his wife, according to the county attorney. The couple live near Bowden on the Sapulpa road.

Mrs. Stoss was a pathetic figure Monday. Sobbing, she fell against the bars of her cell in the county jail, and cried out that she hadn't meant to shoot anyone. She said that she had lost her temper when she saw her husband being taken away.

"I didn't know the man was an officer," she cried. She is a small woman with blonde, bobbed hair and rather attractive.

"Morning Tulsa (OK) Daily World" Tuesday 17 Jun 1924 p 3

Bud King, arson,
Herman Stoss and Mrs. Herman
Stoss, assault with a dangerous and
deadly weapon.

Arraignment – "Tulsa (OK) Tribune" Sunday 31 Aug 1924 p 35

3205—Herman Stoss & Mrs Herman
Stoss, assault with a dangerous
and deadly weapon.

"Tulsa (OK) Daily Legal News" Tuesday 2 Sep 1924 p 6

LAWYER WITHOUT CLIENT
 TULSA, Okla., Sept. 9—When W. L. Coffey, local attorney, appeared in court here Tuesday to defend Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stoss on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon in connection with the wounding of a Skiatook constable recently, he changed his mind, when his clients failed to appear, and offered services to the prosecution. "I believe my clients are badly in need of prosecution," he declared.

The Stoss's defense attorney thinks they should be prosecuted! – they have failed to appear to court - "Bartlesville (OK) Morning Examiner" Wednesday 10 Sep 1924 p 3

Friday, Dec. 12.
 3192—Lula Johnson. Accessory after the fact to murder.
 3205—Mrs Herman Stoss. Assault with a dangerous and deadly weapon.
 3219—Russell E Freeman. Passing a bogus check.

"Tulsa (OK) Daily Legal News" Thursday 4 Dec 1924 p 8

Wife:



Wife Vaney Bell Lovitt Stoss - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/15019319/person/332111502340/media/b555e0a4-e196-45c3-a328-749c3dade87c>

COUNTY COURT

CONN LINN, JUDGE.
ROY GARBETT CLERK.
 Phone 386.

Four Terms of Court: First Monday in
 January, April, July and October.

New Cases.

1525—In re Estate of C W Wright
 decd. Fred W Kopplin.

Marriage Licenses.

Herman Stoss and Sylvana Lovitt,
 Jenks, Okla.
 Curtis Greer, Sand Springs, Okla., and
 Elizabeth Tracy, Newyark Mill, Minn.
 K EHelm and Louise Teel, Tulsa,
 Okla.
 Henry Brown, Ft. Smith, Ark., and
 Jessie Ware, Tulsa, Okla.
 Ben McMurtrie and Jennie Willets,
 Ramona, Okla.

Marriage license – Herman Stoss & Sylvana Lovitt - "Tulsa (OK) Daily Legal News" Saturday 22 Nov
 1913 p 1

**BIXBY — Mrs. Vaney Bell
 Stoss, 97, homemaker, died
 Thursday. Services 2 p.m. Satur-
 day, Bixby Funeral Service Colo-
 nial Chapel.**

"Tulsa (OK) World" Saturday 11 Feb 1989 p 53

Children:



Daughter DeFrance (Jackie) Stoss Hess (1920-2017) – Find A Grave 187182742

Name: Herman Stoss

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 2, Casuals - private

Serial number: 251,599

Entered service from: Hennessey, Kingfisher OK

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Herman Stoss

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": wife Mrs. Naey [sic/Mary?] Stoss, Hennesy OK

Returned from war on: "La Lorraine" Jun 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Herman Stoss

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Lena Stoss, Hennessy OK (pvt, Co. A, 1st PD Bn)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Herman Stoss - b. 1 Jan 1891 Beatrice NE; res: 914 E. Lee, Sepulpa OK; registered Creek Co. OK. Married, with dependant wife. Claimed exempt from draft: "Yes, dependent wife." Common labor, not employed. "Enlarged right ankle" Medium height & build.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Herman Stoss - b. 1 Jan 1889 Beatrice NE; res: El Reno, Canadian Co. OK. NOK Mrs. DeFrances Hess, 1010 SW 13th, Portland OR [daughter]. Self-employed in Canadian Co. OK, truck farmer at El Reno, Canadian OK. "scar on left wrist, scar on face" – Height: 5'8" – 133 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 20 Nov 1917

Discharged: 12 Jul 1919

Address: Carnegie OK

Rank/unit: private, Co. M, 9th Infantry

Birth & death:

Born: 1 Jan 1891 Beatrice, Gage NE (WWII draft: 1 Jan 1889)

Died: 14 Mar 1973 Tuttle, Grady OK (F: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK)

Find A Grave record: 16972892 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Bixby, Tulsa OK

Cemetery: Bixby

Tombstone: Findagrave text: veteran

Father: Ben Stoss, Jun 1843 France -

Find A Grave:

Mother: Lena --- Stoss, Sep 1866 Germany - Resident of Hennessy OK in Jun 1919 when she was listed there as Herman's wartime next-of-kin.

Find A Grave:

Parents' marriage:

Spouse: Vaney Bell Lovitt Stoss, 18 Apr 1891 Mulberry, Crawford AR – 9 Feb 1989 Mustang, Canadian Co. OK. Real name appears to be Sylvana. Daughter of Samuel Lovitt & Mary Emmaline Creekmore. Buried in Bixby Cemetery, Bixby, Tulsa OK.

Spouse Find A Grave: 16972923

Marriage: 21 Nov 1913 Tulsa Co. OK

Children:

- Mildred Lucille Stoss Johnson Pringle Schepp, 13 May 1918 Kingfisher Co. OK –1 Jun 2002 with surname Schepp. – Her father Herman writes a letter on 13 Aug 1918 while at war, asking Vaney: "Did you ever receive the letter that I sent with the name for the baby? Mildred the name you picked out is all right. Use this one for a middle name." - Social Security reports the use of Johnson as her surname as of Jan 1942. Lucile married Connell Johnson 7 Oct 1940. She petitioned for divorce on 26 Jun 1942 in Multnomah Co. OR on the grounds of desertion; his location was unknown. - Married in McMinnville, Yamhill OR on 6 Aug 1942 to Benjamin Victor Pringle (b. 3 Sep 1917 in SD); he was a member of the Coast Guard. They divorced 9 Sep 1946 in Multnomah Co. OR. Mildred petitioned for the divorce on grounds of cruelty. Social Security records her surname as Pringle as of Apr 1943. - Mildred L. Stoss, age 24, single, 1st marriage, b. OK, power machine operator, daughter of Herman Stoss (NE) & Vaney Lovitt (AR) married to Crist Schepp, age 24, single, 1st marriage, b. ND, son of John Schepp (ND) & Marie Kaiser (ND) – married 25 Mar 1947 in Clark Co. WA.

Siblings:

Notes:

Tracing Herman's parents has proved difficult. According to the story "First Crescent War Victim" in the "Logan County News" (Crescent OK) of Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1, which erroneously identifies Herman as dead, there is information that he was raised west of Crescent OK by Mrs. Ozee. His mother had left home when he was little and never returned, so Herman never knew her. Herman stayed with his father until he was around 12 years old, but left because his father was not good to him.

Herman happened to stop at Mrs. Ozee's and she became "the only mother he had ever known." He was almost raised with the Mize boys and farmed the Washie Drew farm for one year.

Tracing Mrs. Ozee has proved to have difficulties also. The 1910 census for Crescent, Logan Co. OK shows a Martin F. Ozee, age 54, b. IN living with wife Rebecca A. Ozee, age 55, born Georgia. Martin F. Ozee (1856-1921) has a Find A Grave record at 15778001.

Pre-war:

appears to be the Herman Stoss engaged in dispute with a Black man named Daniels he had hired, reported in "Kingfisher Daily Free Press" 6 Jan 1916 p 1 & 12 Apr 1916 p 3. Although Stoss was shot in the hand & chest, and gunfire was exchanged, Daniels was found not guilty of assault & battery by a jury. He had been charged with shooting with intent to kill.

Wartime:

in Sep 1918, numerous papers report Herman Stoss of Hennessey OK is missing in action.

Post-war:

Was unable to determine the outcome of the 1924 shooting and legal actions against Herman & Vaney Stoss. They were living in Kansas in 1930 – possibly avoiding prosecution?

Obituary:

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) 16 Mar 1973 p 57 - age 82, truck farmer, funeral 17 Mar (Sevier)

Social Security number:

Censuses:

1900 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK

Ben Stoss, 56 France, Jun 1843, parents b. France, married 15 years, emigrated 1882, in US for 18 years, naturalized butter maker

Mattie, 33 Germany, Sep 1866, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 1 child, 1 is living

Herman, 11 NE, Oct 1888

1910 cannot locate

1920 North Wichita, Lincoln OK – conducted 3/6/9 Feb 1920

Herman Stoss, 28 NE, father b. France, mother b. Germany, farm laborer, working out

Vaney, 28 AR, parents b. KY

Lucile, 1 year 8 months OK

1930 Jetmore, Hodgeman KS

Herman Stoss, 40 NE, father b. France, mother b. Germany, age 22 at 1st marriage, leather
(?) house, WWI veteran

Vaney B., 39 AR, father b. KY, mother b. TN, age 22 at 1st marriage

Lucile M., 11 OK

Defrance, 9 OK

1940 cannot locate

1950 Waldron, Grady OK

Herman Stoss, 62 NE, farmer, farm

Vaney, 59 AR