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THE THIRD MISSOURI INFANTRY

The Third Regiment was organized at Kansas City, Missouri, on April 3, 1886. The first commanding officer was Colonel Milton Moore, who was succeeded by Colonel L. E. Erwin on May 7, 1891. Colonel Erwin was succeeded by Colonel Nathan P. Simonds on July 12, 1893. Colonel Simonds was succeeded by Colonel George P. Gross on October 24, 1895. Colonel Gross commanded the Regiment during its federal service in the Spanish-American War. Upon the recognition of the Regiment after the Spanish-American War, Colonel Fred W. Fleming was made its regimental commander and served until January 12, 1901, when he was succeeded by Colonel Cusil Lechtman who succeeded- by Colonel Fred A. Lamb on January 1, 1913. Colonel Philip J. Kealy was commissioned Colonel on June 29, 1916.

The Regiment volunteered for service under the call of the President on the declaration of war against Spain and was mustered into the federal service at Jefferson Barracks, May 14, 1898 as the Third Missouri Volunteer Infantry. It moved to Camp Alger, Va., May 26, 1898 and renamed there until August 23, when it moved to Camp Meade, Pa. It left Camp Meade September 6, 1898 and was mustered out of the federal service at Kansas City on November 7, 1898.

Under the President's order of June 16, 1916 the Regiment was mobilized at Camp Clark, Nevada, Mo., on June 23, 1916, and was mustered into federal service on July 7, 1916. It departed for border duty at Laredo, Texas, on July 8, 1916, arriving at Laredo July 10. It remained on duty in the Laredo district until September 2, 1916 when it returned to Camp Clark, Nevada, Mo., and was mustered out of the federal service September 26, 1916.

Under the call of the President the Regiment was mobilized at Kansas City, Missouri, on March 25, 1917 for the purpose of guarding bridges, terminals, etc., in Kansas City and vicinity. The third battalion under Major Francis D. Ross was sent to Camp Funston to guard buildings under construction at that point and received special commendation for its work. On October 13, 1917, the Regiment moved to Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma and was consolidated with the Sixth Missouri Infantry already on the ground into the 140th U. S. Infantry, Thirty-fifth Division. The Third was from Kansas City with the exception of Co. B, Boonville, and Co. H from Liberty.

On September 28, 1918, the third day in the battle of the Argonne Forest an event occurred that was later related in "From Doniphan to Verdun". Another non-com., Monte Coulter of B Company was cut off with his squad in the rain and darkness of the early morning. Unable to fight their way through, they kept up a little battle of their own, and lay in the shell holes until the regiment caught up with them late in the day. Coulter was later severely wounded, losing a leg. He was three times cited for bravery, and a year later married a fine Missouri girl who knew a real man.

The men whose name could be found in both the 3rd Infantry and the 140th Infantry have their last names emphasized in bold faced type. Of these 94 men, 20 were wounded, 5 killed, six gassed, and 1 captured. This is an amazing 34% casualty rate!

**COMPANY B
Boonville**

Abbreviations Used			
C	Corporal	CA	Captured
CO	Cook	D	Died of Wounds
G	Gassed	HQ	Headquarters Company
K	Killed	M	Mechanic
MGC	Machine Gun Company	MU	Muscian
NWR	Not With Regiment on Apr. 1, 1919	P	Private
S	Sergeant	SA	Saddler
SC	Supply Company	W	Wounded
WA	Waggoner		

Last Name	First Name	Rank in 3 rd	Comments for 140 th
Bagby	Stephen Y.	Private	W
Barnert	Mel Joseph	1 st Sergeant	NWR
Beard	George T. Jr.	Private	C; NWR
Berry	Wayne R.	Private	W
Biltz	Roller L.	Private	G
Bottom	Rollo T.	Corporal	C; NWR; or Rolla T.
Bridges	Edwin	Private	W
Brown	Clarence W.	Private	
Campbell	Arthur L.	Sergeant	NWR; S
Cash	Frank W.	Private	Corporal in 140 th
Cauthon	John	Cook	
Cornett	Charles	Private	K; NWR
Coulter	Monte Christo	Private 1 st Class	C; W; "Cited in Orders"
Cramer	Wyatt	Private	
Crum	Oscar	Private	
Cullumber	William	Private	
Davis	Harry H.	Private	
Davis	Jesse H.	Private	HQ
Davis	Junious Clemens	Mess Sergeant	

Davis	Warren T.	1 st Lieutenant	
Decker	Daniel R.	Private	NWR
Dishion	Percie	Private	C; W
Doehne	Alonzo S.	Private	
Donohew	James M.	Private	
Dorflinger	John M.	Private	HQ
Edwards	John C.	Private	C; NWR
Fenical	Jewell	Private	C
Fowler	Ira O.	Private	
Gentry	Ben C.	Private	CO; W
Gibbons	Calvert V.	Private	NWR
Groves	Edward F.	Private	
Groves	Irvin L.	Private	
Haley	James Junius	Private 1 st Class	
Haley	Roy P.	Sergeant	NWR: P
Hayes	George E.	Private	
Hayes	Rutherford B.	Private	HQ
Hickcox	Thomas A.	Private	C
Holmes	Harry R.	Private 1 st Class	NWR
Huber	Charles H.	Sergeant	
Huelskamp	Henry J.	Private	HQ; NWR
Hurt	Ewing R.	Private	
Jenkins	Cecil	Mechanic	
Johnston	Eugene E.	Private	
Kane	John D.	Private	
Kennedy	James M.	Private	K Company; NWR
Kimlin	Fred A.	Private	
Kleasner	Eugene F.	Private	
Klein	George	Private	
Klein	Tony	Private	C
Kohn	William P.	Private 1 st Class	
Kreeger	George H.	Private	C; CA; NWR
Kreeger	James L.	Private	
Lachner	William G.	Corporal	S
Langhans	George	Cook	
LaVonette	Prince A.	Private	
Leininger	George W.	Private	NWR; W
Lohse	Edgar C.	Corporal	S
Malott	Sylvanus	Private	W
Mayfield	Andrew L.	Private 1 st Class	
McMellon	John H.	Private	G; surname may be McMullon
McRoberts	Emmett F.	Sergeant	K
Mock	Carl W.	Private	

Mock	Samuel A.	Corporal	NWR; S
Moore	Kemper S.	Private	C
Muncy	Claude Lee	Private	
Murphy	Riley W.	Private	C
Neighbors	Ray E.	Private	NWR
Oswald	Walker	Private	S
Parker	John Jr.	Corporal	
Partee	Raymond R.	Private	W
Peeples	Phillip	Private 1 st Class	C
Pfeiffer	David H.	Corporal	S; W
Phillips	Charley E.	Private	C
Poertner	Otto E.	Private	K; MGC; NWR
Potter	George	Sergeant	NWR
Renfrow	Robert C.	Private 1 st Class	W
Robinson	Phillip M.	Private	
Robinson	Robert F.	Private	
Ross	James Alfred	Private	D; K; NWR
Russell	Earl W.	Private	HQ
Scheibner	Carl F.	Captain	
Schnell	Albert R.	Private	
Scotten	William	Private	
Sears	Ernest	Private	G
Sheer	John R.	Private 1 st Class	
Short	William F.	2 nd Lieutenant	
Simmond	Charles Christopher	Private	
Simmons	Henry	Private	W
Simmons	Rodney E.	Private	NWR
Simmons	Roy Elmer	Private	
Simmons	Webster J.	Corporal	S; W
Simms	Fred Logan	Corporal	
Simpson	Ernest N.	Private	
Slein	Louis	Private	
Spaete	Ernest H.	Private 1 st Class	C
Spry	Walker Allen	Private	C; NWR; W
Stephens	Robert H.	Corporal	NWR; W
Stephenson	Hugh	Private	
Stillwell	Jesse O.	Corporal	P
Stiner	Curtis	Private	M; W
Stockbell	Silas R.	Private	
Thatcher	Stanley M.	Private	M
Thomas	Meffert R.	Private	M; SC; Could be Neffert R.
Thomas	Rothwell H.	Private	W
Thomas	William R.	Private	W

Thorne	Lyman	Private	C
Tuckley	Ralph A.	Private	
Vaughan	Harley P.	Private	Could be Vaughn; W
Von Oertzen	Robert	Private 1 st Class	
Warren	Henry W.	Private	
Wells	Dewey F.	Private	
Weyland	Lon	Private	
White	James L.	Private	S
White	Joseph C.	Sergeant	NWR
White	Roger E.	Corporal	K; NWR; S
Whitlow	Henry	Private	W
Whitlow	John	Private	WA
Wilhite	James Frank	Sergeant	
Willard	Edward Truston	Private 1 st Class	HQ; MU
Williams	Hampton E.	Private	
Windsor	Richard N.	Corporal	NWR; S
Wood	Grady T.	Private	G
Wyrick	Chester B.	Private	SA; SC
Yountz	William H.	Corporal	G; S
Zoeller	Frank S.	Private	MGC