

Kansas Adjutant General general correspondence

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This correspondence includes letters received by the Kansas Adjutant General on a variety of topics. Many letters inform the state of the enrollment of militia companies, especially in response to a circular sent by Governor George Anthony on enrollment in accordance with state law. Requests for information on filing claims for pay or property damage are also included. Many of the letters are addressed to the governor. The adjutant general was H. T. Beman. Advertisements from arms manufacturers, such as the Gatlin Gun Company and others, are also present.

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loaded without cleaning, and again immersed for ten minutes in the Sal Amomiac solution. It was then exposed in the open air for another period of forty-eight hours. At the end of the prescribed time the Revolver was found very badly rusted. About twenty minutes were consumed in getting the pistol in condition to fire the remaining rounds required by the prescribed test. Considering how badly the pistol was rusted, it worked very satisfactorily.

The claims made for the Revolver by the exhibitors are—

1. Beauty of outline.
2. No salient points which will prevent its ready insertion in the holster.
3. Non-liability to tear the hands, since nearly all surfaces are rounded. Cleaning is also facilitated by the smooth surface.
4. The flutings on the cylinder do not run out at the front; thus increasing the strength and neatness of the whole.
5. Safety, owing to the fact that the locking device cannot be opened, permitting of dismounting the barrel, without the piece being at half-cock. If the piece be not at half-cock the cylinder and barrel cannot be assembled to the frame.
6. Front sight solid with the barrel.
7. The extractor ring prevents the interior of the lock and the ratchet from fouling by escape of gas about the primer when using outside primed ammunition.
8. The hood on the front of the cylinder, about the base-pin hole, prevents fouling of base-pin.
9. The recoil plate protects the head of the cartridge from exposure or abrasion; it also prevents sand, &c., getting in between the cylinder and recoil-plate, checking rotation.
10. The cylinder and barrel can be dismounted without the use of a screw-driver.

This Board assents generally to claims 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. No particular advantage is thought to be found in the fourth and the fifth.

Its advantages as compared with the "Colt" are: Its neater appearance and its dispensing with the outside ejecting mechanism, which frequently becomes disabled by the breaking off of the ejector-head. Occasionally the ejector-tube itself is carried away. The form of the recoil-plate and the extractor-ring preventing, as they do, sand, &c., from clogging the working of the cylinder, must also be considered advantageous.

On the whole, the Board regards this as a very good pistol, it having endured the tests in a fairly satisfactory manner.

Stocks of walnut and hard rubber were furnished with the pistol. The rubber appears to be fully equal, if not superior, to the walnut, in hardness and tenacity. To ascertain the effect of heat it was placed in a covered tin cup, which was in turn placed in a vessel of water slowly heated to 150 degrees.

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The rubber did not soften in the slightest degree. It was then placed between two blocks of ice until thoroughly chilled, when it was repeatedly struck with a hammer. It was not at all brittle. The rubber admits of a very neat finish.

(Signed)

GEO. W. McKEE,

Captain of Ordnance, U. S. A.

(Signed)

JOHN E. GREER,

First-Lieut. of Ordnance, U. S. A.

APPROVED.

(Signed)

J. G. BENTON,

Lieut.-Colonel Commanding.

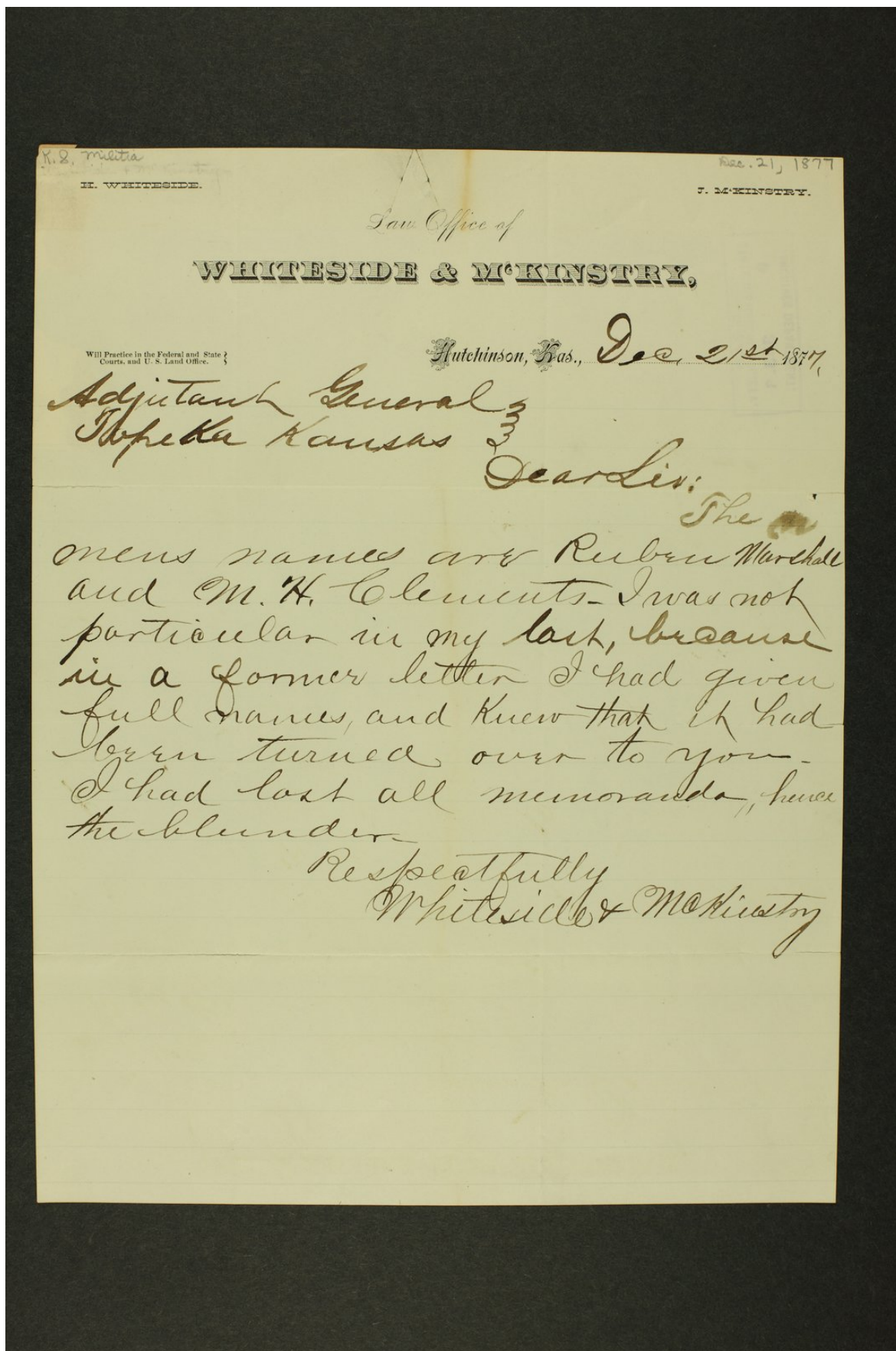
The man selected by the Board to make the trial was not familiar with the arm, having never seen it.

The pistol submitted was taken from stock, and was not specially selected or prepared for the trial.

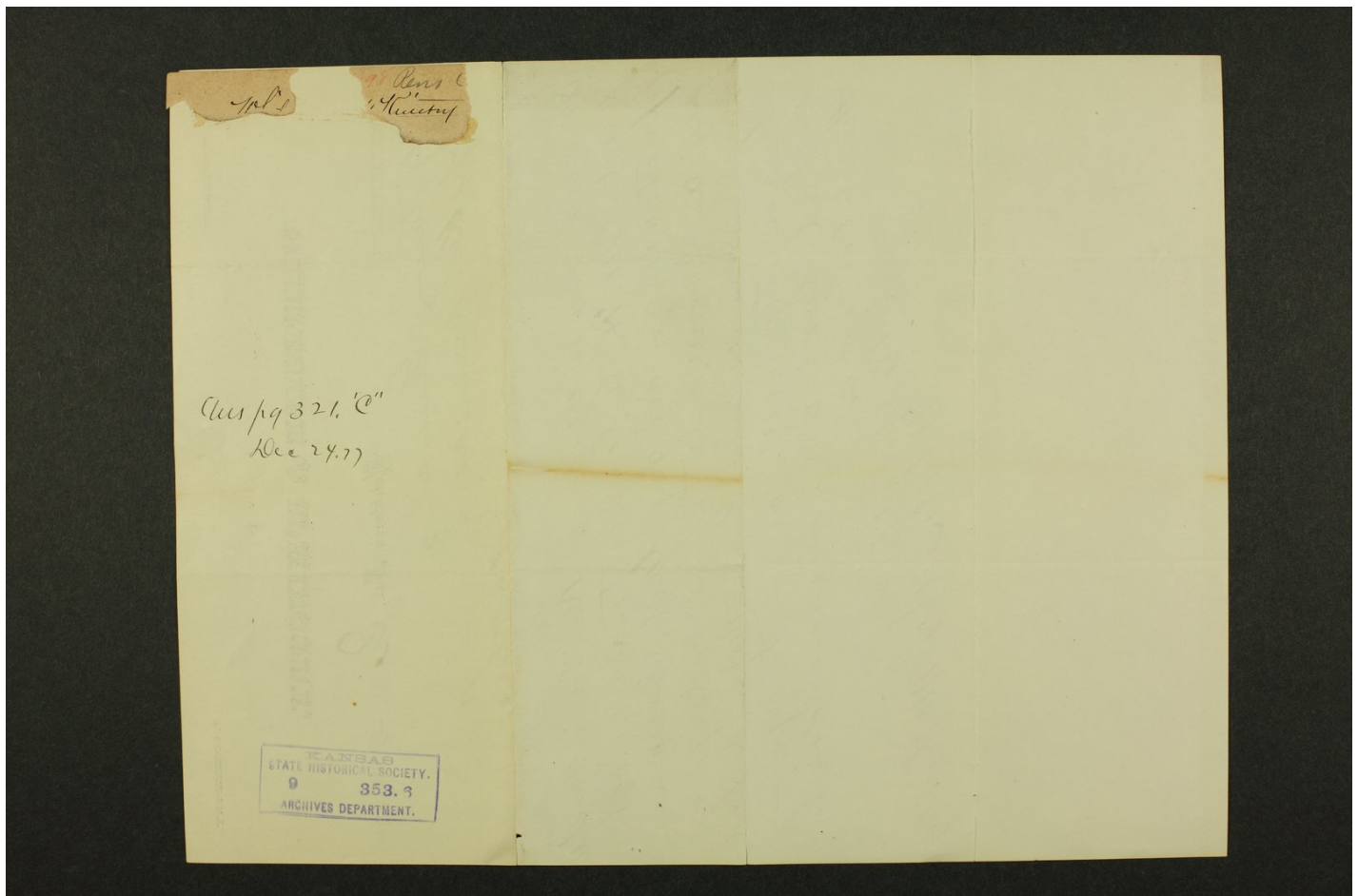
After these tests were all completed the arm was laid in oil, dismounted, cleaned and assembled. When brought together, no part was broken or warped, and the Revolver appeared to be in as good condition for service as when first presented.

The ammunition used was of the usual strength, but the length of the cylinder admits the use of a stronger cartridge.

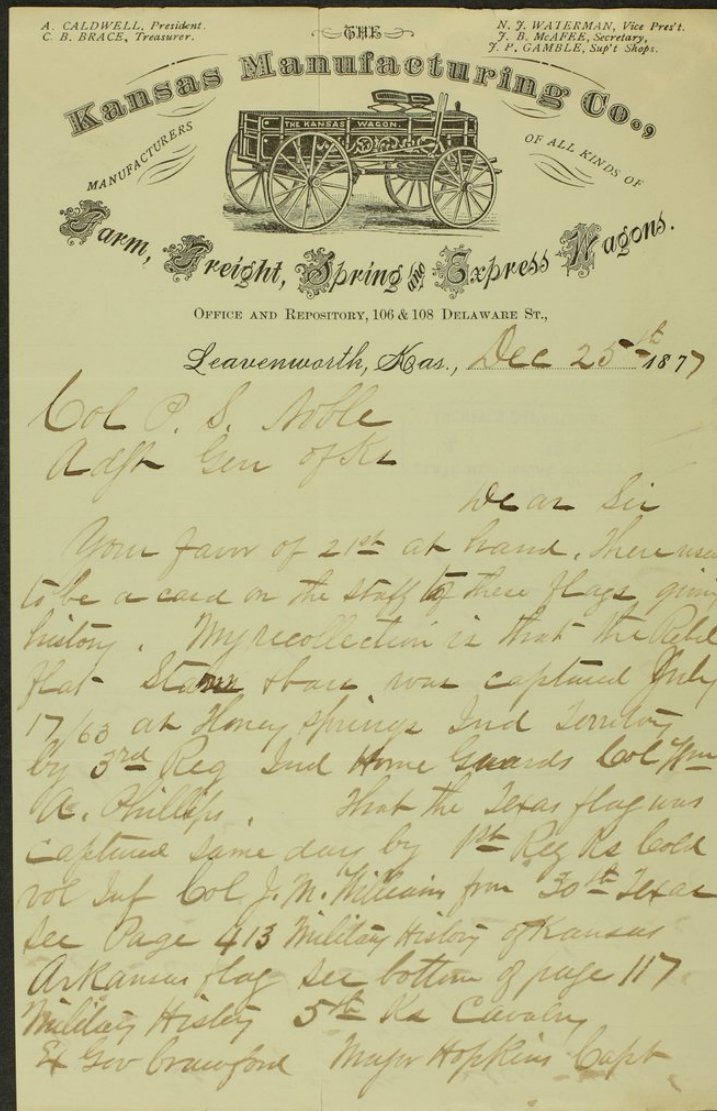
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J. A. Lee spoke Lieut Saml
Cross were at Army Springs
Lieut Col Scudder of spoke
was at Mount-Elba - these
men having been present could
give you more reliable
information than I can
from memory.

Respectfully &c
J. B. McFee

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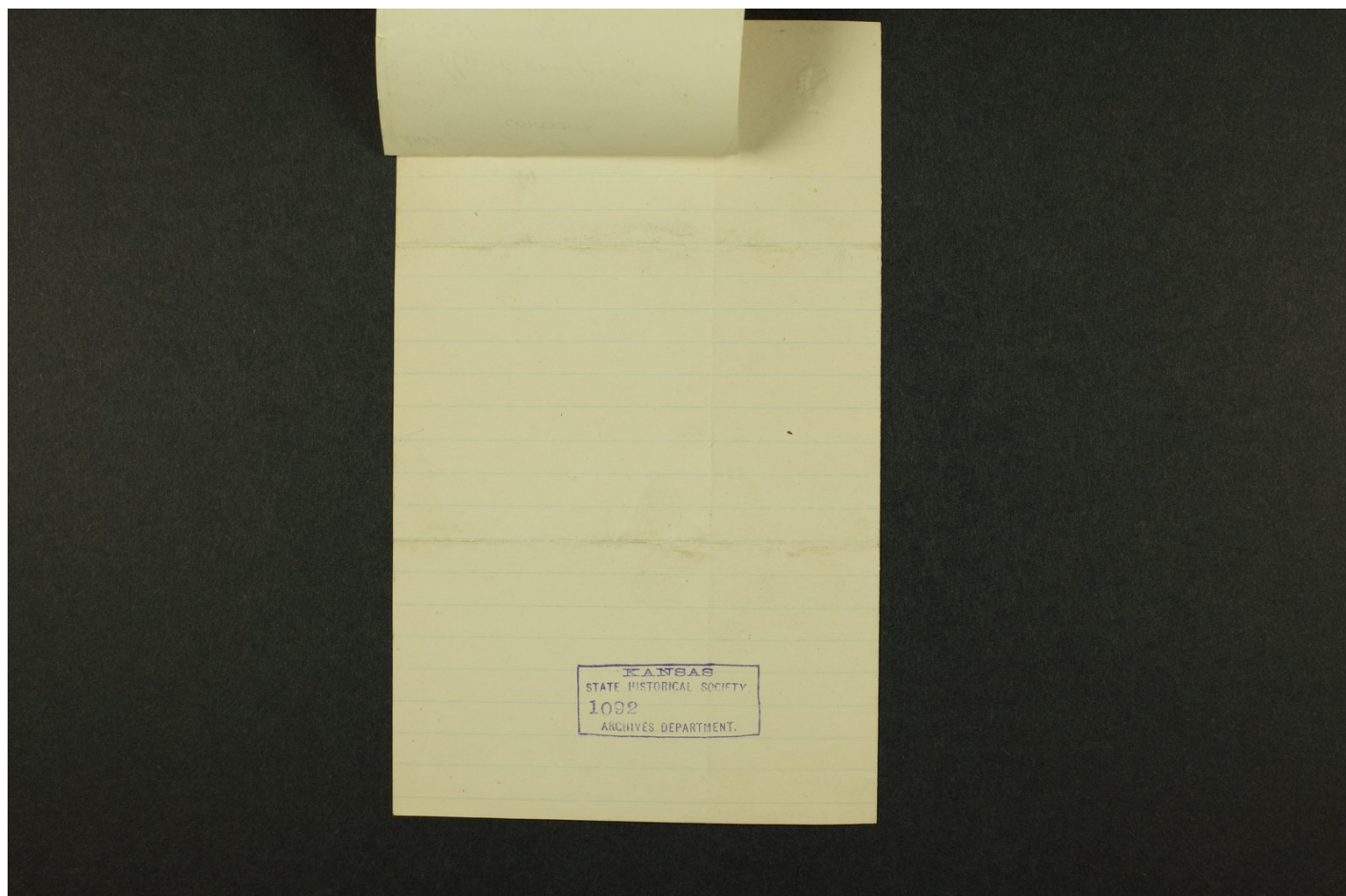
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Dec. 30, 1877
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Godfrey Kansas
Dec 30/1877
Adjutant General
Sir I Wish you
Wood Please Send
Me a Certificate of
Discharge During the
War I Was a Member
of Company I Second 2
Kansas Cavalry Captain
Charles Diamond Col
McLeod I Was Enlisted
in the 5 or 7 of October
1861 at McFarquhar
Land in Iowa for
three years I Was Discharged
at Fort Leavenworth Kans.
I have Lost My Discharge
and Wood Like a
Certificate of Service.

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Do i Can take
Sow Land
Yours &
F. William Wehrle
Fredrick William
Wehrle
Godfrey
Bourbon City
Kansas

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821 13-102 Wahlr, Fredks

From *Fred^r Wahlr*

Place *Godfrey* } *Co. I. 2nd K.C.*

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Ans'd *Jan 3, 8*

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*Wants certificate of
enlistment*

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any no
Elgin Kansas
Mr Beman
Dear Sir
I received yours of
the 11th inst. my
thanks for your infor-
mation I was there
the fall was an accident
I am sorry for it consid-
ered my self tied
to the state besides
my loss while Encom-
at Marmaton and was
defeated by the a.
band that attacked
our camp I furnished
considerable my
self to the men and
my self so we could

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Brown, John M. 1877

I have one possession
 our house was burnt
 and my blankets robes
 cooking utensils
 and grub as we
 can't not draw any
 more if you please
 what even is coming
 please remit if you
 have to have witnesses
 I shall have to go
 to Fort Scott if it
 worth my trip
 I am sorry to trouble
 you so much but
 I am in need of
 all that may be coming
 yours Respectfully
 John M Brown
 Sedan Kansas

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ans
From *John Brown*
Place *Elgin Kan*
Rec'd *Aug 20*
Ans'd *ans Aug 20*

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claim against
the state for
services in the
militia in yrs
1863 & 1864.

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Roster of Company , Regiment, Kansas State Militia.

No.	NAME.	Rank.	Age.	Home Post Office.	RESIDENCE.	County.
	Samuel L. Green			J. F. Howes		
	Perwin M. Warner			C. B. Watson		
	Benjamin Williams			C. Long		
	Robert W. Ellis			J. F. Hillman		
	James W. Ellis, jr.			H. C. Fellows		
	Henry Williams			W. M. Nelson		
	Ephraim Williams			W. Nelson		
	James Maloney			I. H. Heston		
	James M. Maggard			J. H. Heston		
	P. E. Bacon			R. L. Hillman		
	A. M. Gray			J. B. Shephard		
	B. A. Vanmeter			Louis Logan		
	J. J. Vanmeter			L. Backney		
	J. S. R. Vandell			C. C. Cade		
	James L. Unlapp			C. Houston		
	G. L. Unlapp			G. W. Waters		
	James Gillice			Joseph Lillis		
	Wm. L. Unlapp					
	Austin Miller					
	W. C. Burk					
	Thomas Arms					
	J. W. Campbell					
	George Chooll					
	P. H. Berry					
	John Kellie					
	C. B. Long					
	R. Stenew					
	W. Atkins					
	A. B. Armstrong					
	W. H. Page					
	J. R. Watson					
	Oliver Gross					