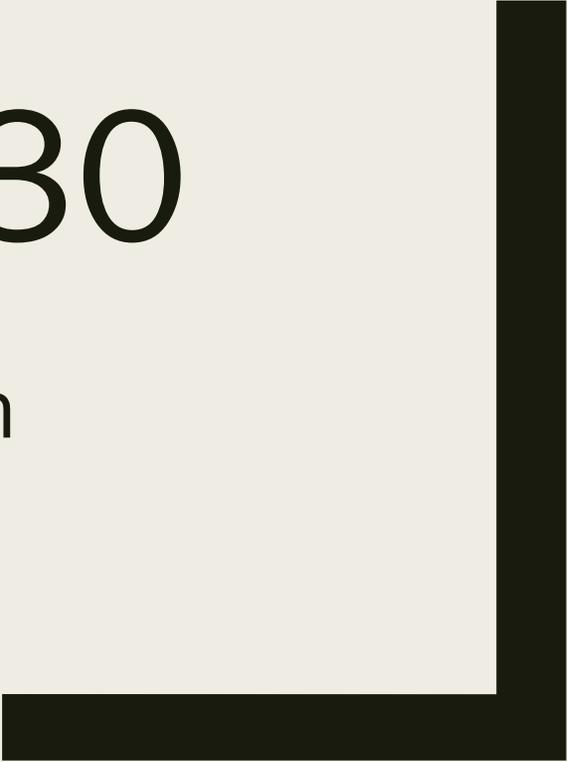




C 47 45-930

Military Plane Crash

July 18, 1946



This is NOT the plane that crashed but the same style.



Cause of the Accident

- The basic cause factor of this accident is weather, with contributing factors of failure of the weather warning service to adequately record and trace the path of storms of violent nature as passed over Denver, and the failure of the Army Flight Advisory service in Kansas City to have any knowledge of such storms.

FIELD

9 Bodies found here.

x Engine

x Left gear

x Oil sump mount

Field boundary



x Engine

x Rt. wing (front)

Rt. side of

x Left gear

5 Bodies found here.

FIELD

x Radio Radio Compas

x Prop and No's

x Top left fuselage section

co-pilot's panel

x

x LT. wing panel

x Fuselage (rear) at eng.

x Tail empennage

Fence

Rt wing tip x

Prop hub

+ black x

Prop hub

Path of wreckage

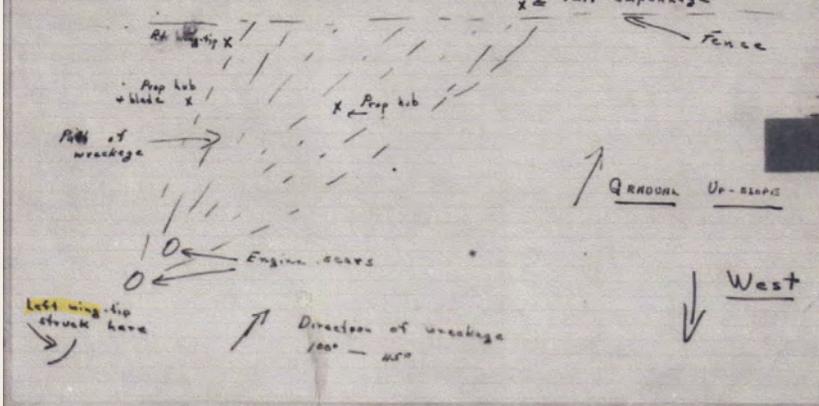
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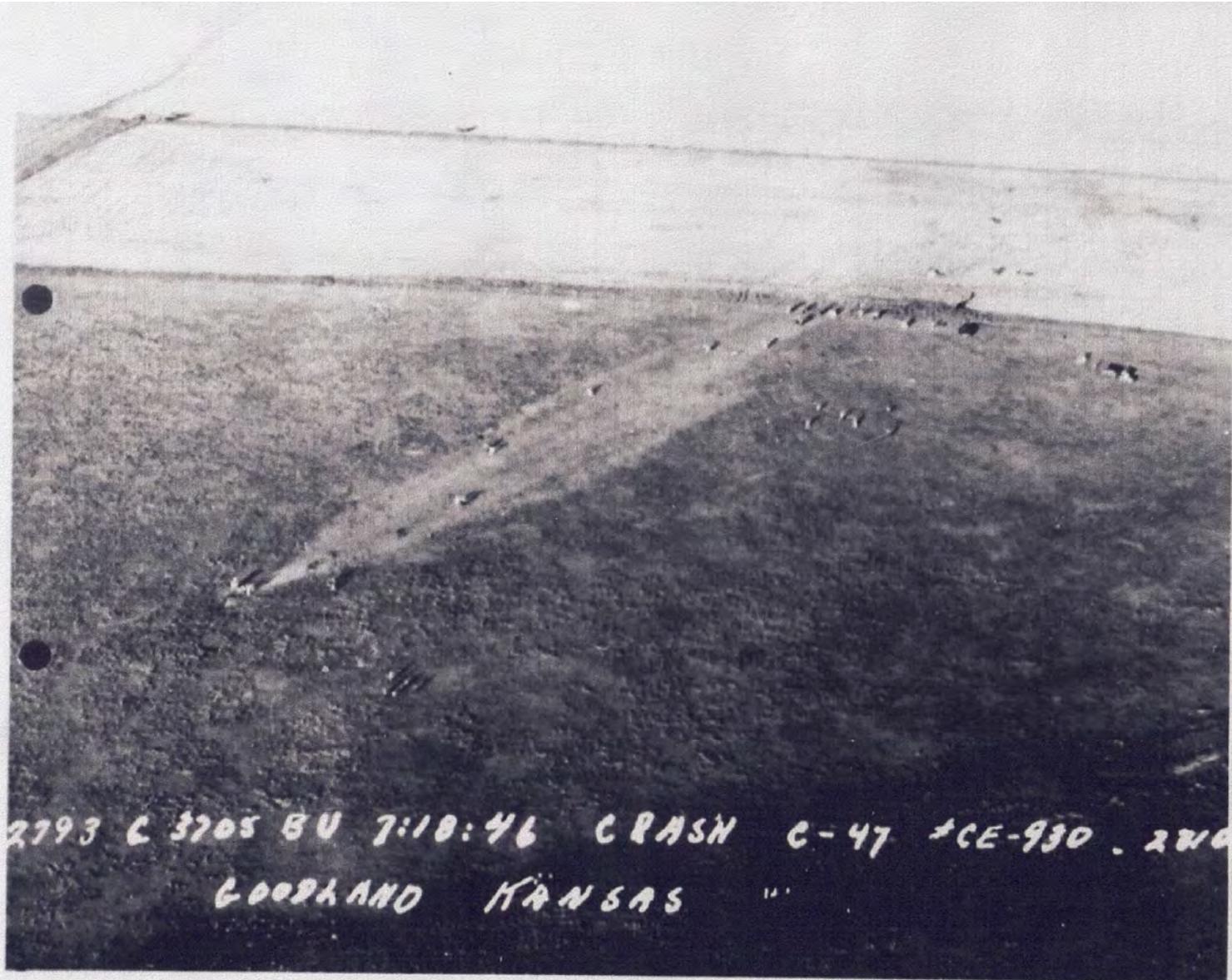
Engine scars

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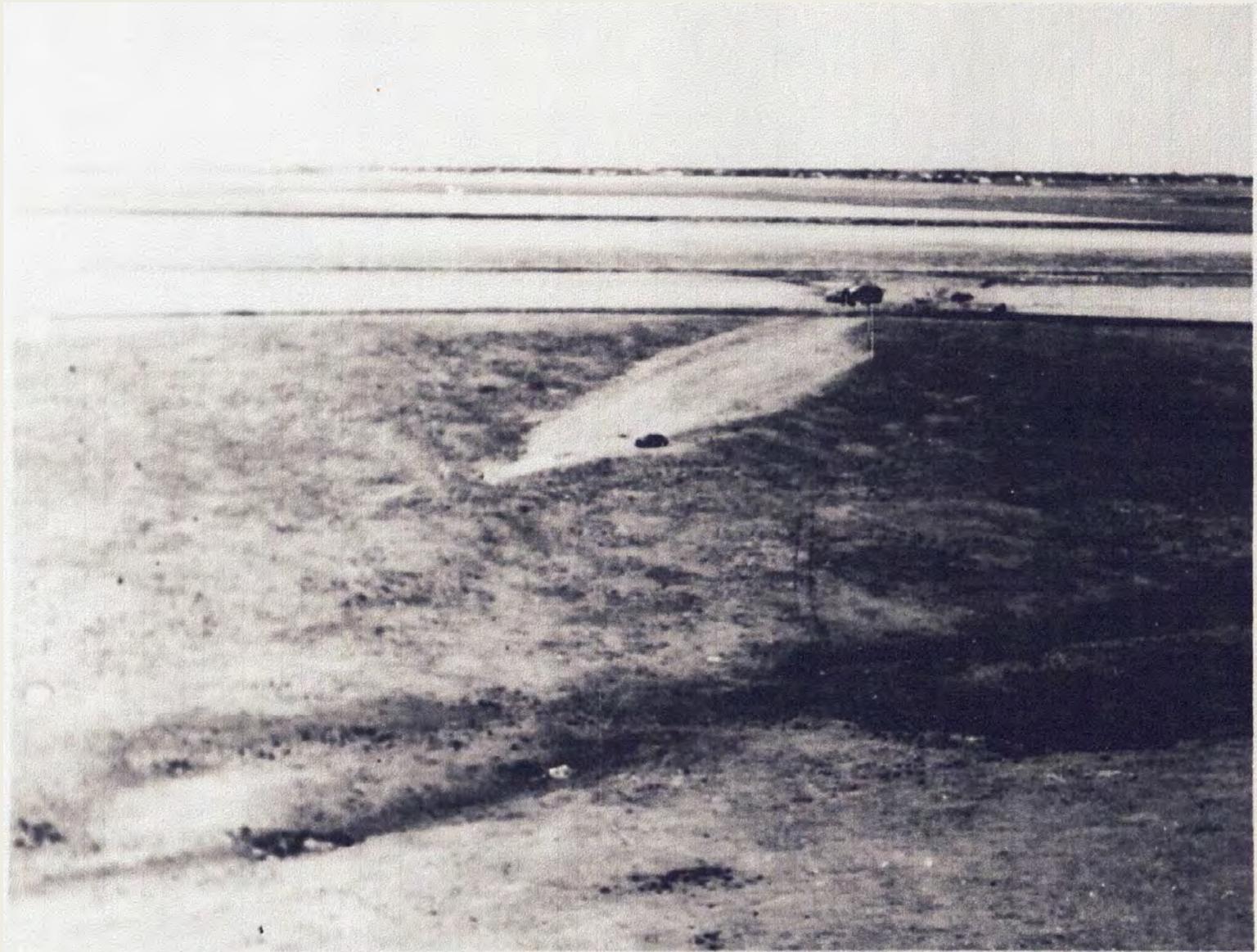
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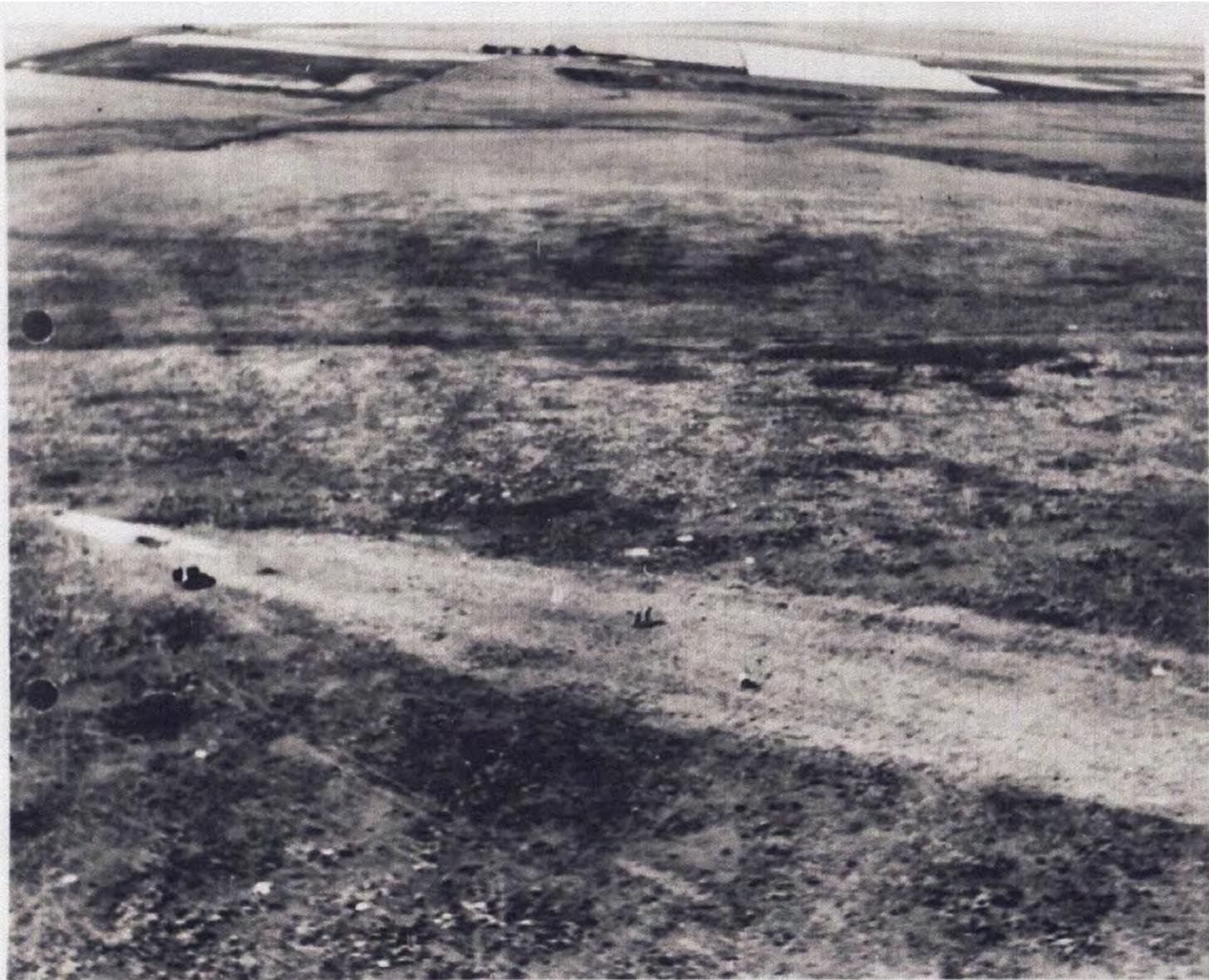
Direction of wreckage
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GOODLAND KANSAS









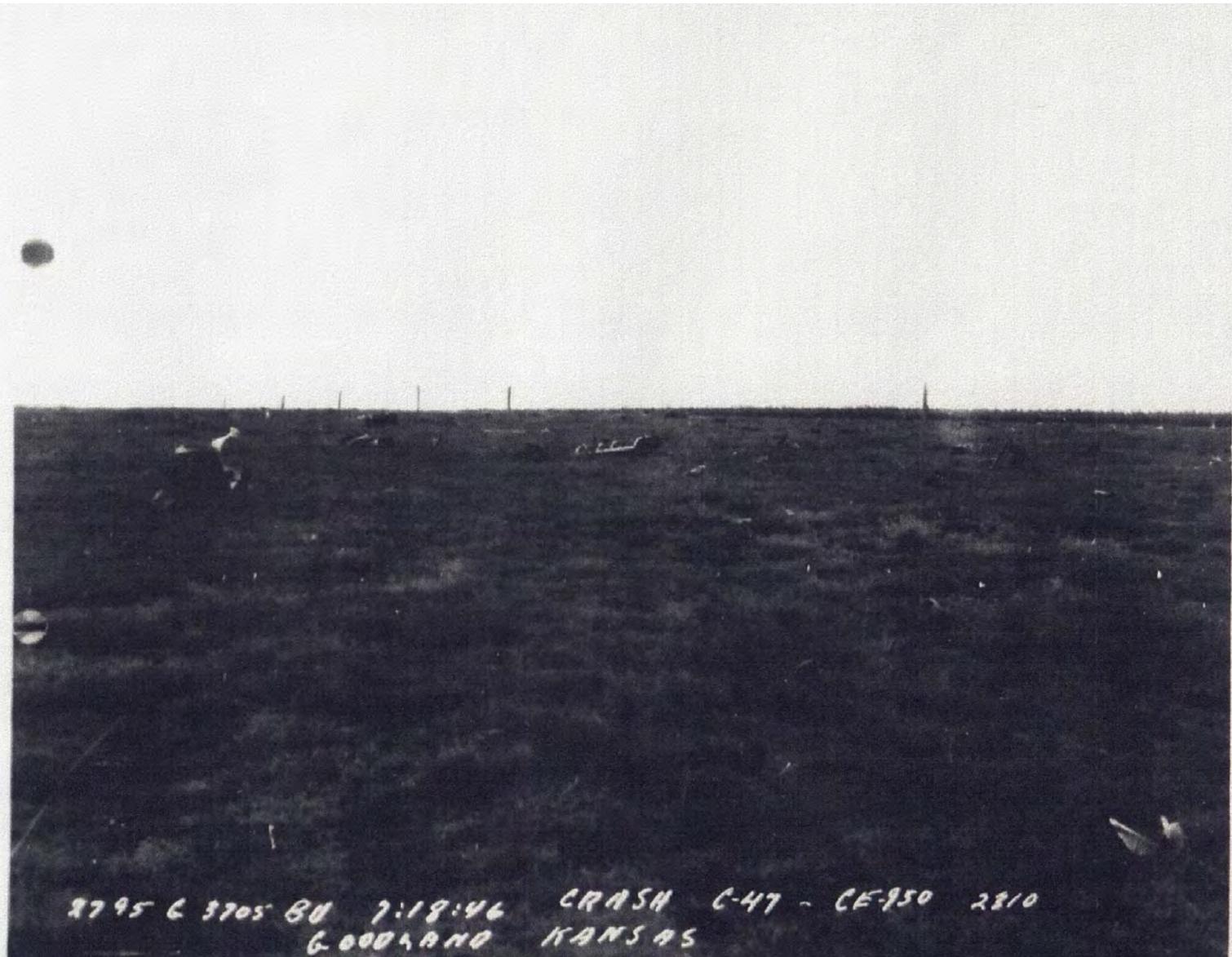








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GOODLAND KANSAS.



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6000' AND KANSAS

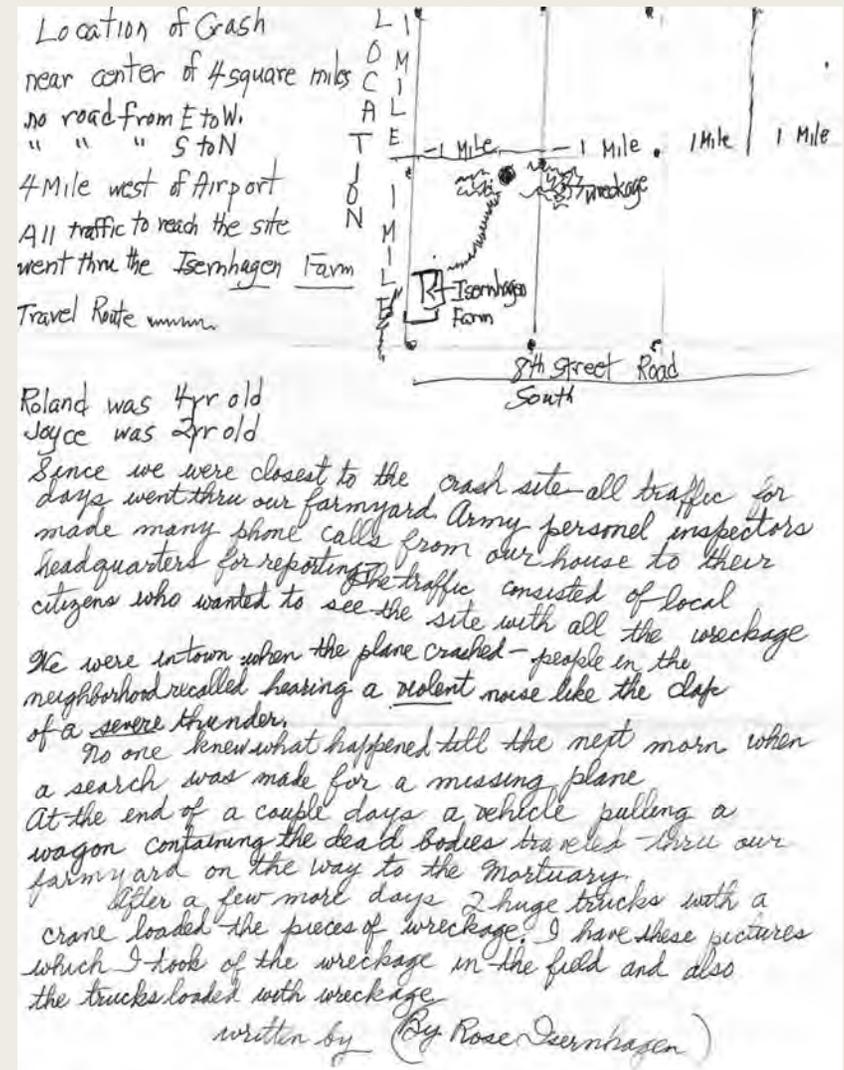


2711 C 3705 BU 7:17:46 28:50 4:17 402-930-2311
CORRAL AND FIELDS



Letter written
by Rose
Isernhagen

Photos
supplied by
Joyce
Isernhagen
Wanamaker



Blade of the C47
was imbedded and
upright on the
western slope west
of the cross.



Piece near the edge of stubble. A few larger pieces can be seen in the distant background.



Most
mangled
and
twisted of
all large
pieces



The
largest
piece of
wreckage



Large pieces of wreckage lay in the stubble - east of where the cross is now.



Loading
the
wreckage
into
trucks



Truck
loads of
wreckage
parked in
farm lot
overnight



Truckloads
of
wreckage
parked in
farm lot
overnight



NY Times article



Vic Follett



John Hevner

Y BUS KAISER STORM-LASHED C-47 CRASHES; 13 KILLED

July 19 (AP) — Bodies of 10 Passengers and 3 Crew Members Strewn Over Wide Area in Kansas

GOODLAND, Kan., July 19 (AP) — The bodies of ten passengers and three crew members were found today in the charred and scattered wreckage of a military transport plane which crashed and exploded during a severe storm which swept this western Kansas area.

Bodies had been hurled over a wide area around the scene of the crash on a wheat stubble field three miles west and a mile north of here. Clothing on eleven of them had been burned or blown off by the explosion.

The names of the victims were withheld pending notification of relatives.

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The plane, a C-47, on the way from Topeka Army Air Base to the West Coast on a regular ATC flight was reported missing last night. Watches worn by the victims had stopped at 10:10 indicating that the crash took place about 9:10 P. M. Goodland is on Mountain Standard Time.

Farmers living in the vicinity reported a brilliant flash about that time last night, but presumed it was a bolt of lightning which accompanied the storm. The nearest habitation is a farm house about a mile away.

Another Army plane which took off from Topeka 25 minutes after the departure of the C-47 to fly the same route reached Lowry Field at Denver safely last night. The pilot reported it was a rough trip because of wind and rain.

Army planes were dispatched from Denver and Topeka. Aboard one of them was Capt. R. C. Smith, who took charge until the arrival of investigating officers from Lowry Field.

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They reported they found wreckage and equipment scattered for about 400 to 500 yards around the wrecked plane. Among the equipment were charred parachutes.

Lowry Field sent a light twin engine plane to Goodland this morning bearing a physician, chaplain, photographer, guards for the crashed airplane and medical supplies.

The public relations officer, Capt. William Coleman, said two Army search planes from Topeka landed at the Goodland airport.

Rain fell over northeastern Colorado and the Denver section yesterday. The Topeka plane which reached Lowry was held there this morning because of poor visibility over the mountains west of Denver.

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CLOSED SATURDAYS DURING
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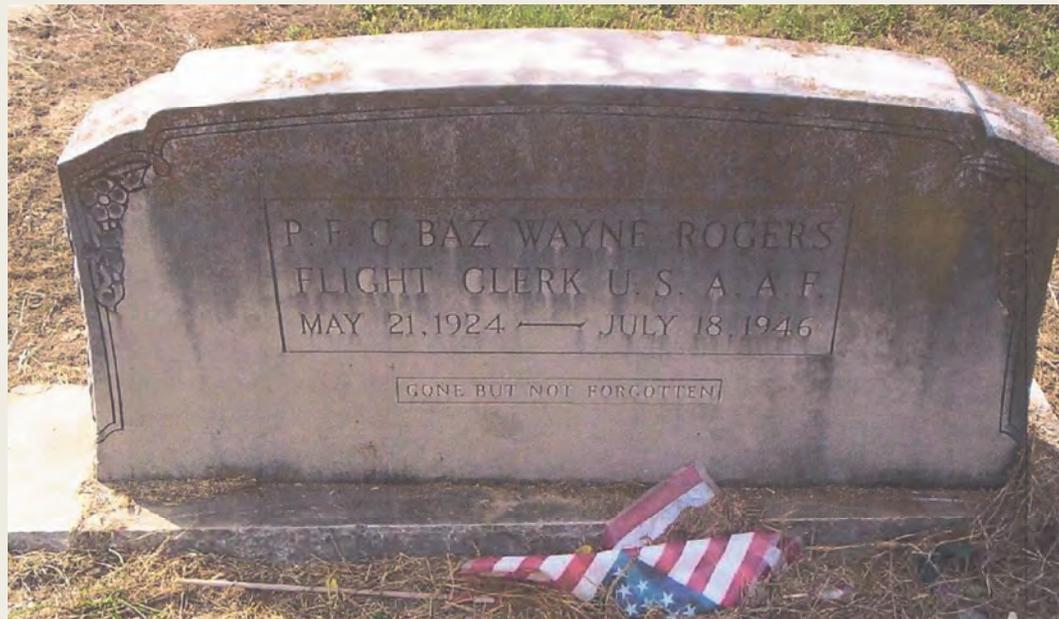
Hillyard Fisher Bell



Capt. James Grissen



Baz Wayne Rogers



B. W. Rogers Services Held At Honey Grove

HONEY GROVE (spl) — Funeral services for Pfc. Baz Wayne Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rogers, killed in a plane crash in Kansas, were held at the McKenzie Methodist church here. The Rev. Duke Barron, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery, directed by Cooper Funeral Home. A military detail of 16 men from Perrin Field, commanded by Capt. J. M. Parrish of Honey Grove, performed military rites at the grave and Douglas Henderson, Boy Scout bugler, sounded taps.

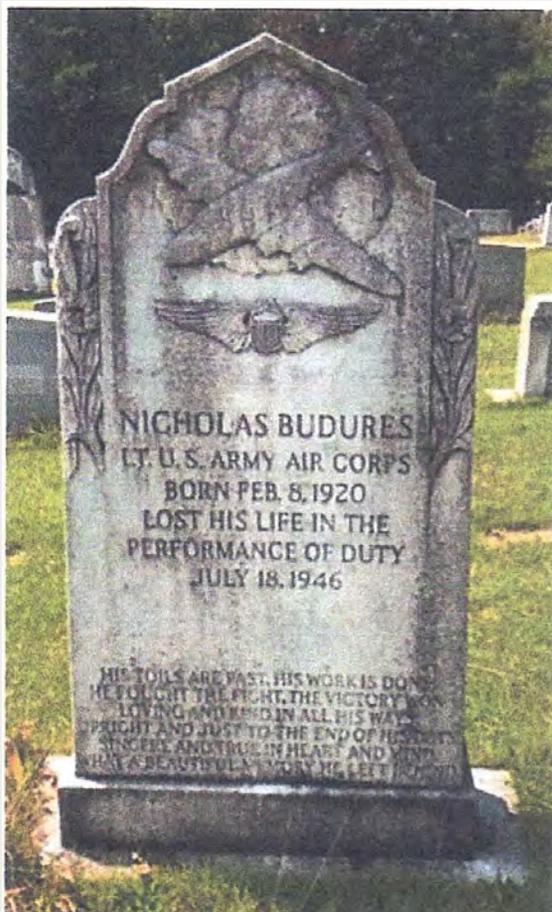
Pfc. Rogers, born in Lamar co., May 21, 1924, was killed in a plane crash near Goodland, Kans., just after completing a 15-day furlough here.

Herschel Proctor

Standing Top Left Herschel Proctor



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Pvt. William R. Sheils

CREW:

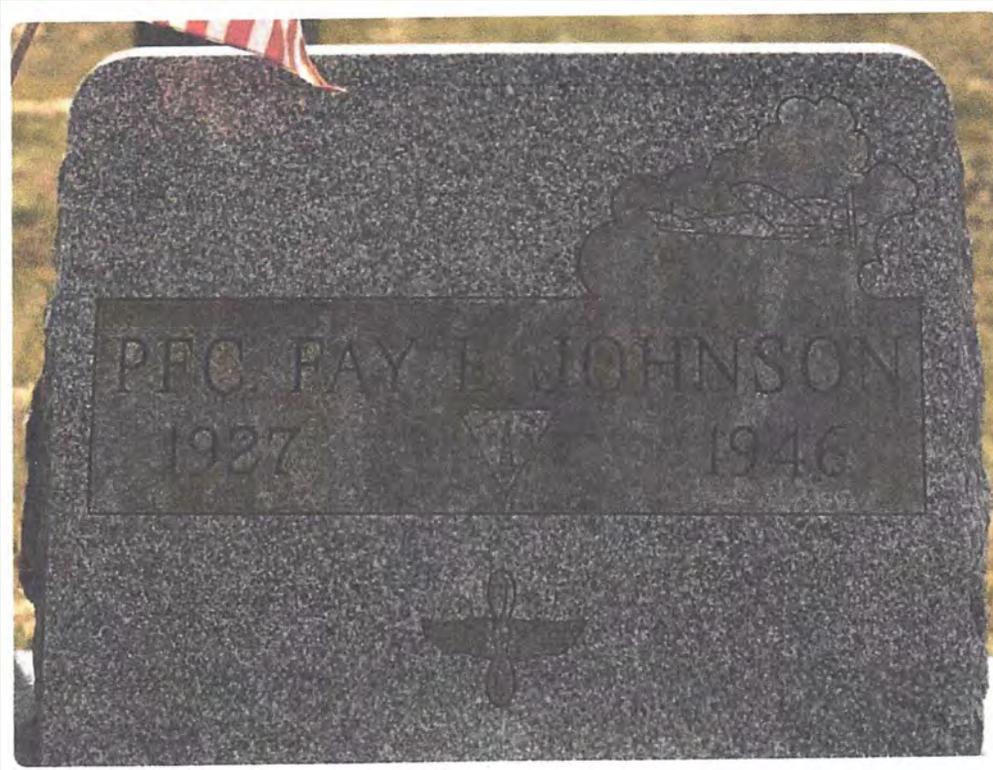
CAPT. H. F. BELL (O-804988) PILOT
CAPT JAMES GRISSEN (O-665010) CO-PILOT
*Pfc Baz W. Rogers (38432737) (Flt Clk)

Form #23 lists Pfc V. A. Jarbo as flight clerk, however, the flight was actually made by Pfc Baz W. Rogers and Jarbo's name was not scratched prior to take-off.

PASSENGERS:

SHEILS, W. R.	Pvt	4227682
RICHARDS, K. E.	1/Lt	0-737248
BERGSJO, J. P.	AEBN 3/c	36889758
JOHNSON, FAY	Pfc	12239433
DRESSEL, G. A.	Pvt	39492491
DRESSEL, V.	T/5	39492842
JONES, N.	Pvt	38777971
DAVIS, W. O.	1/Lt	0-830184
BURDRES, N.	1/Lt	0-806208
PROCTOR, H. E.	1/Lt	0-778555
DANIELS, J. R.	Lt.	0-834137

Pfc. Fay E. Johnson



Painted Post Army Flyer Crash Victim

Painted Post—Word has been received by Mrs. Helen Johnson, Painted Post RD 1, that her son, Pfc. Fay E. Johnson, U. S. Army Air Corps, was one of the 13 victims of a C-47 Army transport plane crash at Goodland, Kan., July 18.

Ten passengers and three crew members were killed in the crash, which occurred when the plane was making a routine flight from Topeka, Kan., to the West Coast.

Pfc. Johnson, 19, attended Painted Post schools and was employed by the Corning Glass Works prior to his enlistment in the Army on May 24, 1944. At the time of his death, he was stationed at the Rome Air Base, Rome.

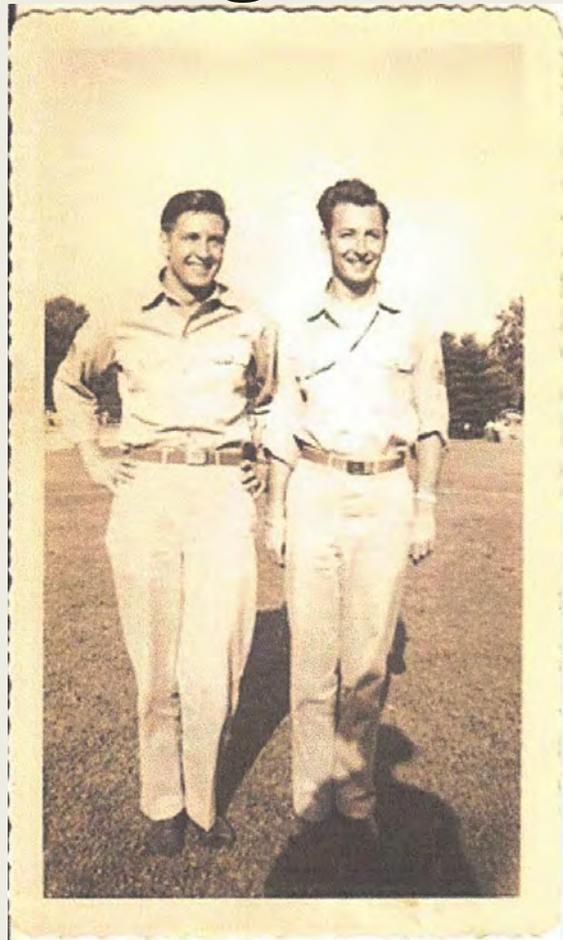
Surviving are his mother; his father, Edward C. Johnson, Winterhaven, Fla.; two sisters, Lois and Lorraine; two brothers, Gale and Harold, all at home; a maternal grandmother, Mrs. Clyde Lond, Addison, and a paternal grandfather, Bert Johnson, Williamsport, Pa.

The body will be brought to Corning for burial.

Nolan Fayne Jones



George and Vincent Dressel



Lt. James R. Daniels Jr.

Tar Heel Friends Remain Together, Crash Kills Both

Roanoke Rapids, July 27.—(P)—

Two eastern North Carolina young men three years ago enlisted in the army the same day, and then began a friendship that lasted throughout the services.

If Bill got a furlough home to Weldon, his pal, Jimmy, sought one for his nearby Robersonville home.

Recently they obtained furloughs together. They planned to meet in Washington, D. C., for a return plane trip to Kearns, Utah, their station.

Jimmy arrived on time in Washington. Bill, delayed, phoned Jimmy to go ahead. Jimmy refused—they would take a later plane.

The buddies caught an Army C-17 which crashed last week near Goodlands, Kans.

Next day the war department listed among the plane's ten dead passengers:

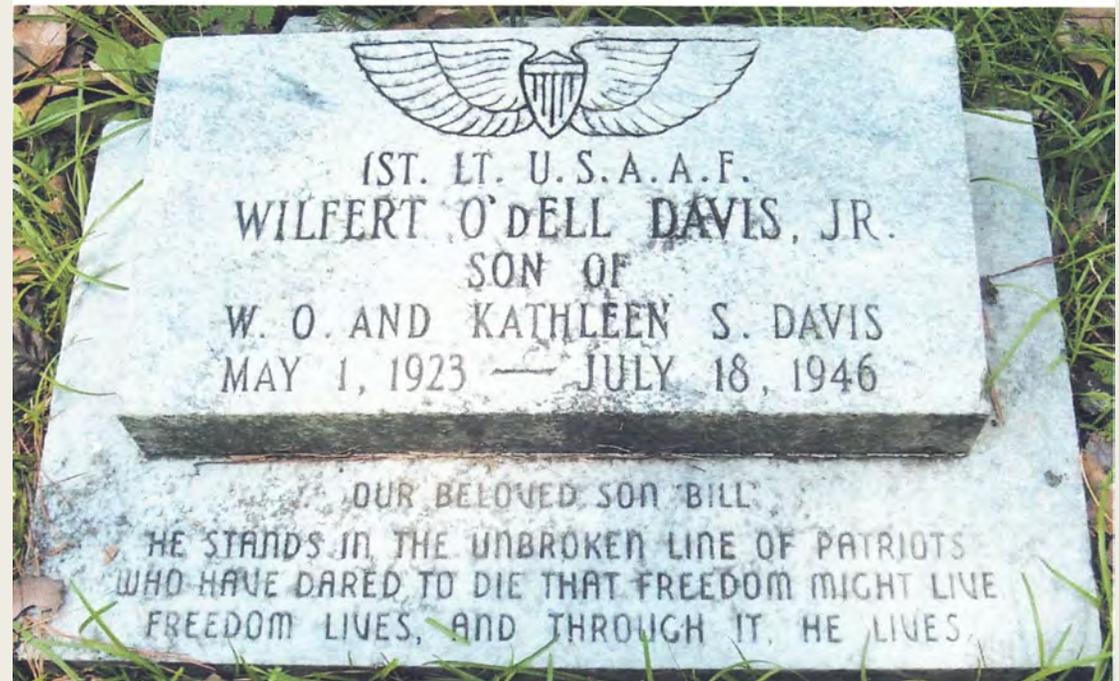
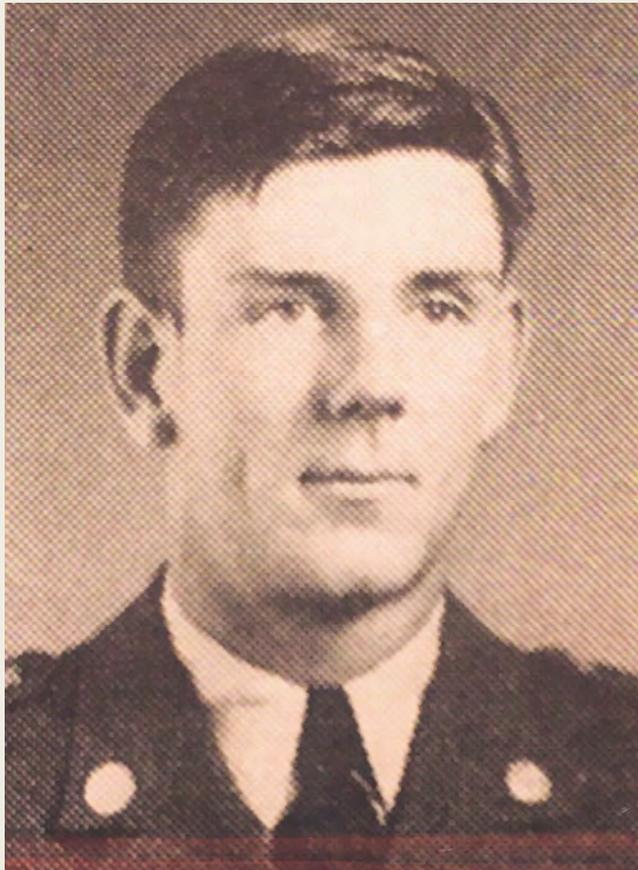
First Lt. William O. Davis, Weldon, N. C.

Second Lt. James R. Daniels, Robersonville, N. C.

Kenneth E. Richards



Lt. Wilfert Odell Davis Jr.



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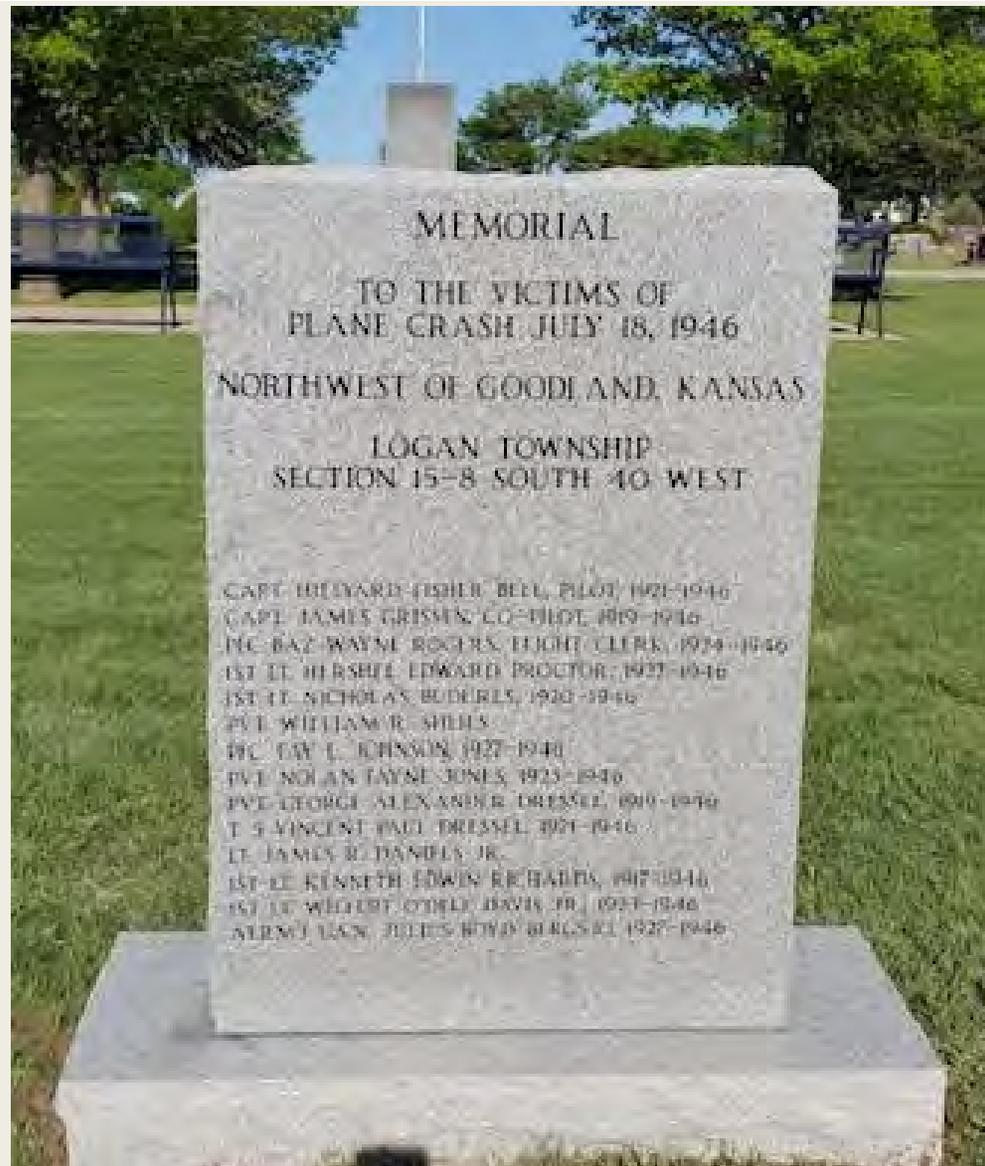




Memorial
Plaque at
the site
listing the
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MEMORIAL

TO THE VICTIMS OF
PLANE CRASH JULY 18, 1946

NORTHWEST OF GOODLAND, KANSAS

LOGAN TOWNSHIP
SECTION 15-8 SOUTH 40 WEST

CAPT. HUYARD FISHER BELL, PILOT, 1921-1946
CAPT. JAMES GRISWOLD, CO-PILOT, 1919-1946
1MC. BAZ WAYNE ROGERS, FLIGHT CLERK, 1929-1946
1ST LT. HIRSHIE EDWARD PROCTOR, 1927-1946
1ST LT. NICHOLAS BUDERIS, 1900-1946
PVT. WILLIAM R. MILLS
PFC. EAV L. JOHNSON, 1927-1946
PVT. MOLAN TAYNE JONES, 1923-1946
PVT. GEORGE ALEXANDER DRESSEL, 1910-1946
T. S. VINCENT PAUL DRESSEL, 1921-1946
LT. JAMES R. DANDLY, JR.
1ST LT. KENNETH EDWIN RICHARDS, 1917-1946
1ST LT. WILBERT CYRIL DAVIS, JR., 1927-1946
ALBERT LANN, JUDAS HOWY BERGSLI, 1927-1946