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MILITARY SERVICE RECORD

Compiled by the Department of Historical Records of the Connecticut State Council of Defense, State Library, Hartford, where it will be filed, as a permanent memorial of the deeds of Connecticut soldiers and sailors in the service of the federal, state and allied governments during American participation in the World War.

① Name in full Yaffo Samuel Benjamin
(family name) (first name) (middle names)
Date of birth March 15 1890
(month) (day) (year)
Place of birth — — Russia
(town) (county) (state) (country)
Name of father Tobias Yaffo Birthplace Russia
(country)
Maiden name of mother Sarah Birthplace Russia
(country)
Are you White, Colored, Indian or Mongolian? White
Citizen yes Voter yes Church —
(yes or no) (yes or no) (denomination)
Married no 1 at —
To — Born 1 at —
(maiden name)
Children none Born 1 at —
(name)
Born 1 at —
Born 1 at —
Fraternal Orders Modern Woodmen of America
Previous military service or training 6 years in 1st. Inf.
Conn. Nat. Guard. Corp when
discharged
Occupation before entry into the service Salesman
; employer G. Fox & Co and others
Residence before entry into the service 156 Lawrence St Hartford
(street number) (town) (county)
Present home address 156 Lawrence St Hartford
(street number) (town) (county) (state)

WAR RECORD

Inducted into service or enlisted on Dec 13-17 at Fort Slocum N.Y.
(date) (place)
 as a Priv.
(rank)
 in the Ord. Dep U. S. A. section of
(infantry, artillery, aviation, etc.)
 the regular army
(regular Army, National Guard, Home Guard, National Army, Navy, Naval Reserve, or Marine Corps)
 Identification number 1869028
 Assigned originally to 24 Co Ord. Det.
(company) (regiment) (division)
 (or) at Camp Jackson S.C.
(ship) (place)
 Trained or stationed before going to Europe: — Camp Jackson S.C.
 School, camp, station, ship From (date) and Camp Hancock Ga to (date) May 15-18

Transferred to: —

Company	Regiment	Division	Ship	Date	New Location
<u>19 Co</u>	<u>Ord</u>	<u>Dep.</u>			

Promoted: — to Corp. Aug-18
 From (rank) Corp to (rank) Sgt. Date Nov-18

Embarked from Hoboken N.J. on Cedric or transport 510
(port) (ship)
May 26-18 and arrived at Liverpool June 6-18
(date) (foreign port) (date)
 Proceeded from Liverpool to Southampton June 6-18
(date)
 From Southampton to Le Havre June 10-18
(date)
 From Le Havre to Mehun France June 12-18
(date)

Trained or stationed abroad: — Mehun France June 12-18 to
Country Place From (date) to (date)

July 15-18. Transferred to Hdq. Co Ord. Dep. 90th Div. before going into action on St. Mihiel front, then stationed at Toul

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First went into action Sept 3-18 St Mihiel
(date) (place)

Participated in the following engagements in the entire St Mihiel
offensive till it was captured, then
went to Meuse Argonne and remained
till Nov 11-18 armistice day
remained in army of occupation till June 30-19
 Cited, decorated, or otherwise honored for distinguished services (give circumstantial accounts of exploits, including dates and places where performed, also by whom and in what manner the honors were bestowed):

Killed in action, killed by accident, died of wounds, died of disease, wounded, gassed, shell-shocked, taken prisoner:

Nature of casualty	Place	Date

Under medical care: —

Name of hospital	Location	From (date)	to (date)

Permanently disabled (through loss of limb, eyesight, etc.) (specify disability)

Arrived at New Port Hon U.S.S. Kansas July 2-19
(American port) (ship) (date) (from)

Discharged from service at Camp Upton N. Y. July 8-19
(place) (date)

as a Sgt.
(rank)

RETURN TO CIVIL LIFE

Occupation after the war Salesman

If a change of occupation was occasioned by reason of disability acquired in the service, describe the process of re-education and readjustment, and indicate the agencies or individuals chiefly instrumental in furnishing the new occupations:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

What was your attitude toward military service in general and toward your call in particular? *I have always favored and advocated military service for young men, and was ready when wanted. Did not wait to be drafted either.*

What were the effects of camp experiences in the United States upon yourself — mental and physical?

Best of effects.

What were the effects upon yourself of your overseas experience, either in the army or navy or in camp in France or in England?

Upon arrival to England we were greeted by a representative of King George, fine Country. Did not get ~~as~~ an good a treatment in France as expected.

If you took part in the fighting, what impressions were made upon you by this experience?

At first I could not get angry enough at the Hun to want to kill them, after I saw my pals fall in agony from their shells, I did.

What has been the effect of all these experiences as contrasted with your state of mind before the war? *the rest.*

No bad effects at all, only I lost a brother in this conflict and can't get over it, don't even know where he rests.

Photographs — If possible enclose one taken before entering the service and one taken afterwards in uniform, both signed and dated.

Additional data *I have in my possession some German Revolver and war trophies, and would be glad to loan them for exhibition if wanted.*

Signed at *Hartford Conn.* on *Nov 8* 191*9*

Samuel B. Yaffa *Sgt.* *Ord. Dep. U. S. A.*

The information contained in this record, unless otherwise indicated, was obtained from the following persons or sources:

November 25, 19

Mr. Samuel B. Yaffo
156 Lawrence St.
Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Yaffo:

Your Questionnaire with photographs received, for which please accept our thanks. Your Certificate will be forwarded in the very near future.

I note that you offer to loan to our collection the German revolvers which you brought as trophies. If you have something different than we already have, I am sure your loan will be appreciated. If you can bring them in some day at your convenience I can show you what we have.

If they are different from what we have, we shall hope; you may see your way clear to let them remain in the collection permanently, for probably more people would see them here than elsewhere.

Appreciating your assistance, and hoping that you will call attention to the other fellows from time to time as you have opportunity, both to the Certificates and to the collection we are getting together, I remain

Very sincerely,

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State Librarian
and Director



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Samuel B. Yaffo
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Samuel B. Yaffo
1915



Samuel B. Yaffo

Ex - Les - Bains
France

Mar. 1919

Samuel B. Yaffo

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Max W. Yoffo
156 Lawrence St

DIED IN SERVICE

E. H. Crocker.

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