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FOUR MEMBERS OF STAFF DIE WHILE IN SERVICE

Four members of THE STARS AND STRIPES staff have died in the service. None of them is listed as killed in action or died of wounds, but their sacrifice was made in line of duty, in some cases as the direct result of exposure at the front while carrying on the work of the Army newspaper.

On October 4, 1918, Pvt. Carl D. McIntosh was laid at rest in the American Military Cemetery at Suresnes, on the beautiful hillside that overlooks Paris and the Seine, where many heroes of Chateau-Thierry are buried. He had been with the circulation department of the paper for some months, working in the Paris office with marked faithfulness and enthusiasm, handling a portion of the American mailing lists.

Sgt. David R. Bawden, after some months as a field agent for the paper, came to Paris in November, 1918, to become a traveling auditor. Seized by the influenza epidemic, he struggled bravely against giving up his work, even to enter a hospital. Just when we thought he was well, and when he had come back to the office with renewed enthusiasm for his new work, a relapse set in, from which he died. He was buried at Suresnes on December 3, 1918.

Sgt. Homer G. Roland went through the trying weeks of the Argonne battle as a field agent with one of the divisions in the thick of the fighting. Despite his poor health, a buoyant spirit kept him on the go for long, hard hours, often under fire, and he would not relinquish his post until the conclusion of the armistice. Then he came back to Paris and entered a hospital, unfortunately too late, as the progress of the tubercular trouble acquired during days and nights of magnificent service could not be stayed. On the day after Christmas, 1918, the bugle sounded its last taps for another STARS AND STRIPES man on the Suresnes hillside.

First Lieut. William F. Miltenberger came to THE STARS AND STRIPES as treasurer in December from duties with the Chief of G-2, G.H.Q. He was in charge of the finances of the paper but a few weeks when illness forced him first to lessen his work and finally to abandon it. In that brief time he had given much useful service to the rapidly growing work which he took over, and had endeared himself to the men in the office by an untiring interest in their personal welfare as well as in the business affairs they handled. Lieutenant Miltenberger was buried at Suresnes January 13, 1919.