

# Oregon War Records—Personal Military Service

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County Clackamas; School District No. 195; City Willamette, Oregon.

## I. PERSONAL HISTORY—Name in full Harry Gutelius Romig

Born in U. S.  Foreign born.  White.  Negro.  Indian.  Japanese.  Chinese.  Other.  
Home (postoffice) address Willamette, Oregon  
Present address U.S.S. Mantahala, New York, City New York, State New York  
Place of birth (give state, county and city) Missouri, Ray Co., Dawson Date of birth Oct. 10, 1900  
Married? No When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children \_\_\_\_\_  
Father's name Charles Fisher Romig Born when June 9, 1872 Where Mifflinburg, Pa.  
Mother's maiden name Addie Augusta Elliott Born when Dec. 4, 1871 Where Fillmore, Kansas  
Date came to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_ Date naturalized \_\_\_\_\_ Date came to Oregon Dec. 18, 1909

Former residences Lawson, Ind.; Springville, Utah; Kimberly, Idaho; Rock Creek, Idaho; Canby, Ore.  
Schools attended (give places and dates)—Elementary Springville, Utah '06-'07; Kimberly, Idaho '07-'08; Rock Creek, Ida. '08  
High school Canby, Ore. '12-'14; Oregon City, '14-'16 College Pacific University, Forest Grove, Ore. 1916-1917  
Occupation before war Student at college

## II. MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE—Date entered for this war Dec. 18, 1917 Place Enlisted, Portland, Oregon

U. S.  By enlistment or  Draft.  Other (Service with allies) Ordered to Bremerton, Wash. June 13, 1918.  
Sailed from Seattle June 7, 1918 on U.S.S. West Bridge  
Branch of service entered:  Regular army.  National guard.  National army.  Army reserve corps.  Navy.  Other.  
Organization entered, name and number of company, regiment or unit 2nd Class Seaman U.S.A.R.F.  
Transfers \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of army:  Infantry.  Artillery.  Field.  Coast.  Anti-aircraft.  Engineer corps.  Medical department (specify corps).  
 Cavalry.  Quartermaster corps.  Ordnance department.  Signal corps.  Aviation.  Spruce production.  Motor transport.  
 U. S. guard.  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of navy:  Navy.  Naval reserve.  Marine corps.  Naval militia.  Coast guard.  Other Radio Operator  
Name of ship or assignment U.S.S. West Bridge (torpedoed 7/16/18); U.S.S. Westwind Ho.; U.S.S. Mantahala  
Students' army training corps. Name of school University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.  
Previous military service:  Regular army.  Navy.  Marine corps.  National guard.  Mexican border.  Reserve corps.  
 Spanish-American war.  Philippine insurrection.  China relief expedition.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## III. RANK AND PROMOTIONS—Give promotions and dates 2nd Class Seaman - 3rd Class Radio 7/18/18 - 2nd class Radio Jan.

Give rank and organization at close of war 3rd Class Radio but is 1st Class Radio now  
Distinguished service. Medals and citations Torpedoed; over sea twice & more than one year in service  
In what periodicals or newspapers have letters, photographs or notices been published? (Give exact date of each. If several, list on back of sheet.) (see back of sheet)

## IV. LOCATIONS—Officers' training camp

Cantonments or other stations Bremerton, Wash. for about 2 weeks; Seattle, Wash. to June 7, 1918  
Brest, France (for about 2 mos. after torpedoing of West Bridge); Danzig, Germany

Length of foreign service (give dates) June 7, 1918 to \_\_\_\_\_ on U.S.S. West Bridge to Brest, France & on U.S.S. Westwind Ho. to Danzig, Germany  
Battles and engagements none, except the torpedoing of the West Bridge at midnight on 8/16/18, when crew took to life boats, were picked up by ship & reached Brest, Fr.  
Captured by the enemy \_\_\_\_\_  
German prisons \_\_\_\_\_  
Date discharged or mustered out of service \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Landed U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
Casualties. Wounds \_\_\_\_\_  
Death. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Cause \_\_\_\_\_

Place IN SERVICE - FOREIGN 3/4/18 - TORPEDOED ON U.S.S. West bridge 16 Aug 18 Where buried \_\_\_\_\_

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Nearest relative, name Mrs. & Mrs. C. F. Romig Address Willamette, Ore. Relationship parents  
Report made by Chas. F. Romig Address Willamette, Ore. Date Apr. 30, 1919

Mark cross (X) in square in front of word to answer "yes" for each question.

# Oregon War Records—Personal Military Service

Cornelia Marvin, State Historian, State Library, Salem

County Clackamas; School District No. 105; City Willamette, rural, Oregon.

### I. PERSONAL HISTORY—Name in full Harry Gustavus Romig

Born in U. S.  Foreign born.  White.  Negro.  Indian.  Japanese.  Chinese.  Other.  
Home (postoffice) address Willamette, Oregon  
Present address, No. \_\_\_\_\_, Street \_\_\_\_\_, City Willamette, State Oregon  
Place of birth (give state, county and city) Missouri, Ray, Dawson Date of birth Oct 10, 1900  
Married? No When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children \_\_\_\_\_  
Father's name Charles Fisher Romig Born when 1872-6-9 Where Mefflingburg Pennsylvania  
Mother's maiden name Addie Augusta Elliott Born when 1871-12-4 Where Fallton Kansas  
Date came to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_ Date naturalized \_\_\_\_\_ Date came to Oregon Dec 18, 1909

Former residences Lewiston, Me., Springfield, Utah, Bull Lake, Minn., Kinkaid, Wash., Rabbrecht, Wash., Canby, Ore., Oregon City, Oregon, Canby, Ore.  
Schools attended (give places and dates)—Elementary Springfield, Utah, 1905-1907; Kinkaid, Wash., 1907-1908; Rabbrecht, Wash., 1908-1909-1909-10  
High school Canby, Oregon, 1912-1914; Oregon City, 1914-1916 College Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon, 1916-1918  
Occupation before war Student

### II. MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE—Date entered for this war December 18, 1917 Place Portland, Oregon

U. S.  By enlistment or  Draft.  Other (Service with allies) \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of service entered:  Regular army.  National guard.  National army.  Army reserve corps.  Navy.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Organization entered, name and number of company, regiment or unit Seaman - 2d (R) - United States Naval Reserve  
Transfers Receiving ship, Bremerton, Wash., Training camp, Seattle, U.S.S. Watbridge, U.S.S. Farnish, U.S.S. National Ho., U.S.S. Mantakala (11 days), Receiving ship, New York, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, N.Y., Receiving ship, Bremerton, Wash.

Branch of army:  Infantry.  Artillery:  Field,  Coast,  Anti-aircraft.  Engineer corps.  Medical department (specify corps).  
 Cavalry.  Quartermaster corps.  Ordnance department.  Signal corps.  Aviation.  Spruce production.  Motor transport.  
 U. S. guard.  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of navy:  Navy.  Naval reserve.  Marine corps.  Naval militia.  Coast guard.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name of ship or assignment: Radix School, Seattle - U.S.S. Watbridge, U.S.S. Farnish, U.S.S. National Ho., U.S.S. Mantakala

Students' army training corps. Name of school \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous military service:  Regular army.  Navy.  Marine corps.  National guard.  Mexican border.  Reserve corps.  
 Spanish-American war.  Philippine insurrection.  China relief expedition.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### III. RANK AND PROMOTIONS—Give promotions and dates EL-3-C(RO)-5/1/18; EL-2-C(RO)-2/1/18; EL-1-C(RO)-3/1/18

Give rank and organization at close of war EL-1-C(RO) U.S.N. R.F.

Distinguished service, Medals, and citations \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Radio-electrician 10

In what periodicals or newspapers have letters, photographs or notices been published? (Give exact date of each. If several, list on back of sheet.) Portland Oregonian - 2/14/19, Page 5 - Col-3, Annual Index - June - 1918, P.U. Teacher Co.

### IV. LOCATIONS—Officers' training camp \_\_\_\_\_

Cantonments or other stations \_\_\_\_\_

Length of foreign service (give dates) Aug 1-18-Dec 13-18 Where? Great Britain, St. Nazaire, France, transport to Danzig, Germany

Battles and engagements U.S.S. Watbridge hit by 2 torpedoes August 16 at 12:10 A.M. off Seattle

Captured by the enemy \_\_\_\_\_

German prisons 5 J 19

Date discharged or mustered out of service 5/5/19 Where? Puget Sound Washington Landed U. S. April 9, 1919

Casualties. Wounds \_\_\_\_\_

Death. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Cause \_\_\_\_\_

Place \_\_\_\_\_ Where buried \_\_\_\_\_

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Nearest relative, name Augusta Elliott Romig Address Willamette, Oregon Relationship Mother

Report made by Harry Gustavus Romig Address Willamette, Oregon Date June 30, 1919

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# Oregon War Records—Personal Military Service

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County Clatsop; School District No. 105; City Willamette, Oregon.

I. PERSONAL HISTORY—Name in full Orlando Elliott Romig ROMIG

Born in U. S.  Foreign born.  White.  Negro.  Indian.  Japanese.  Chinese.  Other.  
Home (postoffice) address Willamette, Oregon  
Present address, No. 90 W. 85th St., Nantahala, City New York, State N.Y.  
Place of birth (give state, county and city) Terra, Washington Co., Washington Date of birth Nov. 28, 1898  
Married? N.D. When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children \_\_\_\_\_  
Father's name Charles F. Romig Born when 6/9/1872 Where Wilmington, Pa.  
Mother's maiden name Ada Augusta Elliott Born when 12/4/1871 Where Edgemoor, Kansas  
Date came to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_ Date naturalized \_\_\_\_\_ Date came to Oregon 12/18/1909

Former residences Washington College, Terra, Lawson, Mo.; Springville, Utah, Kimberly, Idaho, 1908-1909, Canby, Ore. 1909-1910, Canby, Ore. 1910-1911, Canby, Ore. 1911-1912, Canby, Ore. 1912-1913, Canby, Ore. 1913-1914, Canby, Ore. 1914-1916  
Schools attended (give places and dates) Elementary 1904-1907, Springville, Utah, Kimberly, Idaho 1907-08, Odessa, Wash. 1908-1909, Canby, Ore. 1909-1910, Canby, Ore. 1910-1911, Canby, Ore. 1911-1912, Canby, Ore. 1912-1913, Canby, Ore. 1913-1914, Canby, Ore. 1914-1916  
High school Canby, Ore. 1910-1911 College Pa. State University, Fayetteville, Pa. 1914-1916  
Occupation before war Chemist for Canadian Milk Co. (Would have attended college if he had not enlisted) will return as soon as discharged

II. MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE—Date entered for this war Dec 19, 1917 Place Enlisted, Portland, Oregon

3  U. S.  By enlistment or  Draft.  Other (Service with allies) (Enlisted 12/19/17) Ordered to Brunswick, Washington Jan 13, 1918 Sailed June 7, 1918 on U.S.S. Westbridge.  
Branch of service entered:  Regular army.  National guard.  National army.  Army reserve corps.  Navy.  Other.  
Organization entered, name and number of company, regiment or unit 222 (R) U.S.A.R.F.  
Transfers \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of army:  Infantry.  Artillery:  Field,  Coast,  Anti-aircraft.  Engineer corps.  Medical department (specify corps).  
 Cavalry  Quartermaster corps.  Ordnance department.  Signal corps.  Aviation.  Spruce production.  Motor transport.  
 U. S. guard.  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of navy:  Navy.  Naval reserve.  Marine corps.  Naval militia.  Coast guard.  Other.  
Name of ship or assignment U.S.S. Westbridge (torpedoed) U.S.S. Westward Ho + U.S.S. Nantahala.  
Students' army training corps. Name of school Radio Dept. of University, Seattle, Wash.

Previous military service:  Regular army.  Navy.  Marine corps.  National guard.  Mexican border.  Reserve corps.  
 Spanish-American war.  Philippine insurrection.  China relief expedition.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

III. RANK AND PROMOTIONS—Give promotions and dates 2nd Class Radio Jan 1919; 1st Class now  
Give rank and organization at close of war 3rd Cl. E.L. U.S.A.R.F.

Distinguished service. Medals and citations for being over seas twice; for being torpedoed & for being in service more than one year  
In what periodicals or newspapers have letters, photographs or notices been published? (Give exact date of each. If several, list on back of sheet.) Daily Ore. City-Enterprise 2/4/19, Astoria News 2/4/19, articles in Daily Republic, Worthington, Ohio 1/30/19, Wilmington (Pa.) Telegraph 1/24/19

IV. LOCATIONS—Officers' training camp Hagerman (Del.) Jan 1918  
Cantonments or other stations Brunswick, Wash. & Seattle, Wash. until

5 June 7, 1918  
Length of foreign service (give dates) 1/3/18 - Where? on merchant marine to Brest, Fr. & Day  
Battles and engagements Torpedoed by sub. on Aug. 16, 1918 on 1st trip over took to life boat & got to Brest; 2nd trip was after was towed to Brest  
Captured by the enemy \_\_\_\_\_  
German prisons \_\_\_\_\_  
Date discharged or mustered out of service \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Landed U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
Casualties. Wounds \_\_\_\_\_  
Death. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Cause \_\_\_\_\_

Place \_\_\_\_\_ Where buried \_\_\_\_\_  
IN SERVICE FOREIGN SOAP 19. Torpedoed on U.S.S. West Bridge 16 Aug 18  
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