Maj. N. Robert Drummond, class of 1936 has just been assigned to the 308th Bomb Wing (L), APO 712 located at Kimpo Air Base, 18 miles from Seoul, the Korean capital. His present duty is that of wing surgeon in charge of all medical activities of his unit.

Major Drummond was commissioned as an officer in June 1936 and went on active duty in July 1940.

As well as being assigned overseas service in Korea he has also served in the Medical Air Transport Service, Naples.

Maj. Robert W. Butler, ’38, has been awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon by Gen. Mark Clark at a joint awards-promotion ceremony in Vienna, Austria.

After leaving the University, Major Butler was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Officers’ Reserve Corps. He entered active duty in April, 1941, and was assigned to overseas duty the following April. In September of that year Major Butler participated in the invasion landing at Salerno, Italy.

In addition to an arrowhead for combat landing, Major Butler also has the Bronze Star and five battle stars on his Europe-Africa-Middle East campaign ribbon as a result of his service of the Real Estate Section of the Vienna Area Command.

Capt. Foster L. White, ’40eng, was recently selected for a commission in the regular Army. While serving in the China-Burma-India theater during the war, he completed 31 combat missions flying B-17 Flying Fortresses and P-47 Thunderbolts. Captain White wears the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with one cluster.

Lt. Col. William E. Crump, Jr., ’33-’37, Wynnewood, training officer with the G-3 Section of T Corps Headquarters in Kyoto, Japan, has recently been appointed an Infantry first lieutenant in the Regular Army.

He served in North Africa and England of the European Theater, before coming to the Pacific Theater and flying in the Philippines as G-9 officer of the 24th Infantry Division, and then coming to Japan. He recently returned to Japan from a three months TDY in the U. S.

Maj. Noel Story, ’42law, Edmond Scruggs Aldredge, ’38, Fort Worth, has been assigned to command a war crimes branch of the Seventh U. S. Army Judge Advocate Major, Story, a Field Artillery officer, has served with the 76th Division in Germany and Checmintz. He has been awarded the Silver Star for action in the Ardennes forest as an artillerist officer and the Army Commendation Ribbon by Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keys, commanding general of the Seventh Army.

Discharged

The following men have been released from military service: Lt. Randal W. Clark, Jr., ’41-’44, Tulsa; Capt. Dondie Dwight, Jr., ’42-’44, Shreveport, Louisiana; Cpl. James E. Thompson, ’41-’43, Norman; Capt. John Victor Bryan, ’42geol, Chickasha; Capt. Melvin R. Bullington, ’44eng, Wichita Falls, Texas; Robert Carroll Bullock, ’44, Camden, Arkansas; Lt. (j.g.) Judson J. Shearman, ’44, North Hollywood, California; S/Sgt. Eugene P. Burtner, ’43, Arlington, Texas; S/Sgt. Albert C. Buswell, Jr., ’41-’43, Kingsfield; Jack F. Butler, ’35-’37, Duncan; Lt. (j.g.) Robert W. McKeon, Jr., ’42-’44, J. Knox Byrum, 27law, Shawnee; Lt. James Henry Cain, ’41med, Hoffman, Minnesota;

Leonard Dodson

Blind Vet Earns Chem Degree

By Bud Bary, ’47
O. U. Journalism Senior

War causes undue hardships, but some of these can be compensated for by determination and hard work. That's what Leonard Dodson, ’466s, former Army lieutenant in the Field Artillery, discovered when he returned, almost totally blind, to the University of Oklahoma last January, needing only two more semesters to receive a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering.

After he participated in almost nine months of continuous combat service, a mortar shell exploded in his face as he was attempting to rescue a wounded buddy near Luneville, France.

He presented a difficult problem to Army surgeons, since some believed his sight could be salvaged. Patiently he worked at his physical condition. He took his legible drawings. His attractive wife, Martha, who adapted to his physical condition. He took his books. He also uses a crude-looking braille, circular sliderulein working problems.

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Men who recently have been released from military service are as follows: Lt. Col. Fred Elmore Brown, Jr., '34, Los Angeles, California; Robert Robert Brown, '34, Eng., Ho- ran, Louisiana; Pfc. James G. Bruton, '34, Los Angeles, California.

- Dale Mitchell, '40-'42, hard-hitting record back of Oklahoma City high school has registered a veteran of 55 months in the Air Corps, has signed to play with the Oklahoma City Indians. Mitchell played two seasons with the Senators before going off to war in 1941. He is the only soldier to hit more than .500 and the only pastimer to capture the O.U. hitting crown, two years running. The fleet-footed left-ender is a veteran of two Penn State and the Phillies, has two batting stances. He is married and has one child.

- The following recently received their commissions from the Army. They are: At least Capt. Alexander, '42-'43, Clinton, with the rank of lieutenant. Capt. Willard Dean Bridges, '42, bus, Bartlesville, Oklahoma; James W. Houston, '34, Eng., Houma, Louisiana; Capt. Kenneth Malcolm Axelson, '37, Bus, Topeka, Kansas.

- The following men have been discharged from military service: Lt. Harold Robert Bell, '44, Tulsa; Lt. Lyle Bross, '39-'40, El Reno; Lt. (j.g.) David Bragg, '40-'43, Ft. Sill, Oklahoma; Lt. (j.g.) George C. McGhee (right). Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay presents the Legion of Merit Award to Lt. George C. McGhee (right). The fleet-footed left-hander is a veteran of 37 seasons with the Sooners before going off to war. His former position as designing engineer with the Austin Company, Engineers and Constructors, is now practicing law in Los Angeles.


- Capt. John Lawrence Vail, Jr., '326s, has returned from overseas. He is a student in Central State College, Oklahoma City.

- Allen Brown, '40-'41, Blackwell, who recently was returned from three overseas service duty, reported to his former position as designing engineer with the Austin Company, Engineers and Constructors, is now practicing law in Los Angeles.

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