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GENERAL AGENT

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Dear Phog:

I am in receipt of your letter requesting information regarding the Manhattan Rotary Club's Honor Roll of Riley County's men and women in the Armed Service and I am happy to explain the "modus operandi" to you.

We have had our file in operation for approximately nine months, and it is the only list in our County that is any way near complete. We have about 1,350 names listed and it is entirely a Rotary project, and very much appreciated by the community.

We put the information a file card 3" x 5", sample enclosed. The index is broken down so that there are about three divisions for each initial letter; this index we got from a local book store. A gold star is placed on the card when they are reported deceased, see card, and a silver star when reported wounded. The missing we mark "M" until we get further information.

We get the names and addresses of the men who are inducted from the Riley County Draft Board. The others, which are the majority, are more difficult to get. We put a notice in the paper stating that we are compiling an Honor Roll of Riley County and request all who know of eligible men or women, who are not inducted through the local Draft Board, to please send us the information on a postal card. And we really get a lot of them from this source.