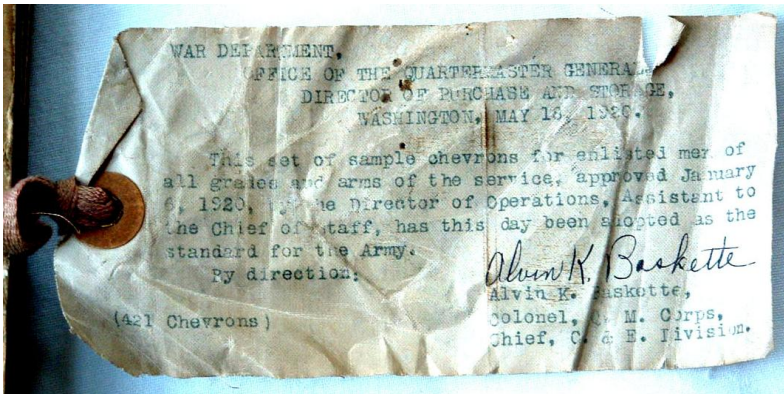
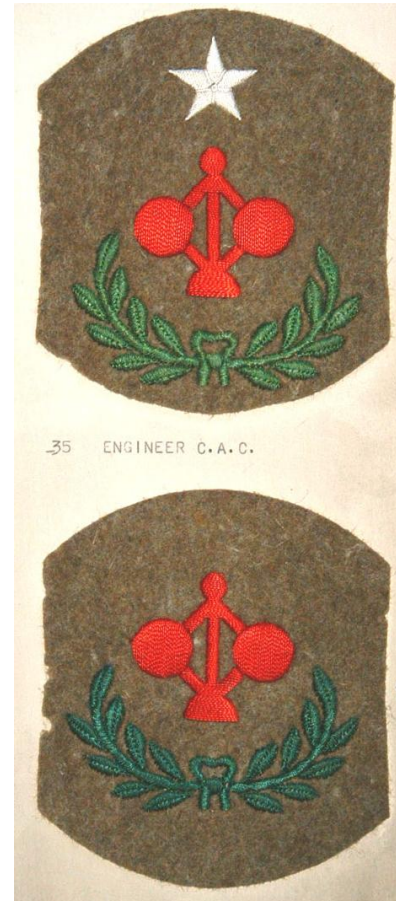


1920 Chevrons the Army Never Used

In 1919 the army designed a new set of chevrons in an effort to return some color to the drab uniforms, since the dress uniforms had not been issued since 1916. In early 1920 the Secretary of War approved the designs and the army made sample books, one of which is show. This official sample book was sealed on May 14, 1920, and contains chevrons with hand embroidered devices such as lyres, eagles, wreaths, and other designs. After sealing the samples (a photo of the tag is shown) the army started to make production chevrons that contained machine embroidered devices.



In August 1920 congress consolidated all enlisted grades into seven pay grades. As a result the army changed chevrons, making the May 1920 designs obsolete. The complete 10 pages of the sample book and a few individual chevrons are shown.



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in Sample Room



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1 REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR AND SERGEANT MAJOR SENIOR GRADE.



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4 BATTALION AND SQUADRON SUPPLY SGT.



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2 REGIMENTAL SUPPLY SERGEANT.



5

5 SERGEANT FIRST CLASS.



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3 BATTALION AND SQUADRON SERGEANT MAJOR AND SERGEANT MAJOR JUNIOR GRADE.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
This set of rank insignia...
of the Army...
Colonel,
Chief,...



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6 BAND LEADER ENLISTED.



7 ASSISTANT BAND LEADER.



10 SUPPLY SERGEANT.



8 FIRST SERGEANT.



11 MESS SERGEANT.



9 COLOR SERGEANT.



12 STABLE SERGEANT.



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13 BAND SERGEANT.



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16 SERGEANT.



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14 SERGEANT BUGLER.



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17 CORPORAL.



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15 MOTOR SERGEANT.



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18 CORPORAL BUGLER.



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19 BAND CORPORAL.



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20 LANCE CORPORAL.



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21 PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALL ARMS AND DECKHAND MINE PLANTER SERVICE.



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22 CHAUFFEUR FIRST CLASS.



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23 CHAUFFEUR.



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24 ASSISTANT CHAUFFEUR.



25

25 BUGLER FIRST CLASS.



26

26 BUGLER.



27

27 CHIEF MECHANIC.



37

37 ELECTRICIAN SERGEANT FIRST CLASS
C.A.C.



40

40 RADIO SERGEANT C.A.C.



38

38 ELECTRICIAN SERGEANT 2ND CLASS
C.A.C.



41

41 MASTER GUNNER C.A.C.



42

42 CASEMATE ELECTRICIAN C.A.C.



39

39 FIREMAN C.A.C.
FIREMAN MINE PLANTER SERVICE.



43

43 OBSERVER FIRST CLASS C.A.C.



44

44 OBSERVER SECOND CLASS C.A.C.



49

49 GUN COMMANDER C.A.C.



45

45 PLOTTER C.A.C.



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50 GUN POINTER C.A.C.



46

46 COXSWAIN C.A.C.



51

51 MASTER ENGINEER SENIOR GRADE
CORPS OF ENGINEERS.



47

47 CHIEF PLANTER C.A.C.



52

52 MASTER ENGINEER JUNIOR GRADE
CORPS OF ENGINEERS.



48

48 CHIEF LOADER C.A.C.



53

53 ORDNANCE SERGEANT.



57

57 QUARTERMASTER SERGEANT SENIOR GRADE
QUARTERMASTER CORPS.



54

54 MASTER SIGNAL ELECTRICIAN
SIGNAL CORPS.



58

58 QUARTERMASTER SERGEANT JR. GR.
QUARTERMASTER CORPS.



55

55 MASTER HOSPITAL SERGEANT.



56

56 HOSPITAL SERGEANT.



59

59 DRUM MAJOR.



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-60 SERGEANT OF FIELD MUSIC.



63

-63 MASTER ENGINEER SENIOR GRADE
TRANSPORTATION CORPS.



64

-64 MASTER ENGINEER JUNIOR GRADE
TRANSPORTATION CORPS.



61

-61 MASTER ENGINEER SENIOR GRADE
TANK CORPS.



65

-65 QUARTERMASTER SERGEANT SR. GR.
MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS.



62

-62 MASTER SIGNAL ELECTRICIAN
AIR SERVICE.



66

-66 QUARTERMASTER SERGEANT JR. GR.
MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS.



67

67 FIRST CLASS GUNNER FIELD ARTILLERY AND GUN AND MOTOR CO. C.A.C.



72

72 EXPERT GUNNER C.A.C.



68

68 SECOND CLASS GUNNER FIELD ARTILLERY AND GUN AND MOTOR CO. C.A.C.



73

73 WOUND AND WAR SERVICE.



69

69 FIRST CLASS GUNNER MINE CO. C.A.C.



74

74 WAR SERVICE.



70

70 SECOND CLASS GUNNER MINE CO. C.A.C.



75

75 WAR SERVICE.



71

71 BADGE FOR EXCELLENCE IN COAST ARTILLERY PRACTICE.



76

76 DISCHARGE CHEVRONS.