

# The Bandera PROPHECY

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Today in Texas History

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On this day in 1918, World War I came to an end. The armistice found the two most prominent Texas units on active service in France. The 90th Division was fighting its way through the Meuse-Argonne, while the 36th Division was resting behind the lines after suffering heavy casualties in the same offensive.

A total of 198,000 Texans saw service in the armed forces during the course of the war. 5,171 Texans, including one nurse, died in the armed services; 4,748 of the dead served in the army. More than a third of the total deaths occurred inside the United States, many of them as a result of the influenza epidemic of 1918.

Four Texans were awarded the Medal of Honor. In a trend that would become even more marked during World War II, military camps were established in Texas to train men for service and the state was the main location for pilot training for military aviation.