

# ENLISTMENT, OATH OF SERVICE, AND DESCRIPTION RANGER FORCE

Company..... Ranger Force, Station.....

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF Comanche

I, Oswell Oliver Brightman, born in or Near St Marys  
in the State of Texas, aged 50 years and two months, and by occupation a  
Merchant & Cotton Buyer do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this 1st day of

June, 1918, as a private in the Ranger Force of this State, for the period of two years,  
unless sooner discharged by proper authority. And I do also agree to accept from ~~the State of Texas~~ such  
bounty, pay ~~substance and other expenses as are or may be established by law.~~ without pay And I do solemnly swear  
that will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as an officer of  
the Ranger Force according to the best of my skill and ability, agreeably to the Constitution and laws of the  
United States and of this State, and I do further solemnly swear that since the adoption of the Constitution  
of this State, I being a citizen of this State, have not fought a duel with deadly weapons, nor have I acted  
as second in carrying a challenge, or aided, advised or assisted any person thus offending. And I further-  
more swear that I have not, directly nor indirectly, paid, offered or promised to pay, contributed nor prom-  
ised to contribute, any money or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, to secure my  
appointment. So help me God.

O. O. Brightman

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June A. D. 1918

L. B. Russell  
Notary Public Comanche Co. Tex.

Fill in description below.

I certify that....., the above named man, has been carefully examined by me  
previous to his enlistment, and to the best of my knowledge and belief he is physically able, competent to and  
will faithfully perform the duties incumbent on him in accordance with law. This man is..... years  
..... months of age. Height..... feet..... inches. Complexion..... Eyes.....  
Hair..... Born at..... County of..... State of.....  
Occupation..... Married or single..... Previous service.....  
Residence Comanche, Comanche Co.

Remarks: .....

Captain Co..... Ranger Force.

\* This date is given as approximating the date of the original voluntary enlistment.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

*Signature*

OATH OF MEMBERS  
RANGER FORCE

Name: *O. O. Brightman*

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_, Ranger Force

Station: \_\_\_\_\_

RANGER FORCE  
AND  
INSPECTION

E. L. STECK, AUSTIN

*Handwritten notes and signatures in the right margin, including a signature that appears to be "J. H. ..."*

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# THE STATE OF TEXAS



## ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

### *Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the bearer Oswell Oliver Brightman  
is a Private in ~~Company~~ the Ranger Force, State of Texas, and this  
is his Warrant of Authority as a Ranger, under an Act of the 27th Legislature of the State of  
Texas, approved March 29th, 1901, and Descriptive List for identification, and will be exhibited  
as his authority to act as a Ranger when called upon for his credentials. This warrant must be sur-  
rendered to Company Commander by bearer when discharged. This Warrant of Authority and  
Descriptive List is signed by The Adjutant General under seal of office and attested by Company  
Commander.

Name Oswell Oliver Brightman Rank Private  
Age \_\_\_\_\_ Where born Near St. Mary, Texas.  
Height \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation Merchant & Cotton Buyer.  
Hair \_\_\_\_\_ Enlisted Where Austin  
Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ Enlisted When June 1, 1918.  
Complexion \_\_\_\_\_ Enlisted by whom Adjutant General  
\_\_\_\_\_ Comanche  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 21st

day of June 1918.

*Walter F. Woodul*

Acting The Adjutant General.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Captain Ranger Force  
Commanding Co. \_\_\_\_\_