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## BAKER BROTHERS PROBABLY HOLD AMERICAN RECORD AS EIGHT OF THEM REGISTER FOR DRAFT, NINTH MISSING REGISTRATION BY ONLY 11 DAYS

(Photo) The above picture showing nine brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tise Baker, prominent family living on the river road, north of Decatur, is a baseball team in itself and a ?? squad in military terms.

Eight of the nine brothers registered for the selective military service draft last October 16. The ninth brother missed the registration date by 11 days, his 21st birthday being on October 27.

Pictured from left to right, bottom row, they are: Theodore 21, Anthony 22, Daniel 23, Edward 24. Back row, standing: Carl 26, Otto 28, Robert 29, Richard 30, Clement 31.

All of the brothers except Otto are married. Anthony, Carl and Otto are employed by the Yost Brothers, contractors of this city. Theodore is engaged in farming on the family homestead. Richard and Clement are employed by the Central Sugar company in this city. Robert is a plumber here. Daniel is employed by the Fluor Construction company of Missouri and is employed at Edgerton, Ind. Edward is employed by the Pennsylvania railroad in Fort Wayne and lives there.

The brothers are healthy, strong, industrious men and splendid citizens of this community. Probably no family in the United States can boast of having nine sons enrolled for service to their country, if and when they are called.

Last, but not least, the brothers have one sister, Miss Rosemary Baker, age 18, who lives at home with her parents.

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## TWO CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR THIS HAPPY MOTHER

(Photo: Mrs. Robert Bennett and her sons)

Three years ago Christmas, Santa Claus delivered to Mrs. Robert Bennett, 1327 Summit Street, the most precious gift she ever received - a healthy baby boy. But there was more joy in store for her, for Santa repeated his visit just two years ago, and on Christmas day, again, presented her with a child - another boy. Tomorrow Robert Jr. will be 3 and Ronald will be 2. - Staff Photo.