

Thomas C. Carroll

Thomas C. Carroll was one of twenty-three men who received bronze medals for thirty years of employment at Rock Island Arsenal. Colonel Harry B. Jordan, Commanding Officer of Rock Island Arsenal, presented these faithful service awards on June 3, 1920.

Thomas C. Carroll was originally employed at Watervliet Arsenal, Watervliet, New York, as a harness maker. During fiscal year 1891, the equipment plant of Watervliet Arsenal was transferred to Rock Island Arsenal. Thomas C. Carroll transferred to Rock Island Arsenal at that time, and was employed as a saddler.

In 1903, Thomas C. Carroll is listed as an inspector. It is after this time that leather equipment manufactured at Rock Island Arsenal can be marked with his inspector's initials, "T.C.C." The types of leather equipment that he inspected included cartridge boxes, equipment cases, holsters, magazine pockets, shoeing boxes, and horse equipment.

In 1920, the mission to manufacture leather equipment was transferred from the Rock Island Arsenal to Jeffersonville Quartermaster Depot, Jeffersonville, Indiana. Thomas C. Carroll remained as an employee at Rock Island Arsenal and was retired from government service by 1923.



T.C. Carroll, second from left,
at faithful service award ceremony, June 3, 1920.