James Douglas Thorndike, of Box 67, Clinton, Ont. was a motion picture projectionist before enlisting. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force on Dec. 23, 1940, with the rank of Sergeant. He trained at Brandon Manning Depot and Trenton K.T.S., and was moved to various places in Canada including Prince Rupert, B.C., Clinton, Ont., Macleod, Alberta and Regina, Sask. From the rank of Cpl. in Jan., 1942 he was promoted to Sergeant in Oct. 1944. He went overseas in April 1944 and returned home on Dec.9, 1945. His discharge became effective Jan. 17, 1946. Sgt. Thorndike was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Medal and Clasp, and Defence Medal.