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Neuvillo

JEWETS

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USMC NEUVILLE EN ANDROZ
Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1
Date of Burial: 16 Sept 49
Verified by GRS Officer:
E. N. HETSEY, 1st Lt QMC

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A -
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER
1225 02739

DATE
15 07 49
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME
ESPIG PAUL H.

SERIAL NUMBER
33830727

GRADE
PFC

ARM
1

RACE
1

RELIGION
1

CEMETERY
FOY BELGIUM

PLOT ROW GRAVE
J 212

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
1202 80
CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

Flag Sent: 17 Sept. 1949

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE
NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ, BELGIUM

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
ERNST P. ESPIG (FATHER)
RURAL DELIVERY #2
SINKING SPRINGS, PENNSYLVANIA

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME SERIAL NUMBER GRADE DATE OF DEATH DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON
 REMAINS
 MARKER

ORGANIZATION
USAGF

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMG Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)
SEE ATTACHED SHEET

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE BY
CASKET SEALED BY

EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

DATE BY

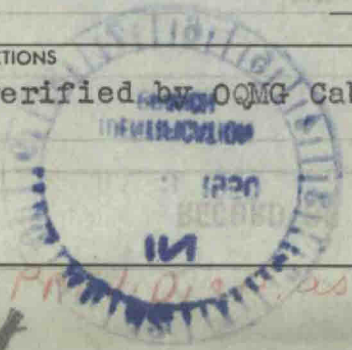
CHANGE

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

CONSIGNEE verified by OCMG Cable WCL 34400. (Hq. AGRC)



FINAL LETTER SENT 14 NOV 1949

28 NOV 1949
PATRIOTIC BRANCH

QMG FORM REV 11 FEB 48 1194

Dad #

PR 11012 as UNK. 1-129.

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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A —
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

1225 00045

DATE

15 07 48
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

UNKNOWNX-000127

RANK

ARM

DATE OF DEATH

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CEMETERY

FOY BASTOGNE

DAY MONTH YEAR

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

0 1201 80

PLOT

ROW

GRAVE

COUNTRY

J 9 212 BELGIUM

CODE DIST. PT.

CAUSE OF DEATH

6

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE

HENRI CHAPELLE, BELGIUM

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

Unknown X-127

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

Jan 1945

DATE DISINTERRED

21 Sept 1947

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

ORGANIZATION

 REMAINS MARKER

UNKNOWN

RELIGION

Unk

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

John Crazen, Capt QMC

NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

Mattress cover

CONDITION OF REMAINS

Adv Decomp; crushed skull
and mandible, fractured R & L Clavicle, R
Femur, L Ulna, L & R Scapula, L Radius.

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

ROB reads "X-127"

VOID - Now IDENTIFIED

MINOR DISCREPANCIES

None

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN ~~CASKET~~ Transfer case.

DATE 29 Sept 1948

BY

Richard S. Holiver, Emb

CASKET SEALED BY

Charles W. Fredericks, Emb

EMBALMER (Signature)

Charles W. Fredericks, Emb

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

DATE 13 Oct 1948

BY Charles V. Morgant,

CLERK RECORDER

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY Tags, plates, and Markings

verified by:
Roger E. Lewis, Capt CAV

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

/ except casketing

William Hoyt, 1/Lt Inf.

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

I certify that the entries on this form are true copies of the entries on Copy Number 4 of this Disinterment Directive which contains the signatures of the persons whose names are typed hereon.

Raymond J. Rodriguez
CWO USA

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

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RRE Form #43
20 Sep 48

Attached hereto correspondence and/or other identifying media of possible archival value, pertaining to:

ESPIG	Paul	H	PFC	33830727
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Initial)	(Rank)	(ASN)

Subject remains have been permanently interred overseas in the United States Military Cemetery NEUVILLE

STATION FILE

Incl #

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD UNITED STATES ARMY
Office of the Quartermaster
Graves Registration Division
APO 403

1781
Belgium
X
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

AG 293.9-GNMQ-2

FK/pfh
28 March 1945

SUBJECT: Isolated Burial.

TO : Chief, GR&E Division, OCQM, APO 887-A, U. S. Army.

6 APR 1945
45 097
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

1. A report has been received at this headquarters of an isolated American burial located at Commanster, Belgium (B855 765) approximately four miles south west of St Vith.

765855

2. The grave is located near a burnt out half-track vehicle which is in a creek just outside of the town of Commanster.

3. The hired boy who works for the Burgemeister of Commanster will act as a guide and furnish data.

For the Quartermaster:

Frank Kemmerer

FRANK KEMMERER,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Army GRO

Q-GRE-293.9

1st Ind.

CEB/bed

OCQM, Hq Com Z ETOUSA, APO 887, U.S. Army, (S: 12 May 45)
12 April 45

TO: Graves Registration Officer, Advance Section, APO 350, U.S. Army.

With reference to basic communication, request disinterment in accordance with existing procedure. GR Form #1 is to be attached to this correspondence and returned by indorsement. If remains are not identified, any numbers or markings on the tank are to be noted so that a crew report maybe secured.

The unknown is carried temporarily on our records as T-1884.

APR 13 1945
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14 APR 1945
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H.W. Bobrink
H.W. BOBRINK
Colonel, QMC
Chief, GR & E Div.

NRs

Q-GR 293 2nd Ind.
HQ ADVANCE SEC, COM Z, OQM, APO 113, US Army, 15 April 1945

TO: Quartermaster, Channel Base Section, APO 228, US Army,
(Attn: Graves Registration Officer).

For compliance.

For the Quartermaster:



15 APR 1945

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A. W. George
A. W. GEORGE
Major, QMC

Chief, Field Service Division

QM 293 3rd Ind.
Quartermaster, Hq, Channel Base Section, Com Z, European T of Opns., APO 228,
U.S. Army. 19 April 1945.

TO: Quartermaster, Oise Intermediate Section, Com Z, European T of Opns.,
APO 513, U.S. Army.
(ATTN: C.O. 1st QM Group)

A matter pertaining to your command.

For the Base Section Quartermaster:



Walter J. Woolwine
WALTER J. WOOLWINE,
Major QMC,
Executive Officer.

293 QM (Gr Reg) 4th Ind KJH:reg
QUARTERMASTER, OISE INTERMEDIATE SECTION, COM Z, EUROPEAN T OF OPNS,
APO 513, US ARMY, 21 APRIL 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 62nd QM Base Depot, APO 513, US Army.
(Attention: Captain Webb)



8th Ind.
5th Ind.

HEADQUARTERS, 62nd QM Base Depot, APO 513, U.S. ARMY, 24 April 1945.
TO: Commanding Officer, 610th QM G. R. Company, APO 513, U.S. Army

For compliance through this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Maurice Matisoff
MAURICE MATISOFF
Colonel, QMC,
Executive Officer

MAURICE MATISOFF
Colonel, QMC,
Executive Officer

/s/ Dale E. Webb
DALE E. WEBB

Captain, QMC
Chief, Graves Registration and Records Div.

6th Ind.

Headquarters, 610th QM Graves Reg. Co., APO 513, U.S. Army, 10 May 1945.
TO: Commanding Officer, 1st QM Group, APO 513, U.S. Army.

1. Basic communication noted.

2. Action taken in compliance with 1st indorsement. Submitted herewith, at your request, copy of G.R. Form #1 for deceased.

For the Commanding Officer:
Colonel, QMC,
Quartermaster

Leo M. Duffy
LEO M. DUFFY
1st Lt., QMC
G.R.S. Officer

Incl: a/s

Q-GRE (Foy #1, Unk X-127) 7th Ind. MW/m
Hq., 1st Quartermaster Group, Com Z ETO, APO 513, U.S. Army, 14 May, 1945.
To: Graves Registration Officer, 62nd QM Base Depot, APO 350, U.S. Army.

Thomas C. Dutton
for MAURICE WHITNEY, (Capt) (S) (S)
Lt. Col., QMC,
Commanding.

Incl: n/c

Belgium
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8th Ind.

HEADQUARTERS, 62nd QM Base Depot, APO 513, U.S. Army, 17 May 1945.

TO: Commanding General, Oise Intermediate Section, Com Z, APO 513, U.S. Army.
ATTENTION: QM Section.

Attention invited to 6th Indorsement.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER: FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Maurice Matisoff
MAURICE MATISOFF
Colonel, QMC,
Executive Officer

Incl: n/c
Executive Officer

293 QM (Gr Reg) 9th Ind. RTB:KJH:gj
QUARTERMASTER, OISE INTERMEDIATE SECTION, COM Z, EUROPEAN TO,
APO 513 US ARMY, 22 May 1945.

TO: Chief Quartermaster, Com Z, European TO, APO 887 US Army.
Attention: Chief, Graves Registration and Effects Div.)

First Indorsement complied with and GR Forms No. 1,
AG ETO Form No. 26 (Inventory Form) and Investigation Report
attached hereto.

R. T. Bennison
R. T. BENNISON
Colonel, QMC
Quartermaster

23 MAY 1945
APO 887
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22 MAY 1945

To: Graves Registration Officer, 62nd QM Base Depot, APO 350, U.S. Army.
Hq., 1st Quartermaster Group, Com Z ETO, APO 513, U.S. Army, 14 May, 1945.

Maurice Whitney
MAURICE WHITNEY
Lt. Col., QMC,
Commanding

Incl: n/c

HEADQUARTERS
1ST QUARTERMASTER GROUP
APO 513, U. S. ARMY

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF ISOLATED GRAVE
OR
UNBURIED REMAINS

Date ... 4 MAY 45

* U.S. Allied Enemy

1. Name, Rank, ASN of deceased: ... UNKNOWN X-127
2. Organization of deceased: ... UNKNOWN
3. Means of identification: ... NONE
4. Cause of death: KIA: CHEST WOUND... 5. Date of death: EST JAN 45
6. If isolated Grave:
 - a. Date of burial: UNKNOWN
 - b. By whom buried: CIVILIAN
 - c. Inscription on marker: ... NONE
7. Location of grave/unburied remains: VIC. COMMASTER, BELGIUM, COORDINATES,
(Be specific, sketch on reverse)
..... 765855, SHEET 93, 1/50,000
8. Names of deceased and location of other *graves/unburied remains in immediate vicinity: ... NONE
9. Description and location of wrecked or abandoned vehicles or equipment in immediate vicinity: ... NONE
10. Disposition of personal effects: (Itemise if possible) ... TO: EFFECTS QM
11. Other pertinent information: ... PARMENTIER, ALPHONSE, COMMASTER, BELGIUM ...
(Use reverse side if necessary) SERVED AS GUIDE TO BODY.
12. Information furnished by: ... PARMENTIER, ALPHONSE, COMMASTER, BELGIUM ...
(Name, title, address) ;
13. Names and addresses of other persons familiar with the case: ... NONE

(Over)

14. Action taken: BODY DISINTERRED AND REMOVED TO MORGUE, U. S. MIL. CEM. #1,
..... FOY, BELGIUM.....
.....
.....

Disinterrment approved by:

Disinterrment and ~~burial~~/reburial made by: .610th QM GR REG. CO.....

Date of ~~burial~~/reburial: 6 MAY 45.....

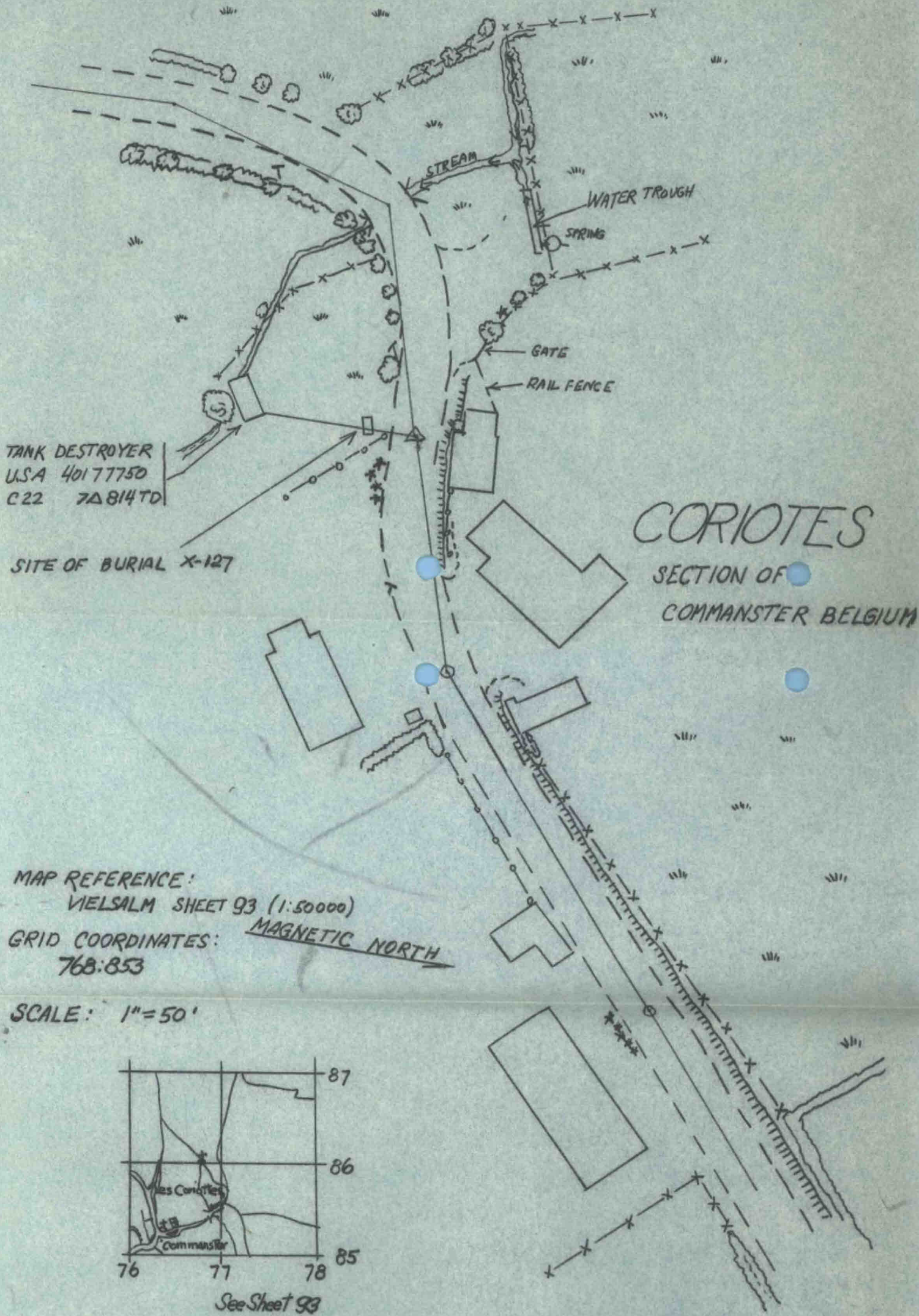
Place of ~~burial~~/reburial U. S. Military Cemetery: .#1, FOY, BELGIUM.....

Plot .J. Row .9. Grave .212

..... *Leo M. Duffy*
(Signature of Investigator)
LEO M. DUFFY,
..... 1st Lt... O-1595482.....
(Rank) (ASN)

* Cross out where not applicable

SKETCH OF LOCATION: X-127



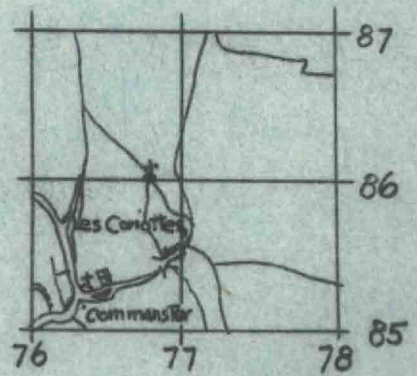
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SITE OF BURIAL X-127

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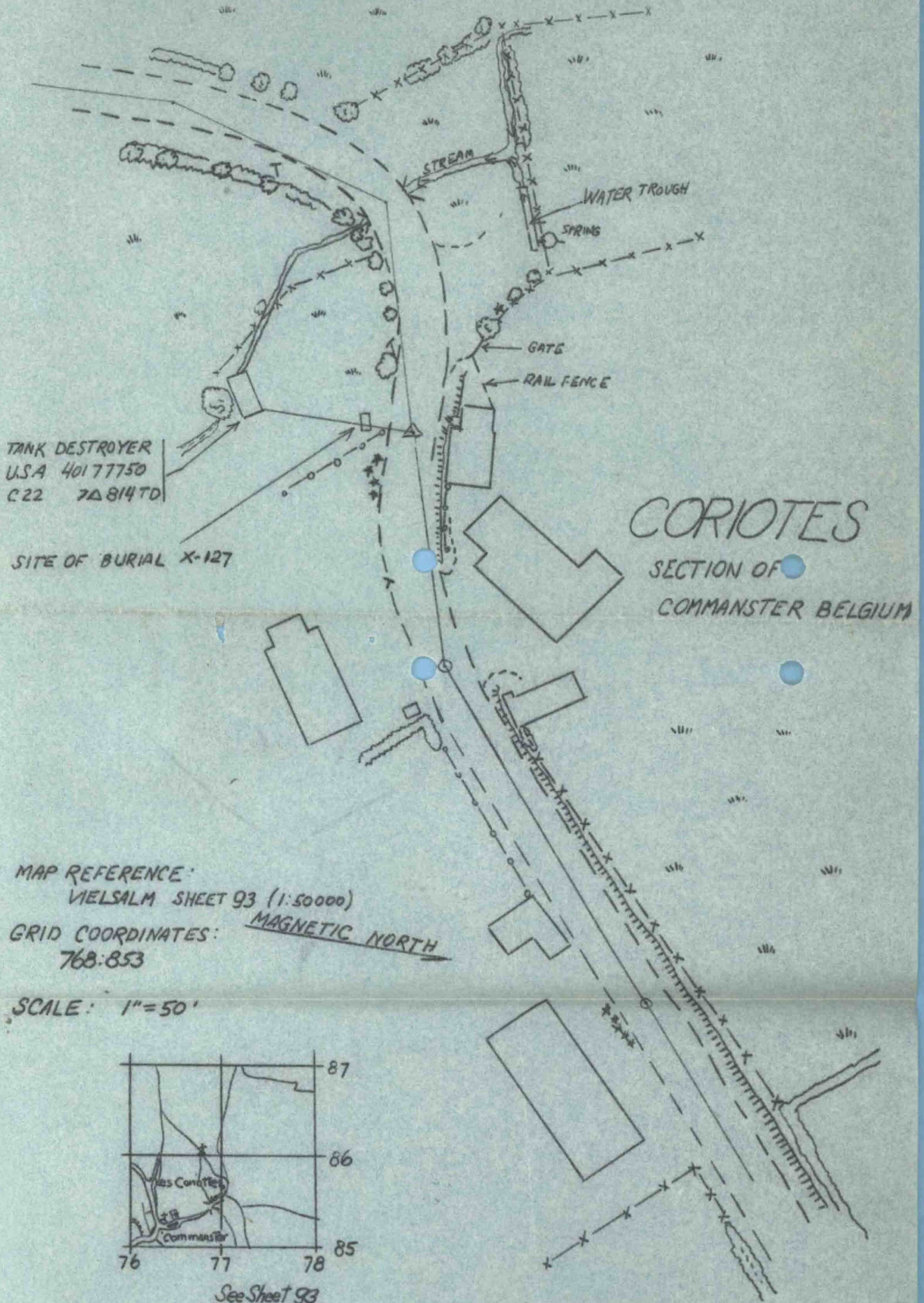
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SCALE: 1" = 50'



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SKETCH OF LOCATION: X-127



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REG. 13-48100 IN 48210

G. R. & E. DIV.
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

TOOTH CHART

5-5-45

Date

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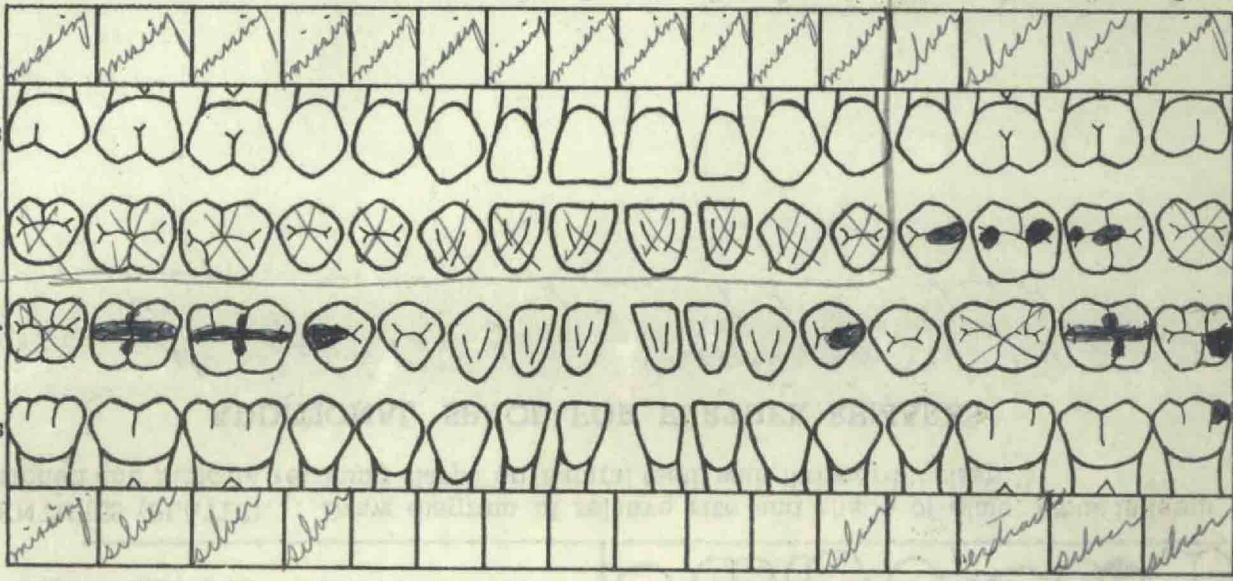
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Unit: *Commander, Bel.* Date of Death: *Est. Jan. 45* Organization: *RIA Chest Wound*
Place of Death Cause of Death

Right

Left

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 | 5 6 7 8



16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

This dental chart is very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

Sgt Roy F. Cornish

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

Lo m. Bluffy 1st Lt. MC

Verified by G. R. S. Officer

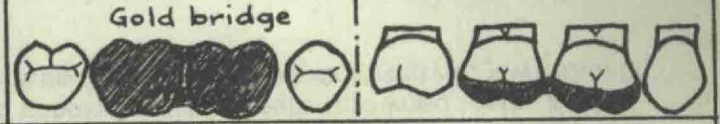
MISSING TEETH... All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be "X" 'd out and labeled, thus :



CROWNED TEETH... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver or gold and porcelain), thus :



BRIDGE WORK... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :



FILLINGS... Draw filling on tooth as accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :



CARIES (CAVITIES). Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



DENTURES (PLATES)... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

Upper right teeth 1 to 8 and Upper left, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 are missing, due to a direct hit in head.

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G. R. & E. DIV.
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

TOOTH CHART

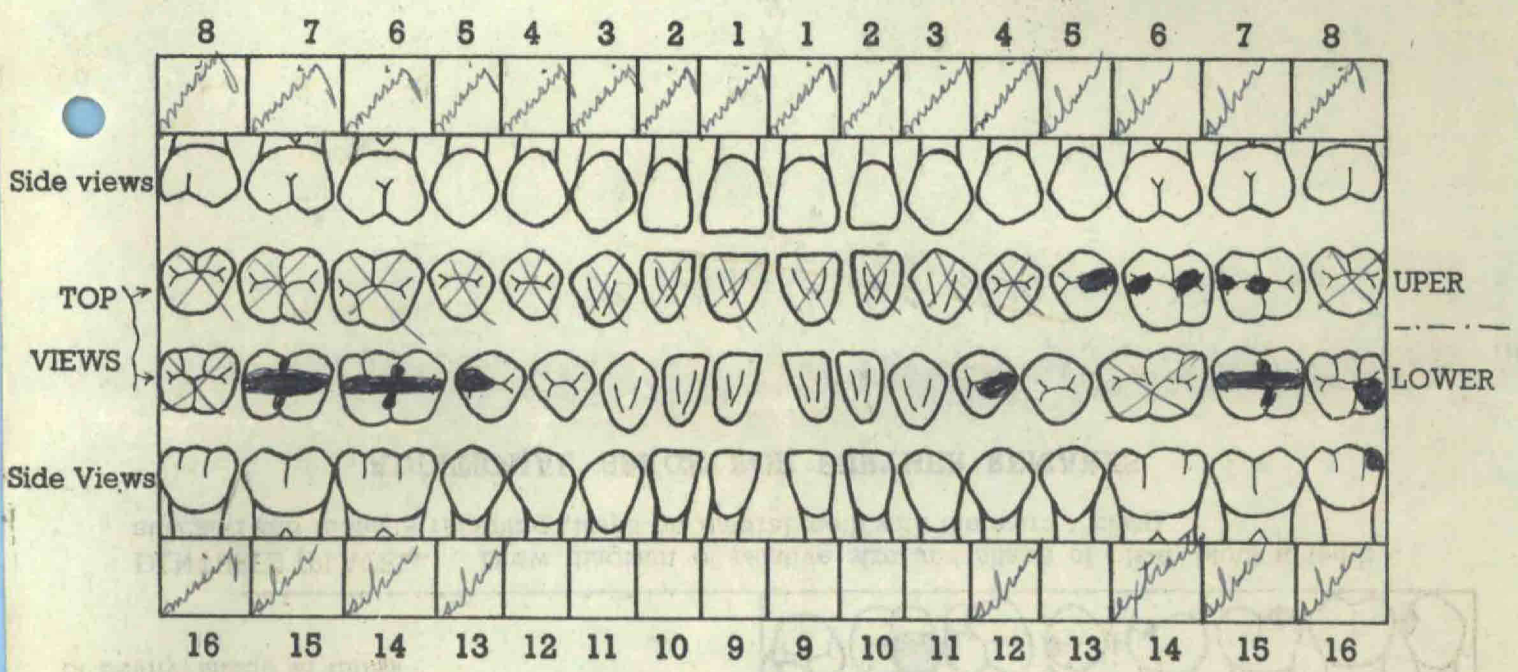
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Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Commander, Bel. Est. Jan 45 KIA: Chest Wound.
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

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S/sgt Roy F. Cornish

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart
Lu m Bliffy 1st Lt.
Verified by G. R. S. Officer

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14 November 1949

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Pfc. Paul H. Espig, ASN 33 830 727
Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1
Headstone: Cross
Neuville-en-Condroz (Belgium)
U. S. Military Cemetery

Mr. Ernst P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Espig:

This is to inform you that the remains of your loved one have been permanently interred, as recorded above, side by side with comrades who also gave their lives for their country. Customary military funeral services were conducted over the grave at the time of burial.

After the Department of the Army has completed all final interments, the cemetery will be transferred, as authorized by the Congress, to the care and supervision of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The Commission also will have the responsibility for permanent construction and beautification of the cemetery, including erection of the permanent headstone. The headstone will be inscribed with the name exactly as recorded above, the rank or rating where appropriate, organization, State, and date of death. Any inquiries relative to the type of headstone or the spelling of the name to be inscribed thereon, should be addressed to the American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Your letter should include the full name, rank, serial number, grave location, and name of the cemetery.

While interments are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. You may rest assured that this final interment was conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity and that the grave-site will be carefully and conscientiously maintained in perpetuity by the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

H. FELDMAN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

Nov 15 1949 29 PM '49
O.D. H.C.
MAIL ROOM BRANCH

1. FILE UNDER NO. 293 - ESFIG, Paul H. 33830727

SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: TELETYPE 3. DATE: 11 Aug 49
4. FROM: HQ AGR: PARIS FRANCE
5. TO: COMIG W/SH DC
6. SUBJECT: MC IN NO. - 72213

DISINT DIR, #1220-0116 FOR PFC HARRY KRESSA, JR, 33809518,
DISINT DIR, # 1225-00110 FOR PVT HOMER E ARTINGER, 7060831,DISINT DIR,
#1240- 11168 FOR PVT CHARLES NEYMAN, 42118482 INDICATES CONSIGNEE AS NEUVILLE . RQST
VERIFICATION THAT CONSIGNEE INDICATED IS CORRECT.
END AGRRE SIGNED PECKHAM.

7. DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 314.6 - GRS, Europe (Disint.)

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QMGOD 293, Espig, Paul H., Pfc
SN 33 830 727 *m*

1st Ind.

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 18 July 1949

TO: Commanding Officer, Quartermaster Activities
Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Missouri
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

Information requested has been entered on basic form.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ~~WELDMAN~~ MIDDLESWART:

WILLIAM F. CONLON
Major, QMC
Field Service Division

for

[Handwritten signature]
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~~ARMY SERVICE FORCES~~
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

S: 5 August 49
HOC/DF/hd
5 July 1949

IN REPLY REFER TO 386,803 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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Espig, Paul H Private First Class 33830727
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)
FORMERLY UNKNOWN X-127, FOY, BELGIUM

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(Following to be filled in by OQMG). Branch of Service and/or Organization

DATE OF DEATH 23 DECEMBER 1944

PLACE OF CASUALTY EUROPEAN AREA: GERMANY

NEXT OF KIN MRS. MILDRED A. ESPIG * WIDOW
(Name) (Relationship)

ADDRESS 36 EAST WYOMISSING AVENUE, MOHNTON, PENNSYLVANIA

PREVIOUS SHIPMENT YES NO (Check one)

DATE OF LAST PREVIOUS SHIPMENT (If any) _____

SUMMARY COURT MADE (Eff QM Form 75) Yes No (Check one)

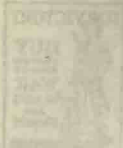
TO WHOM (If made) _____
(If same as NOK, write same)

Write below the name and address of an alternate beneficiary or an individual we have previously contacted in the case file. If a relative, list his relationship. This information will be used only if the next of kin noted above cannot be located.

MR. ERNST PL ESPIG (FATHER) MRS. AMELIA P. BOPIG (MOTHER)
R. D. #2, SINKING SPRING, PA. SAME AS FATHER'S

Signature WILLIAM F. CONLON, MAJOR, QMC

Remarks: * Information received in this Office from the VA Branch Office #5 Philadelphia, Pa. indicates that the widow has remarried. Her present name or address is not on record.



KANSAS CITY CHARITABLE DEPT
ARMY ENVOYS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

NAME OF DEPT: _____

PLACE OF DEPT: _____

NAME OF PERSON: _____

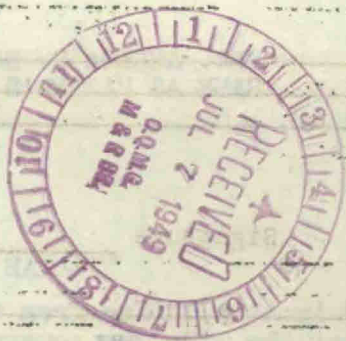
ADDRESS: _____

REASON FOR REQUEST: _____

DATE OF INFO: _____

TO WHOM IT RELATES: _____

Write below the name and address of the person or persons to whom you wish to refer this information. If a person is deceased, please indicate the date of death.



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WASHDC

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SON BURIED IN ONE OF THE AMERICAN CEMETERIES IN BELGIUM.

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Newville, Bel*

OTHER IDENTIFICATION MARKS OF HIM ARE A BROKEN LEG BELOW

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NOK, Mother & Father

ERNST P AND AMALIE P ESPIG

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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
2	Chief Repat Br Rec Sec Mem Div	Chief Repat Br Corr Sec	21 June 1949	Request dispatch of necessary letter to NOK of ESPIG, Paul H. Return file to Captain Snedigar. 1 Incl. SNEDIGAR Thomas mr 293 File 5198 5198
3	Repat Br Corr Sec Mem Div	Repat Br Rec Sec attn: Capt Snedigar	23 June 49	Returned herewith is 293 file for subject decedent, as indicated in Comment #2. Letter to Effects QM has been dispatched. 1 Incl SMITH Savage n/c 5072
4	Chief Repat Br Rec Sec Recording Unit Mem Div.	M&R Br Admin Div	24 June 1949	File. Necessary action taken in this office. Incl SNEDIGAR THOMAS eas n/c 5198 5198

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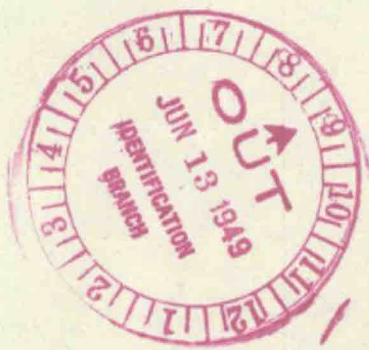
1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief, Ident Br Mem Div	Chief, Repat Br Corres Sec Mem Div	13 10 Jun 1949	<p>1. For dispatch of notification to Effects QM.</p> <p>1. Attached case file forwarded for necessary correction of records and deflagging.</p> <p>2. All records in Ident. Section have been amended and the Field notified.</p>
	WILLIS	IN TURN Records Sec		<p>1 Incl: 293 file for ESPIG, Paul H. Pfc. 33830727</p>
				<p>METZ 74059</p>
				<p><i>Barrett</i> BARRY 2462</p>

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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Repat Br Mem Div	Ident Branch Att: Miss Moran	27 May 49	<p>RE: ESPIG, PAUL H., 33 830 727</p> <p>1. Phoned Mr. Ernst P. Espig, father and next of kin of the above decedent. Mr. Espig informed me that he desires the remains of his son to be permanently interred overseas and he will forward instructions to this effect.</p> <p>2. Mr. Espig no longer questions the identification of his son's remains and he did not go into the subject of identification any further.</p> <p>ACTION: 293 File is returned herewith. As soon as instructions are received from next of kin of this decedent, your Branch will be notified.</p> <p>Att: 293 File</p> <p><i>Telegram requesting overseas burial received 31 May 1949. - Telegram sent to Sec I, Res. Sec. A. Brennan per Mrs. Hall</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>VOGL 4276</i></p>

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ESPIG, PAUL H., 33 830 727

STATUS OF CASE TO DATE

A 3-way letter was dispatched to the NOK on 18 Feb. 1949.

Reply received from father dated 29 Mar. 1949, questioning dental data.

Letter explaining dental data dispatched to father 5 May 1949.

In view of the father's questions, it is felt that a personal telephone call will be more satisfactory than a telegram.

THIS IS A PRIORITY CEMETERY

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Washington 25, D. C.

In Reply refer to QMGMF 293

23 June 1949

Espig, Paul H.
ASN 33 830 727

SUBJECT: Identification of former UNKNOWN deceased.

TO: Commanding Officer
Quartermaster Activity
Kansas City Records Center
Kansas City 1, Missouri
Attn: Effects Quartermaster

1. The remains which were previously interred as UNKNOWN X 127,
Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, USMC Foy, Belgium
have been identified by a GRS Field Board of Review as those of
Pfc Paul H. Espig 33 830 727
whose Next of Kin, according to the records of this Office, is
Mr. Ernst P. Espig, father, Rural Delivery #2, Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

2. The identification has been approved by this Office.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

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James F. Smith
JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division JFS

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

QMGT 293

3 June 1949

DATE

SUBJECT: Identification of Former Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer
 Army Effects Bureau
 Kansas City Records Center
 Kansas City 1, Missouri

1. The remains previously interred as Unknown X-127
 Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, USMC Foy, Belgium
 _____, have been identified by the Graves
 Registration Service in the Field as those of Pfc. Paul H. Espig,
33830727 whose emergency addressee
 is: Mrs. Ernst P. Espig, father, R.S. #2, Apt 322,
Spring Spring, Penna

2. The identification as established has been approved by the Identification Board Review, this office.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

T. H. METZ
 Lt. Colonel, QMC
 Memorial Division

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMT 293

NSPIC, Paul H.,
Pfc. 32830727

Espig, Paul H.

9 June 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. The identification of Pfc. Paul H. Espig, 32830727,
(formerly X 127, Plot J, Row 9 and
Grave 212, USMC For. Belgium)
as established by your Headquarters has been approved by this office.

2. Request all records be amended accordingly.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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QMREF 293
Espig, Paul H.
SN 33 030 727

5 April 1949

Mr. Ernst P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2
Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Espig:

Acknowledgment is made of the receipt of your letter of 29 March 1949. Your anxiety is very understandable under the circumstances and I am quite willing to clarify the dental evidence in order to alleviate your concern.

As previously stated, the entire maxilla was missing for the deceased; however, evidence of a bridge was present. I will quote from the Report made of the examination:

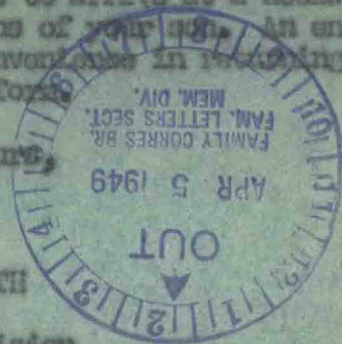
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This is in agreement with Paul's Army dental record which indicates the left central incisor extracted and a bridge attached to the right central incisor and left lateral. Therefore, although the maxilla was missing, part of a denture was found which our laboratory technician in the Field correctly deduced was part of a bridge for the left or right central incisor; we know that Paul had the left one extracted. The opinion of our analysts that the dental comparison was favorable was not based upon this alone, but also upon the favorable comparison of the chart for the maxilla with Paul's Army records.

I trust that the foregoing information will answer the questions which have come to your mind and that you will be able to arrive at a decision concerning the final resting place of the remains of your son. An envelope, which needs no postage, is inclosed for your convenience in recording the completed "Request for Disposition of Remains" form.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, GIE
Memorial Division



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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief Ident Branch Mem Div hsm	Chief Repatria- tion Br. Fam Cor Section ATTN: Miss Volz	5 Apr 1949	<p>1. Forwarded herewith draft of reply to attached letter from NOK.</p> <p>2. It is requested that upon dispatch of subject letter the 293 file be returned in its entirety to the Identification Branch for suspense.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Metz</i> METZ 74059</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>B</i> BARRY 2462</p> <p>3 Incls: 1 - 293 file- Espig, Paul H. 2- Draft of Ltr 3 - Ltr from NOK</p>
2	Chief Repat Br Corresp Section Mem Div	Chief Ident Br Mem Div Attn: Mrs. H. Moran	5 April 1949	<p>1. Attached herewith is 293 file and associated papers for subject decedent - PFC PAUL H. ESPIG -33830727.</p> <p>2. Letter, based upon information furnished by your branch, has been dispatched to NOK. Copy attached.</p> <p>3. 293 file returned for Suspense (3 dot case).</p> <p>3 Incls n/c</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Volz</i> VOLZ 5641</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>SMITH</i> SMITH</p>

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YOUR FORM WILL REMAIN PART OF THE ORIGINAL FILE

1 Chief Ident Branch Mem Div
Chief Repatria- tion Br. Fam Cor Section
5 Apr 1949
ATTN:
Miss Volz

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QMGMT 293
Espig, Paul H.
ASN 33 830 727

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4 April 1949

Mr. Ernst P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2
Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Espig:

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As previously stated, the entire maxilla was missing for the deceased; however, evidence of a bridge was present. I will quote from the Report made of the examination:

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Mr. Arthur E. Rupp
Rural Bellway 42
Box 322
Hickory Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rupp:

Thank you for the copy of your letter of 10/15/52.
Your inquiry is very understandable under the circumstances and
I am quite willing to clarify the dental evidence in order to allay
your concern.

As previously stated, the dental evidence was missing for the deceased;
however, evidence of a bridge was present. I will quote from the report
made at the examination:

A piece of gold was found which would have been a 3/4 gold
crown for either #1 (right central incisor) or #2 (left
central incisor). There is evidence in available for
this piece of gold which would also be suitable
for a denture.

This is in agreement with Paul's dental record which indicates
the left central incisor extracted and a bridge attached to the right
central incisor and left lateral. Therefore, although the bridge was
missing, part of a denture was found which our laboratory technician in
the field correctly deduced was part of a bridge for the left or right

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Espig, Paul H.
ASN 33 830 727

Ltr 4 April 1949

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QMG MF 293

March 29, 1949

James F. Smith
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letters of February 18, 1949, and November 12, 1948. You will recall that in the letter dated February 18, 1949, you stated that the remains of one Unknown X-127 interred in the United States Military Cemetery Foy, Belgium, Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, are those of my son, Pfc. Paul H. Espig, SN 33830727; and also requested that I indicate my desires as to the disposition of the body.

Before returning to you the form "Request for Disposition of Remains", I should like to have one point clarified. In summarizing the evidence of identification in your letter of February 18, 1949 part d stated that the upper jaw was missing, but that the partial chart compared favorably with Paul's Army dental record and the civilian records. However, in your letter of November 12, 1948, you stated that a dental chart indicating bridgework was included in the burial report. I am certain that Paul's bridgework was on the upper jaw only. It does not seem possible that a bridgework chart could have been made after death if the upper jaw was missing. The two statements therefore seem rather contradictory. I shall be grateful if you will clarify this point.

I do not wish to prolong this matter any longer than necessary. I am sure you will understand that I wish to be certain beyond a doubt that the remains of Unknown X-127 are those of my son before I request final disposition.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest P. Espig

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Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of November 12, 1948, and in reply would like to advise you that the remains of one Unknown X-127 are in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va. The remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, are in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va. The remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, are in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va.

Before returning to you the remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, I would like to have one point clarified. In your letter of February 10, 1949, you stated that the remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, were in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va. In your letter of November 12, 1948, you stated that the remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, were in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va. I am certain that the remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, are in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va.

I do not wish to prolong this letter any longer. I am sure you will understand that I wish to be certain before I doubt that the remains of your son, Paul J. Rowe, are in the custody of the United States Military Cemetery at Arlington, Va.

Sincerely yours,



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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief Ident Branch Mem Div	Family Corres Branch ATTN: Major Smith	14 Feb 1949	<p>1. Attached hereto is the information to be furnished the NOK of Paul H. Espig, 33 830 727, relative to basis upon which identification has been established.</p> <p>2. It is requested that upon dispatch of subject letter and Form 345 to the NOK that the 293 file be returned in its entirety to the Identification Branch for suspense.</p> <p>3. It is further requested that upon receipt of the completed Form 345 and/or reply to subject letter, that the Identification Branch be notified immediately by IRS, Attn: Mrs. Moran, for completion of necessary action by this branch.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>[Signature]</i> METZ 74059</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>[Signature]</i> BARRY 2462</p> <p>2 Incls: 1 - 293 File 2 - Draft of correspondence</p>
2	Chief, Fam Cor Branch	Chief, Ident Branch	18 Feb 1949	<p>1. Attached herewith is 293 file for subject decedent. Letter has been sent to NOK as requested in preceding Comment. Copy attached.</p> <p>2. 293 file returned for Suspense.</p> <p>3 Incls 1 - 293 file 2 - Draft of Cor 3 - Cy ltr to NOK dtd 18 Feb 49</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>[Signature]</i> SMITH</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>[Signature]</i> VOLZ 5641</p>

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1. Attached hereto is the information to be furnished the HQ of 1st Lt. E. Smith, SS 300 737, relative to basis upon which identification has been established.

2. It is requested that you direct the subject father and inform HQ of the HQ that the SS file be returned in its entirety to the Identification Branch for signature.

3. It is further requested that you review the completed form SS-1 and reply to subject letter, that the Identification Branch be notified immediately by the 1st Lt. E. Smith, for completion of necessary action by this branch.

DATE

TIME

Labels:

1 - SS file

2 - Copy of correspondence

1. Attached herewith is SS file for subject deceased. Letter has been sent to HQ as requested in preceding paragraph. Copy attached.

2. SS file returned for signature.

DATE

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Labels:

1 - SS file

2 - Copy of letter

3 - Copy of letter for HQ



MEMORIAL DIVISION
FEB 19 3 53 AM '49
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

THIS FORM WILL BE REPEATED PART OF OVERSEAS MAIL

QMGMP 293
Espig, Paul H.
SN 33 830 727

18 February 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Ernst P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2, Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Espig:

Your letter of 24 January 1949, furnishing civilian dental information and chart for your son, is gratefully acknowledged, and it affords me sincere gratification to be able to advise you at this time that the identification of his remains has now been established. They are at present interred as Unknown X-127, in the United States Military Cemetery Foy, Belgium, Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212.

According to Army records and investigation, on 23 December 1944, Paul's organization was engaged in heavy combat with the enemy from Grosbac to Beho, in Belgium. It was during this engagement that Paul was reported killed in action on the above date in the vicinity of Beho.

The remains of Unknown X-127 were recovered by personnel of the American Graves Registration Service from an isolated grave near a tank destroyer at Commanster, Belgium, which is approximately 1½ miles from Beho. As no means of immediate identification were present, the Unknown designation was assigned pending further investigation, and interment was made in the present location in Foy.

In the absence of identification tags, bracelet or other satisfactory identifying media, a careful examination was made at a later date by qualified technicians in a laboratory of the American Graves Registration Service with the view to effecting identification by other means, if possible, such as comparison of physical and dental characteristics with Army records. It is upon the favorable results of these comparisons, together with other evidence obtained through investigation, that the identification of these remains as those of your son was based. I will summarize the evidence:

- a. Unknown X-127 was recovered from the vicinity in which Paul was reported a casualty.
- b. Paul was the only casualty from the tank to which he was assigned.
- c. A search of the records of this office reveal Unknown X-127 to be the only deceased recovered from the vicinities of Beho or Commanster, still to be identified.

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SN 33 830 727

18 February 1949

- d. Although the entire upper jaw was missing after death, the partial chart of Unknown X-127 was found to compare very favorably with Paul's Army dental records, supplemented by the information which you so kindly furnished.
- e. The estimated height of this deceased, i.e., 5' 6 7/8", also compared favorably with your son's recorded height of 5' 5 1/2".
- f. The color of hair was indicated as "Brown".

In view of the above, the identification of Unknown X-127 as the remains of your son has been established. All records and the inscription on the cross at the grave will be changed accordingly.

There are inclosed informational pamphlets regarding the Return of World War II Dead Program, including a Disposition Form on which the father may indicate his desires in this matter. Upon receipt of the properly completed form, you may be assured that the Department of the Army will attempt to comply with the instructions as indicated thereon.

In order that this office may take immediate action toward the final disposition of the remains of your son, it is urged that the father complete the inclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains", and mail it to this office, without delay, in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

I should like to extend my sincere sympathy in the great loss you have sustained, and express the hope that you will receive some small measure of solace from the knowledge that his remains have been recovered and properly identified.

Sincerely yours,

Incls.

SCV/bc

Copy to ID Br with 293

Copy to FR Br SEC

To be placed on all copies of letter to NOK

Acceptance Sec Upon receipt of 345 to notify

ID Br by IRS for Completion of action by ID Br.

FL Sec Upon receipt of reply to this letter to
notify ID Br by IRS

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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QMGMT 293
Espig, Paul H.
ASN 33 830 727

14 February 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Ernst P. Espig,
R.S. #2, Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

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ARMY 38 630 737
R. S. 48, Box 232
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest P. Eppig,

14 February 1948

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Row 9, Grave 213.

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organization was engaged in heavy combat with the enemy from Grombac to Beho,

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Graves Registration Service from an isolated grave near a tank destroyer at

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in Plot 1.

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comparison of physical and dental characteristics with Army records. It is

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ASN 33 830 727

14 February 1949

upon the favorable results of these comparisons, together with other evidence obtained through investigation, that the identification of these remains as those of your son was based. It will summarize the evidence:

- a. Unknown X-127 was recovered from the vicinity in which Paul was reported a casualty.
- b. Paul was the only casualty from the tank to which he was assigned.
- c. A search of the records of this office reveal Unknown X-127 to be the only deceased recovered from the vicinities of Beho or Commanster, still to be identified.
- d. Although the entire upper jaw was missing after death, the partial chart of Unknown X-127 was found to compare very favorably with Paul's Army dental records, supplemented by the information which you so kindly furnished.
- e. The estimated height of this deceased, i.e., 5' 6 7/8", also compared favorably with your son's recorded height of 5' 5 1/2".
- f. The color of hair was indicated as "Brown".

In view of the above, the identification of Unknown X-127 as the remains of your son has been established. All records and the inscription on the cross at the grave will be changed accordingly.

*Sincerely
(father)* I should like to extend my sincere sympathy in the great loss you have sustained, and express the hope that you will receive some small measure of solace from the knowledge that his remains have been recovered and properly identified.

Inc
H. S. Moran
M. A. Clements
R.E.B.

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Rapid, Paul H.
ASN 22 830 787

upon the favorable results of these comparisons, together with other evidence obtained through investigation, that the identification of these remains as those of your son was based. I will summarize the evidence:

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b. Paul was the only casualty from the tank to which he was assigned.

c. A search of the records of this office reveal Unknown X-137 to be the only deceased recovered from the vicinity of Bero or Commanster, still to be identified.

d. Although the entire upper jaw was missing after death, the partial chart of Unknown X-137 was found to compare very favorably with Paul's Army dental records, supplemented by the information which you so kindly furnished.

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TO MEMORIAL DIVN OFC OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL DEPT OF THE ARMY
WASHDC

VETS GRNC

RETEL UEPOG 4GB/SMITH 161855Z PAUL H ²⁹³ESPIG KC 3942912 WIDOW REMARRIED
JANUARY 30 1946 LATEST ADDRESS OF VETERANS FATHER ERNST P
ESPIG RD 2 SINKING SPRING PENNA /PH8BA/.

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*Ch. H. ...
1-11-47*

*JL
FK*

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EL & CAR

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QMGMP 293
Espig, Paul H.
SN 33 830 727

18 February 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Ernst P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2, Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Espig:

Your letter of 24 January 1949, furnishing civilian dental information and chart for your son, is gratefully acknowledged, and it affords me sincere gratification to be able to advise you at this time that the identification of his remains has now been established. They are at present interred as Unknown X-127, in the United States Military Cemetery Foy, Belgium, Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212.

According to Army records and investigation, on 23 December 1944, Paul's organization was engaged in heavy combat with the enemy from Grombac to Beho, in Belgium. It was during this engagement that Paul was reported killed in action on the above date in the vicinity of Beho.

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There are inclosed informational pamphlets regarding the Return of World War II Dead Program, including a Disposition Form on which the father may indicate his desires in this matter. Upon receipt of the properly completed form, you may be assured that the Department of the Army will attempt to comply with the instructions as indicated thereon.

In order that this office may take immediate action toward the final disposition of the remains of your son, it is urged that the father complete the inclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains", and mail it to this office, without delay, in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

I should like to extend my sincere sympathy in the great loss you have sustained, and express the hope that you will receive some small measure of solace from the knowledge that his remains have been recovered and properly identified.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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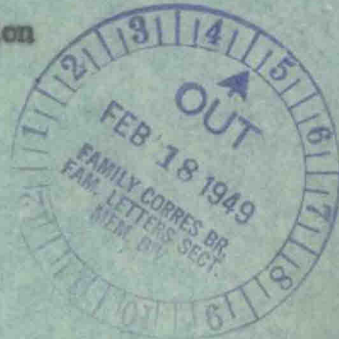
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FOR USE IN FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE LATE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PAUL
H ESPIG XC 3 942 912. REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE ADVISED BY TELEGRAM AT THE EARLIEST
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Espig, Paul H.
33830727

17 January 1949

Mrs. Amelia P. Espig
RFD #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

Reference is made to letter this office, dated 12 November 1948, copy inclosed, to which no reply has been received.

In view of the importance of this inquiry, your early reply will be appreciated.

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience in order to expedite delivery.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

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17 January 1949

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Mr. Archie F. Bagley
1000 1st St. N.E.
Washington, D.C.

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T. E. WHITE
1st. Colonel, USA
Memorial Division

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Rosalie F. Willis
Investigation Clerk

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

DATE

27 Jan. 1949

UNKNOWN X- NO. OR OTHER DESIGNATION X-127	CEMETERY Foy, Belgium	PLOT J	ROW 9	GRAVE 212
IDENTIFIED AS ESPIG, PAUL H. Pfc. 33830727				
ITEM	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	UNKNOWN	
DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH	X			
CAUSE OF DEATH	X			
DENTAL CHART	X			
COLOR HAIR	X			
ESTIMATED HEIGHT	X			
ESTIMATED WEIGHT	X			
SCARS, FRACTURES, ETC.				
LAUNDRY MARKS		X *		
SHOE SIZE				
TYPE CLOTHING				
IDENTIFICATION TAG				
PERSONAL EFFECTS				
STATEMENT OF CIVILIANS				
ENEMY RECORDS				
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TAG				
PAY BOOK (EM/OFF.)				
SIGNED STATEMENT OF IDENTITY				

REMARKS

Remains of Unknown X127 disinterred from the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium (50.15 N. - 5.59 E.) Found near tank destroyer #4017750, C-22, 7 - 814 T. D. 371 Form for Pfc Espig indicates he was KIA in the vicinity of Beho, Belgium (50.13 N. 5.59 E.)

201 File of Pfc. Espig received. Remarks copied from "Morning Reports of Company C, 814th Tank Destroyer Bn., to which subject deceased was assigned. See attached sheet. No Tank crew is listed in the 201 File.

*The following laundry markings were found on clothing of the Unknown decedent:

Wool drawers - "N-7344"
 Wool drawers - Name - "Nawrock, Boleslaw" 36557344
 Fatigue Jacket - #35125324 (No record of this number found)
 The above listed markings and serial numbers cannot be associated with this case
 The ASN which was assigned to Nawrocki was - 36887344. No record of 36557344.
 Mr. Nawrocki Was contacted by letter, but no information pertinent to the casualty was available. See correspondence attached.

One (1) Bible found on body with the inscription: "This book is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colo. See letter from Mr. Chase attached.

Historical Records reveal Company "C" of the 814th Tank Destroyer Bn. was operating in the vicinity of Grambac, Belgium, on the 23 of December 1944. AG Casualty Report indicates Pvt. Espig was KIA 23 December 1944. Coordinates of Grambac (Baden, Germany): 49.6 N. - 8.33 E.

201 File of ESPIG, PAUL H. 33 830 727

Information copied from Morning Reports of Company C, 814th Tank Destroyer Bn re organization to which subject man was assigned:

Harge, Belgium 26 Dec. 44
 VK 5307 Hord de Guerre
 Co "C" 814th TD Bn (SP) FA

33 830 727 ESPIG, Paul H. (SSN 531) Pfc

The above EM from dy to MIA: Battle - Belgium as of 23 Dec. 44
 Dropped fr. asgmt.

Location of Orgn. Beho, Belgium 23 Dec. 44
 V P 7582 Hord de Guerre

Record of Ewents 23 Dec. 44

Co. moved fr. Neuville, Belgium to Beho, Belgium - Attchd to First U.S. Army,
 eff. 16 Dec. 44 (Remain asgd to Ninth U. S. Army) per Troop asgmt N. 123
 Hq. 12th Army Group, dtd. 16 Dec. 44

Co. C 814th TD Bn. (SP) 21 Apr. 45 FA
 Mariengarten, Germany RC 480185

Correction: (26 Dec. 44)

ESPIG, Paul H. 33 830 737 Pfc.

The above EM from dy to MIA (Battle) (Belgium) as of 23 Dec. 44
 SSN: 531 Dropped from asgmt
 Should be:

ESPIG, PAUL H. 33 830 737 Pfc.

The above EM from dy to KIA (Battle) (Belgium) as of 23 Dec. 44
 SSN: 531 Dropped from asgmt.

Signed --- Davis
 PPS
 Bldg. 123

REF ID: A66073

Information copied from National Reports of Company C, 81st Air Bn
recovery in the organization to which subject was assigned.

28 Dec 44

WV 1000 Nord de France
Co 1000 (MIA) (MIA)

28 Dec 44

The above is from the MIA list - Belgium as of 23 Dec 44
Dropped in report.

28 Dec 44

Location of Grave
V 1 1800 Nord de France

28 Dec 44

Account of Events

Co. moved to Lons-la-Peupelle, Belgium on 23 Dec 44 - listed as Third U.S. Army
etc. 18 Dec 44 (Remains sent to Ninth U.S. Army) per Troop report R. 138
1st Pz Arty Group, 1st Ld Bn 18 Dec 44

28 Dec 44

28 Dec 44

28 Dec 44

Contributor: (28 Dec 44)

28 Dec 44

The above is from the MIA list (Belgium) as of 23 Dec 44
Should be: 28 Dec 44

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Signed ---
Date
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HISTORICAL RECORDS

Co "C" 814th ED BN 1st Platoon at Beho -- Co. C

On the 23 of Dec. 1944, Company "C" was attached to Combat Command "B" and moved to the vicinity of Grombac, Belgium.

On the 23 of Dec., Co. "C" Third Platoon occupied high ground SW overlooking Grombac and a plan of general withdrawal was announced, and the balance of Command at 0700 on 23 December 1944, with this Third Platoon of Co. "C" occupying high ground to the SW overlooking Grombac, and the balance of this Combat Command "B" withdrawing through its position. When Combat Command "B" cleared the ridge, the Third Platoon fell in as rear guard and fought its way through Braumlaus in spite of heavy small arms and bazooka fire towards Maidingen, and then upon reaching Beho, it was attached to task force "Jones" and acted as rear guard for that Unit.

~~Six months ago (October 1943) at the time of the ...~~

Commanster, Belgium (Place of death of Unknown X-127): 50.15 N. - 5.59 E.

Beho, Bel. 50.13 N. - 5.59 E.

(Induction Chart of Pfc Espig indicates he was KIA in vicinity of Beho, Bel.)

Cromback, Belgium: 50.15 N. - 6.03 E. - approx. 3 miles East of Commanster -
Approx. 4 miles northeast of Beho

Beho is approx. 2½ miles south of Commanster

William Dentist's Chart

June 6, 1934 to
March 31, 1939

CHART

Name: Espig, Paul H. Pfc.
338830727

R-8	Missing
R-7	no A
R-6	noo A
R-5	m A
R-4	
R-3	
R-2	dS
R-1	d S

L-1	md S
L-2	m S
L-3	
L-4	
L-5	mod A
L-6	
L-7	oo A
L-8	Missing

R-16	Missing
R-15	o A
R-14	Missing
R-13	o A
R-12	
R-11	
R-10	
R-9	

L-9	
L-10	
L-11	
L-12	
L-13	f A
L-14	X
L-15	o A
L-16	Missing

Mother's statement: "My son had a front tooth removed and replaced by a bridge. As I remember, it was the upper left front tooth next to the left central one. The record of this work no longer exists." (See letter, dated Jan. 24, 48).

DENTAL CHART

Unknown X- 127 Foy

Name: Espig, Paul H.
338830727

R-8 _____)
R-7 _____)
R-6 _____)
R-5 _____)
R-4 _____)
R-3 _____)
R-2 _____)
R-1 _____)

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R-3 _____
R-2 _____
R-1 _____

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L-6 _____)
L-7 _____)
L-8 _____)

L-1 X
L-2 _____
L-3 _____
L-4 _____
L-5 _____
L-6 _____
L-7 _____
L-8 X carious

bridge

R-16 M.S.D.
R-15 X
R-14 o A
R-13 dol A
R-12 _____
R-11 _____
R-10 _____
R-9 _____

R-16 X
R-15 f A - (no A - 10/9/44)
R-14 X
R-13 do A
R-12 _____
R-11 _____
R-10 _____
R-9 _____

L-9 _____
L-10 _____
L-11 _____
L-12 dof A
L-13 _____
L-14 X
L-15 o A
L-16 dof A

L-9 _____
L-10 _____
L-11 _____
L-12 carious do A - 10/9/44
L-13 _____
L-14 X
L-15 carious
L-16 X doA - 10-20-43

Est. wt. (See original R/B): 160 lbs.

4 Aug. 43 - Feb. 1944

Est. Ht. 5' 6 7/8"
Brown hair

Ht. 65 1/2" Wt. 158 lbs.
Brown hair

A piece of gold was found which could have been a 3/4 crown for either R-1 or L-1. Since no maxilla is available it is impossible to tell. This piece of gold could also be saddle area for a pontic.

4 Aug. 43
20 Oct. 43) 201 File
9 Oct. 44)

AGRC FORM No. 11
Revised 16 Sept. 1946
Formerly "Check List
of Unknowns")

X-127

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

(To be completely filled out and attached to each copy
of Report of Interment WD QMC Form 1042)

Unknown X- 127
Cemetery Foy, Belgium
Plot J Row 9 Grave 212

1. ~~Interment at cemetery~~ Date reprocessed: 28 Oct. 1947.
(Hour) (Date)
2. Place of death _____
(Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)

(Sheet, scale and serials used)
3. Remains ~~located~~ disinterred by Subordinate Identification Point # 2
(Name and organization)
Neuville en Condroz, Belgium.
4. Evacuated to Cemetery by _____
(Name and organization)
5. Description of clothing and equipment: (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements)

Item	Clothing Markings	Sizes	Indicate unusual markings color, wear, tear, repairs, etc.
* Headgear	<u>none</u>		
	(Type)		
Raincoat	<u>none</u>		
Overcoat	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, Field	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, Combat	<u>none</u>		
Mackinaw	<u>none</u>		
Sweater	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, HBT	<u>none</u>		
* Shirt, Wool OD	<u>none</u>		
Undershirt, Wool	<u>Remnants of,</u>		
Undershirt, Cotton	<u>Remnants of,</u>		
Trousers, HBT	<u>none</u>		
* Trousers, Wool OD	<u>none</u>		

Belt, web none

Drawers, wool none

Drawers, cotton none

Leggings, wool none

Socks, ~~wool~~ wool, One (1)

* Shoes none (type)

Overshoes none

Web Equipment none (type)

(Other item) none

(Other item) none

* If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains

Chevrons or Insignia none
(Type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch none

Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Force?
UTD

6. Description of Remains: (R.) Humerus 33,4; Radius 25,8; Ulna 26,8;
Tibia 36,2; Fibula 35,5. Utd

Age Utd Est. Height 5'6 7/8" Weight Utd Description of wounds Utd

Bandages or dressings None found Scars Utd
(Length, width, location)

Utd Tattoos
(Number, location — illustrate on separate page)

Utd Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks
(Yes-no; description, location)

Utd Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face

Utd Complexion
(Light, medium, dark, clear, pimples, pocks, freckles)

Utd Build
(Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Brown, 2" long, straight Hair
(Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

Utd Hair
(Baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)

Utd Sideburns Utd Mustache Utd Beard or Utd
(Color, setting, shape) (Color, size, shape) (Length, heavy)

Goatee **Utd**
 (Light, color, extent)

Eyes **Utd** Eyebrows **Utd**
 (Color, setting, shape) (Color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose **Utd** Ears **Utd**
 (Size, shape, straight) (Size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth **Utd** Lips **Utd**
 (Large, medium, small) (Small, large, full)

Teeth **See Tooth Chart**
 (White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

Chin **Utd**
 (Prominent, receding, pointed, dimples, double)

Jaw **Utd** Circumference of head in inches **Utd Skull crushed**
 (Large, small, normal) (Hat band)

Neck **Utd** Larynx **Utd**
 (Size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders **Utd** Arms **Utd**
 (Broad, straight, small, rounded) (Length, muscular, color, extent and quantity of hair)

Hands **Utd**

Fingers **Utd**
 (Short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

Utd
 (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest **Utd**
 (Size of nipples, color, quantity and extent of hair, large, small, normal)

Waist **Utd**
 (Size of navel; appendectomy, amount, quantity, and color of hair)

Back **Utd** Circumcision **Utd** Pubic Hair **Utd**
 (Quantity and extent of hair) (Yes-no) (Color)

Hernioplasty **Utd**
 (Yes-no; location)

Legs **Utd**
 (Inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color and extent of hair)

Feet **Utd** Toes **Utd**
 (Size, corns, callouses, flat) (Slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures **None found**
 (Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

NOTE: Use attached charts "A" and "B" to indicate parts not received.

See attached chart.

7. Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? **No** (Yes-no)

If not, explain

8. Has tooth chart been prepared? **Yes** (Yes-no) If not, explain

9. Remarks
Remains consist of bones with considerable amount of decomposed flesh. Clothing removed from the remains.
No markings were found.
Burial bottle found with the remains. No GRS Tag.
Estimated weight of remains recovered: 10 lbs.
Flucroscopic Examination: Negative.
Nothing found to warrant Chemical Laboratory Examination.
Case remains "Unknown".

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

Ernest C. Gaddy
(Officer's Name)
ERNEST C. GADDY
CWO USA
Rank Service

Central Identification Point
(Organization)

Unknown X-127
Cemetery Foy, Belgium
Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212

SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

Humerus 33,4

Radius 25,8

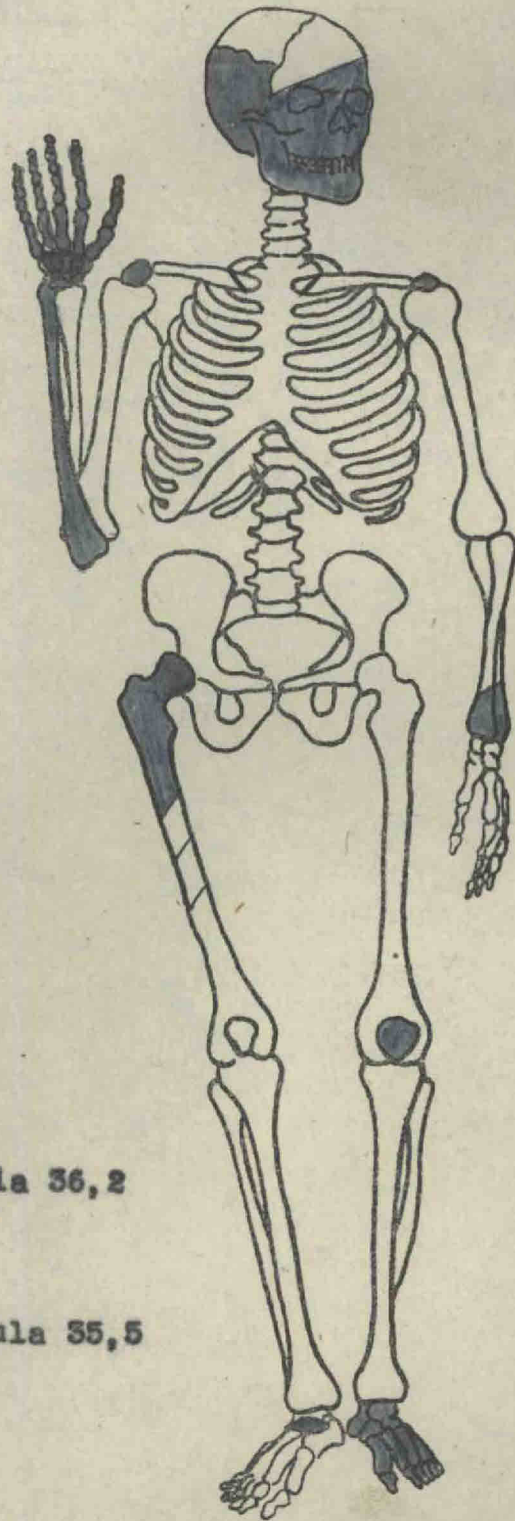
Ulna 26,8

Tibia 36,2

Fibula 35,5

Est. Height: 5'6 7/8"

CHART "A"



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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

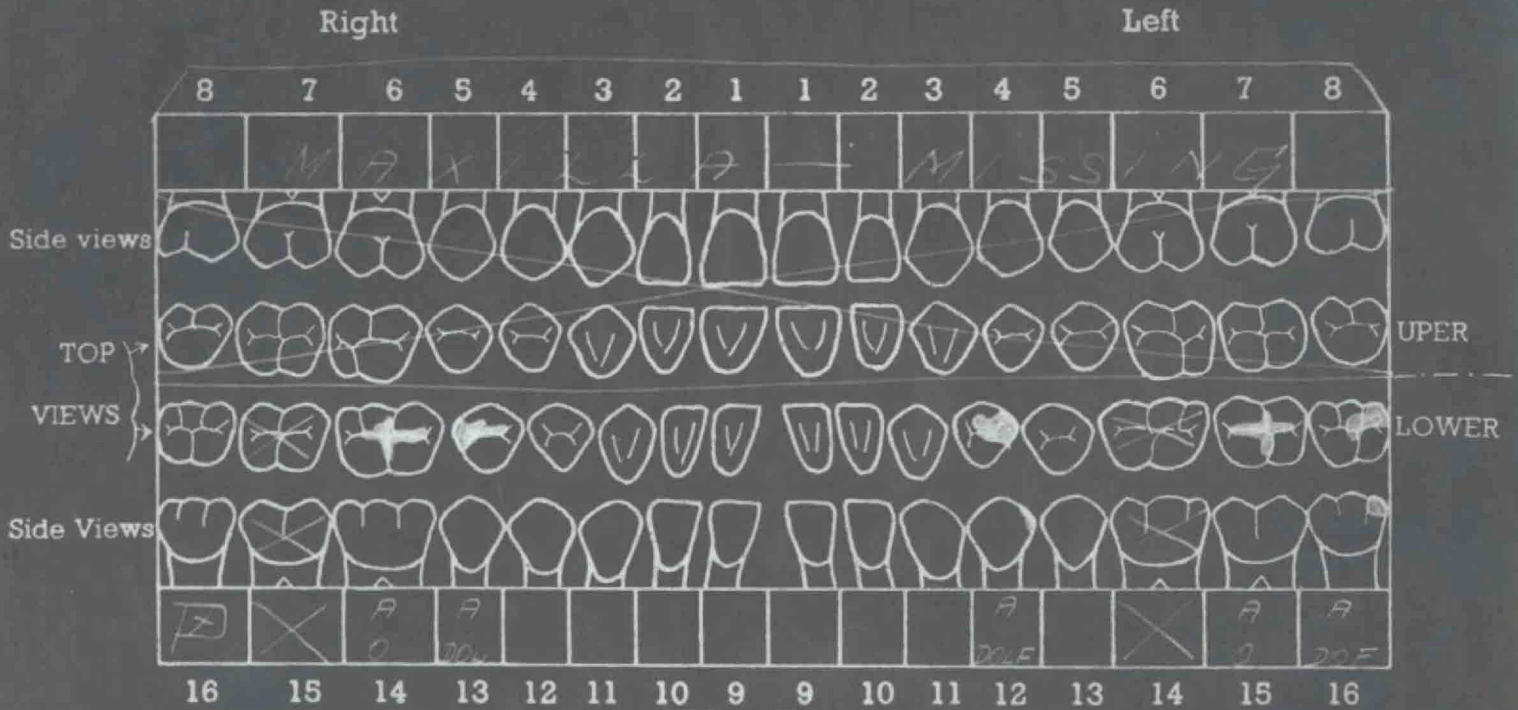
V-127
Cemetery Bay, Belgium
Plot 7, Row 9, Grave 618

TOOTH CHART

28 Oct. 1947
Date

Unknown V-127

Last Name	First	Initial	Rank	Serial No.
Unit		Organization		
Place of Death	Date of Death	Cause of Death		

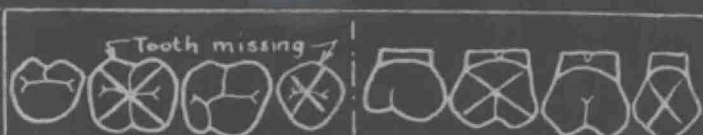


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Ernest G. Gaddy
Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

Ernest G. Gaddy
Verified by G. R. S. Officer
ERNEST G. GADDY
CWO USA C.I.P.

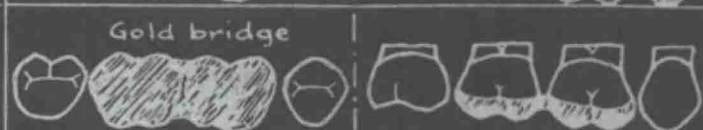
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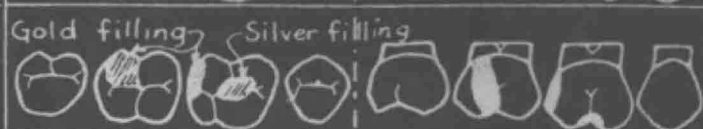
CROWNED TEETH . . . Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver or gold and porcelain), thus:



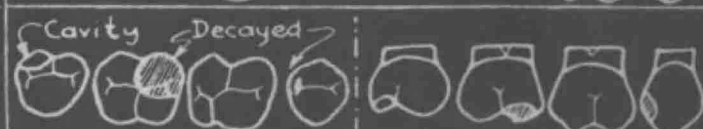
BRIDGE WORK . . . Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



FILLINGS . . . Draw filling on tooth as accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES) . . . Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES) . . . Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp".

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

- P: Posthumously missing
 Spaces: I-13-15, 14mm.
 D-12, D-V and I-V have a slight medial rotation.
 I-11 has a slight distal rotation.
 A piece of gold was found which could have been a 3/4 gold crown for either D-1 or I-1. Since no maxilla is available it is impossible to tell.
 This piece of gold could also be a tooth and was a pontic.

 Color = Gull Ivory.
 Size = average.
 Alignment = good.

G. R. & E. DIV.
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

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X-127
Cemetery Foy, Belgium
Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212

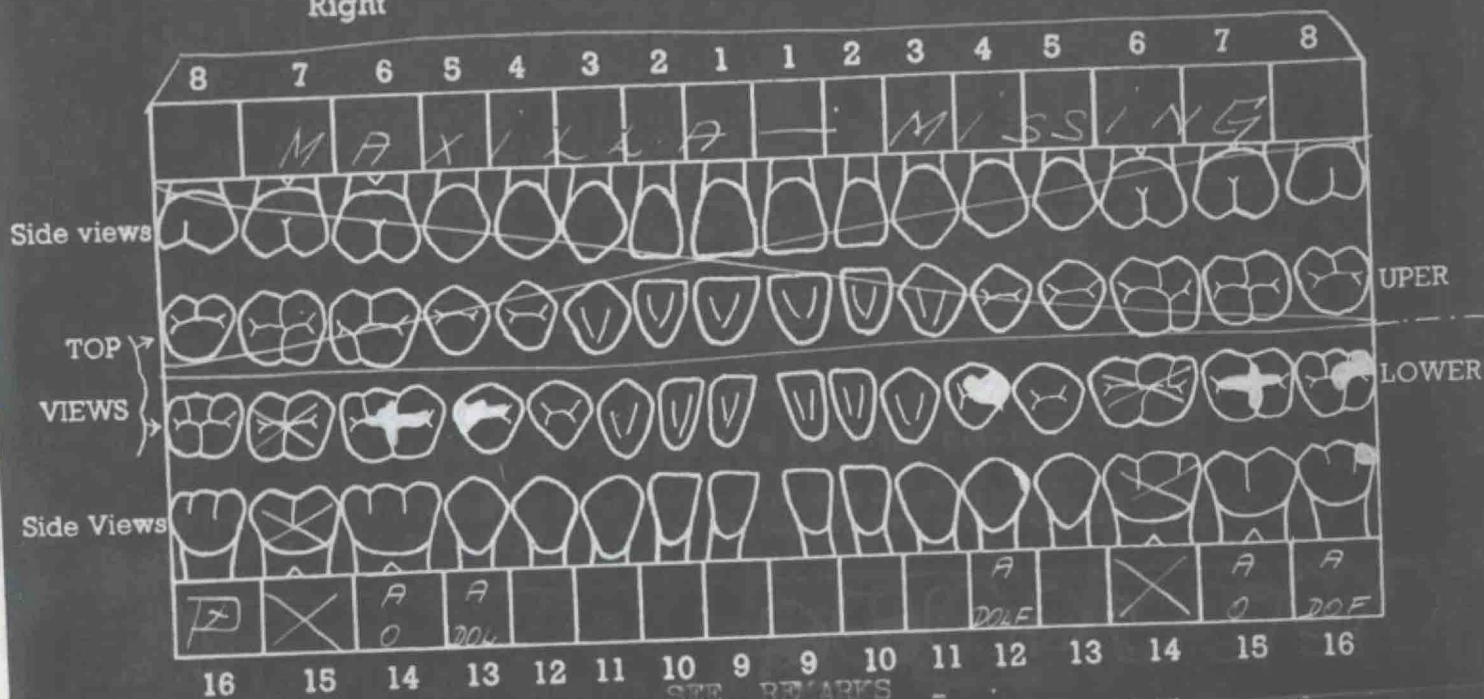
TOOTH CHART

28 Oct. 1947
Date

Unknown X-127
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.
Unit Organization
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

Right

Left



Spaces: L-15--16: 1mm.
R-12, 9 and L-9 have a slight mesial rotation. L-11 has a slight distal rotation.
A piece of gold was found which could have been a 3/4 crown for either R-1 or L-1. Since no maxilla is available it is impossible to tell. This piece of gold could also be saddle area for a pontic.
Color: dull ivory. Size average. Alignment good.

2550

Ernest C. Gaddy
Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart
Ernest C. Gaddy
Verified by G. R. S. Officer
ERNEST C. GADDY
CWO USA C.I.P.

7

7 May 1947 (S: 21 June 47)

(Belgium)

293 FILE

DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

9192

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Espig, Paul H.		GRADE Pfc.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 33 830 727
ORGANIZATION Co. "C" 114th T. D. Bn.	RACE White	CREED Prot.	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/SEA 23 Dec. 1944	CAUSE OF DEATH KIA	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA European Area	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT 65½"	WEIGHT 158	COLOR EYES Brown	COLOR HAIR Brown
			SHOE SIZE 8½-C

DENTAL CHART

4 Aug. 1943

UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0	UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 X) 0
LOWER RIGHT 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 X 0 1 Form 79 attached	LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 0 0 X

X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Age: 24

KIA in vicinity of Beho, Belgium

Operational Instructions #61

Remainder of the crew is RTD.

AG Casualty files reveal the above as killed approximately 1½ miles West of Hinderhausen (6/P-78) Belgium. Coordinates for Beho (6/P-78).

Unknowns recovered from this area should be checked. If none are found which can be associated with the above, area should be searched.

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DDMG FORM 371
23 SEP 46

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-49852-1

DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD

8 APR 1947

REPAIRS
RECORDS BRANCH

OCT 26 12 58 AM '48

MEMORIAL DIVISION

HEADQUARTERS
1ST QUARTERMASTER GROUP
APO 513, U. S. ARMY

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF ISOLATED GRAVE
OR
UNBURIED REMAINS

Date 4 MAY 45

* U.S. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

1. Name, Rank, ASN of deceased: UNKNOWN X-127
2. Organization of deceased: UNKNOWN
3. Means of identification: NONE
4. Cause of death: KIA: CHEST WOUND 5. Date of death: EST JAN 45
6. If isolated Grave:
 - a. Date of burial: UNKNOWN
 - b. By whom buried: CIVILLIAN
 - c. Inscription on marker: NONE
7. Location of grave/unburied remains: VIC. COMMASTER, BELGIUM, COORDINATES,
(Be specific, sketch on reverse)
765855, SHEET 93, 1/50,000.
8. Names of deceased and location of other *graves/unburied remains in immediate vicinity: NONE
9. Discription and location of wrecked or abandoned vehicles or equipment in immediate vicinity: NONE
10. Disposition of personal effects: (Itemise if possible) TO: EFFECTS QM
11. Other pertinent information: PARMENTIER, ALPHONSE, COMMASTER, BELGIUM
(Use reverse side if necessary) SERVED AS GUIDE TO BODY.
12. Information furnished by: PARMENTIER, ALPHONSE, COMMASTER, BELGIUM
(Name, title, address)
13. Names and addresses of other persons familiar with the case: NONE

(Over)

14. Action taken: BODY DISINTERRED AND REMOVED TO MORGUE, U. S. MIL. CEM. #1,
..... FOY, BELGIUM.....
.....
.....

Disinterrment approved by:

Disinterrment and *~~XXXXXXXX~~/reburial made by: 610th QM GR REG. CO.....

Date of *~~XXXXXXXX~~/reburial: 6 MAY 45.....

Place of ~~XXXXXXXX~~/reburial U. S. Military Cemetery: #1, FOY, BELGIUM.....

Plot .J. Row .9. Grave .212

Leo M. Duffy
.....
(Signature of Investigator)
LEO M. DUFFY,
1st Lt. 0-1595482
.....
(Rank) (ASN)

* Cross out where not applicable

J-9-212 U. S. MIL. CEM. #1, FOY, BELGIUM

RESTRICTED

Inventory Form

6 MAY 45
Date

SUBJECT: *Inventory of Personal Effects of:*

UNKNOWN X-127

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(MI)

UNK

(Rank)

UNKNOWN

(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communications Zone, APO 887 DEPOT Q-290 U.S. Army.

The above named individual of UNKNOWN

(Unit)

(Organization)

was reported KIA about JAN 45 194

Status (KIA, MIA, Hosp. etc.)

(Date)

Designated beneficiary if information readily accessible UNKNOWN

Inventory of Effects

1 BIBLE - Inscription, This book is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. CHAIN, SILVERTON, COLO.

Money in the amount of NONE has been turned into _____
(Name of finance officer and

symbol number) Form WDFD 38 enclosed.

Names and addresses of any banks in which accounts may be carried:

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot

by TRUCK on _____ 194
(Rail, Truck, etc.)

Name *Leo M. Duffy*
Rank and ASN LEO M. DUFFY, 1st Lt. QM GR. O.
Organization 610th QM.GR. REG. CO.

Any additional pertinent information:

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

TOOTH CHART

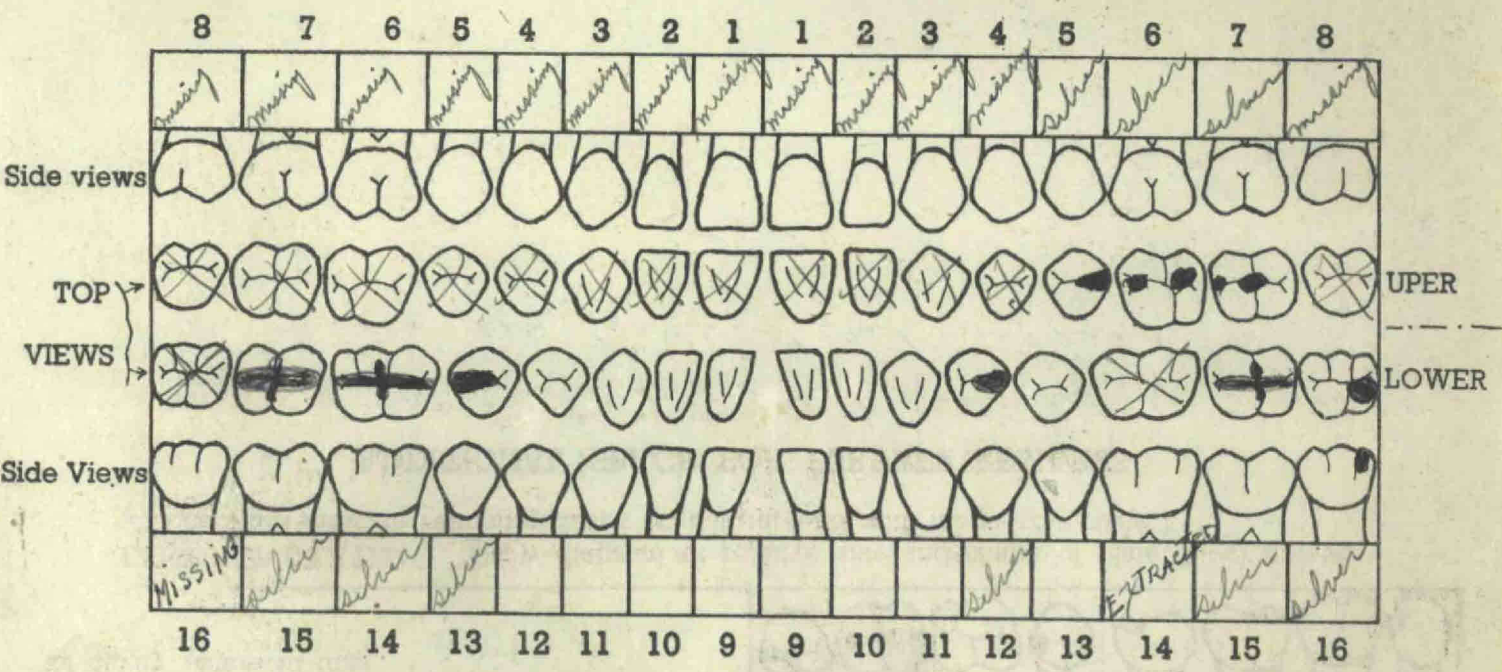
5-5-45
Date

UNK X-127
Last Name First Initial

Commander, Bel. East Gen. 45
Unit Date of Death
Organization Cause of Death
R.I.A. Chest Wound

Right

Left



This dental chart is very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

S/Sgt Roy F. Cornish

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

W. D. Whiffly 1st Lt. DMC
Verified by G. R. S. Officer

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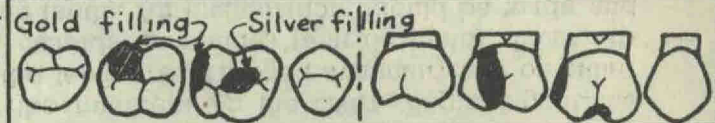
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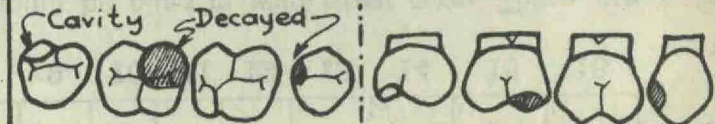
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ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

Upper right Teeth 1 to 8 and Upper left 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 are missing due to direct hit in head.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMGT 293
Unknown X-127
(Fby) Belgium

8 September 1948

IMPORTANT

Address reply and envelope to:
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Do NOT include the name of the
official who signed the communica-
tion.

Mr. Charles H. Chain
Silverton, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chain:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine, if possible, the identity of an Unknown American Soldier whose death occurred in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium, during January 1945.

The records of this office disclose that a Bible, found on the remains, was inscribed: "This is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colo."

It is possible you may recall giving this Bible to someone in the service. According to available information, the deceased was a member of the Army Ground Forces, probably from a Tank Destroyer. Any information you may be able to furnish will be of the utmost value in establishing the identity of this unknown.

In replying, please use the inclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, in order to expedite delivery.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. Metz
T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

1 Incl:
Envelope

I have for a long time received mail from the AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY soliciting funds for the purpose of spreading the gospel and distributing Bibles. The name is not quite mine, but it evidently is close enough for the local P.O., and I usually inadvertantly open mail addressed in this manner.

I think that if you wrote this society about this matter they could, by corelating "Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colorado" with a Bible that they sent to the unknown soldier you might have a perfectly good lead on the identification of this body.

Yours truly,

Charles H. Chase
Charles H. Chase.

See other side.

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Sub. X-127 (Fby) Belgium
file
9/15/48
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO QUARTERMASTER
UNKNOWN
(POY) BELGIAN

8 September 1948

IMPORTANT

P. S. It is quite possible that I may have made such a donation myself that would have purchased this Bible. This is a very small town and I have never known of anyone here with a name so similar to mine. For such a thing to have happened it could have quite a while ago, long enough to have slipped the mind, and the Bible Society could have slipped on the name.

Mr. Charles H. Chain
Silverton, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chain:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine, if possible, the identity of an unknown Belgian soldier whose death occurred in the vicinity of Compiègne, Belgium, during January 1945.

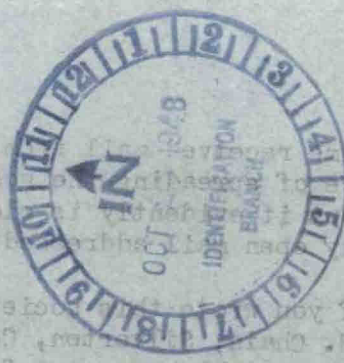
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Sincerely yours,

Charles H. Chain
T. E. MEYER
Lt. Colonel, USA
Special Division



I have for a long time received funds for the purpose of reading it to the unknown soldier you might have a perfectly good head of this body.

Yours truly,

See other side.

Charles H. Chain

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300
(PMGC)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

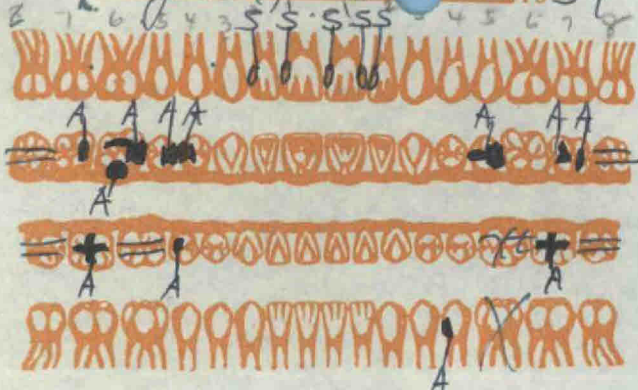
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**Office of The Quartermaster General
War Department
Washington 25, D. C.**

**Attn: (Id Br Flora)
Memorial Division**

Incl #1

Date June 24th 1939



Examination of Mr. Walter E. Schup
teeth. Conoverville, Steubenville, Ohio

Remarks: A = Amalgam Filling
S = Synthetic Porcelain
= + X teeth extracted or unerupted

January 24, 1948

T. H. Metz
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letters of November 12, 1948 and January 17, 1949, about my son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig, serial no. 33830727; I am sending a dental chart of the work done by one of the two dentists who treated him prior to his entrance into the armed services.

My son had a front tooth removed and replaced by a bridge. As I remember, it was the upper left front tooth next to the left central one. However, the record of this work no longer exists. The bridge was installed by one Dr. Forney, who also lost his life in the late conflict. I am informed by his father, that no records are available.

I hope that the enclosed dental chart may be of value to you in determining whether or not the remains you mention are those of my son.

sincerely yours,

Amalie B. Espig

*File
R. Wallace
3 June 49*

January 25, 1948

F. R. [unclear]
Lt. Colonel, [unclear]
Memorial Division

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letters of November 12, 1948
and January 17, 1949, about my son, the late Private
First Class Paul H. [unclear], serial no. 33350727; I am
sending a dental chart of the work done by one of the
two dentists who treated him prior to his entrance
into the armed services.

My son had a front tooth removed and replaced by
a bridge. As I remember, it was the upper left front
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cord of this work no longer exists. The bridge was

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JAN 25 1949
OFFICE OF THE
MEMORIAL DIVISION

maintained by one Dr. [unclear], who also lost his
in the late conflict. I am informed by his [unclear]
that no record of this work exists. I hope
I hope you will be able to determine whether or not the remains
you mention are those of my son.

Sincerely yours,

Charles F. [unclear]

Air mail

QMGMT 293
Espig, Paul H.
33830727

12 November 1948

Mrs. Amelia P. Espig
RFD #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

It is with reluctance that I write to you about your son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig, who lost his life during the European Conflict.

There has been forwarded to this office a burial report for a deceased serviceman with certain identifying information which leads us to believe the remains are those of your son. A dental chart was included indicating a bridge and various fillings. It is possible you may recall the type of bridge your son wore.

It will be of the utmost value to this office if you can secure from the civilian dentist who treated your son, a copy of the dental chart which is usually retained by him as a matter of record, and which shows work performed for each patient.

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is included for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. MEYZ
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

1 Incl: Envelope

RFW:gjb

NJS

JCM

(Belgium) 9192

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293.9 (IB)

29 October 1948

SUBJECT: Burial Information

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25 D. C.

1. Reference is made to OQMG Form 371 for Pfc Paul H. Espig, ASN ²⁹³
33 830 727.
2. Unknown X-127 (Foy-V-9-212) has been identified as the above.
3. Corrected copy of Report of Burial was forwarded your office
by Letter of Transmittal #3147, dated 19 October 1948.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

E. D. Mulvanity
 E. D. MULVANITY
 Lt Col QMC
 Actg Asst Adj Gen

FILE

NOV 9 1948

U. S. ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

(11/11/1918)

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.
NOV 28 1918

27 October 1918

HR 49.9 (12)

SUBJECT: Racial Information

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D.C.

1. Reference is made to OIG Form 271 for file #101, 101, 101.

2. Attached (101-7-7-21) has been furnished as per above.

3. Attached copy of report of racial and foreign affairs office
of Bureau of Investigation, dated 11/10/18, is enclosed.

FOR THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL:

W. J. MURPHY
SAC
New York

OUT

FILE
NOV 2 1918
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(Belgium) 9192

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293.9 (IB)

29 October 1948

SUBJECT: Burial Information

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25 D. C.

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1. Reference is made to OQMG Form 371 for Pfc Paul H. Espig, ASN 33 830 727.
2. Unknown X-127 (Foy-V-9-212) has been identified as the above.
3. Corrected copy of Report of Burial was forwarded your office by Letter of Transmittal #3147, dated 19 October 1948.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

E. D. MULVANY
Lt Col CMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen



(Balfour) 1192

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN BRANCH, NATIONAL ARCHIVES
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 38 U S ARMY

24 October 1948

HR 100-9 (10)

SUBJECT: Dental Information

To: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25 D. C.

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1. Reference is made to GDS Form 311 for Eric Paul M. Taylor, ARN
13 830 1021

2. Unknown K-119 (103-4-9-212) has been identified as Eric Paul M. Taylor.
3. Enclosed copy of Report of Dental was forwarded your office
by letter of Transmittal dated 19 October 1948.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL

R. D. MURPHY
Lt Col
Appd Asst Adj Gen



AGRR (Foy, J-9-212)

1st Ind.

PMC/LP/pr

HEADQUARTERS, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND, EUROPEAN THEATER AREA,
APO 867, U. S. ARMY. 3 April 1946.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. In reply to paragraph 2, basic communication you are advised that the 75th Division operated in the vicinity of Comanstar, Belgium during January 1945.

2. The following personnel of the 75th Division were reported MIA or KIA during January 1945 and no Reports of Burial are on file for these men.

<i>Ident.</i>	AULT, Jesse J.	S/Sgt	ASN	35699698	KIA	5 January 1945
	INGE, Berkley H.	Pvt	ASN	33821309	KIA	18 January 1945
	JOHNSON, Glen M.	Cpl	ASN	35054777	KIA	18 January 1945
<i>Ident.</i>	LORD, Raymond W.	S/Sgt	ASN	32546338	KIA	20 January 1945
<i>Ident.</i>	PASSANANDO, Ronald	Pfc	ASN	36667592	DOC	4 January 1945
<i>Ident.</i>	RUPP, Carl M.	Pfc	ASN	16167423	MIA	17 January 1945

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

PAUL L. McCRILLIS
Major Infantry
Assistant Adjutant



293-10-1-1-27

SPQYG 293
Unknown X-137
(Foy #1) Belgium

8 March 1946

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command
European Theater Area, Versailles, France, APO 887
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Report of Burial for Unknown X-137, U.S. Military Cemetery, Foy #1, Belgium, Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212; place and date of death shown as Commanster, Belgium, (est) January 1945. The remains were found near Tank Destroyer # 40177780, G-22,7, 814 TD.

2. It is requested that the Unit to which subject vehicle was assigned furnish this office, at the earliest practicable date, all known facts and circumstances surrounding the casualty, including a list of the crew members with status of each.

T. B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

DENTAL CHART

Inge, Berkley H. Pvg

33 821 309

~~Unknown-X~~Name: Johnson, Glen M.
35054777

R-8 _____
 R-7 _____
 R-6 _____ X _____
 R-5 _____
 R-4 _____
 R-3 _____
 R-2 _____ X _____
 R-1 _____

L-1 _____
 L-2 _____
 L-3 _____
 L-4 _____
 L-5 _____ X _____
 L-6 _____
 L-7 _____
 L-8 _____

R-16 _____ X _____
 R-15 _____
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 R-11 _____
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 R-9 _____

L-9 _____
 L-10 _____
 L-11 _____
 L-12 _____
 L-13 _____
 L-14 _____
 L-15 _____
 L-16 _____ X _____

Ht. 5' 9"
 Wt. 150 lbs.
 Black hair
 Shoe size: 8½D

R-8 _____
 R-7 _____
 R-6 _____
 R-5 _____
 R-4 _____ X _____
 R-3 _____
 R-2 _____ X _____
 R-1 _____ X _____

L-1 _____ X _____
 L-2 _____ X _____
 L-3 _____ X _____
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 L-7 _____
 L-8 _____

R-16 _____ X _____
 R-15 _____ X _____
 R-14 _____
 R-13 _____ X _____
 R-12 _____
 R-11 _____
 R-10 _____
 R-9 _____

L-9 _____
 L-10 _____
 L-11 _____
 L-12 _____
 L-13 _____ Non-restorable _____
 L-14 _____
 L-15 _____ X _____
 L-16 _____ X _____

Ht. 5' 8½"
 Wt. 154 lbs.
 Color of hair: brown
 Shoe size: 8½D

hm

September 17, 1946

James C. MacFarland, Major,
Office of the Quartermaster General,
War Department,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Re: NAWROCKI, Boleslaw
Reg. No. 12464-SW

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith a letter written to you by the above-named inmate, which is in reply to your letter to him dated August 27, 1946.

If we can be of further assistance to you in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us since it is our desire to cooperate with you in behalf of this individual.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. H. PERRY, Supervisor,
Classification & Parole.

CHP:RIS/st

Enclosure



"COPY"

From Boleslaw Nawrocki
No. 12464

Sept. 13, 1946

To: Quartermaster General

War Department
Washington, D. C.

James C. MacFarland
Major, Q. M. C.
Assistant

Dear Sir:

Do to the fact that the Unknown American X-127 was wearing two pieces of clothing marked "N-7344", the clothing may have been apparently mine at one time.

To my best of knowledge I can not identify the Unknown American X-127, or what had become of my clothes that I couldn't take into combat. The last I've seen of my clothing where at the Division Quartermaster depot in France.

It could have been possible that the Unknown American X-127 received the two pieces of clothing from the Quartermaster which still had the marking on them.

It may be also that the Unknown American X-127 and I have the same names but the serial numbers are not the same. For my serial number and name is as follows:

Boleslaw Nawrocki
ASN 36887344

I am very sorry that I couldn't help you in anyway. For at the time "January 1945" I was a Prisoner of War in a German hospital in Heppenhine, Germany.

Sincerely yours,
Boleslaw Nawrocki
ASN 36887344
Box No. P. M. B.
El Reno, Oklahoma

QMGYG 293
Unknown X-127
(Foy)Belgium

27 August 1946

Address Reply to THE
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Mr. Boleslaw Nawrocki
Trowbridge Street
Hamtramck, Michigan

Dear Mr. Nawrocki:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine the identity of an Unknown deceased of our Armed Forces, whose death occurred in January (estimated) 1945, in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium.

It is noted that two pieces of clothing found on the deceased were marked as follows:

"N-7314" "Nawrock, Boleslaw #36557314"

Inasmuch as this clothing was apparently yours at one time, any information you could give as to its disposition which might lead to identification of this Unknown American, would be of the utmost value to this office. Physical description of the Unknown is as follows: estimated height, 5 feet, 6 inches; estimated weight, 150 lbs., color of hair, brown.

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

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Incl.
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JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC
Assistant

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Q1111 293
Unknown 1-137
(By) Belgium

7 September 1948

Mr. Charles H. Chain
Silverton, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chain:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine, if possible, the identity of an Unknown American Soldier whose death occurred in the vicinity of Commerster, Belgium, during January 1945.

The records of this office disclose that a Bible, found on the remains, was inscribed: "This is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colo."

It is possible you may recall giving this Bible to someone in the service. According to available information, the deceased was a member of the Army Ground Force, probably from a Tank Destroyer. Any information you may be able to furnish will be of the utmost value in establishing the identity of this unknown.

In replying, please use the inclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, in order to expedite delivery.

Sincerely yours,

1 Encl:
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T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, CSC
Memorial Division

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 200.2 - Unknown X-127
(Foy, Belgium)

11 August 1948

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

For possible identification of Unknown X-127, interred in Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, U.S. Military Cemetery, Foy, Belgium, it is requested that Mr. Charles H. Chain of Silverton, Colorado, be contacted in order to obtain the name of the soldier to whom he made the gift of a Bible before December 1944.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

George L. Freeman
GEORGE L. FREEMAN
1st Lt., QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

Tel: Paris, BALzac 5400, Ext 393

293 Under X-127 Belgium (Foy)



HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves REGISTRATION COMMAND
FURNISH AREA
APO 28 23 4343

11 August 1948

REF 200.2 - Unknown X-127
(Roy, Belgium)

SUBJECT: Request for information

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

For possible identification of Unknown X-127, entered in Plot 2, Row 2, Grave 212, U.S. Military Cemetery, Roy, Belgium, it is requested that Mr. Charles H. Chain of Silverton, Colorado, be contacted in order to obtain the name of the soldier to whom he made the gift of a Bible before December 1944.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

GEORGE A. FERRMAN
1st Lt., Col.
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

Tel: Paris, France 2400, Ext 292

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HEADQUARTERS
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293 Under X-127 Belgium (Foy)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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QMCGD 293
~~Unknown X-121~~
~~Unknown X-124~~
~~Unknown X-127~~
~~Unknown X-594~~
~~Unknown X-1129~~

Kansas City

29 April 1948

SUBJECT: Identification of Certain Unknowns

TO : Commanding Officer
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

1. The following Unknowns, interred in the cemeteries named, are under investigation in this office. When the investigations have been completed, the Bureau will be notified:

- Unknown X-121, Neuville-en-Condros, Belgium.
- Unknown X-124, Foy, Belgium.
- Unknown X-127, Foy, Belgium.
- Unknown X-594, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium
- Unknown X-1129, Margraten, Holland

2. Bureau letters dated 21 April 1948, are returned herewith.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

1 Incl:
AEB ltrs dtd 21 Apr 48(5)

GUY B. KIDLEY
Major, QMC
Field Service Division

QMCGD 293 - UNKNOWN X-127 - (FOY) BELGIUM

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKG 654000

HOC/ELR/mjo'e
21 April 1948
DATE

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects.

TO: The Quartermaster General
Memorial Division
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Personal effects found on remains interred as Unknown X -127

Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, USMC Foy, Belgium

_____ have been held at this Bureau as of 29 December 1945.

2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

1 New Testament, brown leather.

1 paper with following writing: "This book is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colorado, through the cooperation of the American Bible Society * * * *"

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not the above listed Unknown decedent has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

H. O. CALDWELL
Effects Quartermaster



293 with X127 - 202 - Belgium

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QMGM 293
Espig, Paul H.
~~33830727~~

12 November 1948

Mrs. Amelia P. Espig
RFD #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

It is with reluctance that I write to you about your son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig, who lost his life during the European Conflict.

There has been forwarded to this office a burial report for a deceased serviceman with certain identifying information which leads us to believe the remains are those of your son. A dental chart was included indicating a bridge and various fillings. It is possible you may recall the type of bridge your son wore.

It will be of the utmost value to this office if you can secure from the civilian dentist who treated your son, a copy of the dental chart which is usually retained by him as a matter of record, and which shows work performed for each patient.

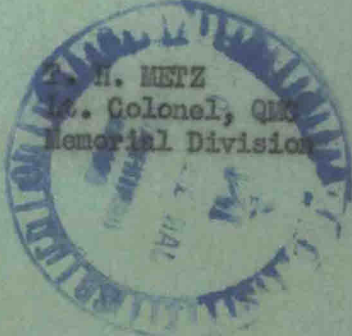
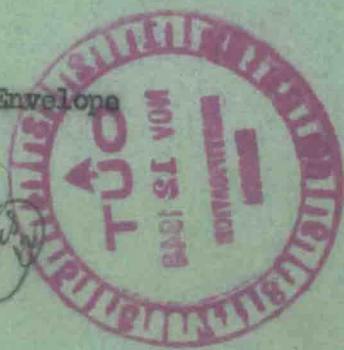
A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is included for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl: Envelope

RFW:gjb

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NJS
JCM

12 November 1948

Private First Class Paul R. Bayle
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1000

Mrs. Amelia P. Bayle
RFD #2, Box 528
Arlington Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Bayle:

It is with reluctance that I write to you about your son, the late
Private First Class Paul R. Bayle, who lost his life during the European
Campaign.

There has been forwarded to this office a burial report for a
deceased person with certain identifying information which leads
us to believe the remains are those of your son. A burial card was
included indicating a bridge and water millage. If it possible you
may recall the type of bridge your son wore.

It will be of the utmost value to this office if you can secure
from the civilian district who treated your son, a copy of the burial
card which is usually retained by him as a matter of record, and which
shows back patterns for each pattern.

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is included
for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,



1 Incl: Burial
RW: gjp

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QMGMT 293
Unknown X-127
(Boy) Belgium

7 September 1948

Mr. Charles H. Chain
Silverton, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chain:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine, if possible, the identity of an Unknown American Soldier whose death occurred in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium, during January 1945.

The records of this office disclose that a Bible, found on the remains, was inscribed: "This is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colo."

It is possible you may recall giving this Bible to someone in the service. According to available information, the deceased was a member of the Army Ground Forces, probably from a Tank Destroyer. Any information you may be able to furnish will be of the utmost value in establishing the identity of this unknown.

In replying, please use the inclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, in order to expedite delivery.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, GIC
Memorial Division



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X095-Chain, Charles H. (7m.)

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September 1952

Mr. Charles H. Gault
Silverton, Colorado

Dear Mr. Gault:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine, if possible, the identity of an unknown person who has been active in the vicinity of Denver, Colorado, during January 1952.

The records of this office disclose that a letter, dated on the reverse, was mailed to you from Mr. Charles H. Gault, Silverton, Colorado.

It is possible you may recall giving this letter to someone in the area. According to available information, the person was a member of the "Red Guard", possibly from a local newspaper. Any information you may have which will be of value in establishing the identity of this person is requested.

In reply, please use the enclosed self-addressed envelope, which will arrive in response, in order to expedite delivery.

Sincerely yours,



RECORDED & INDEXED
SEP 11 1952
FBI - DENVER

Handwritten initials

Mr. Charles H. Gault

IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

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LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE	
Espig, Paul H.		33 830 727		PFC	
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE	DATE OF DEATH
.65 1/2"	158 lbs.	Brown	Brown	8 1/2 C	23 Dec 44
LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)					
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PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA					
KIA in vicinity of Beho, Belgium					
LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.					

STATION	DATES
North Camp Hood, Texas Ft. Meade, Md.	Aug 43 to January 44 Jan. 44 to Feb 44

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OCT 21 1948
E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., GCS
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

<p>FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS</p> <p>NO RECORDS ON FILE</p> <p>None</p>	<p>TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS</p> <p>None</p>
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DENTAL CHART 4 Aug 43

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BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT
 Dental Clinic #2 Camp Myles Sta. 15

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME
 Espig, Paul H. 33830727

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS
 Pvt. GL 200 9 Area #7

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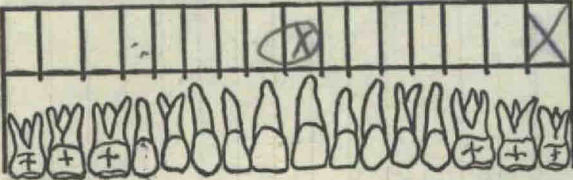
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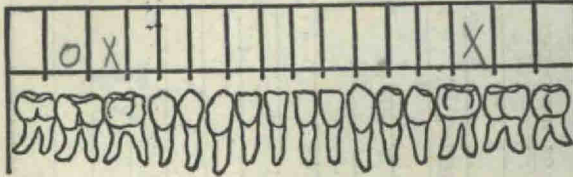
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LOWER TEETH

Right 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 Left



CLASS IC(2A)

Occlusion: Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia none

Dental foci suspected: Yes No No

Other conditions none

Date 2/24, 1944

Capt D. Avera
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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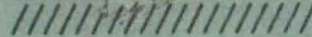
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Teeth replaced by fixed bridge (oval to include abutments)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



QMCMF 293
Espig, Paul H.
S. N. 33 830 727

3 March 1948

Mrs. Amelia P. Espig
R. F. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

This office has been requested to supply you with certain information pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig.

Although no conclusive information is available as to the recovery and the identification of the remains of your son, remains have been recovered and interred in the United States Military Cemetery, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, which may be those of your loved one. An investigation is now being conducted in order to determine beyond a shadow of a doubt, the identity of those remains. Upon the conclusion of this investigation, you will be informed of the results.

May I extend my sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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GROUP 293
Sgt. Paul H.
S. H. 33 830 757

3 March 1948

Mrs. Amelia P. Bagby
R. F. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Bagby:

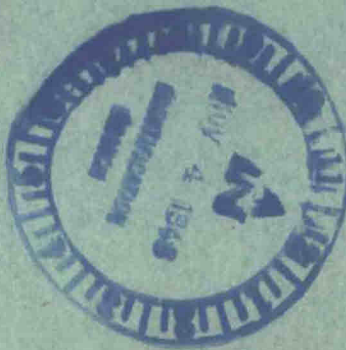
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Sincerely yours,

RICHARD H. COLEMAN
Major, GPO
Memorial Division



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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr. Miss. Mrs. Amelia P. Espig Mother
 Addressee: P.O. #2 Box 322 Relationship
 State Pa.
 City, State Linking Springs, Pa. '47 Date letter
 Cemetery
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: Henri Chapelle
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

Decedent:

Espig
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TO: Identification Section

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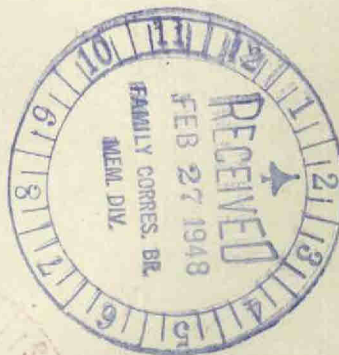
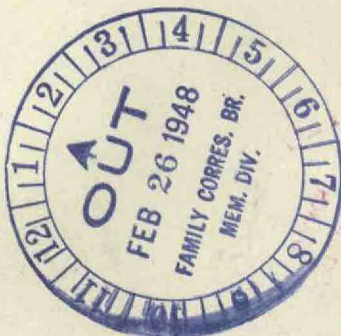
Paul L. Espig

Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

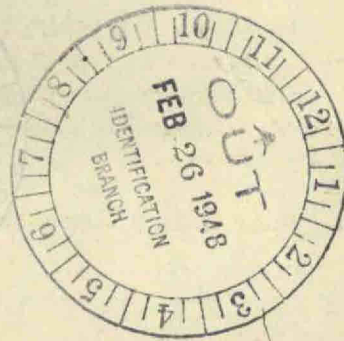
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AGRS-DC-S 291 Espig, Paul H.
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20 February 1948

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig
Rural Delivery #2
Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

This office has been advised by the Service Officer, American Legion Gregg Post Number 12, Reading, Pennsylvania, of your desire for additional information regarding the death of your son.

I can well understand your desire for complete details regarding the death of your son, Private First Class Paul H. Espig, Army serial number 33 830 727, Field Artillery, but I regret that no information other than that previously furnished has been received. The records show only that on 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Beho, Belgium the tank in which he was serving was hit during a severe attack by the enemy. Due to the nature of the fighting it was impossible at the time to find out what happened to the crew members of the tank. Subsequently he was reported missing in action and later a casualty message was received from the Commanding General of the European Theater of Operations which stated only that he was killed in action 23 December 1944 in Belgium, the same day he was previously reported missing. Additional information received confirmed this report of death but unfortunately no further details were given.

The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the burial and personal effects of our military personnel who die overseas. A copy of the Service Officer's letter has accordingly been forwarded to that official for necessary action.

Permit me to extend my sympathy.

Sincerely yours,

COPY FOR:
Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.

1 Incl
Cpy ltr dtd 10 Nov 47

CHARLES D. CARLE
Colonel, AGD
Commanding



23 February 1948

4635-10-1-507 (Rev. 1-15-47)

Mr. Leslie P. Hoag
Army Delivery
Box 352
Blowing Rock, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Hoag:

This office has been advised by the Service Officer, American Legion Post Number 16, Reading, Pennsylvania, of your desire for additional information regarding the death of your son.

I can well understand your desire for complete details regarding the death of your son, Private First Class Paul H. Hoag, Army Serial Number 35 830 787, 78th Infantry, but I regret that an investigation does not show that previously furnished has been received. The report shows only that on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of Hanoi, Vietnam the tank in which he was serving was hit during a severe attack by the enemy. Due to the nature of the fighting it was impossible at the time to find out what happened to the crew members of the tank. Subsequently he was reported missing in action and later a casualty message was received from the Commanding General of the 7th Armored Division of Operations which stated only that he was killed in action 25 December 1944 in Vietnam. The same day he was posthumously reported missing. Additional information received confirmed this report of death but unfortunately no further details were given.

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Please do not expect any further.

Sincerely yours,

COPY FOR:
Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.

1 Incl
Copy for file 10 Nov 47

CHARLES T. DAVIS
Colonel, ADJ
Commanding



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THE AMERICAN LEGION
Gregg Post No. 12
133 North Fourth St.
Reading, Pa.

10 November 1947

Adjutant General's Office
Records Administration Center
4300 Goodfellow Blvd.
St. Louis 20, Mo.

AGRS-EG-201
ESPIG, Paul H.
10 Apr 46

Attention: Charles D. Carle, Col. AGD
Commanding

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of 12 September 46 addressed to Mrs. Amalie P. Espig, R.D. #2, Box 322, Sinking Springs, Penna. wherein you advised them of the death of PFC Paul H. Espig, ASN 33 830 727, Field Artillery, and that he was reported missing in action in the vicinity of Beho, Belgium.

Since this time have you received any further information as to the circumstances surrounding the Veterans's death and where he may now be buried.

The wife, Mrs. Mildred Espig, has since remarried having remarried February 2, 1946 to Edward E. Knorr, at Elkton, Maryland. Therefore since she has remarried she loses the claim of the veteran's body.

Will you kindly advise what information you have on file and this information is for Mrs. Amalie P. Espig, R.D. #2, Box 322, Sinking Springs, Penna.

If there should be any personal effect that have been recovered they should also be sent to the veteran's mother at the address above. Will you therefore advise whether there are any personal effects that could be forwarded to his mother.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Fred M. Evans
Service Officer

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THE AMERICAN LEGION
Green Post No. 12
133 North Fourth St.
Reading, Pa.

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10 November 1917

Adjutant General's Office
Records Administration Center
1500 Goodfellow Blvd.
St. Louis 20, Mo.

AGRS-KG-201
ESPIC, Paul H.
10 Air Rd

Attention: Charles D. Garle, Col. AGD
Commanding

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of 12 September 1917 addressed to Mrs. Annie P. Sapig, R.D. #2, Box 322, Sinking Springs, Penna. wherein you advised them of the death of PFC Paul H. Sapig, ASN 33 830 727, Field Artillery, and that he was reported missing in action in the vicinity of Beho, Belgium.

Since this time have you received any further information as to the circumstances surrounding the Veterans's death and where he may now be buried.

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Yours very truly,

/s/ Fred M. Evans
Service Officer



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(Basic Ltr WD OQMG, QMGMM 293 ESPIG, Paul H. SN 33 830 727
dtd 8 April 1947

RRE 293.9 (IB) 1st Ind

Hq American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58,
US Army, 23 September 1947

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Inclosed herewith all documents pertaining to negative report received from the field on investigation conducted for the recovery of the remains of the above individual.

2. Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Incl: w/d
added a/s

Walter B. Morrow
WALTER B. MORROW
Major, Infantry
Actg Asst Adj Gen

Incl.

- #1.- 2 Statements
- #2.- 1 Narrative
- #3.- 1 Ltr from Hq. 1st Zone, dtd 31.7.47

X-416 Henri-Chapelle

293 Espig Paul H.

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WALTER B. MORROW
Major, Infantry
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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AIR MAIL

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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In Reply Refer To
QMGMR 293

8 APR 1947

Espig, Paul H.
SN 33 830 727

SUBJECT: Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery
and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For

TO: Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Command
European Theater Area
APO 887, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. There is attached hereto, in duplicate, QMG Form 371
(covering all available information in the Office of The Quartermaster
General and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by
this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individual:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
Espig, Paul H.	Private First Class	33 830 727

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be
furnished this office in accordance with the provisions of radio, this
headquarters, No. WCL 37087, dated 13 December 1946.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl.
Form 371 (5 Cys)

Martin S. Kelly, Major
for
J. B. COLSON
Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

AIR MAIL

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 17 APR 1947
 HEADQUARTERS
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COMMUNAL ADMINISTRATION
of
CROMBACH
(Office at Rodt)

Belgium 9192
Crombach, 22 August 1947

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S T A T E M E N T

At request it is herewith declared that several American soldiers have been disinterred and removed from the territory of the Community of Crombach, including the villages of: Crombach Neundorf, Hinderhausen, Rodt, Nieder-Emmels, Ober-Emmels and Hunningen.

It is further declared that in the same villages, several Panzers, Tanks and the like, have been dismantled.

SEAL

The Burgomaster,
/s/ J.P. Maraite

P.S. As far as I know there are no more graves of American soldiers on the territory of the Community of Crombach.

22 August 1947.

The Burgomaster,

SEAL

/s/t/ Maraite Johann Peter

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Durell B Hartman
DURELL B HARTMAN
1st Lt. Infantry

Certified True Translation:

I. Weber

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Translator

Belgium 9192

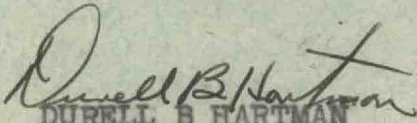
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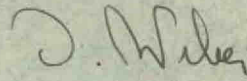
I declare that in the Community of Hinderhausen there are no more deceased Americans, and that all Panzers have been removed by a Belgian Firm.

For a true statement, I sign,
The Communal Representative,
/s/ Laberger, Johann

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:


DURELL B HARTMAN
1st Lt. Infantry

Certified True Translation:


I. Weber
Translator

Belgium 9192

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NARRATIVE

A thorough investigation was conducted in the Hinderhausen area in order to find the remains of Pfc. Paul H. Espig.

The Burgomaster of Hinderhausen, community of Rodt, declared that there are no Americans buried in his community, including the villages of Crombach, Neundorf, Hinderhausen, Nieder and Ober Emmels and Hunningen. All these villages are situated in the area indicated as place of death of Pfc. Espig.

Mr. Laberger, representative of the Burgomaster of Rodt in Hinderhausen also declared that there are no American deceased in the Hinderhausen area.

This investigator made a physical search of the area within a 3 miles radius of Hinderhausen in order to find a tank, that might contain American remains, but found that all tanks in this particular area had been dismantled and taken away by a Belgian firm.

Conclusion: According to attached OQMG Form 371, Pfc. Espig was the only casualty of his tank crew. Pfc. Espig burned to death in his tank in Hinderhausen area. As there are no more tanks in this area it is requested that remains of Pfc. Espig be declared non-recoverable.

Hendrick Veitch
HENDRICK VEITCH
US WD Civilian
Investigator

(Belgium 9192)

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST ZONE
551ST QM GROUP
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
APO 58 (LIEGE) US ARMY

GRU 293.9-0

31 July 1947

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials.

TO : Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58 (Paris) US Army

1. OQMG Form 371 pertaining to Pfc Paul H. ESPIG, 33830727, has been forwarded to field for investigation.
2. Records in this Headquarters fail to reveal any unknowns recovered from the Hinderhausen area.
3. Complete details of findings pertaining to this case will be furnished your Headquarters upon completion of field investigation.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

TRUMAN D. ECKOLS
Major Inf
Asst Chief of Operations

AIR MAIL

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply Refer To
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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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J. B. GOLSON
Colonel, QMGR
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MEMORIAL DIVISION

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Hepig, Paul H.		GRADE Pfc.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 33 830 727
ORGANIZATION Co. "C" 514th T. D. Bn.		RACE White	CREED Prot.
DATE OF DEATH/MDA 23 Dec. 1944	CAUSE OF DEATH KIA	PLACE OF DEATH OR-PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA European Area	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT 65 1/2"	WEIGHT 158	COLOR EYES Brown	COLOR HAIR Brown
			SHOE SIZE 8 1/2

DENTAL CHART

4 Aug. 1943

UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 O (UPPER LEFT X) 3 4 5 6 7 8 O
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X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Age: 24

KIA in vicinity of Behe, Belgium

OQMG FORM 371
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U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-49845-1

DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD

8 APR 1947

AIR MAIL

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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J. B. COLSON
Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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**QMGYG 293
Unk. X-127
(Foy) Belgium**

Request information necessary as indicated
in inclosed Forms 8-WA.

**JAMES C. MACFARLAND
Major, QMG
Assistant**

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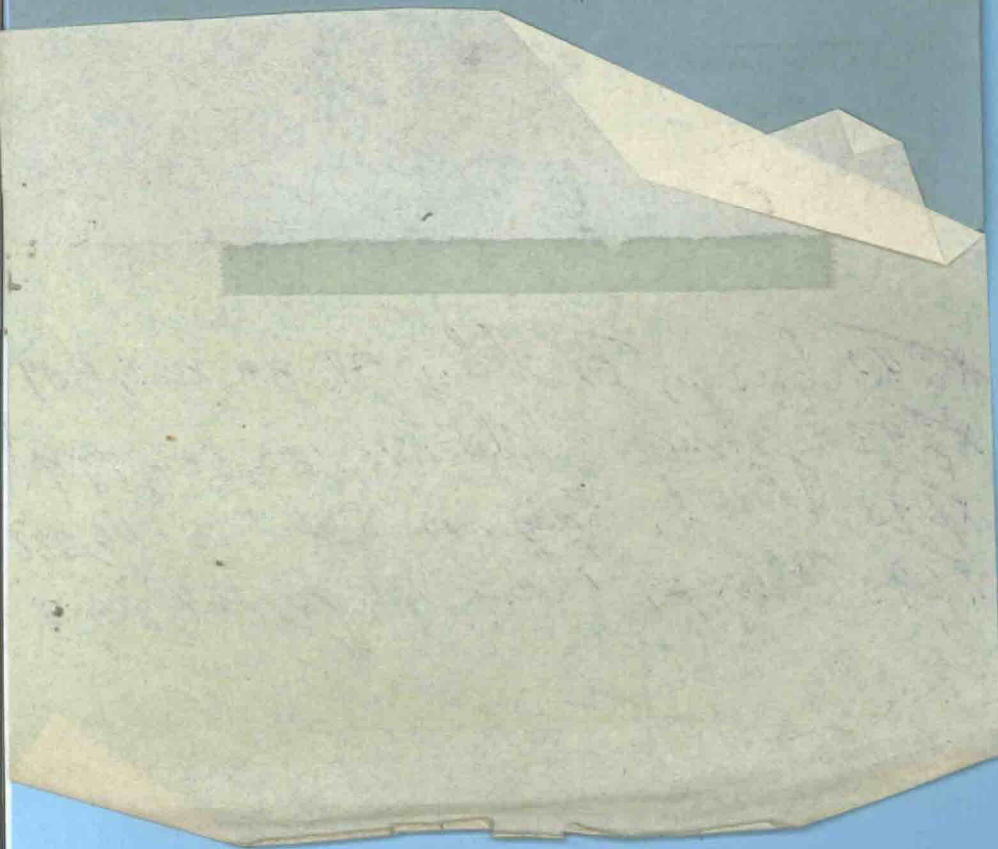
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HEADQUARTERS, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND, EUROPEAN THEATER AREA,
APO 887, U. S. ARMY. 3 April 1946.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. In reply to paragraph 2, basic communication you are advised that the 75th Division operated in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium during January 1945.

2. The following personnel of the 75th Division were reported MIA or KIA during January 1945 and no Reports of Burial are on file for these men.

AULT, Jesse J.	S/Sgt	ASN 35699698	KIA	5 January 1945
INGE, Berkley H.	Pvt	ASN 33821309	KIA	18 January 1945
JOHNSON, Glen M.	Cpl	ASN 35054777	KIA	18 January 1945
LORD, Raymond W.	S/Sgt	ASN 32546338	KIA	20 January 1945
PASSANANDO, Ronald	Pfc	ASN 36667592	DOC	4 January 1945
RUPP, Carl M.	Pfc	ASN 16167423	MIA	17 January 1945

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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Paul L. McCallis
PAUL L. McCRILLIS
Major Infantry
Assistant Adjutant

293 miles x 127 Belgium



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1. In reply to letter of 12 January 1945, dated 12 January 1945, the 1st Division reported in the vicinity of Commanche, Belgium during January 1945.

2. The following personnel of the 1st Division were reported as being in the vicinity of Commanche, Belgium during January 1945:

1. In reply to letter of 12 January 1945, dated 12 January 1945, the 1st Division reported in the vicinity of Commanche, Belgium during January 1945.

2. The following personnel of the 1st Division were reported as being in the vicinity of Commanche, Belgium during January 1945:

17 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt
18 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt
19 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt
20 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt
21 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt
22 January 1945	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt

FOR THE COMMANDER:

MAJOR
Assistant Adjutant





ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
 SPQYG 293
 Unknown X-127
 (Foy #1) Belgium

IN REPLY REFER TO

9 March 1946

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

 TO : Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command
 European Theater Area, Versailles, France, APO 887
 c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Report of Burial for Unknown X-127, U. S. Military Cemetery, Foy #1, Belgium, Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212; place and date of death shown as Commanster, Belgium, (est) January 1945. The remains were found near Tank Destroyer # 40177750, C-22,7, 814 TD.

2. It is requested that your office attempt to determine from the organizations known to have been in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium during January 1945, the names of personnel reported to have been missing or killed in action and for whom no reports of burial have been received. In the event that organizations known to have been in that vicinity during January 1945 have been returned to the Zone of the Interior, it is requested that your office furnish whatever information may be available to you that will be of assistance to this office in resolving the identity of Unknown X-127.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

R. M. Foster, Colonel and
 for **V. TURNER**
 Colonel, QMC
 Assistant

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.

ROY (J.) BELGIUM
UNKNOWN X-127
8245 208

9 March 1946

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command
European Theater of Operations, G-2, APO 887
Postmaster, New York, New York

Reference is made to report of burial for Unknown X-127, U.S. Military Cemetery, Roy (J.), Belgium, Plot 1, Row 2, Grave 215. Place and date of death shown as 10 January 1945. The remains were found near Tank Destroyer Battalion, C-22, 31st ID.

It is requested that your office attempt to determine from the organizational known to have been in the vicinity of Co. 22, 31st ID, during January 1945, the names of personnel reported to have been missing or killed in action and for whom reports of burial have been received. In the event that organizations known to have been in that vicinity during January 1945 have been returned to the zone of the Interior, it is requested that your office furnish whatever information may be available to you that will be of assistance to this office in resolving the identity of Unknown X-127.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Assistant
Colonel
Major

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QMGIG 293
Unknown X-127
(Foy)Belgium

27 August 1946

Address Reply to THE
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Mr. Boleslaw Nawrocki
Trowbridge Street
Hamtramck, Michigan

Dear Mr. Nawrocki:

This office is conducting an investigation to determine the identity of an Unknown deceased of our Armed Forces, whose death occurred in January (estimated) 1945, in the vicinity of Commanster, Belgium.

It is noted that two pieces of clothing found on the deceased were marked as follows:

"N-7344" "Nawrock, Boleslaw #36557344"

Inasmuch as this clothing was apparently yours at one time, any information you could give as to its disposition which might lead to identification of this Unknown American, would be of the utmost value to this office. Physical description of the Unknown is as follows: estimated height, 5 feet, 6 inches; estimated weight, 150 lbs., color of hair, brown.

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC
Assistant

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27 August 1946

Address Reply to THE
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Mr. Jozef W. Wiersma
Trompsburg Street
Antwerp, Belgium

Dear Mr. Wiersma:

This office in conducting an investigation to determine the
identity of an unknown deceased of our Armed Forces, whose death occurred
in January (attached) 1945, in the vicinity of Gemmenster, Belgium.

It is noted that two pieces of clothing found on the deceased
were marked as follows:

"W-1344" "Wiersma, Jozef W. 13557344"

Inasmuch as this clothing was apparently yours at one time,
any information you could give as to the disposition which might lead
to identification of this unknown American, would be of the utmost
value to this office. Physical description of the unknown is as follows:
estimated height, 5 feet, 6 inches; estimated weight, 150 lbs.; color
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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Sincerely yours,

JAMES C. WENDELING
Major, GSC
Assistant

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SPQYG 293
Unknown X-127
(Foy #1) Belgium

9 March 1946

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

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c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

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2. It is requested that your office attempt to determine from the organizations known to have been in the vicinity of Comanster, Belgium during January 1945, the names of personnel reported to have been missing or killed in action and for whom no reports of burial have been received. In the event that organizations known to have been in that vicinity during January 1945 have been returned to the Zone of the Interior, it is requested that your office furnish whatever information may be available to you that will be of assistance to this office in resolving the identity of Unknown X-127.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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M. V. TURNER
Colonel, QMC
Assistant

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SPYD 203
Unknown I-127
(Toy 21) Belgium

2 March 1945

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command
European Theater Area, Versailles, France, APO 887
& Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Reference is made to report of burial for Unknown X-127, U. S. Military Cemetery, Toy 21, Belgium, Plot 1, Row 9, Grave 212; place and date of death shown as Commander, Belgium, (def) January 1945. The remains were found near Tank Destroyer & Holtzco, C-22, 7, 811, 2D.

2. It is requested that your office attempt to determine from the organizations known to have been in the vicinity of Commander, Belgium during January 1945, the names of personnel reported to have been missing or killed in action and for whom no reports of burial have been received. In the event that organizations known to have been in that vicinity during January 1945 have been returned to the zone of the theater, it is requested that your office furnish whatever information may be available to you that will be of assistance to this office in resolving the identity of Unknown X-127.

FOR THE CHIEF OF THE GENERAL:

M. V. TURNER
Colonel, GPO
Assistant

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For necessary action.

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cy ltr. fwd. to K. C. by this office.

FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
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				TELEPHONE
MEMORIAL DIVISION, BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.		PLANNING & REGISTRATION		

W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115
 1 October 1944

This Form supersedes W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115, 23 March 1944,
 which may be used until existing stocks are exhausted.

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Espig, Paul H. (23830727)
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ASF, OQMG, Washington, D. C. 10 April 1946

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

Forwarded for reply to so much thereof as pertains to your office.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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~~PERCIVAL~~ ~~WIL. B. CHRISTENSEN~~
~~Captain, OQMG~~ 1st Lieut., OQMG
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Espig, Paul H.
S. N. 33 830 727

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

10 April 1946

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig
R. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig, has been received in this office.

I regret that I must inform you that information concerning the burial of the remains of your son has not yet been received in this office. However, our Graves Registration Forces in the field are making a complete and thorough search of all areas over which our men fought. All available information such as enemy reports of death and burial, either captured or transmitted through the International Red Cross, results of interrogation of returned Prisoners of War, statements made by natives of the localities being searched, and reports submitted by Commanding Officers and fellow soldiers who were in the vicinity at the time of the fatality, are being used to implement their efforts. It is contemplated that all remains so recovered will be interred in established American Military Cemeteries pending the initiation of the Program of Repatriation. I sincerely hope that this intensive search will result in the discovery and the identification of your son's remains. Please be assured that when information is received that this is accomplished and his remains have been properly interred, you will be informed without delay.

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C. for direct reply relative to the circumstances surrounding the death of your son as that office has jurisdiction over matters of this nature.

In view of the fact that the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, has been designated to receive and ship personal effects of military personnel who died overseas, a copy of your letter has been forwarded to that office for direct reply to eliminate duplication of effort.

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SPQYG 293 Espig, Paul H. S.N. 33 830 727 10 April 1946 (Cont'd)

This office regrets, sincerely, the delay in answering your letter and wishes to extend its deepest sympathy in the loss of your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

WM. B. CHRISTENSEN
1st Lieut., QMC
Assistant

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This office regrets, sincerely, the delay in answering your letter and wishes to extend its deepest sympathy in the loss of your son.

FOR THE CHAIRMAN, SENATE

Sincerely yours,

W. H. CRAWFORD
U.S. SENATOR
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

My son, ²⁹³ Private First Class Paul H. Espig has been reported missing as of December 23, 1944 and on May 2, 1945 reported as killed on that date. As of yet we have had no information as to the details of his death and the location of his grave. Furthermore, we have no knowledge of what became of his personal belongings.

In a letter from the Adjutant General we have been referred to you for the above information. I refer to

AGPC - O 201 Espig, Paul H. as directed
(25 JUL 45) 33 830 727

by the Adjutant General's letter of August 1, 1945.

We are very anxious to receive more information about him and any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

respectfully yours.

Amalie P. Espig.

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig

R. D. #2 Box 322

Shickling Springs, Pennsylvania

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

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2 June 49
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ESPIG, Paul H.
(Name)

Pfc
(Rank)

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(AST) E. H. METZ, Lt. Col. (C)
Chief, Identification Br.
Memorial Division, CG

previously buried as Unknown X-127, USIC Foy
Identification accepted in accordance with Letter, File AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47)
D-M, War Dept., TAGO, 9 April 47, subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for
Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, by the following members of the Board
of Review, established by Par 3, SO No. 33, Hq. A.G.R.C., dated 27 Mar 48, Par 2,
SO No. 49, Hq. A.G.R.C., dated 23 Apr 48 and Par 5, SO No. 88, Hq. A.G.R.C.,
dated 30 June 1948.

25 SEPT 1948

Lt. Col. Patrick W. GUINEY 019066 QMC Maj. Walter B. MORRILL 033A220 Inf

Maj. Reid E. TITUS 041879 TC Maj. Clarence R. BREMER 0365667 FA

Capt. Frederick J. HICKS 01823156 Inf Capt. Jack C. HAYES 01577297 QMC

1/Lt Anthony C. SANTIAGO 01333883 QMC 1/Lt. Joseph E. McCLUSKEY 01338110 Inf

File
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Hickman



X-127

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Graves Registration Form No. 1 (Revised 1 Sept. 1945)

REPORT OF BURIAL

23 September 1948

Date

293 **ESPIG**

Paul

H

Pfc

33830727

Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

Serial No.

Co "C" 814 Tank Destroyer Bn Sp

Organization

Vic of Commanster, Belgium

23 Dec 1944

Chest Wound

Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

1530 - 6 May 1945 US Military Cemetery FOY, Belgium

Time and Date of Burial

Name of Cemetery

Name of Coordinates of Location

212

Row Number

Plot Number

Cross

Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags : Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No

If No Identification Tags Previously buried as Unknown X-127 (Foy)
How were remains identified? Identified through: 1)Tooth chart for X-127 is in agreement with Form 79 and OQMG 371 Form for Pfc Espig. 2)Estimated height and color of hair of X-127 are in agreement with height and color of hair of Pfc Espig. 3)Unk X-127 was recovered near Tank Destroyer #40177750, C-22, 7, 814 T.D. 201 File for Pfc Espig states that he was the sole casualty of tank 22 of C Company of 814th T.D.Bn., which was assigned to the 7th Arm Div. 4)Estimated place of death of X-127 is in agreement with the area where Pfc Espig was reported killed.

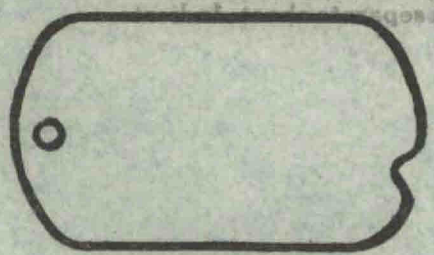
To determine Right or Left use **Deceased's** Right and Left.

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right : KARCHNER 35529437 T/5 112 Inf 211
Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No.

Deceased's Left : X-128 213
Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No.

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in bellow :

Emergency Addressee Unknown
Name

Address

Religion Protestant

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same :

REBURIAL
Previously buried in isolated grave located at: Commanster, Belgium. GC765855 Sheet 93, 1/50,000.

This corrected copy of Report of Burial, prepared in the office of the American Graves Registration Command.

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

George L. Freeman

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

GEORGE L. FREEMAN

1/Lt

QMC

NOV 8 1948

File 49
Walker

REPRODUCED COPY

IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following :

Height : Laundry Marks
 Weight : Number of Rifle :
 Color of Eyes : Wear Glasses ?
 Color of Hair : Is Tooth Chart Attached ?
 Race :
 (If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Left Hand	4						
	3						
	2						
	1						
Thumb							
<p>Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.:</p> <p>Previously buried as Unknown X-127 (P). Identified through: 1) Tooth chart for X-127 is in agreement with Form 70 and OMC 371 Form for Pfc Rabig. 2) Estimated height and color of hair of X-127 are in agreement with height and color of hair of Pfc Rabig. 3) X-127 was recovered near the location of the Pfc Rabig. 4) Estimated place of death of X-127 is in agreement with the area where Pfc Rabig was reported killed.</p>							

TOOTH CHART

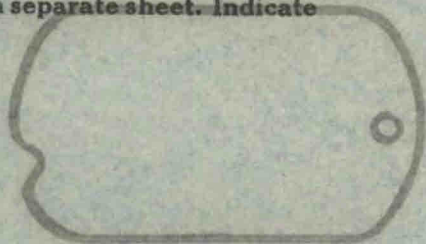
Upper	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lower	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Indicate : missing natural teeth by X ; crowns by O ; fillings by □ ; Bridges by ∩ ; linking anchor teeth ; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics :

Other Data :

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.



GRAVES REGISTRATION
FORM NO
(Revised 1 Sept. 1942)

AMERICAN

REBURIAL

REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

6 MAY 45

UNKNOWN X-127 - ESPIG, Paul H. 33830727

UNKNOWN UNKNOWN

Unit: OM Rank: UNK

Organization: EST JAN 45 Cause of Death: KIA: CHEST WOUND

Place of Death: U. S. MIL. CEM. #1, FOY, BELGIUM Color of Hair: P-574629

Time and Date of Burial: 1530 6 MAY 45 Name of Cemetery: U. S. MIL. CEM. #1, FOY, BELGIUM

Grave Number: 212 Name or Coordinates of Location: CROSS

Row Number: 9 Plot Number: J

Type of Marker: CROSS

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No

If No Identification Tags How were remains identified? NO

BODY DISINTERRED VIC. COMMANDER, BELGIUM, COORDINATES, 765855, SHEET 93, 1/50,000. FOUND NEAR TANK DESTROYER, #40177750, O-22, 814 T.D. FINGER PRINTS UNOBTAINABLE, DUE TO DECOMPOSITION. LOWER JAW TOOTH CHART MADE ONLY.

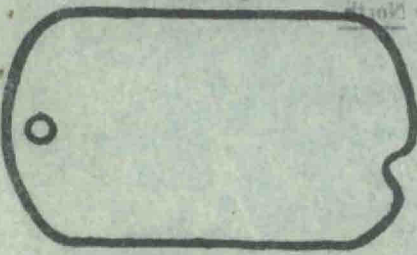
What means of identification were buried with the body? NO

FORM GR-1

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left

Who is buried on:	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Right:	<u>KARCHNER, WILLARD N.</u>	<u>35529437</u>	<u>T/5</u>	<u>112th INF</u>	<u>211</u>
Deceased's Left:	<u>UNKNOWN X-128</u>	<u></u>	<u>UNK</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>213</u>

Signature for Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:

Emergency Addressee UNK Name _____

Address _____

Religion UNK - Protestant

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

1 BIBLE

TO EFFECTS QM

REBURIAL

Previously buried in isolated grave
located at G.C. 765855, Sheet 93, 1/50,000

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial
Leo M. Duffy
LEO M. DUFFY, 1st Lt. QM GR. 610th QM GR. REG. CO.

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

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REPORT OF BURIAL IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following:

Height: EST 5'6" Laundry Marks: YES
 Weight: EST 160 Number of Rifle: NO
 Color of Eyes: -- Wear Glasses? --
 Color of Hair: BROWN Is Tooth Chart Attached? YES
 Race: WHITE U.S. MIL. CEM. # 35125324

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

CLOTHES MARKINGS:

DRAWERS, Wool, "N-7344"
 DRAWERS, Wool, (NAME) "NAWROCK, BOLESLAW"
 JACKET, FATIGUE, #35125324
 O.D. TROUSERS SIZE 32-29
 Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.:
 SOCKS, SIZE 10 1/2
 SHIRT, O.D. 15 1/2 X 32
 REGULATION OFFICERS FIELD COAT WORN

(1) BIBLE FOUND ON BODY WITH INSCRIPTION:

This book is a gift to you from
 M. CHARLES H. CHAIN, Silvertown, COCO.

TOOTH CHART

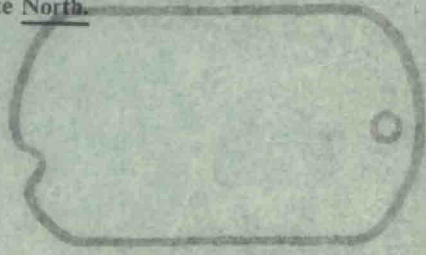
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Deceased's Right		Deceased's Left	
8	8	8	8
7	7	7	7
6	6	6	6
5	5	5	5
4	4	4	4
3	3	3	3
2	2	2	2
1	1	1	1
Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower

Indicates: missing natural teeth by X; crowns by C; fillings by O; Bridges by □; fillings by X; missing anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Name: UNK
 Address: UNK
 Religion: UNK
 Emergency Address: UNK

Characteristics:
 Other Data:



AG P BR HQ SOS 722560

Left Hand
 Thumb
 1
 2

Right Hand
 Thumb
 1
 2

6 MAY 45
 UNKNOWN
 CHEST WOUND
 CROSS
 COORDINATES
 FOUND NEAR TANK DESTROYED
 PRINTS UNOBTAINABLE
 CHART MADE ONLY

UNKNOWN X-124
 UNKNOWN
 6 MAY 45
 SIS
 FORM CR-1
 UNK
 UNK
 UNK X-128

GRAVE REGISTRATION
FORM NO. 1
(Revised 1 Sept. 1948)

AMERICAN

MEMORIAL

REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

6 MAY 45

~~UNKNOWN X-127~~

ESPIG, Paul H.

33830727

UNKNOWN

Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

Serial No.

Unit

Organization

COMMANSTER, BELGIUM

KIA; CHEST WOUND

Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

1930 6 MAY 45

U. S. MIL. CEM. #1, POY, BELGIUM

P-574629

Time and Date of Burial

Name of Cemetery

Name or Coordinates of Location

212

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CROSS

Grave Number

Row Number

Plot Number

Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No

Attached to Marker Yes No

If No Identification Tags

How were remains identified?

BODY DISINTERRED VIC. COMMANSTER, BELGIUM, COORDINATES, 765855, SHEET 93, 1/50,000. FOUND NEAR TANK DESTROYER, BL0177750, Q-22, 7th S.M. T.D. FINGER PRINTS UNOBTAINABLE, DUE TO DECOMPOSITION. LOWER JAN TOOTH CHART MADE ONLY.

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Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

35529437

T/5

112th INF

211

Deceased's Left:

UNKNOWN X-128

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

Name

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

Signature of Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.

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Emergency Addressee

UNK

Name

Protestant

Address

Religion

UNK

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TO EFFECTS QM

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Verified by G.R.S. Officer

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REPORT OF BURIAL

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 (#) **36557344**
JACKET, FATIGUE, #35125324
JACKET, FIELD - SIZE 40R
O.D. TROUSERS SIZE 32-29
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SHIRT, O.D. 15 1/2 X 32
REGULATION OFFICERS FIELD COAT WORN

(1) BIBLE FOUND ON BODY WITH DISCRPTION:
This book is a gift to you from
Mr. CHARLES H. SHAYN, SILVERTON, COLO.

TOOTH CHART

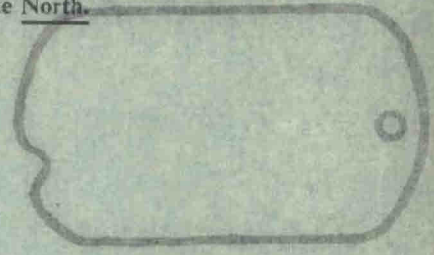
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Indicate: missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O; fillings by □; Bridges by ○ lining anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics:

Other Dam:



AG P BR HQ 505 /22560

Left Hand

Right Hand

Thumb

Thumb

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DATE 14 May 45 Mag.

REPORT OF DEATH

FULL NAME Espig, Paul H.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 33 830 727	GRADE Pfc
HOME ADDRESS Sinking Springs, Pa.		ARM OR SERVICE FA	DATE OF BIRTH 25 Nov 20
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed In Action		DATE OF DEATH 23 Dec 44
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 4 Aug 43	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Mildred A. Espig, Wife, 36 East Wyomissing Avenue Mohnton, Pa.			
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Mildred A. Espig, Wife, Same address. Mrs. Amelia P. Espig, Mother, R.D. #2 Sinking Spring, Pa. Mr. Ernst P. Espig, Father, Same address.			
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY	OWN MISCONDUCT
YES	NO	YES	NO
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE	
YES	NO	YES	NO
IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)	
YES	NO	YES	NO

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

 BATTLE NON-BATTLE

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 23 Dec 44 until such absence was terminated on 2 May 45, when ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from Commander of European Area.

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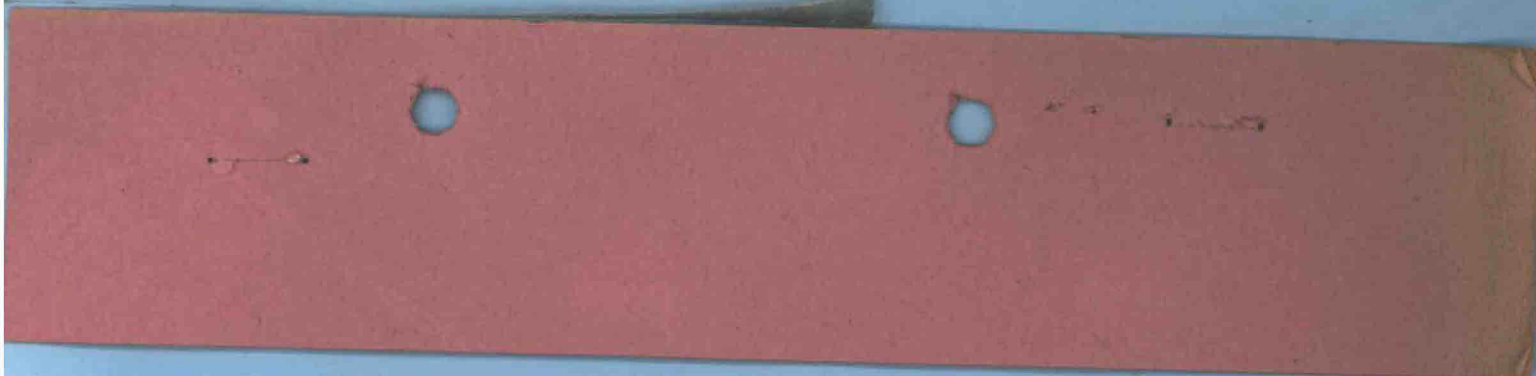
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S. O. C. M. G.	O. F. D.	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
		A. G. 301 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

Eli S. Fowler

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YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME ESPIG PAUL H		SERIAL NUMBER 33830727	GRADE PF3	COMPONENT FA	STATUS ETC
PLACE OF CASUALTY BELGIUM	DATE OF CASUALTY DAY: 23 MONTH: DEC YEAR: 44		ARMED SERVICE STATUS MIA	CERTIFICATE NUMBER 0-0-0	
NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSER					
THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF CASUALTY, AND THE ADDRESS GRAPHIC AND LETTERS OF INFORMATION SHALL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS GIVEN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT OF KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID BENEFITS FOR CASUALTY IN CASE OF DEATH.					
MR.-MRS.-MISS-VICE-ADMIRAL-ADMIRAL INITIAL-LAST NAME MRS MILDRED A ESPIG			RELATIONSHIP WIFE	DATE OF BIRTH 18 JANUARY 1905	
ADDRESS AND NAME OF SERVICE UNIT 36 EAST WYOMISSING AVENUE MOHNTON PENNSYLVANIA					

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CASUALTY BRANCH
JAN 14 3 38 PM '45
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RECORDING AND VERIFICATION SECTION

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED: YES NO

FILE NO. MESSAGE NO. DATE FILED

FORWARDED TO: TELETYPE BOUND LETTER OTHER

PROJECT NOT VERIFIED: YES NO

NO CAS. BR. FILE CHECKED BY: *[Signature]*

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

DSJ:BLF:af
April 26, 1946

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IN REPLY REFER TO

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig
R.D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

Your inquiry to Washington has been referred to the Army Effects Bureau for reply in connection with the personal effects of your son, Private First Class Paul H. Espig.

We have checked our records and regret to state that, to date, we have not received any property belonging to Private Espig, nor information pertaining thereto. All War Department agencies are under instruction to forward personal effects to this Bureau when recoverable. In view of the lapse of time since Private Espig became a casualty, it is unlikely that any of his effects will arrive here.

In the event information should be received at a later date indicating recovery of any property belonging to him, you will be promptly notified.

Yours very truly,

D. S. JOHNSTON
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Adm. Division

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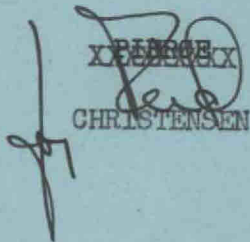
HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU		DATE
2	KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI			
3	Espig, Paul S. N. 33 830 727			

For necessary action.



~~SECRET~~

 CHRISTENSEN

2 Incl.
 cy ltr 1 Apr 46
 cy ltr e/d

FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
				10 Apr 46
				TELEPHONE

MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION
BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115
1 October 1944

This Form supersedes W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115, 23 March 1944,
which may be used until existing stocks are exhausted.

25-37607-6250

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 KANSAS CITY, MO.
 APR 1 1948

C O P Y

4/1/46

Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

My son, Private First Class Paul H. Espig has been reported missing as of December 23, 1944 and on May 2, 1945 reported as killed on that date. As of yet we have had no information as to the details of his death and the location of his grave. Further more we have no knowledge of what became of his personal belongings.

In a letter from the Adjutant General we have been referred to you for the above information. I refer to AGPC O 201 Espig, Paul H.
(25 Jul 45) 33 830 727 as directed by the Adjutant General's letter of August 1, 1945.

We are very anxious to receive more information about him and any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully yours,

Amalie P. Espig

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig
R. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Incl #1

by 23

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4/1/46

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Respectfully yours,

Amalia P. Esqig

Mrs. Amalia P. Esqig
R. D. 42, Box 322
Slating Springs, Pennsylvania



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INQUIRY CLERK

SPOYG 293
Espig, Paul H.
S.N. 33 830 727

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

10 April 1946

Mrs. Amalie P. Espig
R. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig, has been received in this office.

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A copy of your letter has been forwarded to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C. for direct reply relative to the circumstances surrounding the death of your son as that office has jurisdiction over matters of this nature.

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Incl #2

COPY

10 April 1946

Address Reply to
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

S.W. 33 830 727
Eagle, Paul H.
SPROY 293

Mrs. Annalee P. Eagle
R. D. #2, Box 322
Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Eagle:

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SPQYG 293 Espig, Paul H. S.N. 33 830 727 10 April 1946

This office regrets, sincerely, the delay in answering your letter and wishes to extend its deepest sympathy in the loss of your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

WM. B. CHRISTENSEN
1st Lieut, QMC
Assistant

C O P Y

SPROY 293 Esq., Paul H. S. N. 33 830 757 10 April 1946

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W. H. CHRISTENSEN
1st Lieut, OMC
Assistant

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APR 17 1946
KANSAS CITY, MO.
BUREAU

~~ARMY SERVICE FORGES~~
 KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
 ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
 601 HARDESTY AVENUE
 KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

S: 5 August 49
 HOG/DF/hd
 5 July 1949



IN REPLY REFER TO 386,803 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

²⁹³ Espig, Paul H Private First Class 33830727
 (Name) (Rank) (ASN)
 FORMERLY UNKNOWN X-127, FOY, BELGIUM

FA CO "C" 814TH T. D. BN
 (Following to be filled in by OQMG). Branch of Service and/or Organization

DATE OF DEATH 23 DECEMBER 1944

PLACE OF CASUALTY EUROPEAN AREA: GERMANY

NEXT OF KIN MRS. MILDRED A. ESPIG * WIDOW
 (Name) (Relationship)

ADDRESS 36 EAST WYOMISSING AVENUE, MOHNTON, PENNSYLVANIA

PREVIOUS SHIPMENT YES X NO (Check one)

DATE OF LAST PREVIOUS SHIPMENT (If any) _____

SUMMARY COURT MADE (Eff QM Form 75) Yes X No (Check one)

TO WHOM (If made) _____
 (If same as NOK, write same)

Write below the name and address of an alternate beneficiary or an individual we have previously contacted in the case file. If a relative, list his relationship. This information will be used only if the next of kin noted above cannot be located.

MR. ERNST PL ESPIG (FATHER) MRS. AMELIA P. ESPIG (MOTHER)
R. D. #2, SINKING SPRING, PA. SAME AS FATHER'S

Signature William F. Conlon
 WILLIAM F. CONLON, MAJOR, QMC

Remarks: * Information received in this Office from the VA Branch Office #3 Philadelphia, Pa. indicates that the widow has remarried. Her present name or address is not on record.

3 JUL 1948
3 JUL 1948

KANSAS CITY DEPARTMENT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO 500, 503

NAME OF DONOR
ADDRESS
CITY AND STATE
DATE OF BIRTH
PLACE OF ORIGIN
NAME OF VESSEL
PREVIOUS SERVICE
DATE OF LAST PREVIOUS SERVICE
REASON FOR SERVICE

RECEIVED
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY, MO.
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FIELD SERVICE DIV.
8 JUL 1948

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M 4882

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QMIGOD 293, Espig, Paul H., Pfc
SN 33 830 727

1st Ind.

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 18 July 1949

TO: Commanding Officer, Quartermaster Activities
Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Missouri
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

Information requested has been entered on basic form.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ~~XXXXXXXX~~ MIDDLESWART:

William F. Conlon
WILLIAM F. CONLON
Major, QMC
Field Service Division

COMM. REC'D BY
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Paul E. ...
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Department of the Army, ...

For ...
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U.S. ARMY DEPT OF EFFECTS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY, MO.
JUL 20 1949

JUL 10 4 20 PM '49
COMM. M&R. DR.

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386803

HOC/NS/ojr
22 August 1949

Mrs. Mildred A. Espig
36 East Wyomissing Avenue
Mohnton, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

Thank you for the information recently given the Army Effects Bureau in connection with the disposal of property belonging to your husband, the late Private First Class Paul H. Espig.

This property, consisting of a New Testament and one small paper card, was sent you under separate cover 18 August 1949, for disposition.

If, for some reason, the property has not reached you within thirty days, please notify this Bureau so tracer can be instituted.

Sincerely yours,

H. O. CALDWELL
Effects Quartermaster

AMOUNT OF CHECK	DISCREPANCY IN	INCLOSE VALUABLES	RECIPIENT FROM
ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME	SHIP VALUABLES	CASUALTY REPORT
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<p>Mrs. Mildred A. Espig</p> <p>36 East Wyomissing Avenue</p> <p>Mohnton, Pennsylvania</p> <p>Pfc Paul H. Espig</p> <p>33830727</p> <p>386803 D</p>			LETTER
			NO. & TYPE OF CONTAINER
			ENVELOPE
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			PACKAGE
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			SHIP DAMAGED
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DIARY REMOVED			
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			WAREHOUSE
			FILE
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ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
INVENTORY

Sheet of Sheets
Box No.

Deceased
Missing
P.O.W.
Abandoned

SHOWN ON TALLY-IN AS unidentified #59 ORIGINAL NO. OF PKGS.
TALLY-IN NO. 5939 INVENTORY DATE 29 Dec 45 CASE NO. 654000
EFFECTS OF UNKNOWN #6248 RANK
A.S.N. ORG.

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION:

ARTICLE DESCRIPTION

#1 pkg

<p><i>To you Testament small ^(Pocket) size - brown leather like material binding. With new Testaments printed in yellow colored letters.</i></p>	<p><i>& our country. With best wishes & sincere prayer for God's abiding presence with you.</i></p>
<p><i>A small paper card with following writing: "This Book is a gift to you from: Mr. Charles H. Chain Silverton Colorado." through the cooperation of the American Bible Society & its Christian friends, in appreciation for service rendered</i></p>	<p><i>file</i></p>

DAMAGED BLOODSTAINED

REMARKS:

ATTACHMENTS:

*No. information
rechecked*

*1 form 43
5 Inventions
1 S. R. label
1 Report of burial*

~~NO CORRESPONDENCE
SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
G. I. ON REVERSE~~

*No. C.A.T.
358 23*

STORAGE } 758
SPACE }

SAFE STORAGE
VAULT STORAGE

WEIGHT AUG 18 1949
SHIPPED

Inventoried by Loumond Packed by Hill

Handwritten initials and marks

No identity could be established from effects.

Place of burial - U.S. Mil. Cem # 1
Fry, Belgium

Point of coordination P-574629

Grave # - 212

Height - Est 5'6"

Row # - 9

Weight - 160

Plot # - J

Color of hair - Brown

Type of Marker - Cross

Race - white

Report of burial - shows tooth chart attached - The tooth chart is on back of.

Report of burial but it is not filled in.

Clothing Markings:

Drawers, wool - (N-7344) + Name BOLESLAW

- NAWROCK ASN-36557944 - (Cen #387,526)

Jacket, fatigue # 30155324

Jacket field size 40 R

DD trousers size 32-29

Socks size 10 1/2

Shirt O.D. - 15 1/2 X 32

Regulation Officers field coat worn.

(1) Bible found on body with inscription:

This book is a gift to you from,

Mr. Charles W. Chain,

Silverton, Colo.

Damage

1 New Testament appears to be slightly damaged by moisture & bloodstain.

1 card slightly damaged by moisture.

J-9-212

AMERICAN UNIDENTIFIED #27

Serial No. _____ Name _____

Grade unk Rank _____

Organization unk

Address _____

Nearest Relative unk

Address _____

Killed in Action Chest wound Died of Disease _____

Date Est. Jan. 45 Hospital _____

Battle Area Commanche Information _____

Place of Burial Belgium 765 855, Sheet 93, 150,000

Point of Coordination U.S. Mil. Cem #1, Foy Bel.

Description of Body _____

Members Missing _____

Signed _____

GRAVES REGISTRATION
FORM No. 1
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

AMERICAN

REBURIAL

REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

6 MAY 45
Date

UNKNOWN X-127

UNKNOWN

COMMANSTER, BELGIUM

1530 6 MAY 45

212

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U. S. MIL. CEM. #1, FOY, BELGIUM

EST JAN 45

Date of Death

UNK

Rank

UNKNOWN

Serial No.

Organization

KIA: CHEST WOUND

Cause of Death

P-574629

Name or Coordinates of Location

CROSS

Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No

If No Identification Tags

How were remains identified?

NO

BODY DISINTERRED VIC. COMMANSTER, BELGIUM, COORDINATES, 765855, SHEET 93, 1/50,000. FOUND NEAR TANK DESTROYER, #40177750, G-22, 7 814 T.D. FINGER PRINTS UNOBTAINABLE, DUE TO DECOMPOSITION. LOWER JAW TOOTH CHART MADE ONLY.

What means of identification were buried with the body?

FORM GR-1

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on:

Deceased's Right:

KARCHNER, WILLARD N. 35529437 T/5 112th INF

211

Name

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

Deceased's Left:

UNKNOWN X-128

UNK

UNKNOWN

213

Name

Serial No.

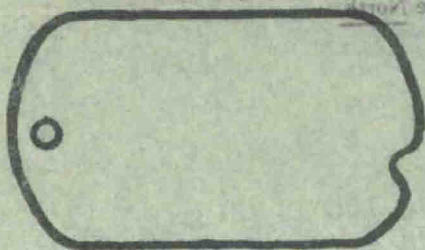
Rank

Organization

Grave No.

Signature of Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data, when other than officer reporting burial.

If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:



Emergency Addressee

UNK

Name

Address

Religion

UNK

REBURIAL

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

1 BIBLE

Previously buried in isolated grave located at Commanster, Belg. G.C. 765855, Sheet 93, 1/50,000

TO EFFECTS QM

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

LEO M. DUFFY, 1st Lt, QM GR. O.

610th QM GR. REG. CO.

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

REPORT OF BURIAL

IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following:

Height: **EST 5'6"** Laundry Marks: **YES**
 Weight: **EST 160** Number of Rifle: **NO**
 Color of Eyes: **--** Wear Glasses? **--**
 Color of Hair: **BROWN** Is Tooth Chart Attached? **YES**
 Race: **WHITE**

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

CLOTHES MARKINGS:

DRAWERS, Wool, "N-7344"
DRAWERS, Wool, (NAME) "NAWROCK, BOLESLAW"
 (#) **36557344**
JACKET, FATIGUE, #35125324
JACKET, FIELD SIZE 40R
O.D. TROUSERS SIZE 32-29
 Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.:
SOCKS, SIZE 10 1/2
SHIRT, O.D. 15 1/2 X 32
REGULATION OFFICERS FIELD COAT WORN

(1) BIBLE FOUND ON BODY WITH INSCRIPTION:
This book is a gift to you from
Mr. CHARLES H. CHAIN, Silverton, COLO.

TOOTH CHART

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.

Upper	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lower																

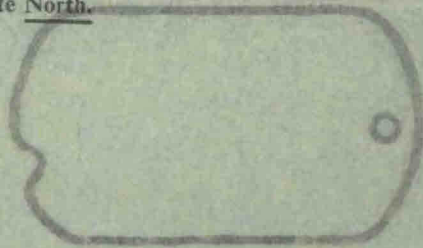
Indicate: missing natural teeth by X; crowns by C; fillings by □; Bridges by ⊕; lining anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics:

Other Data:

AG P BR HQ SOS

122560



List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same.

located at S.C. 2622, Silverton, Colo.

Left Hand

Right Hand

Thumb

Thumb

UNIDENTIFIED		#59		
PALLET	BOX	TALLY		TYPE PKG
	9	5939		PKG

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PERSONAL EFFECTS AND BAGGAGE LIST

FORM 290

AMERICAN

REG. 513, U.S. ARMY

TALLY IN INVENTORY RECORD

TALLY IN No. _____

NAME UNKNOWN X-127 RANK UNK ASN UNK

SHOWN ON CONSIGNORS T.O. AS _____

ORIGIN USMIA GEM #1 FOR BEL

DATE 26 MAY 45 GRADE PEB STATUS KIA

ITEMS _____ DESCRIPTION _____ QUANTITY _____

1 NEW TESTAMENT

INVENTORIED BY Giuliani
TYPE CONTAINER _____

WELL
DRAGS

12 U. S. MIL. GEN. #1, FOY, BELGIUM

RESTRICTED

Inventory Form

6 MAY 45

Date

SUBJECT: *Inventory of Personal Effects of:*

UNKNOWN X-127

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(MI)

UNK

(Rank)

UNKNOWN

(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communications Zone, APO 887 DEPOT Q-290 U.S. Army.

The above named individual of UNKNOWN

(Unit)

(Organization)

was reported KIA about JAN 45 194

Status (KIA, MIA, Hosp. etc.)

(Date)

Designated beneficiary if information readily accessible UNKNOWN

Inventory of Effects

1 BIBLE - *Inscription, This book is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. CHAIN, SILVERTON, COLO.*

Money in the amount of NONE has been turned into _____

(Name of finance officer and

Form WDFD 38 enclosed.

symbol number)

Names and addresses of any banks in which accounts may be carried:

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot

by TRUCK on _____ 194

(Rail, Truck, etc.)

Name *Leo M. Duffy*

Rank and ASN LEO M. DUFFY, 1st Lt. QM GR. O.

Organization 610th QM.GR. REG. CO.

Any additional pertinent information:

RESTRICTED

No. E. I3314

REQUEST FOR CHIPMENT

Baggage

Date 22 Aug. 1945

US. MIL. CEM. -I FOY

Effects

KIA

(BELGIUM)

Case No. 263247

K.C.Q.M.D. 18NSEP 45

LIST# 58, SHEET# 49

Released by VANTA

CAR# 81723, BOX# 914

UNKNOWN X-127
Name

AMERICAN
Rank

UNK

UNK
ASN

Present Address

Forwarding Address : ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU KCQMD 60^I
HARDESTY. AVE KANSAS CITY
MISSOURI.

Authority

THE STATUS

Item

PEB

WHSE SP 525-172

Withdrawn by

Col

Mailed

1945 T/O NO.

Shipped

1945 Port

Baggage List No.

Dated

1945 Baggage Check No.

Baggage Cannot be Located in the Warehouse

Signed

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
Summary Court-Martial
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

SZ/NS/mjo'e
Case No. 386803

Date 15 August 1949

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

Paul H. Espig 33830727 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)
Private First Class Field Artillery who died
(Grade) (Organization, Arm or Service)
on the 23rd day of Dec., 47, at European Area.

TO: The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City, Mo., pursuant to S.O. 232, Hq., KCQM Depot, dated Dec 47, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedent's camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate \$ none of which the sum of \$ none was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None", otherwise attach itemized statement of sums owing and collected.) (Incl. none)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none, which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt none, Incl none).

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below).

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri on 11 August 1949, pursuant to S.O. 232, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated December 1947, the application or affidavit of Mrs. Mildred A. Espig, for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds, that, under the provisions of A.W. 112,

Mrs. Mildred A. Espig of
(Name of person found entitled)

36 East Wyomissing Avenue, Mohnton State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)

Pennsylvania is the widow of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court-Martial)

STANLEY ZABLOCKI, Captain, QMC
(Name, Rank, Organization)
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL



~~ARMY SERVICE CENTER~~
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

HOC/AID/ih
27 July 1949

IN REPLY REFER TO 386803

Mrs. Mildred A. Espig
36 East Wyomissing Avenue
Mohnton, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Espig:

The Army Effects Bureau has just received information from The Quartermaster General indicating that a New Testament and one small paper card which have been held at this Bureau, have been identified as belonging to Private First Class Paul H. Espig.

I regret to advise you these effects are damaged by moisture, and the Testament also appears to be bloodstained. Please say whether or not you want this property sent you. It is our desire to refrain from sending any article which would be distressing, yet at the same time we do not feel justified in disposing of the property without your consent.

Your reply may be made on the reverse of this letter, if you desire, and mailed in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Sincerely yours,

H. O. Caldwell
H. O. CALDWELL
Effects Quartermaster

1 Incl
Envelope

(over)

SAVE

Gentlemen

KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

Kindly send the two articles
which you have recovered,

Thanking you very much, I
remain,

Mr. Edward A. Lewis
25 East Washington Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Respectfully

Mrs. Mildred Espig

from the Quartermaster General indicating that a new statement
by one small paper card which have been held at this Bureau,
to Private First Class Paul

I regret to advise you these effects are damaged by
moisture, and the statement also appears to be falsified.
Please say whether or not you want this property sent you. If
is our desire to refrain from sending any article which would
be distressing, yet at the same time we do not feel justified
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Sincerely yours,

H. O. CALDWELL
Effects Quartermaster

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Envelope

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RECEIVED
KANSAS CITY, MO.
AUG - 01 1949
K.C. Q.M. DEPT EFFECTS BUREAU

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Washington 25, D. C.

In Reply refer to QMGMF 293

23 June 1949

Espig, Paul H.
ASN 33 830 727 *386803*

SUBJECT: Identification of former UNKNOWN deceased.

TO: Commanding Officer
Quartermaster Activity
Kansas City Records Center
Kansas City 1, Missouri
Attn: Effects Quartermaster

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1. The remains which were previously interred as UNKNOWN X 127,
Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, USMC Foy, Belgium
have been identified by a CRS Field Board of Review as those of
Pfc Paul H. Espig 33 830 727
whose Next of Kin, according to the records of this Office, is
Mr. Ernst P. Espig, father, Rural Delivery #2, Box 322
Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania

2. The identification has been approved by this Office.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

James F. Smith
JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

UNIT'S ADDRESS ONLY
OFFICE
JUN 23 1949

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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH
O.G.H.G.

JUN 23 1 35 PM '49

C/O/P/Y
KCQMD
AEB:elr

see 654000

Department of the Army
Office of The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D.C.

In Reply Refer to: QMGOD 293
Unknown X-121
Unknown X-124
Unknown X-127
Unknown X-394
Unknown X-1129

SUBJECT: Identification of Certain Unknowns

TO : Commanding Officer
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

1. The following Unknowns, interred in the cemeteries named, are under investigation in this office. When the investigations have been completed, the Bureau will be notified.

- Unknown X0121, Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium
- Unknown X-124, Foy, Belgium
- Unknown X-127, Foy, Belgium
- Unknown X-394, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium
- Unknown X-1129, Margraten, Holland

2. Bureau letters dated 21 April 1948, are returned herewith.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL IARKIN:

1 Incl:
AEB ltrs dtd 21 Apr 48 (5)

/s/ GUY B. KEGLEY
Major, QMC
Field Service Division

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Department of the Army
Office of The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D.C.

In Reply Refer to: OMDG 293
Unknown X-121
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Unknown X-121

SUBJECT: Identification of Certain Unknowns

TO : Commanding Officer
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

1. The following unknowns, referred in the certificates named, are under investigation in this office. When the investigations have been completed, the Bureau will be notified.

- Unknown X-121, Newville-en-Condros, Belgium
- Unknown X-121, Fox, Belgium
- Unknown X-121, Fox, Belgium
- Unknown X-121, Henri-Ghabele, Belgium
- Unknown X-121, Mankraten, Holland

2. Bureau letters dated 21 April 1948, are returned herewith.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

MAJOR GUY B. KERRICK
Major, OMC
Field Service Division

1 Incl:
AEB ltr dtd 21 Apr 48 (2)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
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21 April 1948
DATE

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects

TO: The Quartermaster General
Memorial Division
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Personal effects found on remains interred as Unknown X-127
Plot J, Row 9, Grave 212, USMC Foy, Belgium
_____ have been held at this Bureau as of 29 December 1945.

2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

- 1 New Testament, brown leather.
- 1 paper with following writing: "This book is a gift to you from Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colorado, through the cooperation of the American Bible Society * * * *"

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not the above listed Unknown decedent has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

H. O. Caldwell
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Effects Quartermaster

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23 July 1946

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri

1. X-141, Champigneul #1, Marne, France identified as T/5 Mark E. DEMOTS, 15 107 276. Emergency addressee is his father; Dr. Edward G. Demots, 424 1st Street, S. E. Minot, North Dakota.

X-253, U. S. Military Cemetery, Nettuno, Italy, identified as Pfc. Harold R. OWEN, 37 525 429. Emergency addressee is his wife; Mrs. Ada E. Owen, 709 Cypress Street, Kansas City Missouri.

2. As identifications are effected on the other cases, information concerning same will be forwarded your office.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl--n/c

JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMG
Assistant

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June 12, 1946

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects

TO: The Quartermaster General
Memorial Division
Washington, D. C.

1. The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas effects of Unknown American decedents as indicated on the inclosed list. All effects have been thoroughly examined for possible clues of identification and description furnished of such items which might aid in identification of decedent.

2. It is requested that the records of your office be checked and this Bureau informed if report of identity is or has been established on any decedent referred to on inclosed list.

FOR THE EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER:

1 Incl--a/s

D. S. JOHNSTON
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Ada. Division

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<u>Unknown Decedent</u>	<u>Graves Designation</u>	<u>Est. Date of Death</u>	<u>Items in Effects</u>
X-113	U.S. Mil. Cem., Naples, Italy Grave 109, Row 10, Plot L	30 Dec 43	One Capt. bars, one Inf. insignia guns crossed with #504. Possibly 504th parachute Inf. Regt.
X-141	Champigneul No. 1 Cem., Marne, France, Grave 298, Row 12, Plot E.	30 July 45	One Religious Medal, St. Christopher Inscription on back "St. Christopher Protect Us--St. Joseph pray for us".
X-127	U.S. Mil. Cem. #1, Foz, Belgium, Grave 212, Row 9, Plot J.	Jan. 45	One new Testament, Brown leather. One paper with following writing; "This book is a gift to you from; Mr. Charles H. Chain, Silverton, Colorado, through the cooperation of the American Bible Society and its Christian Friends, in apprecia- tion for service rendered to our country. With best wishes and sincere prayer for Gods abiding presence with you". Effects damaged.
X-160	U.S. Mil. Cem., Hamm. Luxembourg, Germany, Grave 293, Row 12, Plot X	30 Dec. 44	One metal tag with following in- formation: Part #85-4772-700, Model #B-17-G, Serial #3468-RH Murray Corporation of America, Detroit, Michigan.
X-195	U.S. Mil. Cem., Castilfiorentino Italy, Point of Coord. Q549507	Unknown	One combat Infantry Badge.
X-253	U. S. Mil. Cem., Nettuno, Italy, Grave 4929, Row 63, Plot 2K	2 June 44	Photos, Testament, Billfold damaged, two souvenir coins
X-309	U.S. Mil. Cem. St. Andre, France Grave 139, Row 7, Plot E	Unknown	One ring, signet type, white colored metal. One note, Franch, 5 Franc ea. #1551694322. One note, French, 10 Franc ea. # 1947122811.

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