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7887 GRAVES DETACHMENT

APO 757

Attached hereto are case papers for an approved unidentifiable case which are considered to be of investigative importance. Records of this headquarters indicate these case papers were not previously forwarded to OQMG for:

UNKNOWN X-519 Henri Chapelle

(POC) HENRI CHAPELLE

File
16 March 51
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Jd Lee

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA
APO 887 U S ARMY

RRE 200.2 (Henri Chapelle, H4-6-118)

7 March 1947

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer
First Field Command
American Graves Registration Command
APO 403, U S Army

1. T-1813 was disinterred from the Military Cemetery at Geich, Germany, located at coordinate K51/F 2234. The remains of T-1813 were reburied as Unknown X-519 in USMC Henry Chapelle, Belgium, Plot H-4, Row 6, Grave 118. No other American bodies were found in this isolated cemetery.
2. Information concerning T-1813, now X-519, was first reported by a United States Army Unit. The date of death was an estimated report of 23 February 1945.
3. Check List prepared at the time the body was removed from the isolated grave is not in complete agreement with CIP Check List of 16 January 1947. Information in agreement is that the subject Unknown had dark brown hair.
4. On the first mentioned Check List the clothing was described as burned. Third Degree burns and decomposition made accurate description of remains impossible. The fact that an escape map and khaki trousers were found on the remains suggested that the decedent was assigned to the Air Corps. The estimated date of death, 23 February 1945, indicates that if the decedent wore khaki trousers, he wore them under a winter flying suit.
5. The CIP Check List does not show khaki trousers and escape map and the body is ^{not} described as burned. Articles of clothing and equipment include a Field Jacket and Shelter Half.

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6. It is requested that an investigation be made at the Geich Cemetery, Germany, to establish the exact date of death. If Air Corps or member of a Tank Crew, the location of casualty and the serial number of the Aircraft or vehicle may be obtainable.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL ODELL:

Philip J. Wolf

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Major QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen



NARRATIVE
ON GEICH, GERMANY CASE

On the 1 July 1947 this investigation team proceeded to Geich, Germany, in an effort to establish the exact date of death of an unknown American deceased according to a basic communication of the A.G.R.C. from the 7 March 1947.

This investigator first contacted the former and the present town-official of the community of Geich. Neither was able to give any exact information since most of the town's people were evacuated at the time when the above mentioned Unknown became a casualty. However it was discovered that this Unknown was killed in the plane crash of a two-motored American airplane, about 600 yards from the outskirts of the towns Geich and Fussenich.

We went to the plane wreckage to obtain the serial number of the aircraft. Since no wings or tail of the plane could be found and all the manufactory-tags were already taken off, we obtained the serial numbers of four (4) 50 cal machine guns found with the wreckage. These numbers are as follows: 916919, 507419, 489011, 149550. There are also two motors still with the wreckage, both are partly charred.

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As to all persons I have interviewed, to the statements I have obtained and to the plane wreckage I have inspected, my conclusion as follows:

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The date of death is the 23 February 1945, 1545 Hours (see Exhibit "C").

Serial number of aircraft was not obtainable. Check on numbers of machine guns found with the wreckage.

Bobby Profit

Bobby Profit
T/5 RA-15203515

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Geich, den 1. July 1947

E R K L A E R U N G

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Das Personal eines deutschen Hauptverbandplatzes im Kloster Fuessenich sorgte fuer den Abtransport der Leichen. Die Beerdigung fand am gleichen Tage statt.

gez. Pieck Peter
Geich, Haus Nr.96

Geich, 1 July 1947

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*/ Pieck Peter
Geich, House # 96

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Georg Geist
German interpreter

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WALTER P. BLANTON
1st Lt. Inf
Det. Commander

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(Exhibit "A")

Geich, d 1. July 1947

ERKLÄRUNG

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gez. Piesch Peter
Geich, Haus Nr.96

Geich, 1 July 1947

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(Exhibit "A")

Geich, Jan 1. July 1947

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s/ Pieck Peter
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German Interpreter

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Geich, Jan 1. July 1947

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gez. Plock Peter
Geich, Haus Nr. 96

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(Exhibit "A")

Geich, den 1. Juli 47

Erklärung.

Am 28. Februar 1945 stürzte in der Nähe von Geich ein zweimotoriges amerikanisches Flugzeug ab. Der Absturz war durch Flack verursacht worden. Die Besatzung bestand aus 6 Mann, die sämtlichen bei dem Absturz ums Leben kamen. 4 Tier dieser Leichen waren noch gut zu erkennen, während zwei davon bis zur Unkenntlichkeit verstümmelt u. verkohlt waren.

Das Personal eines deutschen Hauptverbandesplatzes im Kloster Fimmich sorgte für den Abtransport der Leichen. Die Beerdigung fand am gleichen Tag statt.

Peter Peter

PIECK PETER

GEICH

HAUS NR. 96

Exhibit "A"

Geich, den 1. Juli 1947

E R K L A E R U N G

Im September oder Oktober 1945 wurden die sechs Angehörigen des abgestürzten amerikanischen Flugzeuges auf dem katholischen Friedhof in Geich ausgegraben. Ich hatte den Auftrag, den Friedhof von Zivilisten freizuhalten. Das amerikanische Ausgrabungskommando bestand aus sechs Mann und einem Arzt. Der Arzt führte am Ausgrabungsort die Identifizierung durch. Ein Teil der Toten konnte durch die Namenszeichen an der Fliegerjacke identifiziert werden; andere wiederum durch Vergleiche mit einer Zahnkarte. Meiner Meinung nach konnten alle sechs Piloten identifiziert werden.

gez. Waldhausen Peter
Geich, Haus Nr.82

Geich, 1 July 1947

S T A T E M E N T

In September or October 1945 the six (6) members of the crashed American airplane were disinterred from the Catholic cemetery of Geich. I had order to shut the cemetery off for civilians.

The American disinterring team consisted of six (6) men and a physician. The physician accomplished the identifying at the place of disinterment. Some of the deceased could be identified by means of the names marked on the flying-jacket, others by means of toothcards.

To my opinion all of the six (6) pilots could be identified.

s/ Waldhausen Peter
Geich, House # 82

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(Exhibit "B")

Geich, dem 1. Juli 1947

ERKLÄRUNG

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ges. Waldhausen Peter
Geich, Haus Nr. 22

Geich, 1 July 1947

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Geich, den 1. Juli 1947

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Geich, den 1. Juli 1947

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Gen. Waldhausen Peter
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Geich, den 1. Juli 47

Erklärung.

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Fuessenich, den 1. Juli 1947

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Im April 1945 kam ein amerikanischer Offizier mit einem Jungen aus Luzemburg als Dolmetscher zu mir. Dieser Offizier fand den Namen seines Bruders auf einem Gurt und ein Schriftstueck mit dessen Namen. Sonst nichts. Er machte Photo-Aufnahmen.

Im Herbst 1945 wurden die Gebeine hier von Amerikanern ausgegraben.

gez. Pastor Klein
Fuessenich, Pfarrhaus.

Fussenich, 1 July 1947

S T A T E M E N T

On Friday the 23 February 1945 in the afternoon a quarter to four an airplane crashed "am Waeldchen". Two Flyers bailed out and were dead. The others in the plane burned. The plane was still burning on Saturday evening, th 24 February 1945.

In April 1945 an American Officer came together with a youngster from Luxemborg as interpreter to see me. This Officer found the name of his brother marked on a strap and also a document with his name on. Nothing beside of that. He took photo-pictures.

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s/ Pastor Klein
Fussenich, Parish

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s/ Pastor Klein
Fussnich, Parish

I herewith certify that this is a true translation of the above to the best of my ability.

Georg Geist

Georg Geist
German interpreter

A TRUE COPY:

Walter P. Stanton
WALTER P. STANTON
1st Lt, Inf
1. C Major VFB

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(libit 10)

Erklärung:

Am Freitag, dem 23. Februar 1945 Nachmittags
1/4 vor 4 stürzte hier am Wäldchen ein
Flugzeug ab. Zwei Flieger sprangen ab & blieben
tot liegen. Die im Flugzeug beim Absturz waren,
sind verbrannt. Das Flugzeug brannte noch am
Samstag Abend dem 24. Febr. 45.

Im April 1945 kam ein amerik. Offizier mit
einem Jungen aus Luxemburg als Dolmetscher
zu mir. Dieser Offizier fand den Namen
meines Bruders auf einem Gart in ein Schriftstück
mit dessen Namen. sonst nichts. Er wollte
Photo - Aufnahmen.

Im Herbst 45 wurden die Gebeine hier von
Amerikanern ausgegraben.

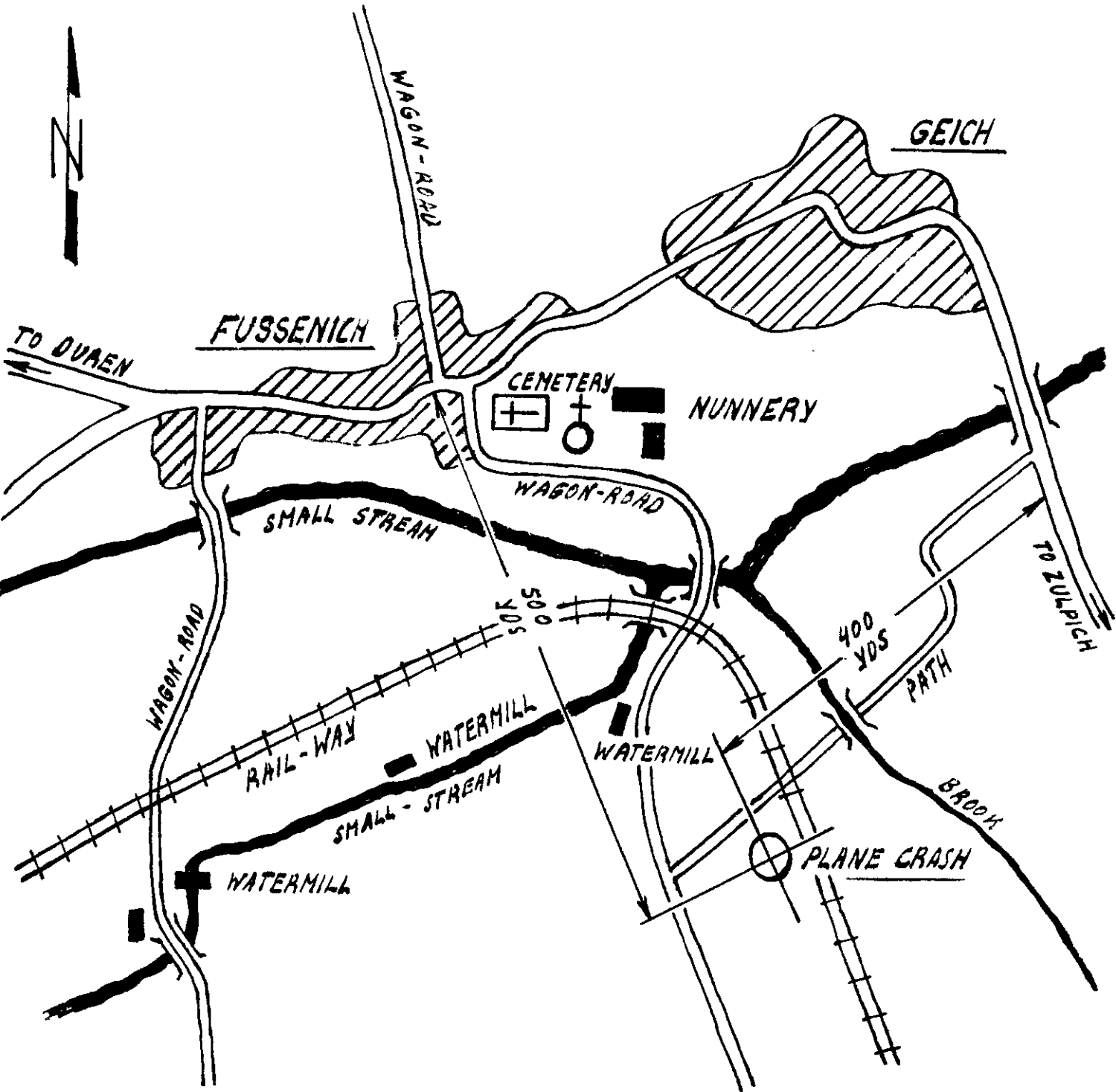
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Pastor Klein.

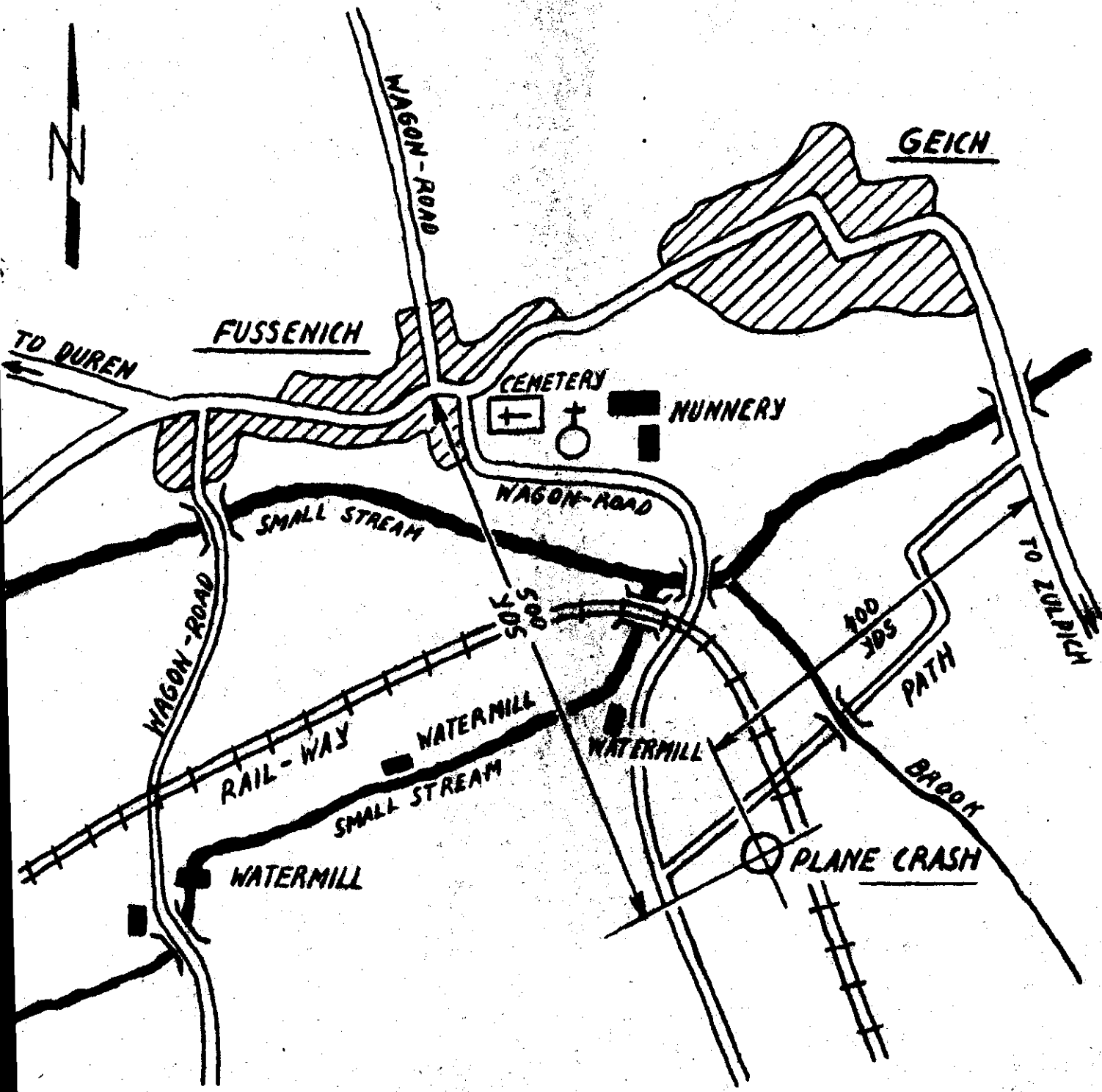
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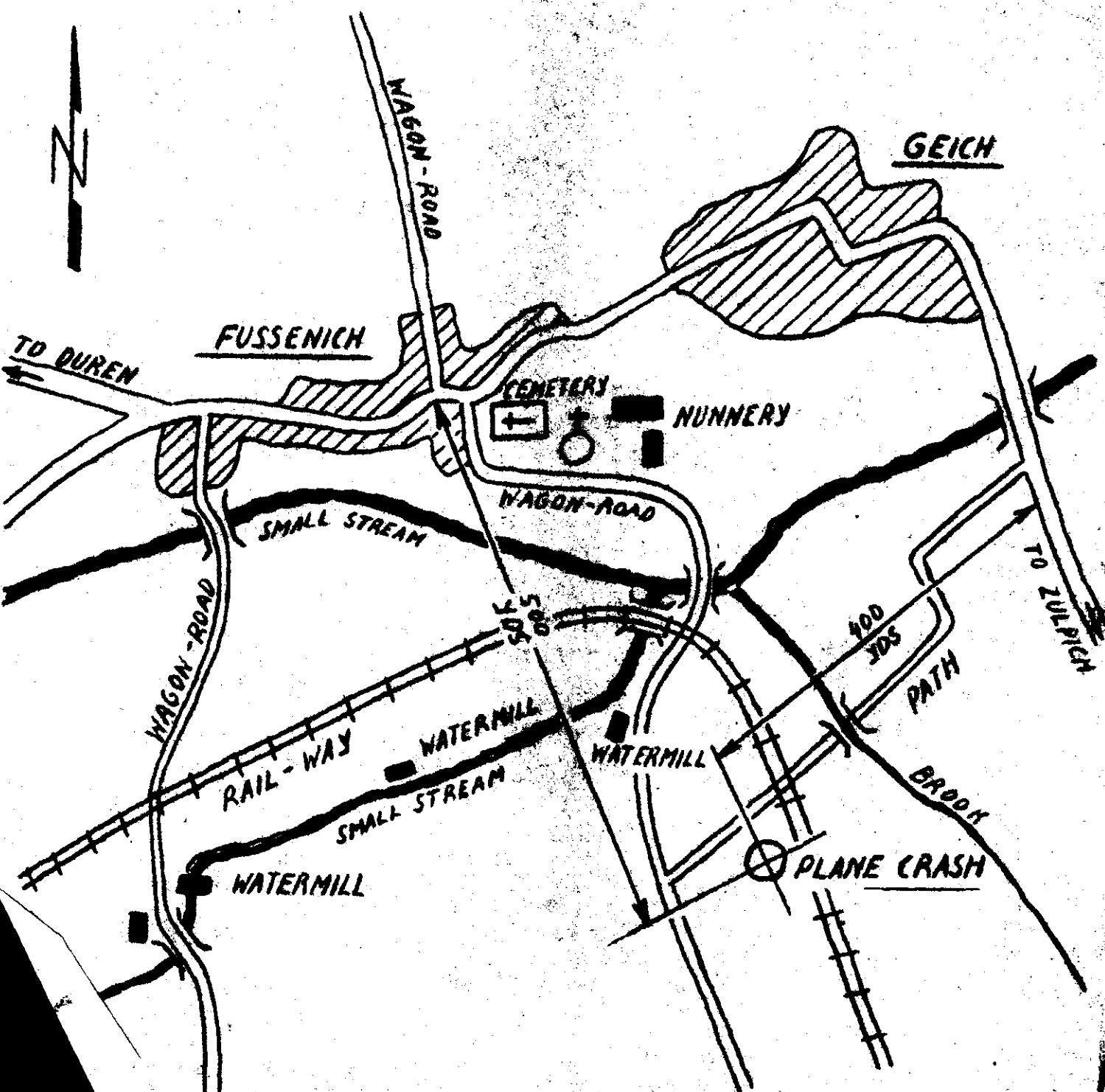
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 German Interpreter
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Scale 1/5000
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 Drawn by _____
 Checked by _____
 Date _____
 Interpreter _____



LIST FOR DISINTERMENT OF UNKNOWN

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UNKNOWN X- 519
 CEMETERY Henri Chapelle
 PLOT H-4 ROW 6 GRAVE 118

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Physical Description

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 2. Estimated weight Very Rough Est 140 lbs
 3. Color of eyes Impossible
 4. Color of hair DARK Brown
 5. Race White
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 7. Amount and color of hair on body (arms, chest, pelvic region, legs)
Impossible to determine for arms, chest & pelvic region due to decomposition. Slight amount of brown hair on legs.
 8. Description of mustache and beard
Impossible due to decomposition.
 9. Length of sideburns Impossible due to decomposition.
 10. Was the deceased circumcised? _____
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Impossible to determine.
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Normal
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 17. Are any parts of the body missing or severed? Both Hands and right-arm & Abdomen
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None
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TOOTH CHART

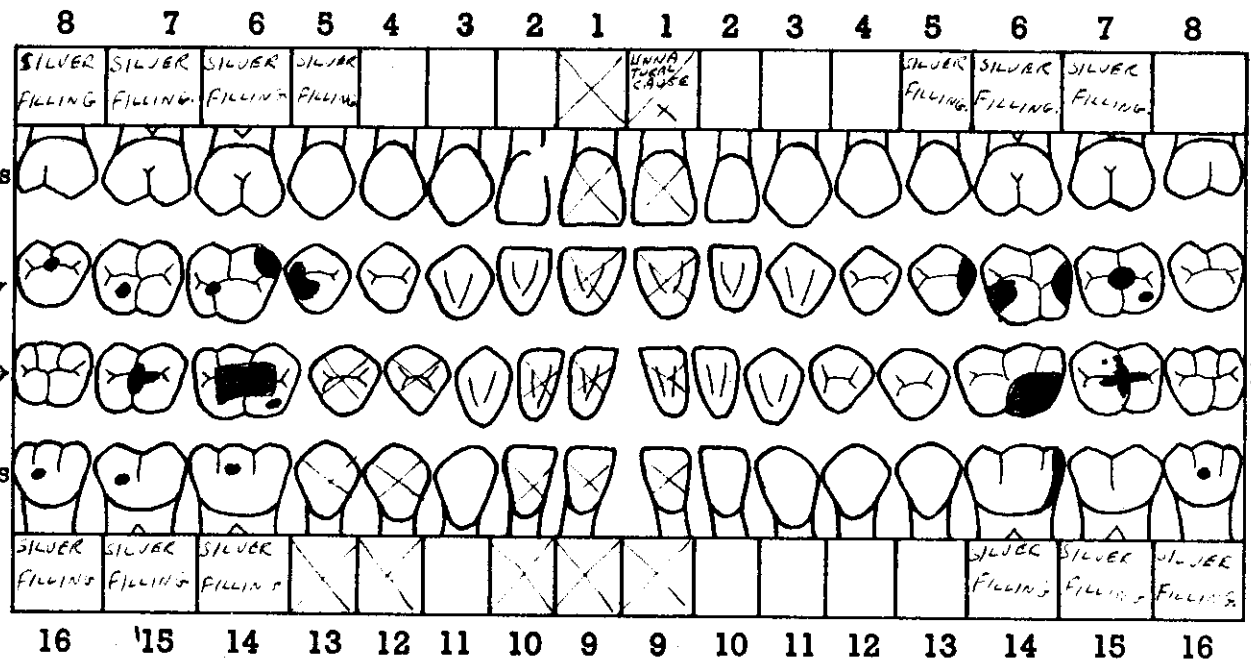
23 August 1945
 Date

Unidentified American X-519 Unknown Unknown
 Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

220-346 Unit Organization
 Vic of Belch, Germany Est 23 Feb 45 30 burns-body; decomposed
 Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

Right

Left



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Peter A. Slusarczyk
 Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart
 PETER A. SLUSARZYK, SGT, A.C.
Robert M. Parzelle
 Verified by G. R. & E. Officer
 ROBERT M. PARZELLE, CAPT, QMC.

USMC: Henri-Chapelle

Beu SLG

Plot: D Row: 12 Grave: 29
DATE OF BURIAL: Aug 48
VERIFIED BY: *[Signature]*
GRS OFFICER

LED ON
I: ISRAEL L. REESE
34974024
LEFT: TALISFOR BUDZEIKA
32218170

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A -
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER
1240 00000

DATE
10 09 47
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER
UNKNOWNX-000519

RANK

ARM

DATE OF DEATH

DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY

HENRI CHAPELLE EUPEN

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

1201 80
CODE DIST. PT.

PLOT ROW GRAVE COUNTRY

H4 6 118 BELGIUM

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 ORDER)

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

UNKNOWN X-519

SERIAL NUMBER

X-000519

RANK

Unk.

DATE OF DEATH

23 Feb. 45

DATE DISINTERRED

8 Nov. 47

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

ORGANIZATION

REMAINS GRS X-519

MARKER GRS X-519

RELIGION

Unk.

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

Robert C. Malloy
ROBERT C. MALLOY, 1ST LT. INF.

537TH QM SV. CO. NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

SHELTER HALF AND MATTRESS COVER

CONDITION OF REMAINS

MULTIPLE FRACTURES THROUGHOUT BODY

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

NO CONFLICTING EVIDENCE FOUND.

MINOR DISCREPANCIES / Arm of service changed-Auth.355 (Hq,AGRC)

NONE.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

ESMOND C. LYONS, EMB. SUPV.

DATE 26 NOV. 1947

BY

CASKET SEALED BY ESMOND C. LYONS, EMB. SUPV.

EMBALMER (Signature)
Esmond C. Lyons
ESMOND C. LYONS, EMB. SUPV., 537TH QM SV. CO.

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

MAC G. MOUTON
CLERK RECORDER

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

ESMOND C. LYONS, EMB. SUPV.

DATE 26/11/47 BY

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

Raymond G. Johnson
RAYMOND G. JOHNSON, 1ST LT. INF.

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR NAT

1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

FILE
RECORDS ALLOCATED
DATE 01 1 1948
NAME *[Signature]*
R & R

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 200.2

30 September 1947

293 U.S. Belgium X-5-19 (Name Chapelle)

ad SUBJECT: Tracer Letter

0046562

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

Request information as to what action has been taken and when we may expect a reply to Letter this office dated 7 March 1947, copy enclosed.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Robert A. Salvador

ROBERT A. SALVADOR
Capt Inf
Actg Asst Adj Gen

1 Incl
Cy ltr dtd 7 Mar 47

293 U.S. Belgium X-5-19 (Name Chapelle)

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA
APO 887 US ARMY

RRE 200.2 (Henri Chapelle, H-6-118)

7 March 1947

SUBJECT : Identification of Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer
First Field Command
American Graves Registration Command
APO 403, U.S. Army

1. T-1813 was disinterred from the Military Cemetery at Geich, Germany, located at coordinate K51/F 2234. The remains of T-1813 were reburied as Unknown X-519 in USMC Henry Chapelle, Belgium, Plot H-4, Row 6, Grave 118. No other American bodies were found in this isolated cemetery.
2. Information concerning T-1813, now X-519, was first reported by a United States Army Unit. The date of death was an estimated report of 23 February 1945.
3. Check list prepared at the time the body was removed from the isolated grave is not ⁱⁿ complete agreement with CIP Check List of 16 January 1947. Information in agreement is that the subject Unknown had dark brown hair.
4. On the first mentioned Check List the clothing was described as burned. Third Degree burns and decomposition made accurate description of remains impossible. The fact that an escape map and khaki trousers were found on the remains suggested that the decedent was assigned to the Air Corps. The estimated date of death, 23 February 1945, indicates that if the decedent wore khaki trousers, he wore them under a winter flying suit.
5. The CIP Check List does not show khaki trousers and escape map and the body is described as burned. Article of clothing and equipment include a Field Jacket and Shelter Half.

RFE 200.2 (Henri Chapelle, H-6-118)

SUBJECT : Identification of Unknown Deceased (Cont'd)

6; It is requested that an investigation be made at the Geich Cemetery, Germany, to establish the exact date of death. If Air Corps or member of a Tank Crew, the location of casualty and the serial number of the Aircraft or vehicle may be obtainable,

BY ORDER OF COLONEL ODELL :

PHILIP J. WOLF
Major QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

30 August 1948
Date

SUBJECT: Unidentifiable Remains.

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

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X- 519, Plot H4,
Row 6, Grave 118, USMC Henri Chapelle have been
reviewed and it is the opinion of this office that insufficient evidence
is available to establish the identity of this deceased, and that these
remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

2. Report of Reprocessing was forwarded to your office by
letter of transmittal No. 2190, dated 13 February 1947. No
further information is available.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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

Received TL # 3062/13 Sept 48 OOMG
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

W. J. Jamieson
25 Sept 48

Incl #19

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Unknown X - 519
 Cemetery Henri Chapelle, Belgium
 Plot H-4 Row 6 Grave 118

1. Arrived at cemetery Date reprocessed: 16 January 1947
(Hour) (Date)
2. Place of death _____
(Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)
(Sheet, scale and serials used)
3. Remains ~~recovered~~ or disinterred by Subordinate Identification Point Margraten, Holland
(Name and organization)
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	None		
	<small>(Type)</small>		
Raincoat	None		
Overcoat	None		
Jacket, Field	one (1), type 1943		
Jacket, Combat	None		
Mackinaw	None		
Sweater	None		
Jacket, HBT	None		
* Shirt, Wool OD	None		
Undershirt, Wool	None		
Undershirt, Cotton	None		
Trousers, HBT	None		
* Trousers, Wool OD	None		

Belt, web **None**

Drawers, wool **Remnants of one (1) pair**

Drawers, cotton **Remnants of one (1) pair**

Leggings, wool **None**

Socks, ~~cotton~~ **wool** **Remnants of one (1) pair**

* Shoes **None** (type)

Overshoes **None**

Web Equipment **None** (type)

(Other item) **Shelter half**

(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?
Ground Forces

6. Description of Remains :

Age **UTD** Est: **6*** Height **6*** Weight **UTD** Description of wounds **UTD**

Bandages or dressings **None** Scars **None**
(Length, width, location)

None Tattoos
(Number, location -- illustrate on separate page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks **None**
(Yes-no; description, location)

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face **None**

Complexion **None**
(Light, medium, dark, clear, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build **None**
(Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair **Dark brown - 2 inches**
(Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

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

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 chart**
 (White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

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

Jaw **UTD** Circumference of head in inches **21 inches**
 (Large, small, normal) (Flat 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)

(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 **None**
 (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 **UTD**
 (Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

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

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

If not, explain **No flesh**

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

9. Remarks **Remains recovered badly fractured. Considerable amount of flesh in last stage of decomposition. Estimated weight of remains: 60 Lbs. One long bone for measurement. GRC. Tag found with remains. Fluoroscopic Examination: Negative. No burial bottle with remains. Nothing found to warrant Chemical Laboratory Examination.**

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.

Elisworth T. Mac Intyre
ELISWORTH T. MAC INTYRE

(Officer's Name)

Captain OMC.

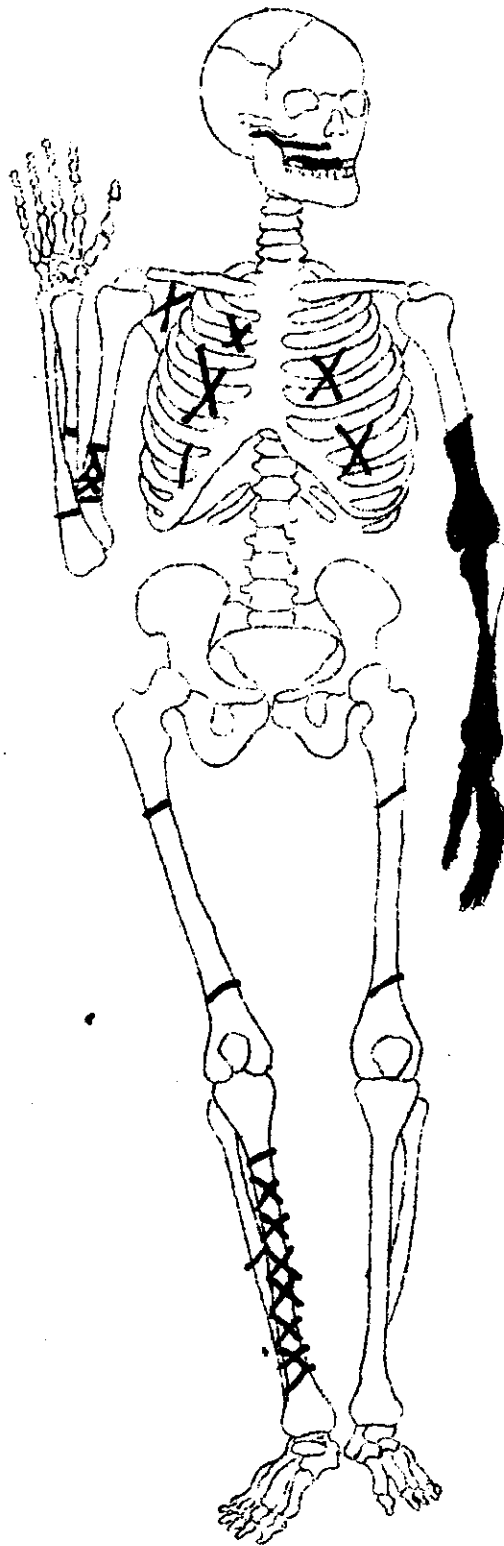
Rank

Service

Central Identification Point
(Organization)

Unknown X-519
1 ri Chapelle, Belgium

Plot H-4, Row 6, Gr. 118



TOOTH CHART

16 January 1947

Date

Unknown X - 519

Last Name **Henri** First **Chapelle** Initial **Gemetry, Belgium** Grade

Serial No.

Unit **Plot H-4, Row 6 Grave 118** Organisation

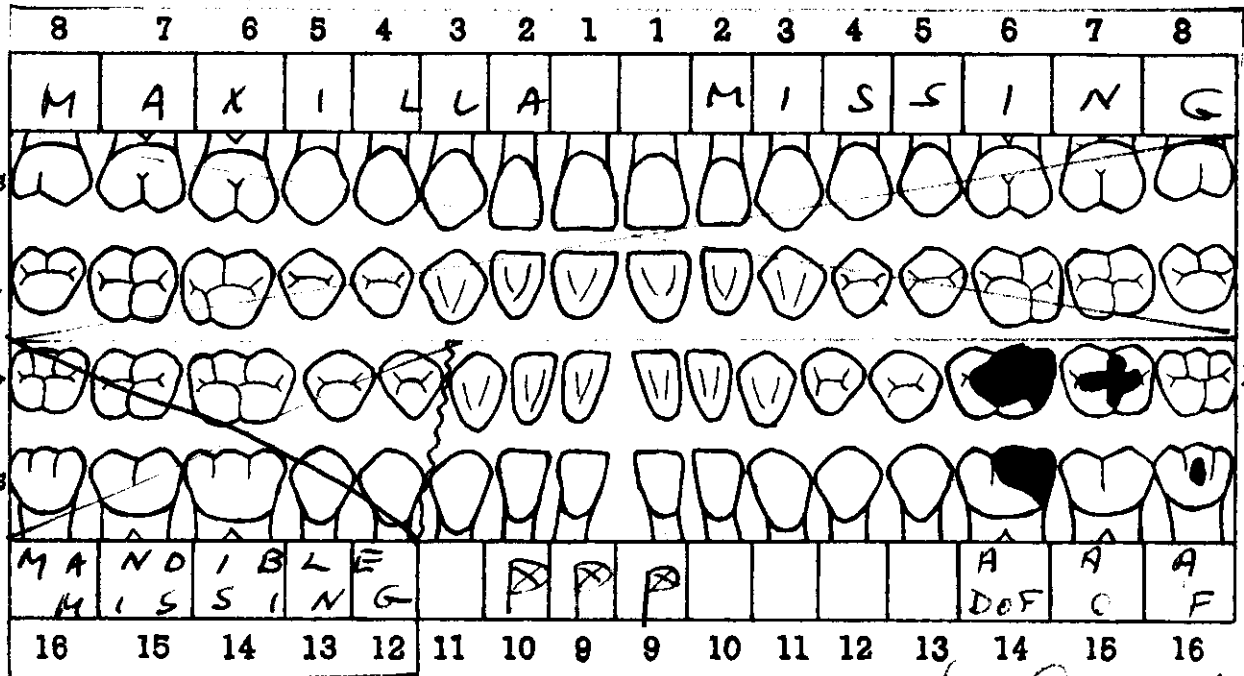
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HAROLD D. WHEELER

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

Robert A. Salvador

Verified by G. R.C. Officer

ROBERT A. SALVADOR, Capt Inf

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CHEST--IMPOSSIBLE

WAIST--IMPOSSIBLE

FOOT--90

LEG--IMPOSSIBLE

ARMS--IMPOSSIBLE

RESTRICTED REPORT OF BURIAL

Graves Registration
Form No. 1
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

26 Mar 45
Date

Unidentified American X-519

Unk.
Rank

Unknown
Serial No.

Unknown
Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

F. 220-346
Unit

Unit

Unknown
Organization

Vic of Geich, Germany
Place of Death

23 Feb 45 Est
Date of Death

3d Burns-Body
decomposed
Cause of Death

1100 26 Mar 45
Time and Date of Burial

Henri Chapelle No 1
Name of Cemetery

K 721-348
Grid Name or Coordinates of Location

118
Grave Number

6
Row Number

H-4
Plot Number

Perm
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?

See reverse side.

What means of identification were buried with the body?

GRS Tag.

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

Who is buried on:

Deceased's Right:

Critenberger, Townsend W. 35893132

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Grave No.

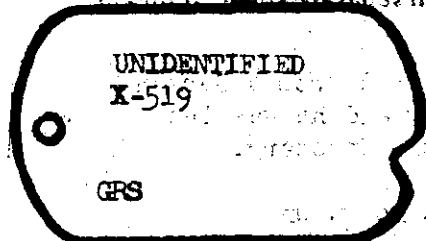
Deceased's Left:

Howard, George F. 35298833

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Grave No.

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

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



UNIDENTIFIED
X-519

GRS

Emergency Address (M)

Name

Address

Religion

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

A TRUE COPY:

No Personal effects

Don B. Mohler
DON B. MOHLER,
Major, QMC.

Ref Burial Records Branch.

REBURIAL

PREVIOUSLY BURIED IN ISOLATED
GRAVE LOCATED At F 178-355, 1/1000,000
Map Central Europe, German-Military Cem.

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial
N.F. RAKER, 1st Lt., QMC., O-515237 G.R.O.

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

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F. 220-346
Vic of Geich, Germany

29 Feb 45 Est

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1100 26 Mar 45

Henri Chapelle No 1

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118

6

Perm

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Name Serial No. Rank Organization

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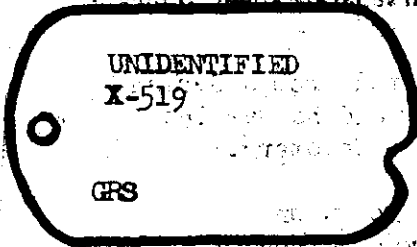
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Organization

Grave No.

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