

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 293

24 FEB 1949

(Date)

24 Feb 1949 (Date)
SUBJECT: Unidentifiable Remains. X-5418

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

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X - 5418, Plot U
Row 11, Grave 266, USMC Neuville en Condroz, Belgium 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. 2389, dated August 5th, 1947.
No further information is available.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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

Jr. Ltr # 35-17, 24 Feb 49
Subj: Unident. Remains
Received 2 Mar 49 OQMG
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

ALLN

Incl #16

1
 Plot D, Row Grave 4
 Date of Burial: March 49
 Verified by GRS officer **DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE**
 John W Long, Maj. Inf.

SECTION A —
 NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER
 1260 01538

DATE
 15 08 48
 DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME
 UNKNOWNX-005418

SERIAL NUMBER
 UNKNOWNX-005418

GRADE

ARM
 J

RACE
 O

RELIGION
 6

CEMETERY
 NEUVILLE BELGIUM

PLOT
 U

ROW
 11

GRAVE
 266

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
 1202 80
 CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

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

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
 (BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME
 UNKNOWN

SERIAL NUMBER
 K-005418

GRADE

DATE OF DEATH

DATE DISTINTERRED
 24 NOVEMBER 1948

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON
 REMAINS
 MARKER

ORGANIZATION
 UNKNOWN

RELIGION
 UNK

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
 JAMES M. FORESTER
 1ST LT, OMC NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL
 MATTRESS COVER.

CONDITION OF REMAINS
 FRAGMENTARY REMAINS CONSIST OF
 FRACTURED RIGHT FIBULA, PELVIS AND PORTION OF
 SKULL. DECOMPOSITION COMPLETE.

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION
 REPORT OF BURIAL WITH REMAINS.

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)
 NONE.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET TRANSFER BOX

DATE 9 DECEMBER 1948 BY HENRY A. GENTZEL, EMBALMER

CASKET SEALED BY
 CALVIN WATSON

EMBALMER (Signature)
 CALVIN WATSON, EMBALMER

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED
 STANLEY B. GAJERSKI
 CLK RECORDER

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY TAGS, PLACES, MARKINGS
 VERIFIED BY:
 FRANKLIN J. ST CLAIR, 1ST LT, INF.

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

FILE

JAMES M. FORESTER, 1ST LT, OMC
 SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
 I certify that the entries on this form and 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 Rodriguez CWO USA

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION ON AREA SEARCH

ATTN: REG. DIV. AG.R.C.
FOR USE IN
CASUALTY CLEARANCE

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

9 May 1947

Date

1 January 1946

NAME **UNKNOWN X-5418** RANK **Unknown** ASN **Unknown**ORGANIZATION **Unknown** **A.G.F.**MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION **None**

(All statements above this line will be completed, upon final) processing, by the clerical staff at the unit processing point.)

SECTION A — GENERAL (To be completed by investigators in all cases)

1. Was positive identity acquired for the deceased through the surface investigation? If so, state the following information:

a. NAME RANK ASN

b. ORGANIZATION

2. Was partial identification established? **NO** If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:a. NAME **UNKNOWN** RANK **UNKNOWN** ASN **UNKNOWN**b. ORGANIZATION **UNKNOWN**

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY

(Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MARC)

a. Date of above burials Common Graves?

5. Name and Type of Cemetery **NOT BURIED**

(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery

a. Town Country

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.

a. Section Row Grave

b. Is Sketch attached?

8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location:

a. Town **VOSSENACK** Coordinates **WF 0030**b. Is Sketch attached? **YES**c. Is area mined? **NO**

9. How is the grave marked?

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon **NONE**

a. From what source was this information obtained?

(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By whom

11. Where are the cemetery records? **NONE**

(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

- a. What information was contained hereon? _____
- b. Where was the information obtained? _____
- c. By whom? _____
12. What is the date of death? **EST. NOV. 1944**
- a. Give basis **FIGHTING TOOK PLACE AT THAT TIME**
13. What is the cause of death? **ASSUMED TO BE MINE OR ARTILLERY**
- b. Give basis **AREA WAS MINED AND FOREST DESTROYED BY ARTILLERY**
14. What is the date of burial? **NOT BURIED**
- a. Give basis **REMAINS FOUND ON TOP OF GROUND**
15. What was the place of death? **HURTGEN FOREST, DISTRICT # 18** Coords **WF 0030**
- b. Give basis **REMAINS WERE FOUND THERE**
16. Where were the remains found? **HURTGEN FOREST, DISTRICT # 18** Coords **WF 0030**
- a. By whom? **HEINRICH BEAUJEAN, BREINIG # 25**
- b. Is sketch attached? **YES**
17. Was a casket used? **NOT BURIED** Who furnished the casket? _____
- Type of casket _____ How marked? _____
18. Who made the burial? **NOT BURIED**
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)
- a. What are the names and addresses? _____

SECTION B — AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to be a member of the AAF).

19. Were remains found in the plane wreckage? **DOES NOT APPLY**
- a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed _____
- (Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane)
- b. Near wreckage? _____
20. Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation (if removed, state when and by whom).
- a. Type of Plane _____
- b. Markings and/or name on plane _____
- c. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment: _____
21. How did crash occur? _____ Anti-aircraft _____
- Enemy Planes? _____ Collision? _____
22. Did plane explode in the air? _____ On ground? _____
23. Did plane burn in the air? _____ On ground? _____
24. What was the direction of the flight? _____
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane? _____

- 26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash?
- 27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
- 28. Number of planes in formation prior to crash
- 29. State precise time and date of plane crash
(Night?) (Day?)
- 30. Were parachutists seen? How many? Escaped?
- Prisoners?

SECTION C — ARMORED CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to have been a member of the Armored Force).

- 31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?
- a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed
(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)
- b. Near wreckage?
- 32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of tank
- b. Markings and/or name of tank
- c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc
- 33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement?

- 34. Did tank explode? Burn?
- 35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement
- 36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
- 37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank
(Night?) (Day?)
- 38. Did any of the crew members escape? Prisoners?

SECTION D — OTHER BRANCH (To be filled out if B & C are not applicable).

- 39. Did death occur from any other means? (i. e., truck, jeep, mines, drowning, or small arms fire)
- If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation.
- a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached?
- 40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased

SECTION E — GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)

- 41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team? **NO**
- If not, state reason **NONE COULD BE FOUND**
- a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? **UNKNOWN**
- Where? By whom?
- Present disposition **UNKNOWN**

If deceased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded to PE Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification is made, or investigation is abandoned.

UNKNOWN

b. Were personal effects found at the time of death?

Where? By whom?

UNKNOWN

Present disposition

c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death?

d. Did Cemetery Register or cross indicate the immunization shot?

42. Was Deceased given first aid? If so, where?

By whom? Are statements from the medical people attached?

43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? NO

Where? Names of people concerned

44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? NO

45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains? YES

DRY BONES AND FEW CHARRED BONES

(Burnt? Decapitated? etc)

46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? NO

a. If so, give basis for positive assumption

b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified?

47. Was case previously investigated? YES By whom?

When?

48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed

HEINRICH BEAUJEAN, BREINIG # 25

49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached?

50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? YES

51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? YES

(If special investigation, give case number)

52. Give Brief Narrative SEE ATTACHED NARRATIVE

(Use attached, sheets if necessary)

Billy T. Miwa

Billy T. Miwa

Signature of Interpreter

Signature of Investigator

Pvt RA-30115950

Rank

ASN

Rank

ASN

Organization

Hq. & Hq. Det. 164 QM. Bn.

Organization

NARRATIVE
ON VOSSENACK, GERMANY CASE

On 10 April 1947 we proceeded to the Hurtgen Forest, (Section Raffelsbrand) to disinter the remains of an American deceased found by forester HEINRICH BEAUJEAN, Breinig # 25.

HEINRICH BEAUJEAN found the remains while checking a team of wood cutters working in that area.

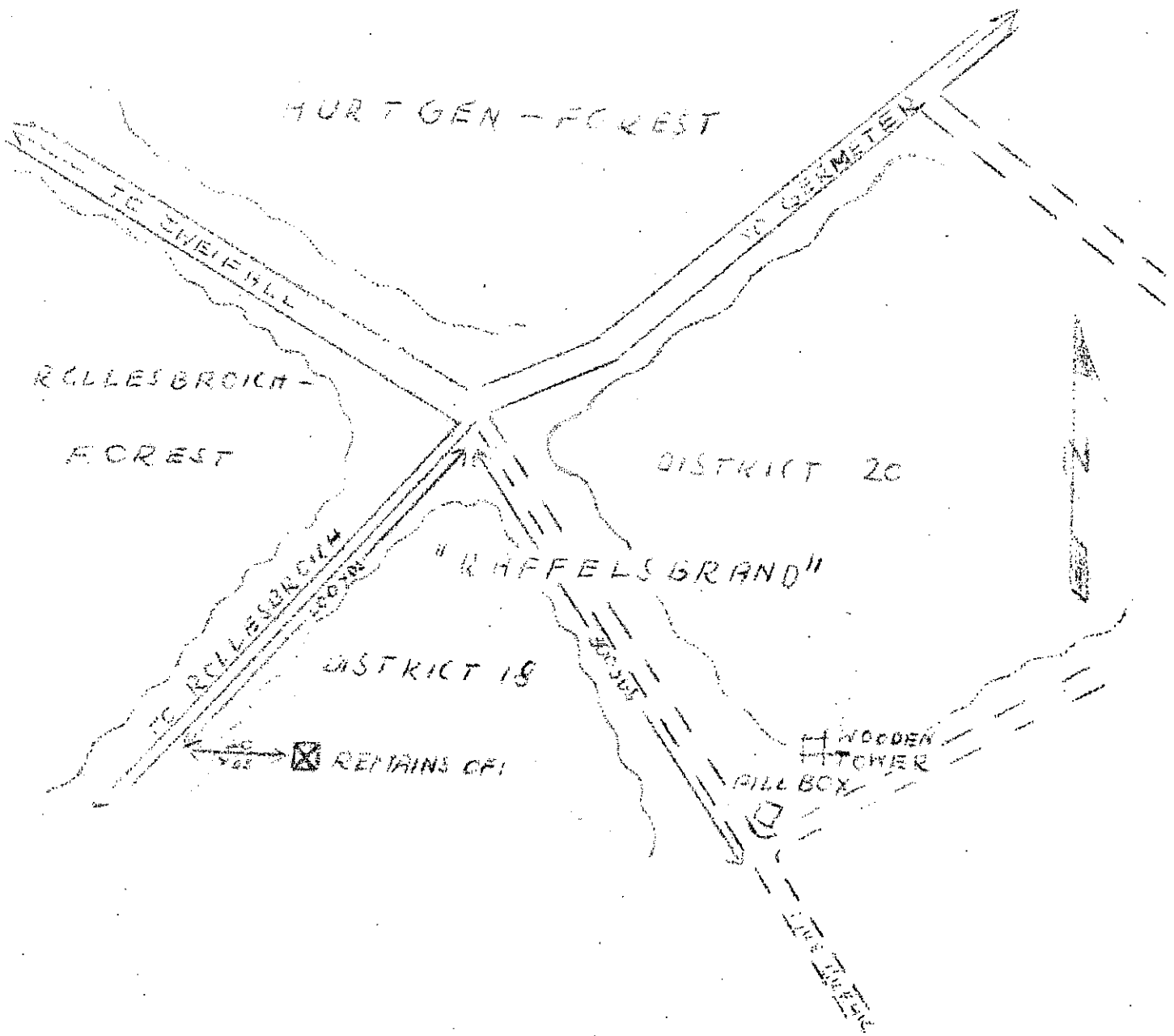
Remains consisted of just a few bones, some being in a burnt condition along with a few G.I. equipment. It is possible that the deceased was hit by artillery fire.

No I.D.-tags or P.E. of the deceased were found.

Billy T. Miwa
Billy T. Miwa
Pvt RA-30115950

Map : Germany 1/250000
Sheet : S I
Coord : (WF - 0030)
Town : Vossenack, Germany
Sketch by : George Geist,
(German Interpreter)

NOT TO SCALE



IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Unknown X-5418

Cemetery Neuville en Condroz, Belgium

Plot _____ Row _____ Grave _____

- Date processed:**
1. Arrived at cemetery 25 April 1947
(Hour) (Date)
 2. Place of death Hurtgen Forest, Germany, District # 18
(Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)
WF-0030
(Sheet, scale and serials used)
 3. Remains recovered or disinterred by Hq and Hq Det., 164 QM Bn
(Name and organization)
 4. Evacuated to Cemetery by Subordinate Identification Point, Margraten, Holland
(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>None</u>		
Undershirt, Cotton	<u>None</u>		
Trousers, HBT	<u>None</u>		
* Trousers, Wool OD	<u>None</u>		

Belt, web Remnants of one (1)

Drawers, wool None

Drawers, cotton None

Leggings, wool None

Socks, ~~cotton~~ ^{wool} Remnants

* Shoes None (type)

Overshoes None

Web Equipment (type) Remnants of cartridge belt, pistol belt, and pack.

(Other item) OD material, unrecognizable.

(Other item) None

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

Chevrons or
Insignia S/Sgt chevron loose among remnants of clothing.
(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 Height Utd Weight Utd Description of wounds Utd

Bandages or dressings Utd Scars Utd
(Length, width, location)

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

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face Utd

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

Build Utd
(Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair Utd
(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 **No teeth found.**
 (White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

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

Jaw **Utd** Circumference of head in inches **Head 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)

(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 **Utd**
 (Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

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

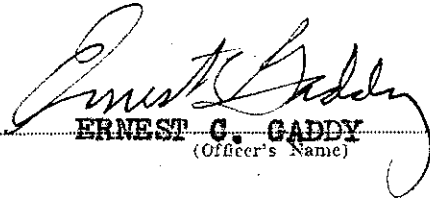
7. Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? No
(Yes-no)

If not, explain Fingers missing

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

9. Remarks EM tag found. Case consists of few fractured bones, no flesh. Only remnants of clothing found. All long bones fractured or missing making it impossible to compute height. Estimated weight of processed remains 2 pounds. Fluoroscopic Examination unnecessary. Chemical Laboratory Examination was made on remnants of a cartridge belt with negative results.
As processing at Subordinate Identification Point, Margraten, Holland revealed no positive identifying clues, this case is classified "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)

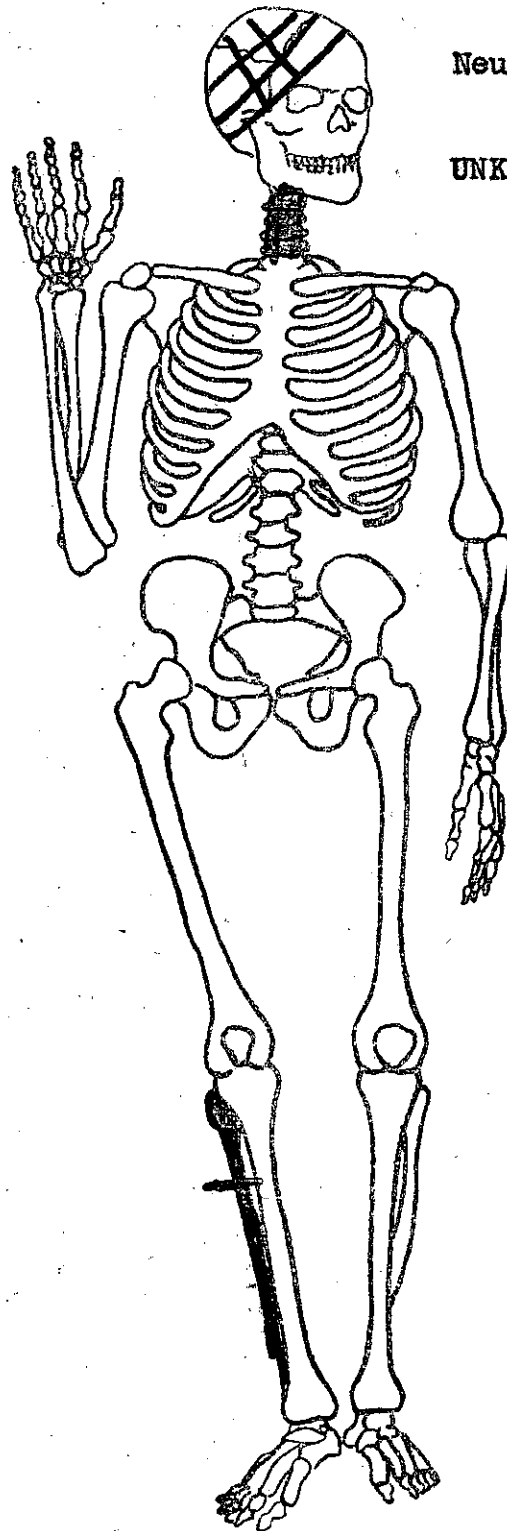
CWO
Rank

USA
Service

Central Identification Point.
(Organization)

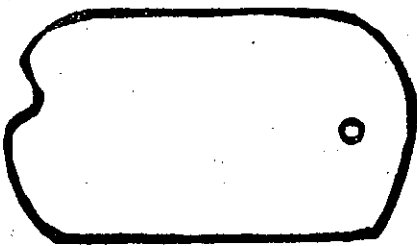
SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)



Neuville en Condroz, Belgium
(VK-390187)

UNKNOWN X-5418.

WD QMC FORM 1042 Rev 1 Apr. 1945 (Supersedes GRS Form 1)		REPORT OF INTERMENT (AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815)			Date of report 19 May 1947		
Imprint Identification Tag if Possible DO NOT TYPE 		SECTION I: IDENTIFICATION					
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) UNKNOWN X-5418		Serial number Unknown					
Grade Unknown		Organization Unknown		Branch of service A.G.P.			
Race Unknown		Religion Unknown		If other than U. S. dead, Give name of country.			
Place of death Hürtgen Forest, District # 18 Germany.		Cause of death BTB: Mines or artillery fire.		Date of death Est. November 1944			
Emergency addressee (Name, Relationship and Address.) Unknown							
Identification tags found on body (1, 2, or None) None		If no tags found on body, describe means of identification. If unidentified, fill in section 3 on reverse.					
Were substitute tags provided (Yes or No) Yes							
List personal effects found on body and disposition of same. None							
SECTION 2. BURIAL If other than in established cemetery furnish sketch and map coordinates on reverse.							
Name, Number, Coordinates and location of cemetery U.S. Military Cemetery, Neuville en Condroz, Belgium (VK-590137)							
Date of burial 19 May 1947		Hour 1500	Buried in (Schroud, Blanket, or name of other) Casket	Type of grave marker temp. Wood Cross	Plot no. U	Row no. 11	Grave no. 266
Was this a re-burial (Yes or No) No		If a re-burial, indicate Name, Number, coordinates of previous cemetery, and location of grave Remains found on ground in Hürtgen Forest, District # 18, Germany. WF-0030			Plot no.	Row no.	Grave no.
Type of religious ceremony Joint P, C & H		Person conducting burial rites Chaplains Rusher, Saatman & Lepchivcher		If identification tags not used, describe identification data and containers buried with body			
Identification tag buried with body (Yes or No) No		Identification tag attached to marker (Yes or No) GRS		Report of Burial			
Body buried on deceased left, Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Stump, Eldo L.		Rank Pfc.	Serial number 39240125	Organization 109 Inf	Grave No. 267		
Body buried on deceased right, Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Unknown X-5409		Rank Unk	Serial number Unk	Organization Unk	Grave No. 265		
Signature of person preparing report ERNEST C. GADY CWO USA C.I.P.			Signature of GRS officer verifying report RAYMOND G. JOHNSON 1st Lt. Inf. C.I.P.				
DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT: Signed original for US and allied dead, signed original and one copy for enemy dead, to the Quartermaster General through Hdq. GRS Officer. Copies for retention in theater as prescribed by theater commander.							

SECTION 3. UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS

INSTRUCTIONS

(a) Great care will be taken to record the most minute clues for the future identity of unidentified remains. Fill in anatomical characteristics below, and any other clues under „Other“ such as shoe size, social security number, position of body, found in airplanes, vehicles and tanks; and serial numbers of airplanes, vehicles and tanks.

(b) A fingerprint, or prints, are the most valuable of all clues. Imprint all fingers and thumbs in the chart at left, or as many as possible. If no fingerprints or prints can be secured, the condition of each and every tooth will be indicated on the tooth chart in accordance with diagram below. Tooth chart will not be accomplished if one or more fingerprints are secured.

Height	Weight	Color of eyes	Color of hair	Birthmarks, scars or tattoos
Utd	Utd	Utd	Utd	Utd

Weapon and serial number	Laundry marks	Where body was buried or found
None	None	Hurtgen Forest, District # 18, Germany.

For tooth chart see attached Form 1-A.

REMARKS

S/Sgt. chevrons found loose among remnants of clothing.

Remains were found on the ground in Hurtgen Forest, District # 18, Germany.

Remains consisted of bones, and G.I. equipment.

As processing at Subordinate Identification Point, Margraten, Holland revealed no positive identifying clues, this case is classified "UNKNOWN".

Furnish sketch and map reference and coordinates for burial in other than established cemetery.

Remarks

Form 11, checklist of Unknowns accomplished. Unable to accomplish Form 1A Tooth Chart or to obtain fingerprint because of missing portions. Estimated weight of remains recovered: 2 pounds.

Left Little Finger

Left Ring Finger

Left Middle Finger

Left Index Finger

Left Thumb

Right Thumb

Right Index Finger

Right Middle Finger

Right Ring Finger

Right Little Finger

