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SGT Sippel

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MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

SIPPEL, OLLIE L

RANK

SERIAL NUMBER

SGT

35 796 121

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

AREA OF DEATH

13 DEC 44

GERMANY

NAME OF AUDITOR

DATE

M. COX

11 JUNE 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

DATE

KINKEAD

11 JUNE 51

REMARKS

MEMORIAL OF SERVICE OF WORLD WAR II

THIS IS THE ONLY FORM FOR RECORDING

THE FINAL RITUAL SERVICE

DATE OF DEATH

NAME

PLACE OF DEATH

AGE

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DATE OF BIRTH

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DATE OF DEATH

HEIGHT

CONTROLLED CASE

NAME X SIPPEL, Ollie L.	GRADE Sgt	SERIAL NO. 35 797 121
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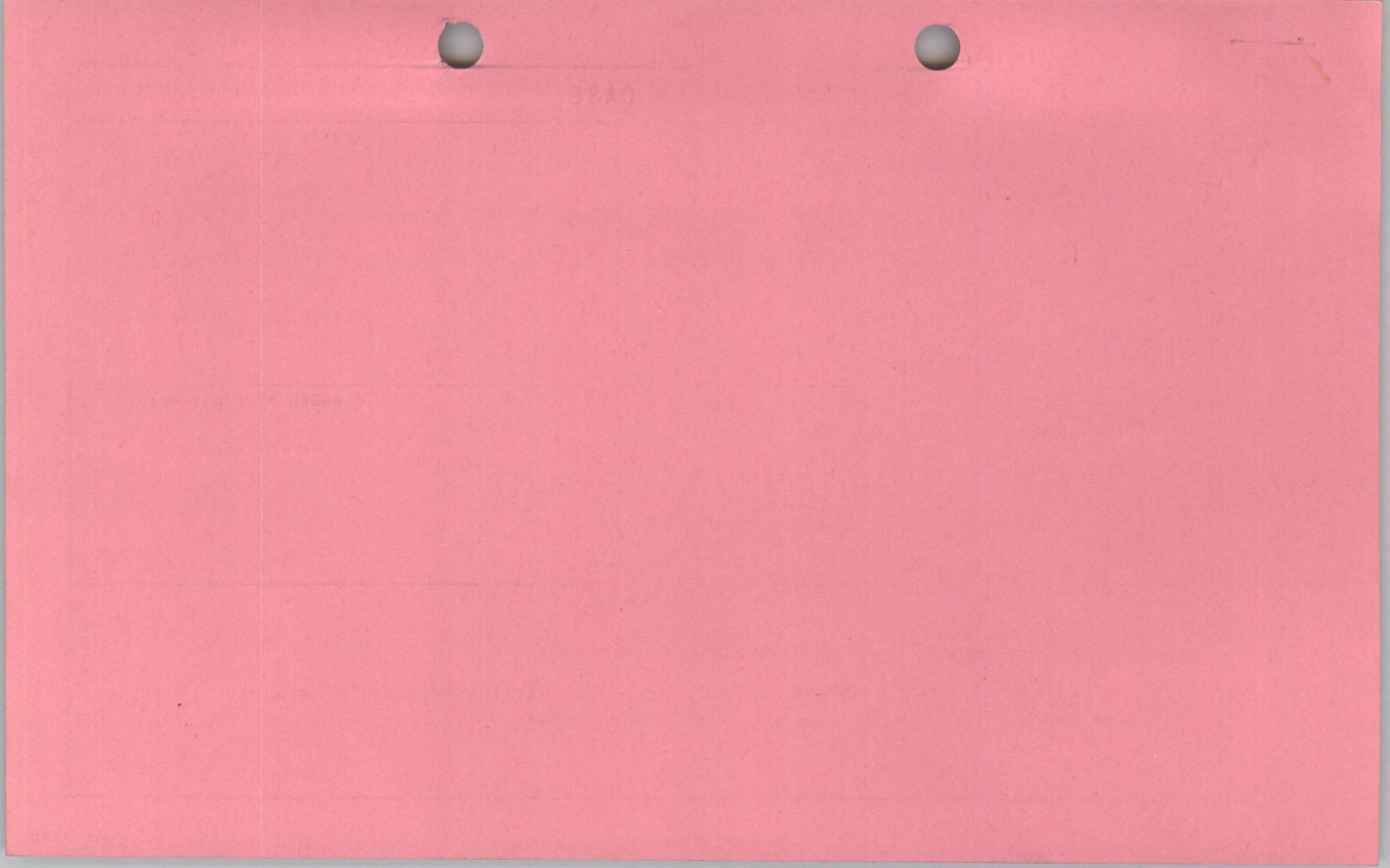
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IMPORTANT

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NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

CASE NUMBER 16014 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)
European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Sippel, Ollie L.

RANK
Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER
35 796 121

THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Individual Case

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	CBK	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	CBK
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	CBK	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	CBK
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	CBK	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	CBK
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	None		CBK

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

None

MAN
File

26 APR 1951

Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST
A. Kennedy/cwt

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO
FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION W. A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Dt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC
		26 April '51

NON-RECORDABLE CASE
REPORT OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

1. NAME OF CASE 2. NUMBER OF CASE 3. DATE OF REVIEW		4. REVIEWER'S NAME 5. REVIEWER'S TITLE 6. REVIEWER'S OFFICE	
7. SUMMARY OF CASE 8. REASON FOR REVIEW		9. FINDINGS OF REVIEW 10. RECOMMENDATION	
11. APPROVAL 12. DATE OF APPROVAL		13. REVIEWER'S SIGNATURE 14. DATE OF SIGNATURE	

Individual Case

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HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Proceedings of Board of Review appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

1. The Board convened pursuant to para 4, SO 139, Headquarters 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 15 November 1950, at Liege, Belgium on 5 January 1951.

2. Members present:

- C. W. STEINSIEK, Capt, QMC
- LEWIS A. McAMIS, Capt, QMC
- JOHN A. BOUTIN, 2/Lt, QMC

3. PURPOSE: To review and determine, from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of the remains of the decedent in question, lost in the geographical area as described below:

a. Blies River on Franco-German Frontier, Frauenberg, Germany. Map Sheet K-50, Case #12329.

b. FACTS: The following deceased of the Organizations as indicated became missing in action, according to witnesses, when the boat in which they were riding sank in the Blies River. The river was about 50 yards wide and at flood stage at the time of the incident.

16014	HARPER, Jesse D.	S/Sgt	38 692 307	MIA	13 Dec 1944
	LAYTON, Frank E.	2/Lt	0 1317178	MIA	13 Dec 1944
	<u>SIPPEL, Ollie L.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>35 796 121</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>13 Dec 1944</u>

Also lost in this area on the subsequent dates as indicated were:

MELLON, Mack R.	Pfc	34 187 606	MIA	17 Dec 1944
RAMEY, Jack	Pfc	13 036 437	MIA	20 Dec 1944

4. FINDINGS:

a. Field Investigations in the appropriate area were conducted 23 June 1947, and on 25 January 1949. In addition the area has been

HEADQUARTERS
1987 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 987 (Hague) US ARMY

Proceedings of review of review appointed in accordance with letter
ADAG-2-2-9 (25 Mar 49) D-1, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1950.

1. The local command element to para A, 30 139, Headquarters
1987 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 987, 18 Army, 13 November 1950,
at Hague, starting on 5 January 1951.

2. Command element:

G. W. STEINBERG, Capt, GPO
L. W. MOULTON, Capt, GPO
JOHN A. BOULDER, Capt, GPO

3. PURPOSE: To review and determine, from evidence presented,
the non-recoverability of the remains in the incident in question, lost
in the geographical area indicated below:

a. Elbe River or pond between Trossen, Germany,
Germany, Map Sheet K-50, 48 139.

b. FACTS: The following occurred of the Organization as
indicated below missing in action, according to witnesses, when the
boat in which they were riding sank in the Elbe River. The river was
about 50 yards wide and at flood stage at the time of the incident.

NAME, GRADE, DATE, TIME, LOCATION
HARRIS, Jesse D., 2/57, 30 Dec 1950, AIA 13 Dec 1950
LAYTON, Frank A., 2/57, 30 Dec 1950, AIA 13 Dec 1950
STEPPEL, Ellis J., 2/57, 30 Dec 1950, AIA 13 Dec 1950

Also lost in this area on the subsequent dates as indicated

was:

NAME, GRADE, DATE, TIME, LOCATION
WINDOM, Jack H., 2/57, 30 Dec 1950, AIA 13 Dec 1950
RAMSEY, Jack, 2/57, 30 Dec 1950, AIA 13 Dec 1950

4. FINDINGS:

a. Field investigations in the appropriate area were conducted
on 23 June 1951, and on 25 January 1950. In addition the area has been

Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings (cont'd)

repeatedly investigated in the course of the recovery of the following Unknowns:

	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>D/D</u>	<u>Org.</u>	<u>Isol. Bur.</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
X-3198	St Avoild	Unk	Unk	Habkirchen K-50/Q-56	<i>unidentifiably</i> found nude in Saar River in tree
X-3210	St Avoild	Unk	Inf	Saarlautern K-50/Q-28	<i>gd.</i>
X-3221	St Avoild	Unk	Unk	Saarlautern K-50/Q-28	<i>gd.</i>
X-3238	St Avoild	Unk	Unk	Saarlautern K-50/Q-28	<i>gd.</i>
X-6060	Neuville	Unk	Unk	Saarlautern K-50/Q-28	BTB: Tucker, Stanley H. 38 686 819
X-7465	Neuville	BTB: Dec 44 to Mar 1945	AGF	Saarlautern K-50/Q-28	Found in rubble of <i>unidentifiably</i> a house - House #2, on Muhlen Str.
X-7096	Neuville	est. 15 Dec 44	AGF	Bliesmengen K-58/"-56	ID Tags: Wilson, Wayne 36 893 634
X-7098	Neuville	est. 15 Dec	AGF	Bliesmengen K-58/Q-56	<i>gd.</i>

b. Subject decedents could not be associated with the above cited Unknowns which have either been identified or declared Unidentifiable.

c. Reference is made to O.Q.M.G Forms 371 for subject decedents on File the Office of the Quartermaster General.

Reference is also made to: Narrative of Field Investigation dated 23 June 1947, Narrative of Report of Investigation dated 25 January 1949: Attached hereto.

Non-recoverable Hand Proceedings (cont'd)

repeatedly investigated in the course of the recovery of the following unknowns:

Case No.	Category	D/P	Qtr.	Lab. Par.	Remarks
X-3108	St Avold	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Residuum found under the car in river in trees
X-3210	St Avold	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Residuum
X-3211	St Avold	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Residuum
X-3238	St Avold	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Residuum
X-3080	Newville	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Residuum BT: Licker, Stanley B. 38 688 B19
X-7465	Newville	Unk	Unk	K-50/9-58	Found in middle of a house - house 22 on Union Str.
X-7090	Newville	Unk	Unk	K-58/9-58	ID tags: Wilson, Wynn 38 893 B34
X-7094	Newville	Unk	Unk	K-58/9-58	Highway

d. Subject specimens could not be associated with the above cited unknowns which have either been identified or located unidentifiable.

c. Reference is made to G.D. Form 501 for subject specimens on file the Office of the Quartermaster General.

Reference is also made to narrative of Field Investigation dated 23 June 1947, narrative of report of investigation dated 23 January 1947: attached hereto.

Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings (Cont'd)

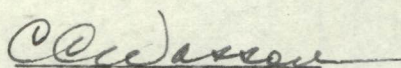
5. RECOMMENDATION: That the remains of the decedents herein considered be determined Non-Recoverable.

s/ C. W. Steinsiek
C. W. STEINSIEK
Capt QMC
Member

s/ Lewis A. McAmis
LEWIS A. McAMIS
Capt QMC
Member

s/ John A. Boutin
JOHN A. BOUTIN
2/Lt QMC
Member

A TRUE COPY:


C. C. WASSON
Capt QMC

Non-recovery Board Proceedings (Cont'd)


RECOMMENDATION: That the remains of the decedent herein be considered as detained non-recovery.

John A. Burtin
John A. Burtin
2/11
D/C
Member

Louis A. Morris
Louis A. Morris
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Member

G. W. Steiner
G. W. Steiner
D/C
Member

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G. C. MASON
D/C

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

15 November 1950

SPECIAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 139)

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4. PAC, Ltr., WD-AGO-S 293.9, dtd 9 Apr 47, Subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 830-110-5, DA, dtd 2 Mar 49, a Board of O's as follows is hereby apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased. Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy cases:

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANI, O 359 598, QMC., President
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND, O 1 576 321, QMC.,
MAJOR GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr., O 1 289 071, INF/QMC.,
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, O 1 040 311, QMC.,
CAPT LEWIS A. McAMIS, O 1 543 042, MSC/QMC.,
CAPT JOHN M. NEFF, O 1 055 924, QMC.,
CAPT ALLAN L. LAWSON, O 1 288 075, QMC.,
1ST LT ROBERT W. GANSEL, O 1 599 085, QMC.,
2D LT JOHN A. BOUTIN, O 947 298, QMC.,

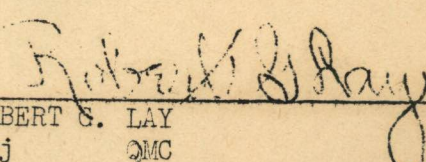
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EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,
CAPT., QMC,
Adjutant

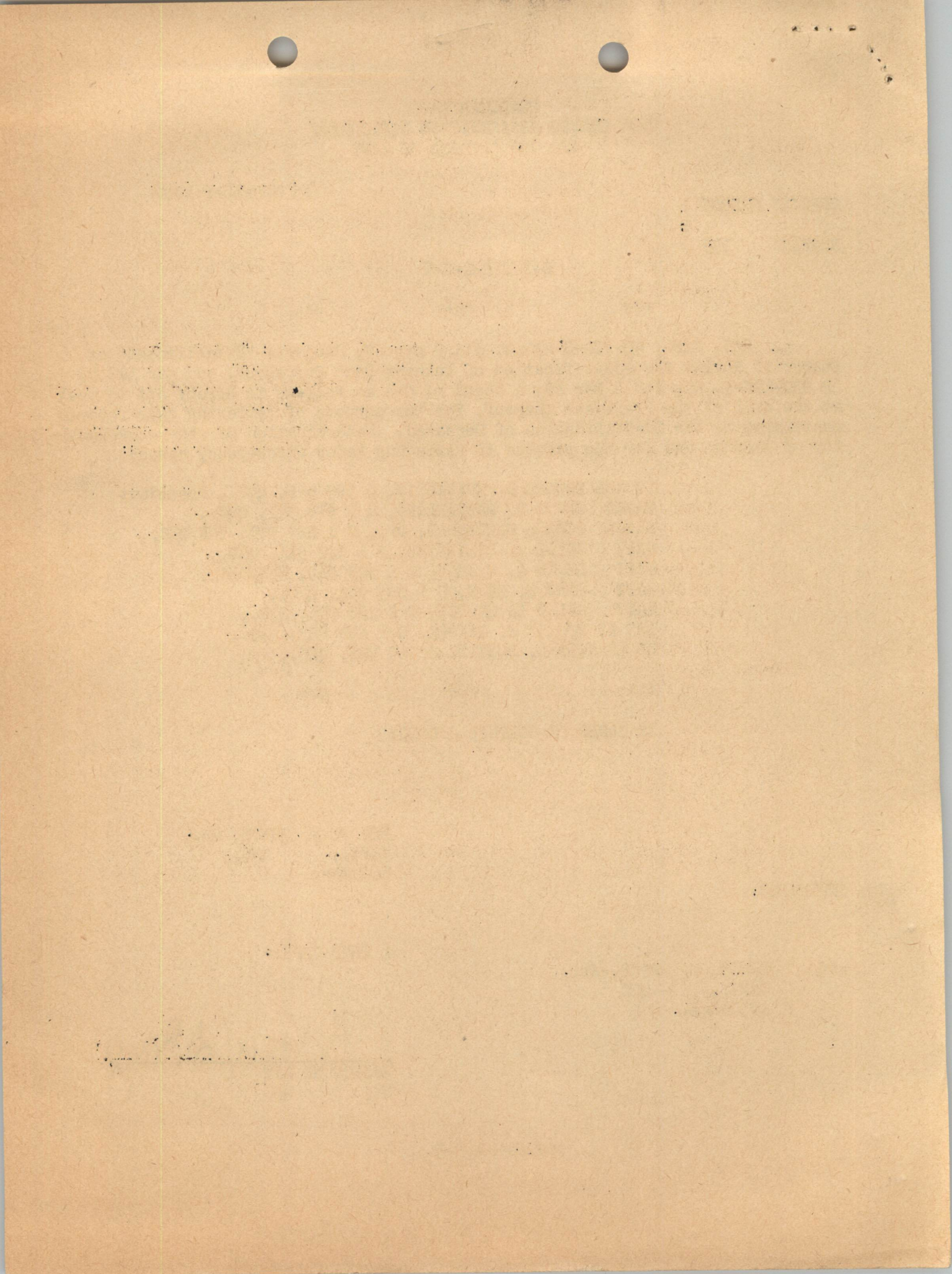
OFFICIAL:

s/t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,
CAPT., QMC
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:


ROBERT S. LAY
Maj QMC

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QMG 293
GMS European *Ident*
SUBJECT: Request for Information

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Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 5 January 1951

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Submitted herewith are OQMG Forms 371 for the following individuals.

Comser, W. D.	Pfc	38089907
Carl, Harold D.	Pfc	35843975
Durant, Harry W.	Pfc	31005405
Fitzgerrell, Robert J.	T/Sgt	18160898
Fugate, Albert C.	Pfc	37189617
Garza, Rudie R.	Pvt	6260485
Healion, Arthur J.	T/S	32806100
Johnson, Jack R.	Pvt	34872691
Moore, Joseph R.	T/Sgt	20360603
Panek, Louis R.	Cpl	36305715
Redman, Henry W.	Pvt	31266128
Ressier, Victor J.	T/4	37272260
Schmal, Fred G.	Pfc	33408706
Shankles, Leslie E.	Pfc	37241407
<i>293</i> Sippel, Ollie L.	Sgt	35796121
Wilson, James O.	Pfc	31066571
Wingate, Harry W.	Pvt	36861985

2. Records of this Office indicate that the remains of Pvt. Fred W. McCutcheon, 35433649 have been identified and your headquarters notified by letter this Office dated 28 November 1950.

2. OQMG Forms 371 for Pfc. Carlos Millan, 39269980 and Pfc. Robert L. Schour, 37666136 are being forwarded in reply to your letter file GRW 200.2, Subject: Request for Information dated 27 October 1950.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1-12 OQMG Form 371
(in dup) w/photo
cys Form 79 atchd
13-17 OQMG Form 371 (in dup)

THOMAS E. COX
Captain QMC
Memorial Division

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Request for Information

The Commission on the Status of Women, Washington D.C., is pleased to receive suggestions and information from you concerning the work of the Commission.

1. Attached hereto are 20 forms for the following activities:

1. General Information	1-1	General Information
2. Organization	1-2	Organization
3. Personnel	1-3	Personnel
4. Budget	1-4	Budget
5. Activities	1-5	Activities
6. Publications	1-6	Publications
7. Contacts	1-7	Contacts
8. Other	1-8	Other
9. Summary	1-9	Summary
10. Final Report	1-10	Final Report

2. Reports of this kind are also in need of the records of your work. If you have any records of this kind, please send them to the Commission.

3. The Commission is interested in your work. If you have any suggestions or information, please send them to the Commission.

FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU OF STATISTICS

1952

Director, Bureau of Statistics
Albany, New York

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DATE ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

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SIPPEL, Ollie L.		Sgt	35 796 121
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Company "K" 137th Inf	White	- - -	None
DATE OF DEATH/MIA	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA	
13 Dec. 44	KIA	Boat sinking Blies River, Germany	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR
5'5"	146	Blue	Brown
			SHOE SIZE
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DENTAL CHART

27 MARCH 1943

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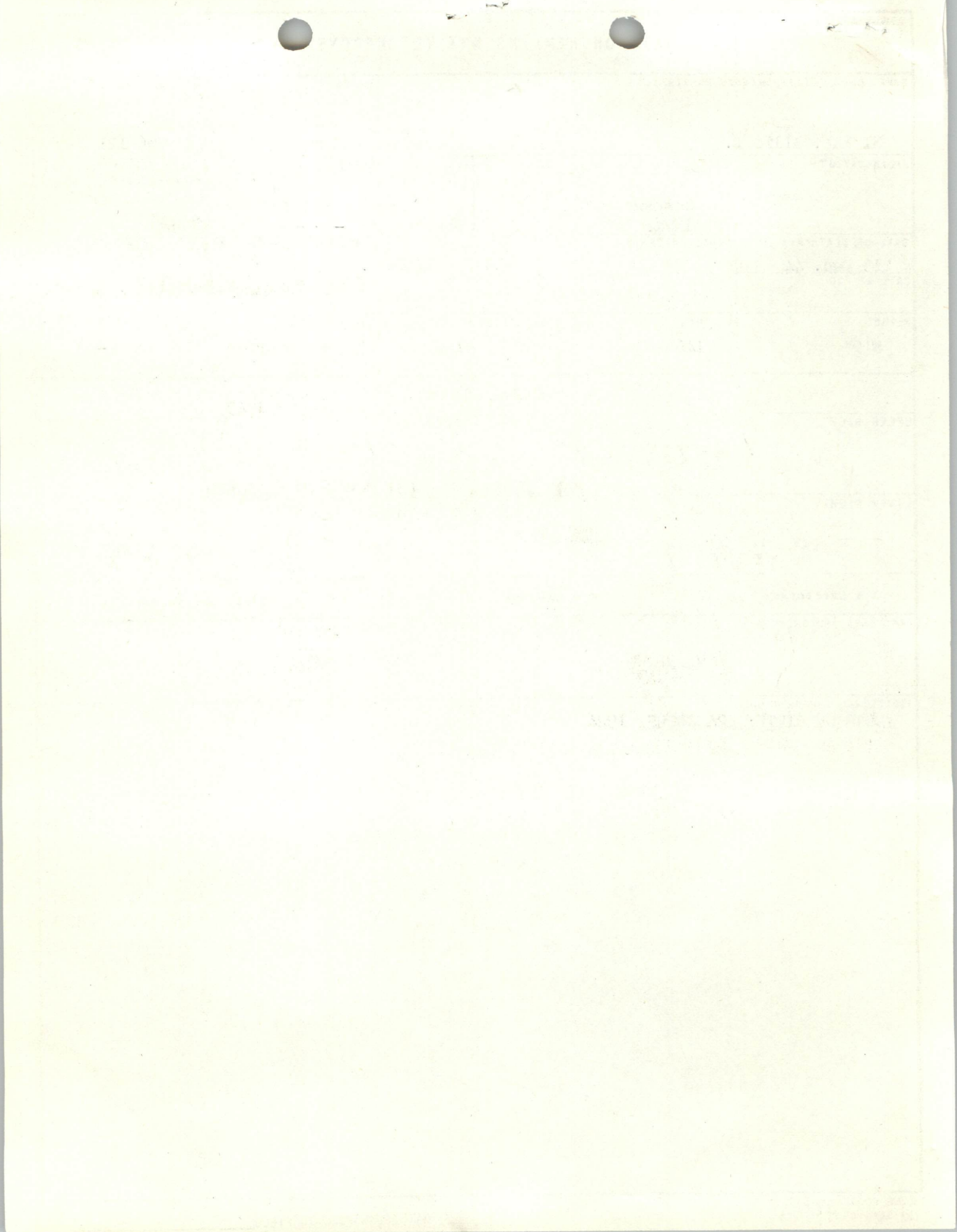
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

DATE OF BIRTH: 24 AUGUST 1924



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION		DATE 27 November 1950	
FROM (Branch and Section) Ident Bt., Search Info Sec.	REQUESTED BY Hospel	TEL. EXT. 72000	ROOM NO. 1534-B
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) Sippel, Ollie L.	RANK Sgt.	SERIAL NUMBER 35796121 ✓	

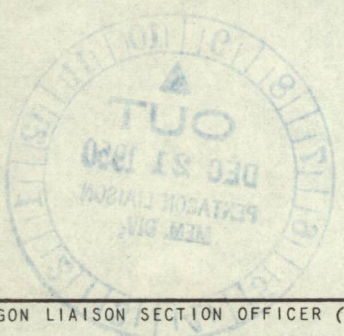
INFORMATION REQUIRED

Request all available dental information on above decedent.

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INFORMATION FURNISHED

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Jed Br
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Donald A. Renner
DONALD A. RENNER
Maj. CAPT QMO (R)

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO:

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION - MEMORIAL DIVISION

DATE: 27 November 1950

FROM (Branch and Section):

REQUESTED BY:

TELE. EXT. ROOM NO.

Ident Br., Search Info Sec.

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NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial)

RANK

SERIAL NUMBER

Sipfel, Ollie L.

Sgt.

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Request all available dental information on above decedent.

WFO MTR 155

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Completed form attached.



DONALD A. ... CAPT QMC

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FORM 1033 1933

66 Div.
 REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT
 DC-1

Camp J T Robinson 35796121

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME

Sipple Ollie L.

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS

Cpl. F 264 Inf.

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS

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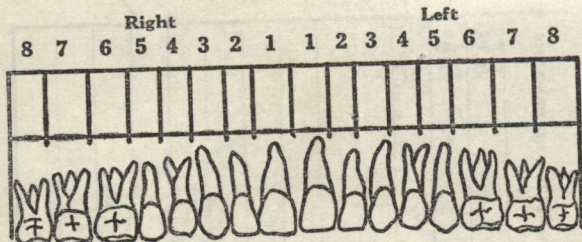
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 Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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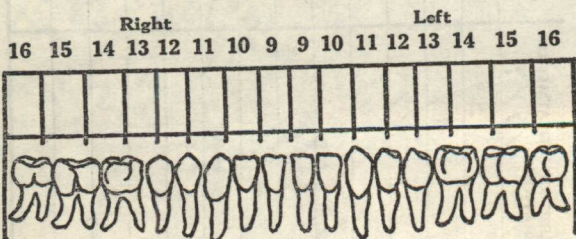
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Report of Dental Survey

UPPER TEETH



LOWER TEETH



CLASS

O Tooth crowned / Missing tooth
 O/O Fixed bridge / Partial denture

Occlusion Periodontoclasia

*Caries

Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy.

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions

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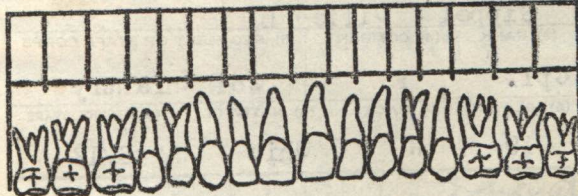
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*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

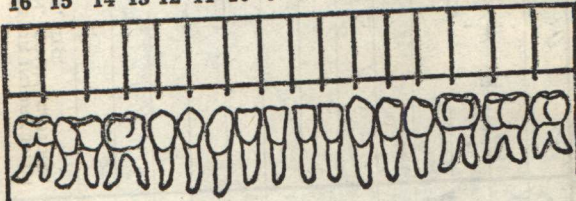
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LOWER TEETH

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Periodontoclasia -----

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

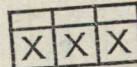
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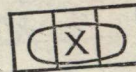
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Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture
(horizontal line)



Teeth replaced by fixed bridge
(oval to include abutments)



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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
SIPPEL, Ollie L		Sgt	35 796 121	
ORGANIZATION		RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If Applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA	CAUSE OF DEATH		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA	
DATE OF FOD				
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INCIDENTAL CHART

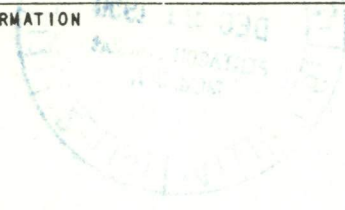
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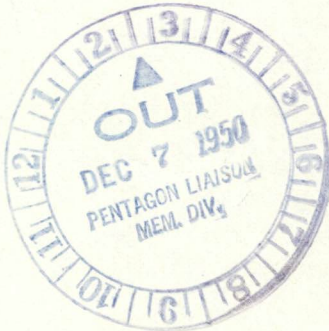
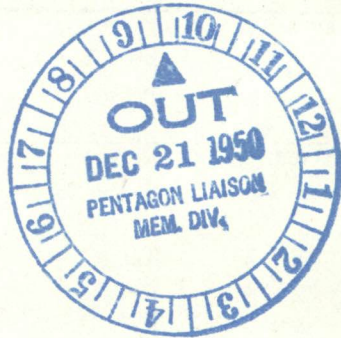
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24 March 1950

MEMORANDUM TO: OIC, Casualty Section,
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Report of Death

1. Sergeant Ollie L. Sippel, 35796121, Co K, 137th Infantry, was reported missing in action in Germany on 13 December 1944 by ETO Shipment No. 289 and was presumed dead as of 14 December 1945 by SR&D No. 4894.

2. The Casualty file of the subject enlisted man contains a Missing Report of his organization, dated 20 January 1945, which discloses that he was engaged in a mission on 13 December 1944 to depart from Frauenberg, France, across the Blies River, and go to high ground across the Blies River. His last known whereabouts was "Blies River." The Report includes the following brief resume of circumstances:

"Company was crossing the Blies River when the boat in which Sgt Sippel was crossing, sank. Nothing more is known of his whereabouts."

3. This office, in a letter dated 7 August 1945, requested pertinent information from the European Theater of Operations and the letter was returned by 8th Indorsement, dated 17 November 1945. The 7th Indorsement, dated at Hq 137th Infantry 15 November 1945, includes information as follows:

"On the morning of 13 Dec 44, the unit prepared to cross the Blies River near Frauenberg, France at approximately 0700 in the morning to assault the enemy. The river was about 30 yards in width, with the current running around 15 miles per hour. Water was at flood stage. The weather was cold, around 38°, visibility: foggy. Combat uniform worn, rifles, sidearms, etc. Raincoats were carried. It is not known whether Sgt Sippel could swim. An unidentified engineer pulled three men out of the river, and one other reached the bank. Fifty yards to the front a German automatic weapon was firing. Rescue or capture by the enemy at that time is unlikely. Statements of surviving personnel not available. No systematic search was made, due to tactical situation. Sgt Sippel was last seen in approximately center of the river. It is not believed that facts are sufficient to warrant a change of status. There is the possibility that Sgt Sippel may have swum down-stream and been captured at some other point along the river."

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"Following is a list of other casualties reported as a result of this incident.

Pfc James S Dailey, 35807484
Sgt John McPherson, 36561821
Pfc Russell D Kuehn, 37693128
S Sgt Charles W Squires, 37219337
1 Lt Clarence R Sprague, O-1292079"

(All of the five personnel named were reported MIA 13 Dec 44 and are currently carried on casualty records as KIA, reports of burial having been received for all of them.)

4. A search of Captured German Records fails to disclose any identifiable record of the subject person, nor has any record of burial been found upon search of the records of OQMG.

5. The subject enlisted man was a member of a Company engaged in a mission on the morning of 13 December 1944 to cross the Blies River from Frauenberg, France to go to high ground on the enemy side and assault the enemy. The men were equipped with combat uniform, rifles, side arms, and carried raincoats. The weather was cold, the river about 30 yards wide with the current running about 15 miles per hour and a fog hung over the water. It is not known whether Sgt Sippel could swim. The boat sank and a German automatic weapon was firing from about 50 yards in front of the boat. He was last seen in the center of the river. Five other persons reported missing in action as a result of the same incident are currently carried as killed in action on the same date. No trace of Sgt Sippel has been found during the more than five years which have elapsed since the date of this mission. In view of the foregoing evidence, it is logical to conclude that he perished.

6. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, stating that the person named in paragraph one, above, was killed in action when his boat sank crossing the Blies River at Frauenberg, France, on 13 December 1944. The official report of death will include the following statement:

"Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed

"Following is a list of other casualties reported as a result of this incident.

- 1. Lt. Clarence H. Bryant, O-1332078
- 2. Sgt. Charles F. Gaudes, 3711207
- 3. Russell H. Nelson, 3732123
- 4. Sgt. John McFarren, 3455121
- 5. James E. Bailey, 3630724

(All of the five personnel named were reported MIA 15 Dec 44 and are currently carried on casualty records as KIA, reports of burial having been received for all of them.)

4. A search of General Gaudes' files to disclose any identifiable record of the subject person, nor has any record of burial been found upon search of the records of OCM.

5. The subject enlisted man was a member of a Company engaged in a mission on the morning of 13 December 1944 to cross the Rhine River from France to an high ground on the enemy side and assault the enemy. The men were equipped with combat armor, rifles, gas masks, and carried rafts. The weather was cold, the river about 80 yards wide with the current running about 12 miles per hour and a log hung over the water. It is not known whether Sgt. Gaudes could swim. The last tank and a German automatic weapon was firing from about 60 yards in front of the boat. It was last seen in the center of the river. Five other persons reported killed in action as a result of the same incident were currently carried as killed in action on the same date. No trace of Sgt. Gaudes has been found during the more than five years which have elapsed since the date of this mission. In view of the foregoing evidence, it is logical to conclude that he perished.

6. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, stating that the person named in paragraph one, above, was killed in action when his boat sank crossing the Rhine River at Franzenberg, France, on 13 December 1944. The official report of death will include the following statement:

"Finding of death has been issued previously under Section 9, Public Law 480, 7 March 1945, as amended, showing presumed

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date of death as 14 December 1945. This 'Report of Death' is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9."

This memorandum will be routed to Operating Unit for notification and processing. Copy of notification letter to Det. & Rev. Unit (for OQMG).

Station and place of death: European Area

Alice L. Ward
Investigator

CONCUR:

T. J. COLLUM
Major, AGD
OIC, Det. & Rev. Unit

APPROVED. Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN
Lt. Colonel, AGD
OIC, Casualty Section
PA Branch, AGO

COPY FOR:
OQMG, Memorial Div.

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date of death as in Paragraph 10. This report of death
is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its
effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided
in Section 7.

This memorandum will be routed to Operating Unit for notification and
processing. Copy of notification letter to be sent to (see form).

Section and place of death: (insert name)

COPIES:

Miss L. Ward
Investigator

T. H. COLEMAN
Major, ADJ
CIO, Dec. & Inv. Unit

APPROVED. Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

SYLVIA L. BURGESS
Lt. Colonel, ADJ
CIO, Casualty Section
SA Branch, ADJ



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IDENTIFICATION SECTION
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IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Sippel Ollie L.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>35796121</i>	GRADE <i>Sgt.</i>	
HEIGHT <i>5ft. 5in.</i>	WEIGHT <i>146 lbs</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Blue</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>9C</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>14 Dec. 45</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)
Co. K, 137th Inf.

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA *In boat that sank while crossing the
Blies River near the French-German border.*

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>Cp. Blanding, Fla.</i>	<i>4-'43</i>
<i>Cp. Rucker, Ala.</i>	<i>8-'44</i>
<i>Ft. Meade, Md.</i>	<i>8-'44 - 9-'44</i>

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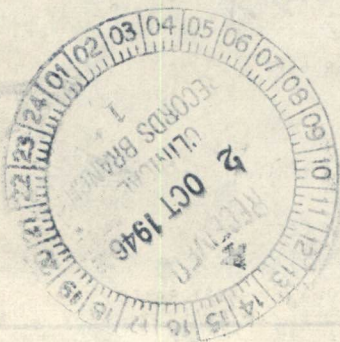
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DENTAL CHART



DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>243</i> SIPPEL OLLIE L <i>MB</i>		GRADE SGT	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 35796121
ORGANIZATION CO K 137 INF	RACE W	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 13-DEC-44	CAUSE OF DEATH FOD	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA IN BLIES RIVER NEAR FRENCH-GERMAN BORDER	
DATE OF FOD 14-DEC-45			
HEIGHT 5'5"	WEIGHT 146 ^{lb}	COLOR EYES BLUE	COLOR HAIR BROWN
			SHOE SIZE 9-C

DENTAL CHART

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E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., CMC
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER
ORGANIZATION		RACE	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (if applicable)
DATE OF BIRTH	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA	
DATE OF FOD	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES
	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE	

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
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FINAL REPORT

REPORT OF DEATH

No. 173

DATE 31 March 1950 abk

FULL NAME Sippel, Ollie L.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 35 796 121	GRADE Sgt
HOME ADDRESS Piqua, Ohio		ARM OR SERVICE Inf	DATE OF BIRTH 24 Aug 1924
PLACE OF DEATH France	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 13 Dec 1944
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 27 March 1943	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)

Mr. Edward W. Sippel, father, 421 South Roosevelt Avenue, Piqua, Ohio

BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)

Mr. William Sippel, father, address same as above

Mrs. Rosie Sippel, mother, address same as above

INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
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ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

BATTLE NON-BATTLE

*Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman's badge per G. O. #12, Hq., 137th Infantry, 1 December 1944.

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 14 December 1945. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.

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FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Sergeant Ollie L. Sippel, Army Serial Number 35,796,121, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 13th day of December 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 14th day of December, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Heahent

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European		FLYING STATUS No	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN MIS-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
DATE OF BIRTH 24 Aug 1924	HOME ADDRESS Piqua, Ohio	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 27 Mar 1943		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
				YEARS Under	MONTH three	DAYS years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mr. Edward W. Sippel	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS 421 Roosevelt Avenue Piqua, Ohio
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BENEFICIARIES

NAME Mr. William Sippel	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS 421 Roosevelt Avenue Piqua, Ohio
NAME Mrs. Rosie Sippel	RELATIONSHIP Mother	ADDRESS 421 Roosevelt Avenue Piqua, Ohio

REMARKS

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Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge per G.O. # 12, Hq. 137th Infantry, 1 Dec 44.

Circumstances of disappearance: The boat in which this soldier was crossing the Blies River, near the French-German border, sank and he has not been seen or heard of since that time.

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REPORT OF DEATH OF MESSING PERSON

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