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

SPXPC 201 Duggan, Eugene T. (11 Jun 45) 32700920

29 June 1945

Mr. Robert F. Duggan 742 Noble Avenue Bronx 61, New York

Dear Mr. Duggan:

Reference is made to your recent letter in which you requested information regarding your brother, Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan.

It is sincerely regretted that no further information has been received in this office since the official casualty report which showed that your brother has been missing in action since 23 November 1944 in France. Let me assure you that the military authorities are exerting all means at their command to ascertain the exact status and whereabouts of our missing personnel and when additional information is received, his father will be notified promptly.

Records of this office show that your brother was a sergeant at the time he became missing.

With regard to the mail returned to you marked "Hospitalized", you are advised that a considerable amount of mail is forwarded to hospitals for those military personnel who are wounded or injured in action, and it seems likely that the letters to which you refer were so forwarded in error. Any anxiety caused you in this connection is extremely regretted.

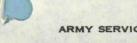
My sympathy continues with you during the period of anxiety.

Sincerely yours,

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Major General
The Adjutant General of the Army





ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



9 May 1945

Mr. Robert F. Duggan 742 Noble Avenue Bronx 61, New York

Dear Mr. Duggan:

The Provost Marshal General has directed me to reply to your letter of 23 April 1945, with clipping from Sunday Mirror dated 8 April 1945.

To date no report has been received which indicates that your brother, Private First Class Eugene Duggan, ASN 32700920, is a prisoner of war.

It is regretted that pictures of prisoners of war which appear in the press cannot be used in identifying them. It has been the experiences of the American Prisoner of War Information Bureau that dozens of families identifies the same persons shown in such pictures.

The clipping is returned with the assurance that should any information regarding your brother be received, his designated next of kin will be notified with the least practicable delay.

Sincerely yours,

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Paper Clipping dated 8 April 1945 HOWARD F. BRESEE Colonel, CMP

Director, American Prisoner of War

Information Bureau

Provost Marshal General's Office

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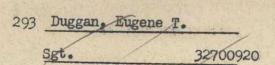
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MEMORIAL DIVISION REPATRIATION BRANCH RECORDS SECTION



DATE 20 April 1950

SUBJECT: Correct Name, Rank and Serial Number of Decedent.

l. The official spelling of name, the rank and the serial number of Army World War II Decedents is determined by the Adjutant General's Office.

2. The name, rank and serial number of subject decedent has been verified with the Adjutant General's Office this date to be correct as shown below:

NAME: Duggan, Eugene T.

RANK: Sgt.

ASN: 32700920

3. Paragraph #6, Memorial Division, Information Bulletin #11, dated 20 May 1949, Subject: "Minor Changes in Name, World War II Decedents", is quoted below for information.

"Memorial Division records pertaining to a decedent for whom a monor change in name is made as herein provided will be maintained under the official name of the decedent, as shown on AGO or similar records. However, in all subsequent correspondence with the next of kin, including final grave location letter, the spelling desired by the next of kin will be used."

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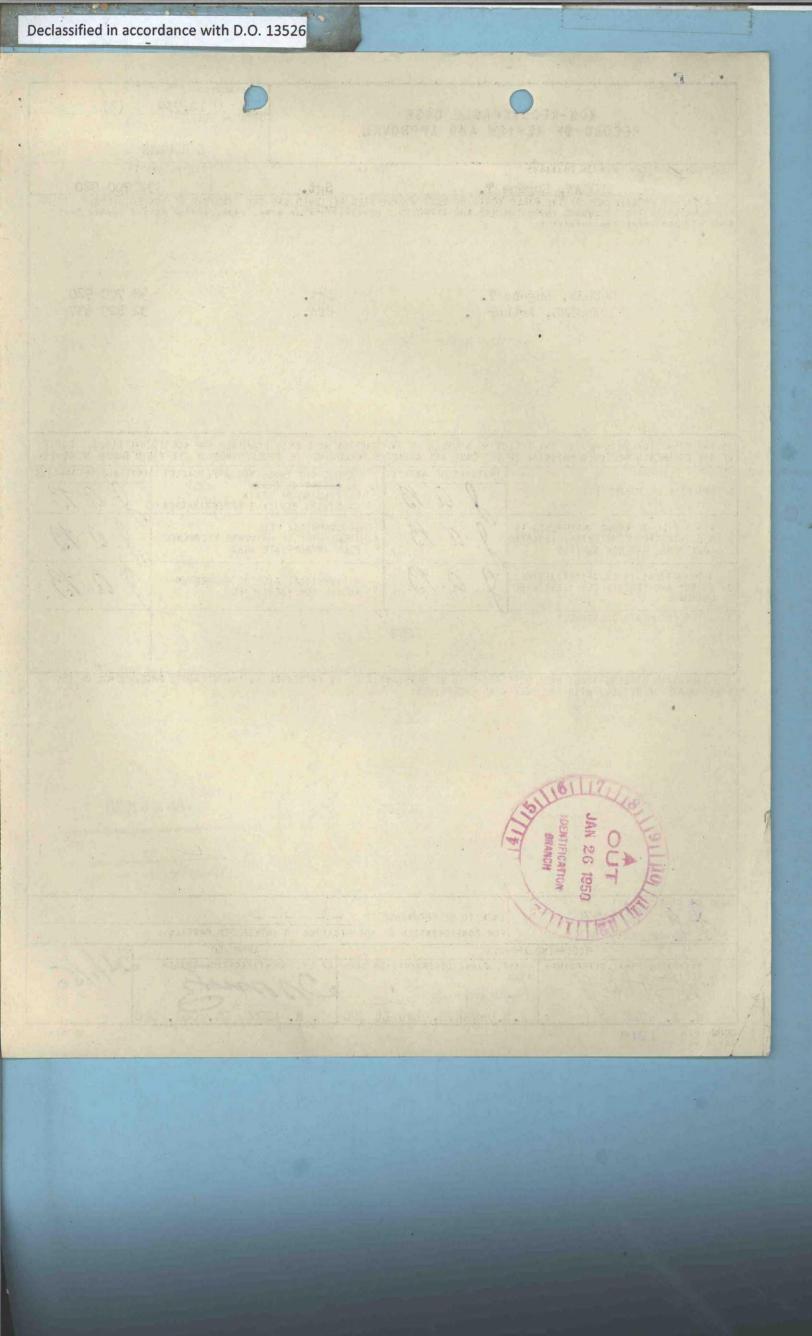
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Proceedings of a Board of Officers appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47), D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947

The Board convened pursuant to par 4, 30 No. 124, Headquarters American Graves Registration Command, APO 58, U.S. Army, 2 November 1949, at the Astoria Hotel, Paris, France, on 42 DEC. 1949 The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witnesses and other papers, contained in the files of American Graves Registration Command, EA, pertaining to the case of the Following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

CASE No. 9

NAME

GRADE

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DUGGAN, Eugene T. TOWNSEND, Arthur R. Sgt

32700920 32829637

FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds, the remains of said casualty/casualties, are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the office of the Quartermester General for final approval.

HAROLD P. HENRY, Col. QUC

EDWARD D. MULVANITY, Lt. COX. QMC

CHARLES REYNOLDS, Maj. T.C.

GERALD SWARTHOUT SR. Maj. C.E.

JACK C. HAYES, Capt. QMC

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HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES RÉGISTRATION COMMAND EUROPEAN AREA APO 58 US ARMY

RAG 300.4

22 Mar 48

SPECIAL ORDERS

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1. Under the provisions of AR 615-368, 14 May 47 and AR 420-5, the following Board of officers is appointed to meet at Liege, Belgium, or at such other place as the president may designate at the call of the president thereof, for the purpose of considering whether such EM as may be brought before it should be discharged prior to the expiration of their term of service. Proceedings of the Board will be in conformity with AR 420-5. Findings and recommendations will be forwarded to the Commanding General, and entered on ED AGO Form 37.

LT COL	PARK W. BAILEY	0242216	TMD
MAJ	DAVID MINS, JR	0228758	INF
MAJ	JOHN W. LONG	0333779	INF
IST LT	THOMAS C. HAYDEN	01584337	QLC
1ST LT	ALVIN C. BECK ROBERT VANIMA	01646841	INF
	TODERT VINITIM	01786119	LC

- 2. Par 3 and 4, SO 6, this hq, 14 Jan 48 pertaining to appointment of Board of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area), are rescinded.
- 3. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, subj "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol off, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area):

LT COL MAJ MAJ CAPT LST LT	PATRICK W. GUINEY GEORGE M VER HULST MARSHALL J. BLACKMON JACK C. H. JES JOSEPH E McCLUSKEY	01577297	QMC USAF INF QMC
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4. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol in, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for non-recoverability of remains (European Area):

LT COL MAJ MAJ CAPT	GROSVENOR W. FISH FRANCIS P. SHEENEY OVEN F. MCCANN	0359598 042932 034485	QMC QMC IMF
1ST LT	GEORGE L. FREEMAN	01595680	INF
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5. VOCG 6 Jan 48 auth CAPT GORDON L. ALDERMAN 0479536 CHC to tvl fr Second Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Carentan, France, to First Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Liege, Belgium, by TPA are confirmed, the exigencies of the service having been such as to prevent the issuance of orders in advance.

MUTH: Sec I, Cir 157, Hq USFET, 23 Oct 46 & Cir 28, Hq EUCOM, 9 May 47.

BY COLDMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL PECKHAMI:

OFFICIAL:

CARL W. RAGUSE Colonel, QMC Chief of Staff

/s/t/ FRANK FR.NCIS Major, - AGD Asst Adj Gen

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- 2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records in file headquarters American Graves Registration Command.
- 3. Every effort has been made to correlate these cases with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknown deceased interred in US Military Cemeteries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative.

4. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

C. W. STEINSIEK Captain, QMC

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

RRE 293.9 (IB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: Non-Recoverable Board AGRC

1. It is recommended that the board take action on the following cases:

NAMES: DUGGAN, Eugene T., Sgt., 32700920 TOWNSEND, Arthur R., Pfc., 32829637

ORGANIZATION: Co "L" 320th Inf.

DATE OF DEATH: 23 November 1944

PLACE OF DEATH: Grening, France

SYNOPSIS OF CASES: The above mentioned unresolved casualties were members of a patrol sent out to determine enemy strength in the town of Grening, France on 23 Nov. 1944. Upon entering the town they met with intense enemy opposition, and were not seen afterwards by members of their organization who entered the town on the next day. A thorough search was conducted, but no trace of the missing persons could be found. Field Investigation was conducted in the appropriate area in Apr. 1947, with negative results. It is logical to conclude that Sgt Eugene T. Duggan and Pfc. Arthur R. Townsend were killed in action in the town of Grening, France on 23 Nov, 1944 and that their remains were disposed of by the enemy in a manner which precludes recovery. The fact that Field Investigation proved negative, together with the fact that there are no unknowns on record that may be associated with the subject casualties would tend to substantiate this conclusion; It is therefore recommended that this case be deemed non-recoverable.

Reference is made to: OQMG Forms 371; Review and Determination of Status Report dtd 24 Nov 1945.

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Operational Instructions #49

The town of Francaltroff/Moselle and its surrounding area will be investigated in an effort to recover the remains of the above.

Files this headquarters reveal no unknowns have been disinterred from this location

DQMG FORM 371

DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD -

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AG 704 Dead (24 Nov 45) S. R. & D. No. 4761

24 November 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status Under the Missing Persons Act.

I. - FACTS

1. The following-named persons have been carried on the records of the War Department as missing in action in the European Theater of Operations since 23 November 1944 as reported by shipment numbers which appear opposite their names:

Towsend, Arthur R. 32,829,637 Private First Class SHIPMENT NO. 32,700,920 Sergeant 267

- 3. a. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan and Private First Class Arthur R. Towsend were members of Company L, 320th Infantry. A Missing Report filed in each enlisted man's Casualty Brance file states that he was a member of a patrol sent out to determine the strength of the enemy at Grening, France. Upon entering the twon, they met intense enemy opposition and were not seen afterward by members of their organization who entered the town on the next of them was found.
- b. Sergeant Duggan's AG 2-1 file contains photostatic copies of two package wrappers addressed to him and returned to sender as of 23 February 1945 and marked "Hospitalized 12/18/44".

II. - CONCLUSIONS

2. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan and Private First Class Arthur R. Towsend were members of a patrol sent out to determine the strength of the enemy at opposition. On the next day their organization entered the town and a search for the missing persons was conducted, but no trace of them was found.

AG 704 (21 Dec 49)

MFB/mmh/10676/11731

21 December 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance of Personnel Presumed Dead.

1. The following-named enlisted men, members of Company "L", 320th Infantry Regiment, were reported missing in action in France, 23 November 1944, by ETO Shipment No. 267, and were presumed dead as of 24 November 1945, under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act:

Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan 32700920 Private First Class Arthur R. Townsend 32829637

- 2. SR&D Case No. 4761, dated 24 November 1945, File: AG 704 Dead (24 Nov 45), reviewed the circumstances of the disappearance of Sergeant Duggan, Private Townsend, and others, and recommended that findings of death be made, showing the presumed date of death, in each case, to be 24 November 1945. Information on which the presumption of death was based, in the case of the subject soldiers, was found in "Missing Reports" in their Casualty files. According to these Reports, Sergeant Duggan and Private Townsend were members of a patrol which was sent to Grening, a village a few miles southeast of St. Avold, France, to get information regarding the strength of the enemy there. On entering the village they met opposition, and the subject enlisted men failed to return. On the following day, when their Company entered the village, they could not be found.
- 3. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan, 32700920, and Private First Class Arthur Townsend, 32829637, were members of a patrol sent out to obtain information regarding the enemy strength in Grening, France. They did not return, and, when their Company entered the village the following day, no trace of them was found. It is therefore concluded that the information of record in the Department of the Army at this time does not warrant the issuance of an official report of death, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act.

MFB

Mildred F. Bickford Investigator

CONCUR:

COPY FOR: OQMG, Memorial Div. N. B. STARR
Captain, AGD
Asst. OIC, Det. & Rev. Unit.
Casualty Section
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320th INFANTRY REGIMENT

After Action Report

There was an artillery preparation of one hour before the jump-off. During the day the 3rd Battalion was able to seize and hold approximately 2/3 of the town of Fresnes. It was completely cleared and in our hands by 1000 on 9 November 1944. The 2nd Battalion managed to cross the open area and enter the edge of the Chateau-Salins Forest with G Company entering on the left and F Company on the right, followed by E Company, the Battalion reserve. The enemy then opened up with heavy artillery and mortar fire and fire from cannon in the forest plus enfilading machine gun and small arms fire causing both and E Companies to be thrown out of the woods with heavy losses. Following a second unsuccessful assault in the afternoon, they took up positions along the railroad cut and embankment in the open and held these positions for the remainder of the day with G Company in position along the edge of the forest. In the meantime the 1st Battalion moved up and some of its elements were used to block the open space between the two attacking battalions. On the morning of 9 November the attack was resumed on the enemy positions in the forest, the 2nd Battalion continuing its attack on the southern half of the western edge and the 1st Battalion committed to attack the northern half. After the completion of the mop-up in the town of Fresnes the 3rd Battalion became regimental reserve. During the day, the 1st and 2nd Battalions during heavy fighting advanced to phase line "Victor", a general line extending from 064305 to 070297, then southeast to 085288. On the morning of 10 November the attack was continued with the 1st Battalion on the left; on the right the 3rd Battalion passed through the lines of the 2nd Battalion, the latter reverting to regimental reserve. continued the attack through the day and by nightfall the 3rd Battalion had reached and occupied a line extending from 083294 to 091297. 2nd Battalion after mopping-up enemy pockets previously by-passed was occupying a blocking position along the edge of the woods from 067292 to 062288. The 1st Battalion had secured positions along the edge of the woods from 066299 to 073298. The attack was resumed on the morning of 11 November by the 1st and 3rd Battalions which continued the ad-Shortly after nightfall they had reached and occupied positions vance. as follows: 1st Battalion from 080319 to 087317, 3rd Battalion from 092315 to 097312. The 2nd Battalion occupied a blocking position generally from 084306 to 092302. On the morning of 12 November the same two Battalions continued their attack and shortly after noon had reached and occupied the regimental objective, the eastern edge of the Foret de Chateau-Salins. On 13 November 44 the regiment was moved from the forest positions into nearby towns to give the troops oppurtunity to dry their clothing and rest. Some of the troops had been wet for almost the entire period of the forest fighting. The 2nd Battalion and the Regimental CP occupied the town of Vaxy; the 3rd Battalion at Vannecourt, and the 1st Battalion at Chateau-Brehain. The regiment was placed in division reserve. On 14 November 44 the 2nd Bat talion moved from Bellange to Pevange and was made available as a reserve force for the 134th Infantry. During the period from 15 November to 17 November the regiment remained in division reserve. At 1700 on 17 November 44 the Regimental CP displaced to Morhange, a distance of 13 5/ miles. All elements of the regiment were moved up to the immediate vicinity. On the morning of 18 November at 0800 the 320th Infantry resumed the attack in the sector of the 134th Infantry. In the period that followed the regiment continued to attack daily, weather was adverse, cold and wet, and lack of routes caused supply and evacuation to be largely by hand carrying. On 25 November 44 the regimental objective was reached and occupied and the assigned mission of the 320th Infantry was completed. At the end of the period the 320th Infantry occupied positions as follows: 3rd Battalion was at Nelling with its Company L at Insming and one platoon of Company I at Rening. The 2nd

Declassified in accordance with D.O. 13526 Battalion was at Petit-Tenquin with one platoon at Zellen. The 1st Battalion was at Uberkinger and Kappelkinger, with Company B at Hazembourg and Company C at Wentzviller. On 27 November 44 at 1030 the Regimental CP displaced to Pontpierre, a distance of 242 miles. All elements of the regiment then assembled in the vicinity of Pontpierre. 2. Mission: The mission of the 320th Infantry from 8 November 44 to 12 November 44 inclusive was to seize, clear and secure from the enemy . the Foret de Chateau-Salins. The mission during the period from 18 November to 25 November, 44 inclusive, was to seize, clear and secure from the enemy all ground within its assigned sector. 3. Information of the Enemy: In the attack on the Chateau-Salins Forest our troops encountered thoroughly prepared enemy defensive positions. All roads and open spaces were thoroughly strewn with mines. There were barbed wire entanglements and well established fire lanes for automatic weapons, well supplemented with foxholes and dug-outs. The enemy had good observation for the employment of its mortars and artillery which were used very effectively. The enemy at all times during this period had the use of armor with which he effectively supported his infantry forces. The use of the enemy mortars and artillery was very effective against our troops in the forest because of thee bursts. The efficiency and the morale of the enemy troops were very good. 4. Decision on Tactical Maneuver: In actions during the month tactical decisions were designed to accomplish missions assigned in directives of higher headquarters. Local tactical maneuver was in conformity with decisions of the Regimental or appropriate subordinate commanders. 5. Units Used: During the peirod the 1st Battalion was commended by Major Frank Waring until he was evacuated on 7 November 1944. Lt Col. James T. Wakker then assumed Command of the unit and directed its activities until he was wounded in action on 18 November 1944. Major Walton, Battalion Executive Officer, then assumed and remained in command until the end of the period. The 2nd and 3rd Battalions were commanded by Lt. Col. Warren T. Hannum and Lt. Col. Joseph D. Alexander respectively throughout the period. Special Unit commanders were captain Edmund R. Casey who commanded Headquarters Company until he was evacuated on 8 November at which time Captain Dwight D. Bonham became the commander for the rest of the period; Captain Paul H. Heil, Service Company; Captain A. D. Wilson, Anti Tank Company. Cannon Company was in command of First Lieutenant E. Cammack until 6 November when Captain Nobert N. Ekstrum assumed command of the unit for the remainder of the period. Major L. A. Smith, Regimental Surgeon, was in command of the Medical Detachment. The regiment was commanded by Colonel B. A. Byrne. Lt Col. William F. Northam was Executive Officer. The Regimental Staff consisted of First Lieutenant Milton Ginsburg, Major George W. Jamieson, Major Thomas P. McElroy Jr., and Major Harold V. Hughes, S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4, respectively. 6. Weapons used: Small arms, grenades, rockets, mortars, artillery, tanks and tank destroyers. 7. Artillery, Tank and Air Support; Artillery support during the entire period was excellent. The regiment had the use of tank destroyers throughout the period, which was excellent, although terrain conditions often made their use difficult or impossible. In the first three days of the attack of the Foret De Chateau-Salins, 8 November to 10 November inclusive, the regiment had the use of tank support. However, this support was cut to a minimum as a result of losses in curred by the tank company on the first day of the action, and by conditions of terrain. After 11 November all tanks support was withdrawn entirely and the regiment had no tank support for the rest of the period. The unit had periodic air support throughout the period. 8. Effects of weather: All operations during the entire period were hampered by rain, mud and snow, which in many cases made conditions - 2 -

extremely difficult and uncomfortable.

- 9. Supply: During the period the supply problem was mainly one of refitting and equiping the men for winter warfare. Sleeping bags, sweaters, extra blankets, overshoes and combat boots were issued with priority to line companies. A critical shortage of tires, tubes and tube patching developed. This was due to tire failures from shrapnel and nails picked up from the roads. During this period a salvage crew was organized, comprised of men suffering from battle fatigue. The objective of this crew was to salvage lost, dropped or discarded equipment by following units through their zones of action. The recovery of considerable amounts of salvageble equipment attests to the success of having such an organization.
- 10 Communications: Communications were by wire and radio, with appropriate use of messengers. The operations of the wire crews were very often made difficult by the mud and the long dark nights. The lines were often cut by shell fire and vehicles, and one wire crew was the victim of a mine explosion
- 11. Honest appraisal of troop morale and troop efficiency: Excellent throughout the operations.

12. Casualties for this period:	Officers	EM	Total
-Killed in Action	5	40	45
Wounded in Action	31	684	715
Missing in Action	0	122	122

Complete summary of accomplishments, Remarks concerning mistakes, Incidents: All operations of the regiment during this period were performed in an efficient and excellent manner. The ability of the infantry and their attached units to endure the most unfavorable living and fighting conditions and keep up a high state of morale and efficiency has been demonstrated to the fullest extent. The living conditions and the fighting positions were the most uncomfortable and unfavorable yet encountered by this regiment. Rain, mud and snow were the rule and never the exception. In the advance through the forest almost every round of enemy artillery and mortar fire resulted in a tree burst, equivalent to well placed time fire. From this the advancing troops had little or no protection, while the enemy from his defensive positions in dug-outs and pillboxes had very good protection from our shellfire. Because of the short hours of daylight many operations had to be concluded or carried out during the hours of darkness and because of the rainy and cloudy weather there was very little light, if any at all, in the forest after nightfall. Very often the units found themselves subjected to enemy fire from the rear and the flanks as well as to their fronts. At times their routes of supply and communication to the rear were cut by by-passed or infiltrated enemy troops. At one time the command post of Company B was attacked from the rear and Captain Frank Gardner, the company commander was killed. the swift fall of darkness enable other members of the command group to escape. Twice the reserve battalion had to be used to mop up bypassed groups and to establish blocks against infiltration from the rear and the flanks. In the second operation for the towns and villages in the open country, the flooded low ground and enemy demolitions greatly hampered the supply of the advanced troops. In the taking of one town by Company A under the command of First Lieutenant Charles W. Bell the men had to swim a flooded area, or cross on a rudely constructed foot bridge to reach their objective. The bridge was constructed and most of the crossing made during the hours of darkness. Just before daylight the last elements crossed and ran into the town as enemy tanks charged down on them from high ground nearby. In the fight that followed, the enemy tanks were knocked out by bazooka fire and their crews eliminated by the use of hand grenades, Molotov cocktails and small arms fire. Lieutenant Bell called for artillery fire

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AG 704 Dead (24 Nov 45) S. R. & D. No. 4761

24 November 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status Under the Missing Persons Act.

I. - FACTS

COPY

1. The following-named persons have been carried on the records of the War Department as missing in action in the European Theater of Operations since 23 November 1944 as reported by shipment numbers which appear opposite their names:

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Duggan, Eugene T. 32,700,920

Private First Class SHIPMENT NO. Sergeant 267

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- b. Sergeant Duggan's AG 201 file contains photostatic copies of two package wrappers addressed to him and returned to sender as of 23 February 1945 and marked "Hospitalized 12/18/44".

II. - CONCLUSIONS

2. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan and Private First Class Arthur R. Towsend were members of a patrol sent out to determine the strength of the enemy at Grening, France. At the entrance to the town, they met intense enemy opposition. On the next day their organization entered the town and a search for the missing persons was conducted, but no trace of them was found.

HEADQUARTERS, 320TH INFANTRY

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Mission: The Mission of the 320th Infantry from 8 November to 12 November inclusive was to seize, clear and secure from the enemy the Foret de Chateau-Salins. The mission during the period from 18 November to 25 November, inclusive, was to seize, clear and secure from the enemy all ground within its assigned sector.

Information of the enemy: In the attack on the Chateau-Salins Forest our troops encountered thoroughly prepared enemy defensive positions. All roads and open spaces were thoroughly strewn with mines. There were barbed wire entanglements and well established fire lanes for automatic weapons, well supplemented with foxholes and dug-outs, The enemy had good observation for the employment of its mortars and artillery which were used very effectively. The enemy at all times during this period had the use of armor with which he effectively supported his infantry forces. The use of the enemy mortars and artillery was very effective against our troops in the forest because of trees bursts. The efficiency and the morale of the enemy troops were very good.

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Weapons used: Small arms, grenades, rockets, mortars, artillery, tanks and tank destroyers.

Artillery, Tank and Air Support: Artillery support during the entire period was excellent. The regiment had the use of tank destroyers throughout the period, which was excellent, although terrain conditions often made their use difficult or impossible. In the first three days of the attack on the Foret de Chateau-Salins, 8 November to 10 November inclusive, the regiment had the use of tank support. However, this support was cut to a minimum as a result of losses incurred by the tank company on the first day of the action, and by conditions of terrain. After 11 November all tank support was withdrawn entirely and the regiment had no tank support for the rest of the period. The unit had periodic air support throughout the period.

Effects of Weather: All operations during the entire period were hampered by rain, mud and snow, which in many cases made conditions extremely difficult and uncomfortable.

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Communications: Communications were by wire and radio, with appropriate use of messangers. The operations of the wire crews were very often made difficulty by the mud and the long dark nights. The lines were often cut by shell fire and vehicles, and one wire crew was the victim of a mine explosion.

Honest appraisal of troop morale and troop efficiency: Ex-

Casualties for Killed in Action Wounded in Action Missing in Action	this period:	Officers 5 31	EM 40 684 122	Total 45 715
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Decorations: The following decorations have been recommended.
6 - Distinguished Service Cross

31 - Silver Star 83 - Bronze Star

Prisoners Taken: 300 Prisoners were taken during this period

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Complete summary of accomplishments, Remarks concerning mistakes, Incidents: All Operations of the regiment during this period were performed in an efficient and excellent manner. The ability of the infantry and their attached units to endure the most unfavorable living and fighting conditions and keep up a high state of morals and efficiency has been demonstrated to the fullest extent. The living conditions and the fighting positions were the most uncomfortable and unfavorable yet encountered by this regiment. Rain, mud and snow were the rule and never the exception. In the advance through the forest almost every round of enemy artillery and mortar fire resulted in a tree burst, equivalent to well placed time fire. From this the advancing troops had little or no protection, while the enemy from his defensive positions in dug-outs and pillboxes had very good protection from our shellfire. Because of the short hours of daylight many operations had to be concluded or carried out during the hours of darkness and because of the rainy and cloudy weather there was very little light, if any at all, in the forest after nightfall. Very often the units found themselves subjected to enemy fire from the rear and the flanks as well as to their fronts. At times their routes of supply and communication to the rear were cut by by-passed or infiltrated enemy troops. At one time the command post of Company "B" was attacked from the rear and Captain Frank Gardner, the company commander, was killed. Only the swift fall of darkness enabled other members of the command group to escape. Twice the reserve battalion had to be used to mop up bypassed groups and to establish blocks against infiltration from the rear and the flanks. In the second operation for the towns and villages in the open country, the flooded low ground and enemy demolitions greatly hampered the supply of the advanced troops. In the taking of one town by Company A under the command of First Lieutenant Charles W. Bell the men had to swim a flooded area, or cross on a rudely constructed foot bridge to reach their objective. The bridge was constructed and most of the crossing made during the hours of darkness. Just before daylight the last elements crossed and ran into the town as enemy tanks charged down on them from high ground nearby. In the fight that followed, the enemy tanks were knocked out by bazooka fire and their crews eliminated by the use of hand grenades. Molotov cocktails and small arms fire. Lieutenant Bell called for artillery fire one one section of the town while he and his men fought in the other sections. After the barrage had lifted his company completed the occupation of the town.

> /s/B. A. BYRNE Colonel, 320th Infantry Commanding

TOWNSEND, ARTHUR R. DUGGAN, EUGENE T.

Pfc Sgt 32,829,637 32,700,920

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Missing in Action 23 November 1944

AIRMAIL

QMRMS 293
Duggan, Eugene T. SN-32700920
Townsend, Arthur R. SN-32829637
SUBJECT: Request for Information

Dept. of the Army, OQMO, Washington 25, D. C., 4 March 1949

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

In compliance with request made in basic communication, the following dental information is submitted herewith:

DSS Form 221, dated 22 January 1943 for Private First Class Arthur R. Townsend, 32829637, shows teeth missing R-8, 16; L-8, 16. Forms 79 not on file.

Dental Chart at Induction, dated 31 December 1942 for Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan, 32700920, shows teeth missing L-8, 14. Restorable carious teeth R-7, 16; L-4. Non-restorable carious teeth R-13, 14, 15; L-6. Two Forms 79 inclosed herewith.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

2 Incls: Incls 1 & 2 Forms 79 (Duggan)

T. H. METZ Lt. Col. QMC Memorial Division //WK GWR

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(Moselle) 8749

HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND EUROPEAN AREA APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 293.9 (IB)

4 February 1949

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO:

The Quartermaster General Washington 25 D. C.

1. Reference is made to OQMG Forms371 for Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan, 32 700 920, and Pfc Arthur R. Townsend, 32 829 637.

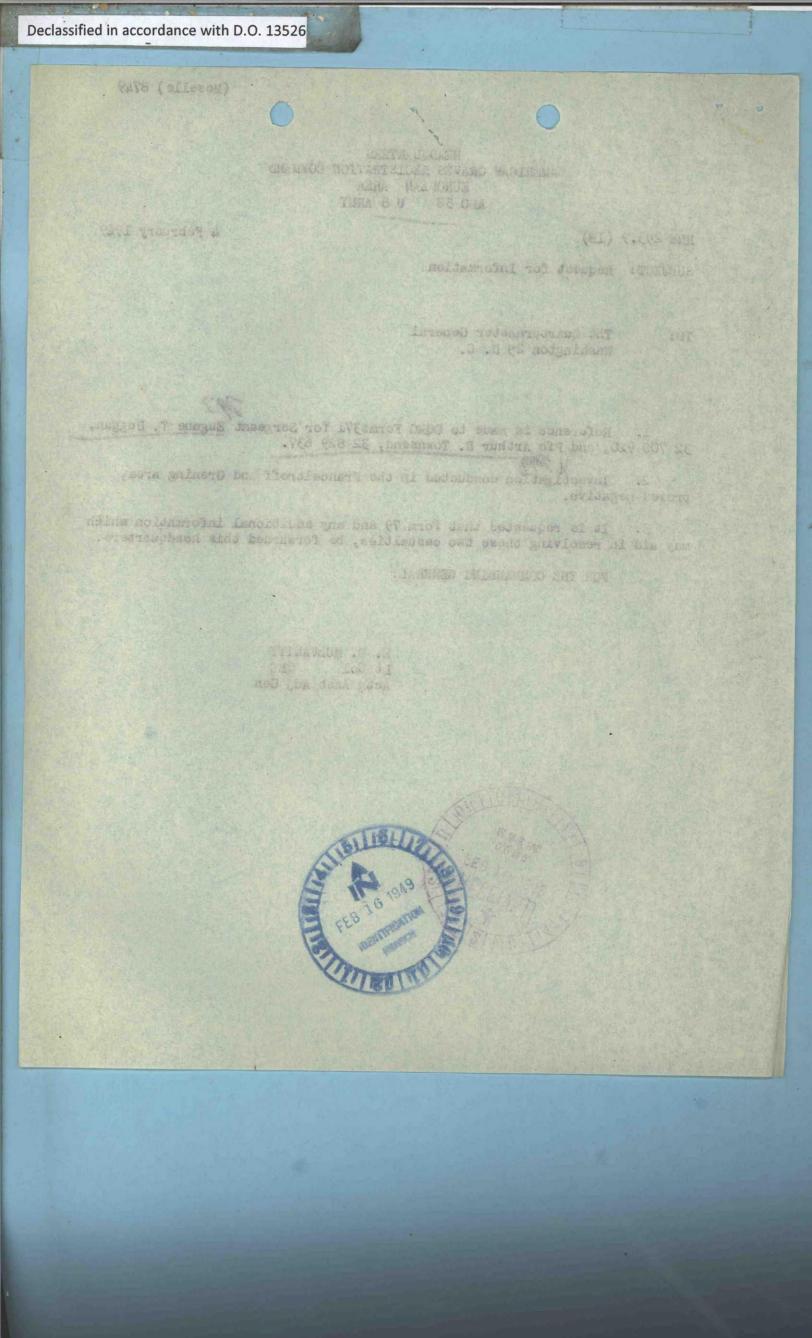
2. Investigation conducted in the Francaltroff and Grening area, proved negative.

3. It is requested that Form 79 and any additional information which may aid in resolving these two casualties, be forwarded this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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WD, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C.

TO:

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

- 1. Reference is made to preceding correspondence.
- 2. Forwarded for processing in accordance with AG Letter, File AGAO-S 293.9 (27 March 47)D-M, Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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POOLE ROGERS Captain, QMC Memorial Division US VB

(Moselle) 8749

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Hq American Graves Registration Command, European Theater Area, APO 58, U S Army, 14 May 1947.

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

- 1. Inclosed herewith are copies of documents pertaining to negative report received from Third Zone, AGRC, on Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan, 32700920:
 - a. Letter, Hq Third Zone, dated 23 April 1947.
 b. Letter, 4444 Service Co, dated 22 April 1947.
 d. Diary, dated 16 April 1947.
 d. Seven statements.

 - 2. Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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WALTER B. MORROW Major, Infantry Actg Asst Adj Gen



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

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2 0 JAN 1947

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

- l. Reference is made to letter this office, QMGYG 314.6, Subject: Additional Methods of Locating and Identifying Unknowns and Resolving Cases of Remains Not Yet Recovered, dated 4 October 1946.
- 2. Attached hereto, in duplicate is OQMG Form 371 for the following deceased individual whose remains have not yet been recovered or identified:

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- 3. The attached OCMG Form 371 contains all information available from the Office of The Guartermaster General, the Adjutant General, he AG Demobilized Personnel Records Branch and Clinical Records Branch, St. Inc., Missouri, Headquarters, Army Mir Forces, and captured enemy documents, and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by this office to your headquarters.
- 4. It is requested that every attempt be made by your command to locate or identify remains of this individual and the results of your investigation, whether positive or negative, be returned to this office by indorsement hereon, within 60 days of receipt of this communication.

FOR THE QUARTERNASTER GENERAL:

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23 April 1947

: Commanding Officer, American Graves Registration Command,

- 1. Attention is invited to attached letter from the 4444 Sv Co, seven (7) statements and diary relative to investigation conducted in an effort to locate the remains of Sgt. Eugene T. DUGGAN, ASN 32700920.
- 2. Results of investigation proved negative and a search of records in this Headquarters fails to reveal any clue which might lead to the location of the remains of above mentioned deceased.

QMC

(Moselle) 8749

4444 SERVICE COMPANY (AC) THIRD ZONE
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA
APO 58 (Nancy) US ARMY

22 April 1947.

SUBJECT: Investigation of Case 8749 regarding Sgt. Eugene T. DUGGAN, 32 700 920.

TO : Commanding Officer, Third Zone, AGRC, ETA, APO 58, US Army.

ATTN : Operations Officer.

1. During the investigation on this case which was conducted at Francaltroff, Leening and Greening, no leads or clues of positive nature could be obtained.

- 2. No Americans were ever located in Francaltroff or Greening, altho one American remains was evacuated from the territory of Leening by an unknown American unit on 21 November 1944 and transported to an unknown destination.
- 3. Your attention is invited to inclosed statements and copy of investigator's diary.

LOUIS A. BOCKSTAHLER lst Lt. Inf. Commanding

Incls: 7 statements 1 diary Case 401

(Moselle) 8749

DIARY

· 16 April 1947

Left Nancy 0900.

Arrived Francaltroff 1030.
Questioned M. Fabry, town mayor, Miss Betting,
secretary of townhall and Mr. Klein, town counsiller
who all declared they could not give any information 1030.

who all declared they could not give any information concerning sergeant Duggan. They all stated that there had never been any American soldier buried on territory of their commune. Mayor certified that area is demined. Went to Lening where I questioned Miss Schalz, secretary of town hall who stated the same. She also certified that area is demined. Questioned Miss Becker who declared she heard one American soldier had got killed the 21st 1200. Nov on territory of Lening. She never knew the identity of that soldier. That soldier has been evacuated a short

while after by American troops stationed in town. She could not say where he had been evacuated to.

Went to Grening and questioned M. Becker mayor of town who stated that there is no American soldier buried in the territory of Grening. Declared he could not give any 1400. information about Sgt. Duggan, he certified that area is completely demined. Questioned Mr. Inhoff, rural policeman who declared that he reported the presence of 5 American bodies which were removed in the course of December by American troops stationed in Greving. He never knew the identity of said soldiers and and does not know where they have been brought to. He certified there are no more American bodies in the territory of the commune.

1500. Went to Gros-Tenquin and asked the gerdarmes of district what they know about removal of American bodies. They could only certify that there are no more American bodies in the territory of their district.

> Left Gros-Tenquin 1530. Arrived Nancy 1700.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY of Mr. Laurain's diary

LOUIS A. BOCKSTAHLER 1st Lt. Inf.

(Moselle) 8749

Townhall of Francaltroff

Town Stamp

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, BETTING Simone, townhall's secretary at Francaltroff, declare that I cannot give any information concerning the soldier DUGGAN Eugene T., ASN 32700920.

I certify that there have never been American graves in the territory of our sommune. The Americans conducted an investigation in May 1946, however without positive results.

I certify moreover that the territory of the commune has been demined.

Francaltroff, 16 April 1947.

/s/ Betting Simone

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

GERDA C. PRUYS

Translator

(Moselle) 8749

Francaltroff, 16 Apr 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, KIEIN Charles, cafe owner and town counciller declare that I cannot furnish any information on the subject of the American soldier DUGGAN Eugene, ASN 32700920.

I certify that as far as I know there have never any American soldiers been buried in the territory of this commune. Inhabitants of this commune have been all over the territory after the liberation and I have never heard that the remains of a soldier were found.

/s/ Klein Charles

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

GERMA C. PRIMS

Gr. 4 - 10256

Translator

(Moselle) 8749

Leening, 16 April 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned Mrs. SCHALZ Germaine, mayor's secretary, declare that I cannot give any information concerning the American soldier DUGGAN Eugene T., 32700920.

I certify that no American soldier has ever been buried in the territory of my commune.

I declare that the territory of this commune has completely been demined.

/s/ G. Schalz

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

GY 4 - 10256

(Moselle) 8749

Leening, 16 April 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, Mrs. BECKER Cecile, declare that I have heard that a American soldier was killed in the territory of Leening about the 21st of November 19hh. I did not see this soldier and I do not know his identity. This soldier was immediately evacuated by the American troops which were stationed here. I don't know to what place the body was transported.

I certify that to my knowledge there is no American soldier buried in the territory of this commune.

/s/ Becker Cecile

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

GERDA C. PRUYS Gr. 4 - 10250 Translator

(Moselle) 8749

Greening, 16 April 1947.

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, Mr. BECKER Marcel, mayor of the commune, declare that I cannot give any information concerning the American soldier DUGGAN Eugene ASN 32700920.

I certify that no American soldier is buried in the territory of this commune.

I declare that the territory of my commune has completely been demined.

The Mayor:

Town Stamp

/s/ Becker

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

GEADA C. PRUYS

(Moselle) 8749

Greening, 16 Avril 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, Mr. IMHOFF Jean, rural policeman, declare that 5 American soldiers were killed in the territory of this town. I reported the presence of these bodies to the American authorities who were stationed here, immediately after I found the bodies. All remains were evacuated by these troops in the couese of December 1944. I have never known the identity of these soldiers and I don't know to what place they were transported.

I certify that as far as I know there are no American soldiers buried in the territory of this commune.

I cannot give any information on the subject of the soldier DUGGAN Eugene T.

/s/ Imhoff Jean

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AG 704 Dead (24 Nov 45) S. . & D. No. 4761

24 November 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status Under the Missing Persons Act.

I. - FACTS

1. The following-named persons have been carried on the records of the War Department as missing in action in the European Theater of Operations since 23 November 1944 as reported by shipment numbers which appear opposite their names:

NAME ASN GRADE SHIPMENT NO.

Duggan, Eugene T. 32,700,920 Sergeant 267

Townsend, Arthur R. 32,829,637 Private First Class 267

- 2. The above-named enlisted men of different infantry Regiments became missing in action during the time of the intense action against Aachen and the Hurtgen Forest areas. Some were reported as missing in action in France and some in Germany. The available information concerning them is set forth in paragraphs three through eleven which follow.
- 3. a. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan and Private First Class Arthur R. Townsend were members of Company L, 320th Infantry. A Missing Report filed in each enlisted man's Casualty Branch file states that he was a member of a patrol sent out to determine the strength of the enemy at Grening, France. Upon entering the town, they met intense enemy opposition and were not seen afterward by members of their organization who entered the town on the next day. A thorough search for the missing persons was conducted, but no trace of them was found.
- b. Sergeant Duggan's AG 201 file contains photostatic copies of two package wrappers addressed to him and returned to sender as of 23 February 1945 and marked "Hospitalized 12/18/44".

II. - CONCLUSIONS

1. The eleven persons whose cases are considered in this review were members of different Infantry Regiments which participated in the offensive action in the areas of Aachen, Germany, and the Hurtgen Forest on 23 November 1944. They became missing in action under conditions set forth in paragraphs 2 through 11 which follow:

S. R. & D. No. 4761

2. Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan and Private First Class Arthur R. Townsend were members of a patrol sent out to determine the strength of the enemy at Grening, France. At the entrance to the town, they met intense enemy opposition. On the next day their organization entered the town and a search for the missing persons was conducted, but no trace of them was found.

III. - RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that findings of death be made under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act in the cases of the persons named in paragraph 1, Part I, above and that these findings show the presumed date of death to be 24 November 1945 in each case.

Investigator

Captain, AGD

CONCURRED IN:

APPROVED:

JOHN T. BURNS
Lt. Colonel, AGD
Officer in Charge
Status Review and
Determination Section

GEORGE F. HERBERT Colonel, AGD Chief, Casualty Branch

Sergeant Eugene T. Duggan, 32,700,920, Infantry, et al.

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Rorm prescribed by Comptroller General, U.S. 7 October 1944



WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25, D. C. 4761

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 Eugene T. Duggan, Army Serial Number 32,700,920, Infantry,

to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 23rd day of November 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 24th day of November, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF I

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

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Mr. Patrick Duggan Father New York, New York

NAME	Wife	109 Sherman Avenue	
Helen Katherine Duggan NAME Mr. Patrick Duggan Mrs. Alice Krebs	RELATIONSHIP Father Sister	New York, New York ADDRESS 618 Academy Street New York, New York	

REMARKS

Distribution _56_

Awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge as per General Order Number 11, Headquarters 320th Infantry, dated 1 October 1944.

Circumstances of disappearance: He was a member of a patrol sent to reconnciter the area around Grening, France.

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WD AGO FORM 0353

THIS FORM SUPERSEDES WD AGO FORM 0353, 1 NOVEMBER 1944, WHICH MAY BE USED UNTIL EXISTING STOCKS ARE EXHAUSTED.

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