

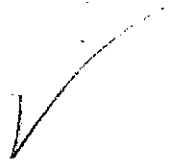
APR 757

293 Unknown Neuville 5500

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

UNKNOWN X-5500, NEUVILLE

(FOC) NEUVILLE



File - 1000

1972/57

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Evac # IF-3189
Uncl. 1

PHOTO LAB CASE # 175

CHEM LAB CASE # 1367

OTHER DESIGNATIONS: Evac No. IF-3189 (Neuville)

SUBJECT : Fingerprints

DATE : 9 May 47

2387

PHOTO LAB. REPORT.

CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
349TH QM BATTALION
APO 154 US ARMY

9 May 1947

Photo Lab. Case No. 175

Unknown X-5500

Chem. Lab Case No. 1367

Other Designations: Evac. No. IF-3189 (Neuville)

Inventory of Effects Studied:

Fingerprints

Photo Lab Findings:

Photos to be used as aid in fingerprint file check.

Thomas W. Berklund

THOMAS W. BERKLAND
Chief Photo Ident. Techn.

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

AGRC Form # 37
(Modified)

293 Unknown Neuville Date **8 August 1951**
X-5500

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND TRANSFER
OF ALLIED DECEASED

NAME OF DECEASED Unknown X-5500
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle In.) (Serial No)

DATE OF DISINTERMENT
(Day) (Month) (Year)

DISINTERRED AND RELEASED FROM USMC Neuville-en-Condroz, Plot A, Row 35, Grave 13
(Cemetery) (Plot - Row - Grave)

DECEASED BURIED TO RIGHT
FROM WHERE REMAINS CONCERNED WERE REMOVED
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle In.) (Serial No)
(Plot) (Row) (Grave)

DECEASED BURIED TO LEFT
FROM WHICH REMAINS CONCERNED WERE REMOVED
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle In.) (Serial No)
(Plot) (Row) (Grave)

TO BE REINTERRED AT
(Cemetery) (Plot - Row - Grave)

AUTHORITY _____

I hereby acknowledge receipt this day _____ of above remains together with one copy of Report of Burial (WD Form 1042) and all the relevant documents from Hqs, 7887-AGRD, APO 757 (Liege-Belgium).

P. Lereux
(Signature of Person Receiving Remains)

83 Avenue Foch, Paris 15
(Address of above signature)

Richard Gansel
(Signature of Officer or other Person releasing Remains)

7887 GRD
(Organization of above signature)

MAJ
NAME
RECORDS ANNOUNCED
DATE
NAME
BR. REG. DIV.

293 Under Belonging
 (Miss) See Numbers below

No. of Serials in Serial and ...
 ... prepared by ...

FILE NO.	YEAR	NO.	NUMBER
A-80	Y	5	215
A-81	Y	18	220
A-82	Y	1	31
A-83	Y	3	102
A-84	Y	8	71
A-85	Y	3	122
A-86	Y	1	144
A-87	Y	7	155
A-88	Y	1	12
A-89	Y	6	141
A-90	Y	7	170
A-91	Y	6	220
A-92	Y	2	171
A-93	Y	7	172 (Re-ascending 1/2 172 Revised)
A-94	Y	5	162
A-95	Y	3	104
A-96	Y	2	74 (Check list for Revised)

In reviewing this case it is noted that ...

2. In the ... Serials ... prepared by ...

3. To be reviewed ...

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PLOT: A ROW: 35 GRAVE: 19
DATE OF BURIAL: 23 JUN 49
VERIFIED BY GRS OFFICER: **DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE**
CLYDE B. SPINES, CAPT. FA.
Clyde B. Spines

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED
DIRECTIVE NUMBER **1260 01886** DATE **15 08 48**
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME *373* **UNKNOWN X-005500** SERIAL NUMBER GRADE ARM RACE RELIGION
J 0 6

CEMETERY **NEUVILLE BELGIUM** PLOT ROW GRAVE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
W 12 293 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 SERIAL NUMBER GRADE DATE OF DEATH DATE DISTINTERRED
UNKNOWN X-005500 7 DEC 1948

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON ORGANIZATION RELIGION IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
 REMAINS **5 EMB** **UNKNOWN** **UNK** **ALVIN C BECK 1st Lt INF**
 MARKER **EMB** **NAME AND TITLE**

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL **MATTRESS COVER** CONDITION OF REMAINS **L/FEMUR FRACTURED. ADVANCED STAGE OF DECOMPOSITION**

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION
2 EMBOSSED PLATES READ LF 3189. REPORT OF BURIAL WITH REMAINS UNK X5500. PARTIAL UPPER DENTURE FOUND WITH REMAINS.

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

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN ~~CASKET~~ **TRANSFER CASE**

DATE **17 DEC 1948** BY **WILLIAM R BAILEY EMBALMER**

CASKET SEALED BY **CLEVELAND C HALL JR** EMBALMER (Signature) **CLEVELAND C HALL JR LICENSED EMBALMER**

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED **ROBERT A HEURGUE** ~~ALL TAGS, MARKINGS AND PLATES VERIFIED BY:~~
DATE **17 FEB 49** BY **CLERK RECORDER** **ROGER E LEWIS CAPT CAV**

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

SHERMAN D MULHOLLAN 1st Lt ORD
SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
26 JUL 1949
I CERTIFY that the typed names appearing above are the same as the original signatures on the No. 4 copy of F-1194 concerned
Raymond G Johnson 1st Lt INF

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 293

5 April 1949
(Date)

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

The records pertaining to Unknown X- 5500, Plot W,
Row 12, Grave 293, USMC NEUVILLE, Belgium
have been reviewed and it is the opinion of this Office that sufficient
evidence is not available at the present time to establish the identity
of the deceased concerned. The remains concerned should be classified
as unidentifiable at the present time.

Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to your Office
by Transmittal Ltr. No. 2387, dated 5-8-47.

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

Roger Berger

Maj. Roger BERGER, O-251736 CRD Capt Jack C.H. YES, O-1577297 QMC
Edward F. Price, Jr.

Capt. Edward F. PRICE, Jr. O-1588236 QMC 1/Lt Edward E. STOUT, O-1594512 CE
Ernest J. Oglesby

1/Lt. Ernest J. OGLESBY, O-449004, Cav

3725 Received *TE 3725-8 Apr 49* OQMG
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

Incl #6

Dance
96 Apr 49

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Unknown X 5500
Cemetery Neuville en Condroz, Belgium
Plot _____ Row _____ Grave _____

Date processed: 23 April 1947

1. Arrived at cemetery XXXXXXXXXX
(Hour) (Date)
2. Place of death BTB Vicinity of Rothenburg, Germany
(Name of closest town)
L-54/S10 1:250,000
(Sheet, scale and serials used) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)
3. Remains recovered or disinterred by 466th M 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 None

Drawers, wool None

Drawers, cotton None

Leggings, wool None

Socks, cotton None

* Shoes None (type)

Overshoes None

Web Equipment None (type)

(Other item) Hospital Jacket or Night gown, illegible marking sent to Laboratory

(Other item) None

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

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

Shoulder Patch None

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

BTB: A.A.F. (See case papers)

6. Description of Remains:
Est.

Age UTD Height 5'10" 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 Dark brown, 3 inches (Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jaw **Normal** Circumference of head in inches **21 inches**
(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 **None found**
(Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

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

Entire remains recovered

with Check List

7. Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? Yes
(Yes-no)
If not, explain See attached sheet

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

Body intact, large amount of flesh. Only clothing was hospital jacket or right shirt, apparently German.

9. Remarks 2 1/2 inches below the medial condyle (See chart)

Steel wire found inserted through tibia, anterior to posterior about

Fluoroscopic Examination: Negative.

Estimated processed weight - 100 Lbs.

Height (5'10") was determined by table measurement.

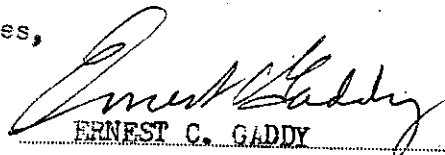
Chemical Laboratory Examination of fingerprints, remnants of collar from nightshirt and upper denture, was made with negative results.

Photos of fingerprints were made by the Photo Laboratory (left little finger and left ring finger) are inclosed with case papers.

Processing at Subordinate Identification Point, Margraten, Holland.

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.

revealed no positive identifying clues,
therefore this case is classified
Unknown.


ERNEST C. GADDY
(Officer's Name)

CWO U.S.A.
Rank Service

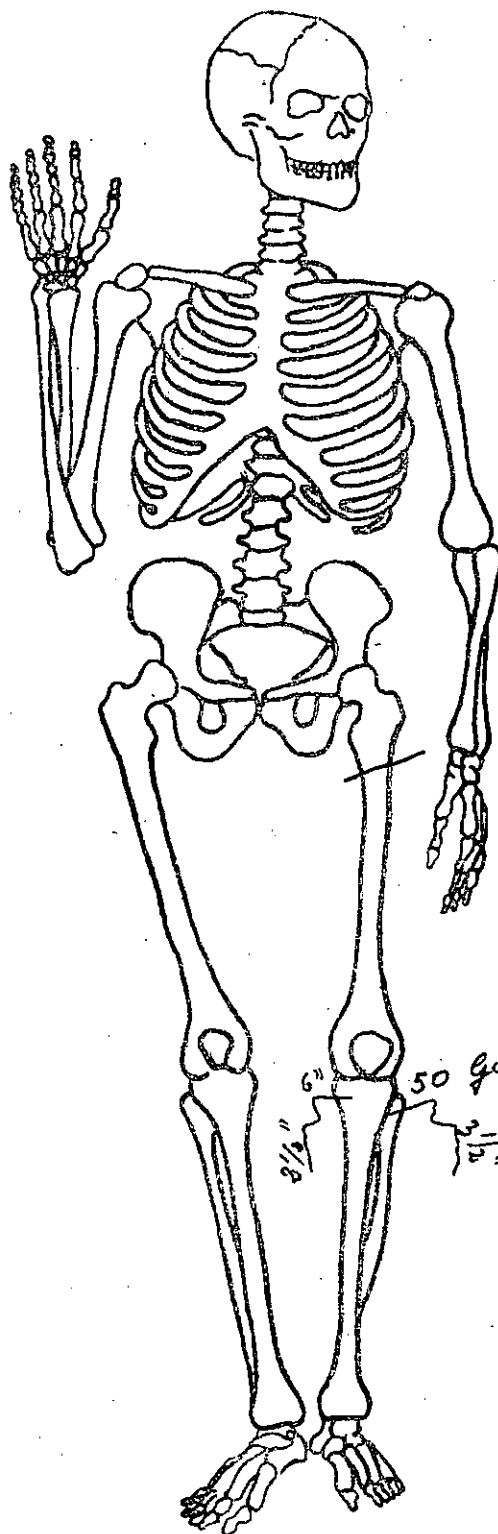
CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT
(Organization)

F-3189

SKELETAL CHART Neuville en Condroz, Belgium (VK 390187)

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

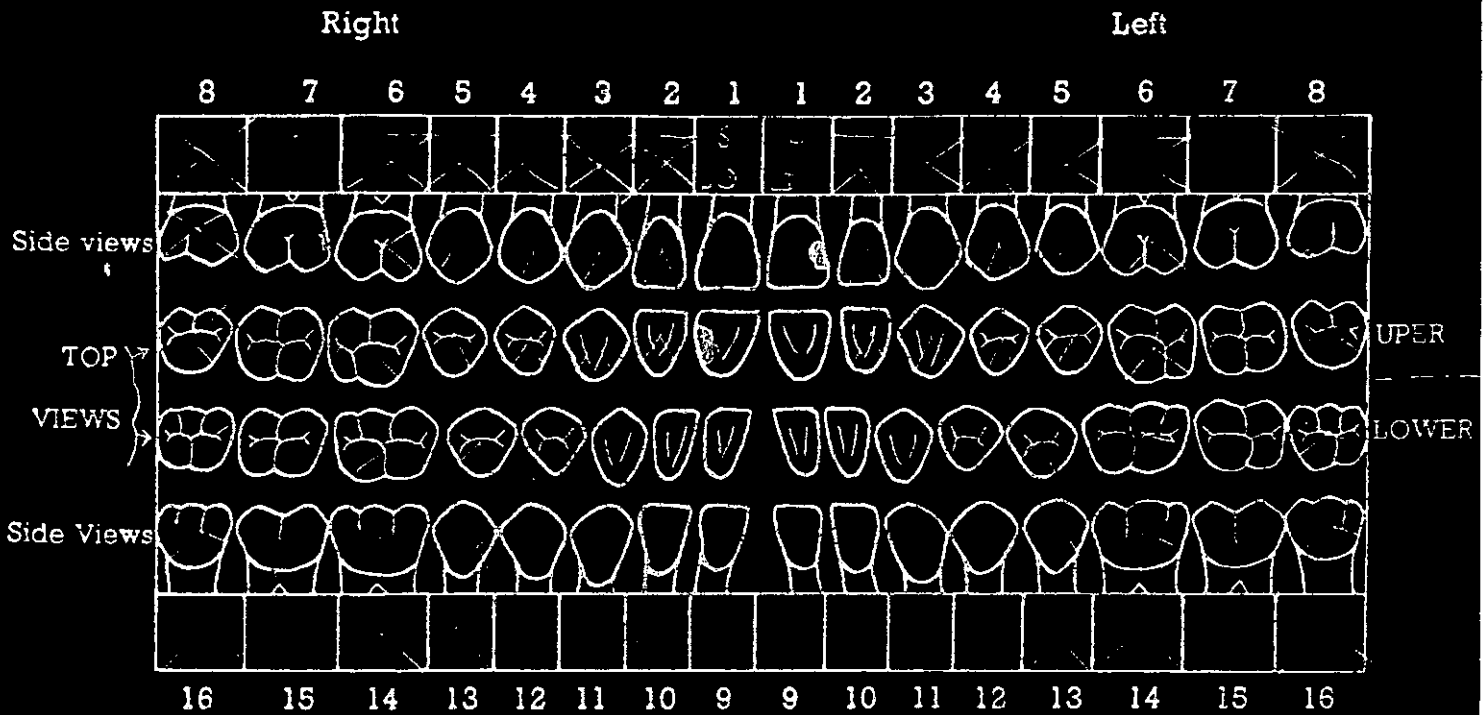
Unknown X-5500



Wire through tibia

TOOTH CHART

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



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

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



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



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



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



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



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

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION AREA SEARCH

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

1 January 1946

Date

NAME Unknown X-550 RANK Unknown ASN Unknown
 ORGANIZATION Unknown
 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? No If so, state the following information:
 - a. NAME Unknown RANK Unknown ASN Unknown
 - b. ORGANIZATION Unknown
2. Was partial identification established? No If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:
 - a. NAME Unknown RANK Unk. ASN Unk.
 - b. ORGANIZATION Unk.
3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY Koney, Jack; Stimmel, Gerard; Heafey, Morgan;
 (Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MACR)
 - a. Date of above burials 31. 12. 1944 Common Graves? No
5. Name and Type of Cemetery "Helden Friedhof # 1" civilian
 (Military or Civilian)
6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery L-54/S-10 1:250,000 Germany
 - a. Town Potenburg Country Germany
7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.
 - a. Section None Row None Grave 50 yds. west of chapel
 - b. Is sketch attached? yes
8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location.
 - a. Town does not apply Coordinates does not apply
 - b. Is Sketch attached? does not apply
 - c. Is area mined? does not apply
9. How is the grave marked? wooden cross
10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon. "P.O.W. 84109" ✓
 - a. From what source was this information obtained? Unknown
 (Identification tags, personal effects)
 1. By whom Unknown
11. Where are the cemetery records? Pastor Sgar's Office
 (Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

- a. What information was contained thereon? Location of grave.
- b. Where was the information obtained? Unk.
- c. By whom? Unk.
12. What is the date of death? Unk.
- a. Give basis Does not apply
13. What is the cause of death? Unk.
- b. Give basis does not apply
14. What is the date of burial? Unk.
- a. Give basis does not apply
15. What was the place of death? Unk. Coords Unk.
- b. Give basis does not apply
16. Where were the remains found? Unk. Coords Unk.
- a. By whom? Unknown
- b. Is sketch attached? No
17. Was a casket used? Yes Who furnished the casket? Unk.
- Type of casket Plain wooden How marked? No markings
18. Who made the burial German Military Air Force.
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)
- a. What are the names and addresses? Unknown

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? Unknown if deceased was a member of AAF
- 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? Unknown if case is not one of Army Corps.
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) Yes.
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? Yes
40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased does not apply

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 found
- a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? No
Where? does not apply By Whom? does not apply
Present disposition does not apply

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

- b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? No
 Where? does not apply By Whom? does not apply
 Present disposition does not apply
- c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? Unknown
- d. Did Cemetery register or corss indicate the immunization shot? No
42. Was Deceased given first aid? Unk. If so, where? does not apply
 By Whom? does not apply Are statements from the medical people attached? does not apply
43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? Unk.
 WHERE? does not apply Names of people concerned does not apply
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? No
 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 does not apply
- b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? does not apply
47. Was case previously investigated? probably Yes By Whom? Unk.
 When? Unk.
48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed Unk.
49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? Yes
50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? No
51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? Yes
 (If special investigation, give case number)
52. Give Brief Narrative Narrative attached.

(Use attached, sheets, if necessary)

<p>Signature of Interpreter</p> <p>Rank ASN</p> <p>Organization</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Raymond J. Provencher</i> Raymond J. Provencher</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Signature of Investigator</p> <p style="text-align: center;">S/Sgt. RA-31364774</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rank ASN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">466th CE. Co. (M)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Organization</p>
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HEAD QUARTERS
 460TH AIRBORNE MEDICAL BATTALION (C)
 4711. 171. 11. 1. 1947

Pd/yes

21 March 1947

MEMORANDUM REPORT

I was assigned by this Headquarters to investigate a case of suspected burials of six (6) deceased Americans reported to be buried in the civilian cemetery at Potsdam, Germany (451- 8/18). This case was previously investigated by an investigator from this Headquarters on February 3, 1947 (see Incl. #1, Narrative report with following inclosure).

- a. Statement from Hermann Behring, cemetery caretaker
- b. Statement from Sister Anita Pfister, nursing Military Hospital
- c. Statement from Rev. Pastor Unger, Pastor of Potsdam, Germany
- d. Statement from Pastor Unger, former Military Chaplain at the Potsdam Military Hospital.
- e. Sketch of Potsdam, cemetery
- f. Correspondence from Rev. C.F. Schafnit, Pastor Public
- g. Welfare Club, union
- h. Correspondence from Mr. H. Heinsmann (Lt. Heinsmann's mother)

Results of this previous investigation disclosed the following: Nobody could give any details about these six (6) Americans buried in the civilian cemetery at Potsdam. Upon questioning Pastor Unger investigator learned that although Pastor Unger had the cemetery records, the graves in question were not entered on these records.

One common grave was marked by a single wooden cross, with the inscription "3 Unknown Americans". The others were individual graves, marked by three crosses. The inscription on one was "U.S.A.". Pastor Unger expressed belief that the three deceased in the common grave could be the German pilots and was (2) American. The American Lt. Richard Heinsmann, D.O. 1-10-1907 crashed on May 22, 1944 in Westervaldence, Germany (4-54/1-18). According to information acquired by Pastor Unger, two German pilots were removed by personnel of the Potsdam Airbase Command on May 22, 1944. Hence, the "Heroes Cemetery" in Potsdam is the only one in which the German and allied soldiers were buried.

On March 6, a disinterment team was dispatched to Potsdam to exhume the remains of Lt. Heinsmann who according to previous investigation was believed to be the only American deceased in the Potsdam civilian cemetery. However the disinterment team was told by an civilian employed at the hospital that five (5) Americans who had died during the war were interred in this cemetery. Upon opening the grave, believed to be that of Lt. Heinsmann, the disinterment team discovered that the remains in this grave were clothed in an American uniform (see Narrative report of disinterment team) Incl. #2) however not that of an officer. The grave next to this one was found to contain also remains of a deceased who was claimed in an age to be a child. Only the remains of the first 3 deceased were removed from the grave and the team returned to this Headquarters. It is obvious the case will be re-investigated.

On March 13, 1947 I was dispatched from this Headquarters to re-investigate the case of the missing Lt. Richard H. Heinemann, supposedly shot down at Westerwaldsede (L-54/S-10) and buried at the Civilian Cemetery at Rotenburg and also to determine from where the other four deceased Americans came.

Upon arrival at Rotenburg I went to the "Internee Hospital" to interview the interpreter, Conrad Jaeger who had told our disinterment team of the burials.

I obtained a statement from Jaeger, (see Incl. # 2). He stated that he was not in the position to give any details concerning these American deceased as he was not present at their burial. He presumed that they were Americans because of the inscriptions on the crosses.

I next went to the Rotenburger Klostern to determine whether or not any of the deceased had died in the former German hospital, and if so where they were buried. The only two Americans whose names were in the hospital records were Lieut. George M. Guy, O-796528. Both of these officers were buried in the Rotenburg cemetery. However I found upon checking in the Bürgermeister's office that both had been exhumed in April 1946 along with twenty three (23) other Americans by the 6804 QM. GR. Co. I obtained this information from a Notice of Disinterment which I found in the Bürgermeister's Office. I made a copy of this Notice of Disinterment (see Incl. # 3).

The Bürgermeister Lewis stated (see Incl. # 4) that no records were on hand other than the above mentioned Notice of Disinterment.

I next went to see Pastor Unger former Pastor of Rotenburg. He stated that he was not able to give me anymore information than he had given in his former statement (see Incl. # 1). He showed me the cemetery records which he had partially salvaged from the former German Air Base Command at Rotenburg. Upon comparing his records with the list of deceased on the Notice of Disinterment I found that the following three names were listed on Pastor Unger's list, but were not listed on Notice of Disinterment.

1.) Koney, Jack 1st Lt.	died: 31.12.1944 Bartelsdorf	O-764973	Grave # 108
2.) Stimml, Gerard S/Sgt.	died: 31.12.1944 Bartelsdorf	12120154	Grave # 110
3.) Morgan, Hanfey Sgt.	died: 31.12.1944 Scheessel	37469087	Grave # 109

Lt. Heinemann's name was not listed in the records. However it seemed logical to presume that the three above listed deceased were still buried in the cemetery, and had been missed by the 6804 QM. GR. Co. in their previous disinterment operation. Pastor Unger stated that the grave numbers as listed above cannot be relied upon as any source of information, as these numbers as well as all the other grave numbers had been changed several times. During the last years of the war the burials of all deceased Allied personnel were made by the German Military Authorities from the Air Base Command without the presence of a Pastor. The civilian cemetery officials were not informed about the names or other data of Allied deceased who were buried by the Military Authorities.

The same explanation was given to me by Pastor Stallman of Rotenburg. (see Incl. # 5). He was unable to give any pertinent information concerning any of the subject deceased.

Upon enquiring in Westerwaldsede (L-54/X-19) regarding the crash of

Switzerland, near, I found that it crashed in Evensau (0-10-1-11).
 Hermann Sundermann, Bürgermeister of Evensau told me, (see Incl. 1) that Heinesmann's fighter plane crashed two km. south of Evensau, (see sketch Incl. 17) on May 12, 1944 in the forenoon. At the same time three German fighter planes crashed in the same area. The American plane exploded on impact and was completely demolished. The only remains of the American fighter pilot found were parts of bones, foot treads and one leg shoe. These remains as well as the German files and the wreckage of his plane were taken to the air base at Rotenburg by members of the Luftwaffe stationed there. From there it is unknown what happened to the remains.

Sundermann stated further that the identity of the American pilot was impossible to establish, nor could any number etc., be distinguished through the wreckage of the fighter plane.

CONCLUSION:

Upon completion of my investigation I went to the cemetery where, in the meantime the disinterment team had exhumed the remains and had, approximately a grave-site proceeding. According to their findings (see Narrative Report, Incl. 18) it can be concluded that the three deceased, Honey, Stizel and Healy are among the five deceased exhumed. It is also very probable that the remains of Heinesmann are among these five deceased, (Evac. # IF 3188) since the condition of these remains compare very closely to the condition of the remains which were found at the scene of the crash of the fighter plane at Evensau on May 12, 1944 as described by Sundermann (see Incl. 17).

No conclusion can be drawn as to the identity of the fifth deceased (Evac. # IF 3189).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that these five deceased be evacuated to US Military cemetery where they be processed to determine whether or not the remains of Lt. Heinesmann are among them, and also to determine whether or not the fifth deceased is also of American nationality.

Raymond J. Proucher
 Major, USAF
 11/15/44
 Investigator

Incls:

1. Mr. MacNeill's report of investigation with following inclosures:
 - a. Statement from Hermann Behring
 - b. Statement from Anita Heffer
 - c. Statement from Rev. Stalman
 - d. Statement from Pastor Unger
 - e. Sketch from the Rotenburg cemetery
 - f. Correspondence from Mrs. Heinesmann
 - g. Correspondence from Rev. F.J. Schmitt
2. Statement; Conrad Jaeger of "Intersee-Verkehr", Rotenburg
3. Extract; Notice of Disinterment
4. Statement; Town Director of Rotenburg
5. Statement; Stalman, Superintendent of cemetery administration in Rotenburg.

6. Statement; Heinrich Sundermann, Buergermeister of Eversen
7. Scene of plane crash in Eversen
8. Sgt. Pitts report of disinterment
9. Sketch ; Burial sites of (disinterred in Rotenburg
Civilian cemetery.

P.S.

After completion of this investigation, Death-Certificates for the following deceased were found in the files of this Headquarters:

a.	Money, Jack	1st Lt.	0-764074	died	31-12-44	buried at	Rotenburg
b.	Stimmel, Gerard A.	S/Sgt.	12120154	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg
c.	Lester, Donald	Sgt.	39342741	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg
d.	Weissmann, Louis	Sgt.?	678802	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg
e.	Machen, Frank	Sgt.	17111125	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg
f.	Saalfeld, Richard	Sgt.	37474758	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg
g.	Spencer, Hyrum	Sgt.	39924960	"	31-12-44	" "	Rotenburg

The above listed Death Certificates were received at this Headquarters from the "Landversicherungsanstalt", an Insurance Company which is in charge of old German hospital records in Hamburg, Germany. The Death-Certificates of Money and Stimmel can be found with report of findings accompanying remains of these two deceased to US Military Cemetery, (Money-Evac. # 1F 3186, Stimmel-Evac. # 1F 3187).

The Death Certificates relative the other five (5) deceased are being forwarded under separate cover to MFC., to be forwarded to US Military Cemetery where deceased are interred.

HEADQUARTERS
 466TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (M)
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
 APO 171, U. S. ARMY

RMW/mz

11 February 1947

NARRATIVE REPORT

On February 3, 1947 I was dispatched from this Headquarters to conduct an investigation relative to six (6) unknown Americans buried in the civilian cemetery in Rotenburg, Germany (L-54/E-10). These six unknown deceased were reported to me by a German civilian, who approached my jeep while it was parked in front of the Rotenburg Burgermeister's Office. He simply stated that there were six Americans buried in the cemetery of Rotenburg.

I proceeded immediately to the cemetery-caretaker Hermann Behring. He stated that he knew nothing of the deceased in question, because all the burials were made by the German Airbase Command, (see Incl. # 1). He then told me that the graves in question had formerly been disinterred by both the British and the Americans and refused by both. He referred me then to Sister Anita Pfeffer of a nearby Military Hospital. Sister Anita Pfeffer had no information to give, due to the fact that the German Airbase Command had taken charge of all burials. (See Incl. # 2).

I then went to the pastor of Rotenburg Parsonage, Rev. Stallman. His statement was merely a repetition of Hermann Behring's, the cemetery-caretaker of Rotenburg, (see Incl. # 3).

I went to the Burgermeister's Office, but he was away on business. His secretary referred me to the Military Chaplain at the Rotenburger "Anstalten" and said she would have the Burgermeister send a statement to this Headquarters referring to the six deceased in question.

At the "Rotenburger Anstalten" the former Military Chaplain, Pastor Unger had all the burial records from the German Airbase Command. Although these records were very nearly complete, they didn't record the six deceased in question. I went to the cemetery where these deceased are buried and recorded the cross markings as follows: One common grave was marked by a single cross, with the inscription: "3 Unknown Americans". The other three were individual graves, marked by three crosses. The inscription on one was: "U.K. POW". The next one was not inscribed and the last one had "POW 84109", inscribed. Pastor Unger expressed belief that the three deceased in the common grave could possibly be two German fliers and one American, (see Incl. # 4). The American Lt. Richard Heinemann ASN O-1810507 crashed on May 22, 1944 in Westerwaldsede. According to information acquired by Pastor Unger, two German planes crashed in the same town, on the same day. Lt. Heinemann and the two German pilots were removed by personnel of the Rotenburg Airbase Command on May 23, 1944. Accordingly the "Heroes cemetery # 1", in Rotenburg is the only one in which the German and Allied soldiers were buried. The above mentioned common grave, containing the three deceased is the only one of its kind in the cemetery, (see Incl. # 5).

Inclosed is a communication from Mrs. Charlotte Heinemann, (the mother of Lt. Heinemann), to Parson Unger, (see Incl. # 6). Also inclosed is a copy of

a letter to Parson Unger from Rev. C.F. Schaffnit, Consul, Public Welfare, O.M.C.B., Munich, regarding facts surrounding the death of Lt. Heinemann (see Incl. # 7).

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that a disinterring team be sent to the "Heroes-Cemetery # 1", in Rotenburg and disinter the three buried in the common grave. A very careful search and examination of the three deceased must be made to try and identify one as the American, Lieut. Heinemann.

RODERICK MACNEILL
US-W.D. Civ. A-441421
Chief-investigator.

Incls.:

1. Statement; Hermann Behring
2. Statement; Anita Pfeffer
3. Statement; Rev. Stallman
4. Statement; Parson Unger
5. Sketch ; Rotenburg Cemetery
6. Correspondence from Rev. C.F. Schaffnit
7. Correspondence from Mrs. Heinemann.

TRANSLATION

Notenburg, (Gen) 19 January 47

STATEMENT

My name is Hermann Behring, born 1 October 1882. I have been cemetery caretaker of the Notenburg cemetery (Gen) since the last 24 years and I state following to the best of my knowledge:

I cannot give any correct information concerning the Allied soldiers who were buried in our cemetery because all these burials were made in charge of the German Airbase Command.

The only person who might be able to give some information is the nurse Anita of the military hospital. Unfortunately all records and statements concerning these burials are not available. All records concerning burials of Allied soldiers were made by the Airbase Command.

/s/ Hermann Behring

Translated by:

Anthony Flens-Interpreter
466th TC Truck Battalion
Operations Section

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

GUATELVA H. WILMANN
Major Infantry
Operations Officer

Wittenberg

Wittenberg, Tenn., 4 February 1947

Wittenberg

I was employed by the former auxiliary military hospital Wittenberg/Tenn. since January 10, 1945 and had to supervise all death-cases since the end of February 1945. According to the records in hand all together two (2) Americans died in this auxiliary hospital in Wittenberg, whose names are known. Concerning all other deceased members of the American Army, who were buried in Wittenberg/Tenn I am not able to give any information. To my knowledge at that time all those deceased of whom presumably the most part were crashed fliers, were buried by German soldiers of the Air-base command. Concerning those six (6) members of the American Army who are still here in this cemetery in Wittenberg I cannot give any information and no statement or details are available.

/s/ Anita Pfeffer
born. Berner

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Anthony Fiens-Interpreter
466th AM Battalion (A)

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GEORGE W. GILLEN
Major Infantry
Operations Officer

Final Report

IV.-Parsonage
notenburg/nann.
Diary .c. 120

notenburg, February 6, 1947

To: Mr. W. Mitchell
400 10 TIA St., Box 171, U. Army
bag Boden-Allendorf

Final Report

Concerning six (6) graves in which ostensibly American
solders were buried I am not able to state more than the cemetery
caretaker Hermann Behring has stated. At that time the Air Base
Command took care of the burials without giving any identifica-
tions to the cemetery administration. The cemetery caretaker
had only to assign the graves. Otherwise we both had nothing to
do with the burials.

/s/ Stalkmann
Superintendent

/st/ Ev. Luth. Parsonage
notenburg/nann.

translated by:

Anthony W. Adams
Lieutenant
400th A. H. (A)

certified true copy:

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Gen. Van N. ...
Major Infantry
Operations Officer
400th A. H. (A)

NOTENBURG

Parson with in Unger

Notenburg/Bonn, Feb 4, 1947
Lindenstr.
Phone: 217 & 227REPORT

Referring to the visit of Mr. Mackeill, South to Trk on, Graves Registration Command, I determine following, as being former station/parson of Notenburg:

1. The names of American soldiers were requested, who were buried (3 together) in the Heroe-cemetery in Notenburg in a common grave. Neither the list of grave numbers, nor the list of deceased indicates any entries concerning these graves.

2. According to the location of graves, which are not marked, it is acceptable that American soldiers were buried there in 1944.

3. The mother of the American flight-lieutenant Richard Heinesmann, who crashed over the village of Westerwiesede on May 22, 1944 asked me at the end of 1946 by arrangement of Rev. Scheffnit, Orlog Organization Munich, if I could find the grave of her deceased son. In spite of all endeavour I couldn't find a grave with the inscription Richard Heinesmann.

4. By inquiring of single farmers of the village of Westerwiesede I learned, that on 22 May 1944 besides Lt. Richard Heinesmann, still two (2) other German fighter-pilots crashed. The remains of the three (3) deceased were taken away by personnel of the Airbase Notenburg on May 23, 1944 as the farmers stated. As far as I know, the Heroe-cemetery is the only one in the Kreis of Notenburg in which deceased of our own and of the enemy armies were buried. I suppose that in the above mentioned grave, in which three (3) unknown soldiers are buried, the bodies are, resp. the remains from Lt. Heinesmann and the both fliers who crashed with him.

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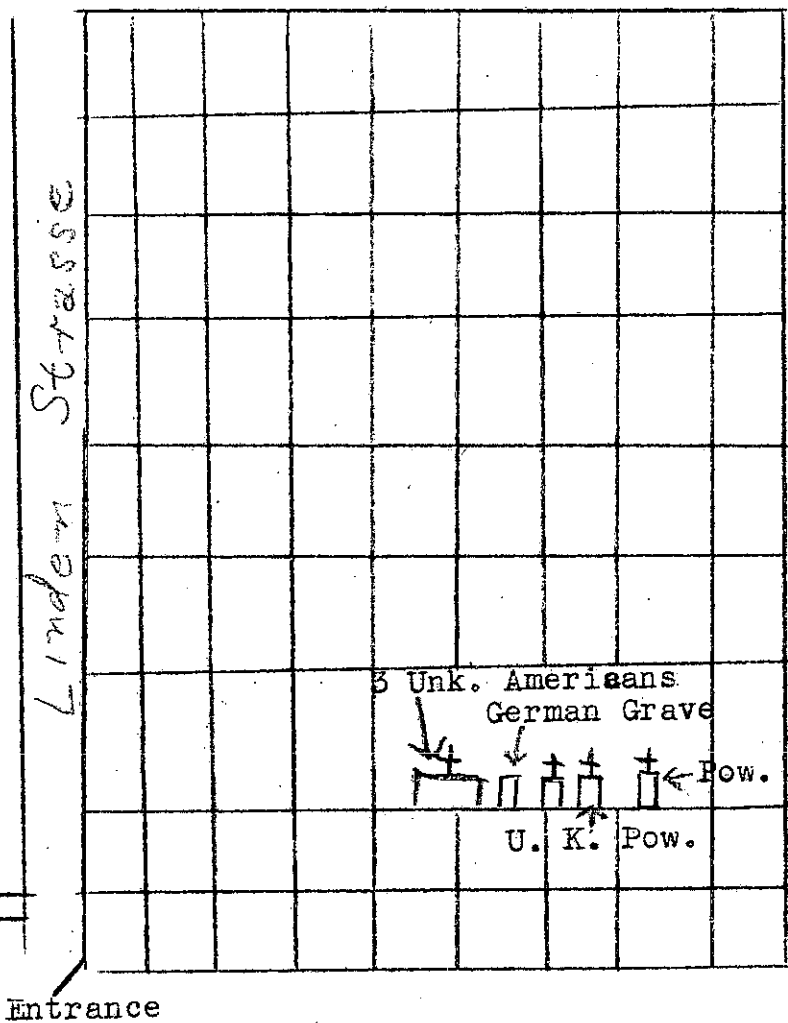
/s/ Unger
/u/ UNGER
Parson and Director

W. H. Parson, Jr. - Int orator
460th A. Battalion (M)
Operations Section

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

GU. A. V. ...
Major Infantry
Operations Officer

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Supposedly six American Graves.

Civilian Cemetery R O T E N B E R G.

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October 1, 1942

Dear Mr. [Name]

I received your letter of the 29th of September, 1942, concerning my son's disappearance, and I am very sorry to hear that...

I am always very thankful for your kindness. At the same time I thank you, too, for the fact that this terrible war did not destroy every human heart, although the conditions were...

I feel sure that you will be very busy, but I would like to see you from time to time by mail without any anxiety and worry.

Two days ago I received a letter from you. I am glad that you were already on your way to the States to make investigations along the frontiers.

It is impossible for me to find words to thank you for your friendly offer. Rev. [Name] writes, that after 2 days, the fliers were evacuated to the [Location]. My question is: "Where are these fliers buried?" I cannot find out until I know for sure that this American flier is my son and when dead, where he has been buried. Again I have only recourse in your kindness and help. When you will, somebody must live in the vicinity of [Location] and have knowledge of this burial.

Could you please inform me if the American flier did not have any belongings on his body with him or his number.

It hurts me, that I have to impart to you again with such a great care, but I am so certain that with God's blessing and your indefatigable help further investigations will have good results.

I certainly know that such a long trip is very expensive, but I am willing to support everything and I would be very thankful to hear from you personally.

At the same time I send you 2 cartons with food and whatever you need remaining here, please let me know.

I pray for an early peace and God bless your kindness and helping me in this case.

Sincerely,
[Signature]
100 Central Park South
New York City

Transmitted by:

Mr. [Name] - Interpreter
Room [Number] - Station [Number]
[Address]

Major [Name]
Infantry
[Address]

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October 3, 1946

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she hopes that her request to the protestant incumbency would not fail to help her by the investigations concerning the death of her son.

I myself would also be very thankful when you could arrange precise investigations in the community of Westerstede (especially in Astenburg) and would inform me as soon as possible. In order to forward these informations by air-mail to Mrs. Heinsmann.

Mrs. Heinsmann's address is:

Mrs. Charlotte Heinsmann
160 Central Park South
New York, 19, N.Y., U.S.A.

I thank you for your service and your help and hope to receive an answer as soon as possible. With best regards

yours,

Translated by:

/s/ C.F. Schafnit
/t/ C.F. Schafnit

L. A. Sprengers-Interpreter
400th A Battalion (M)
Operations Section

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JUSTIN H. STINER
Major Infantry
Operations Officer

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INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL ROTENBURG

14 March 1947

Brit. Control-office

Sworn statement

My name is Jaeger, Conrad born 8-8-02 Hamburg, living
 Internee hospital Rotenburg, Lindenstrasse 11, state as follows:

On the cemetery at Rotenburg are four (4) graves, 1 common
 grave and three (3) individual graves. According to the inscrip-
 tion on the common grave (3 unknown Americans) I think it possible
 that there are three Americans have been buried. In the single
 grave I do not know. I have not been present at the time when
 the burials took place therefore I cannot give exact details.

In the previous statement I have given the best of my know-
 ledge.

/s/ Jaeger Conrad
 /t/ JAEGER, CONRAD

SEARCHED INDEXED COPY:

GUSTAVE H. WILMANN
 Major Infantry
 Operations Officer

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GND-GZ Form No. 8

Date 6 April 1946

The below listed U.S. deceased personnel have this date been disinterred from the location shown and have been evacuated to U. S. Military Cemetery, Neuville-en-Condroz for reburial:

NO.	N.M.	RANK	ASN	PLACE OF DISINTERM.
1.	Sealfeld, Richard G.		27474738	Rotenburg, Germany
2.	A-678	Sgt.	Sgt.	L-54/-10
3.	Weissmann, Louis (L.I.)	2nd Lt.	O-678802	" "
4.	Rife, Harry (M.I.)	Sgt.	35742190	" "
5.	Miller, Brady F.	Sgt.	34515674	" "
6.	White, Hugh E.	2nd Lt.	O-717611	" "
7.	Kachrn, Frank A.	1/2 Sgt.	17111725	" "
8.	Kingsbury, Fred E.		O-750613	" "
9.	Spencer, Cyrus A.	Sgt.	39924560	" "
10.	Binter, John R.	Sgt.	36414874	" "
11.	Lester, Donald B.	Sgt.	39342741	" "
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13.	A-676, believed to be	2nd Lt.		" "
	Hale, Clatus B.			" "
14.	A-675, believed to be			" "
	Keyers, Orville A.		O-659167	" "
15.	Rogers, Ellis A.	Capt.	O-739339	" "
16.	A-677 (Neuville-en-Condroz)			
17.	A-679 (Neuville-en-Condroz)			
18.	Centos, C.I.	2nd	O-771937	" "
19.	Sherrick, Edward I.	S/Sgt	16142329	" "
20.	Warner, John A.	Sgt	37675935	" "
21.	Colhoun, Stanley A.	Sgt	17146408	" "
22.	Black, Ralph E.	S/Sgt	33598772	" "
23.	Argent, Jerome E.		39139906	" "
24.	Guy, George M.	L.t	O-796528	" "
25.	Cadileck	1st Lt.	O-796528 T 43	" "

s/ WATSON D. DANIEL, 2nd Lt., Inf, Cmdg.
 Off. or NCC in Charge of Disinterm.
 Bremen, 17. 4. 1946
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION
6804 QM GR Co., APC 751, US Army
 (Organization)

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AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION

The above is a copy of the Notice of Disinterment which I found in the Burgermeister's Office in Rotenburg, Germany (L-54/-10) on 1.3 March 1947.

Raymond J. Provencher
 Raymond J. Provencher
 S/Sgt 31364774
 Investigator, 466 QM Bn

TRANSLATION

It is hereby certified that the Town administration Notenburg/Hannover has no knowledge of any graves of deceased American soldiers with the exception of 25 American bodies, who are already disinterred and evacuated. We don't have any records on file concerning graves of American soldiers.

Notenburg, Hannover, 17 March 1947

Town Administration
The Town Director
/s/ Lewez
/t/ LEWEL

Translated by:

S. H. SPRINGERS-Interpreter
400th G. Battalion (M)
Operations Section

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

GUSTAVE H. WILSON
Major Infantry
Operations Officer
400th G. Battalion

TRANSLATION

I declare herewith that the cemetery-administration did not participate in the burial of the American soldiers.

The burial was performed by the Air-base, and we don't have any records concerning this case.

Cemetery Administration
/s/ [Signature]
/t/ [Signature], Superintendent

noted on 10. 3. 1947

Translated by:

A. H. SPANGLER-Interpreter
460th A Battalion (M)
Operations Section

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

GUSTAVE H. WEIKAMP
Major Infantry
Operations Officer
460th A Bn, (M)

TRANSLATION

SWORN STATEMENT

Eversen, 17.3.47.

My name is SUDERMANN, Heinrich, born the 19.10.92 in Eversen, residing in Eversen. I herewith declare:

- 1.) The 22. May in the time between 10-11 hrs. a/m an American plane crashed about 2 km. to the south of EVERSSEN. At the same time 3 German planes crashed. The above mentioned planes were engaged in an air fight.
- 2.) One hour after the American plane had crashed I went to the scene of accident and made the following observations:
The plane was completely destroyed by the explosion, which must have taken place when the plane hit the ground. The parts of the plane lay scattered around the place of crash.
- 3.) Scattered parts of the body of the plane's pilot were found, they consisted of parts of the hands, feet and the upper part of the body.
No identification marks, which could give any clues as to the identity of the pilot or his plane were found. I could establish no inscriptions on the parts of the plane.
- 4.) Members of the Wehrmacht of the air base Rotenburg gathered the mortal remains, as well as the parts of the plane later on.
Everything was transported to the air base at Rotenburg.
- 5.) Among my records there are no written entries about this plane crash.
- 6.) The mortal remains of the German fliers, who had crashed at the same time were taken to Rotenburg together with the remains of the American flier.
- 7.) Above statement was made to my best knowledge and conscience.

/s/Sudermann
/t/SUDERMANN

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T. V. Uslar
Interpreter
Operations section.

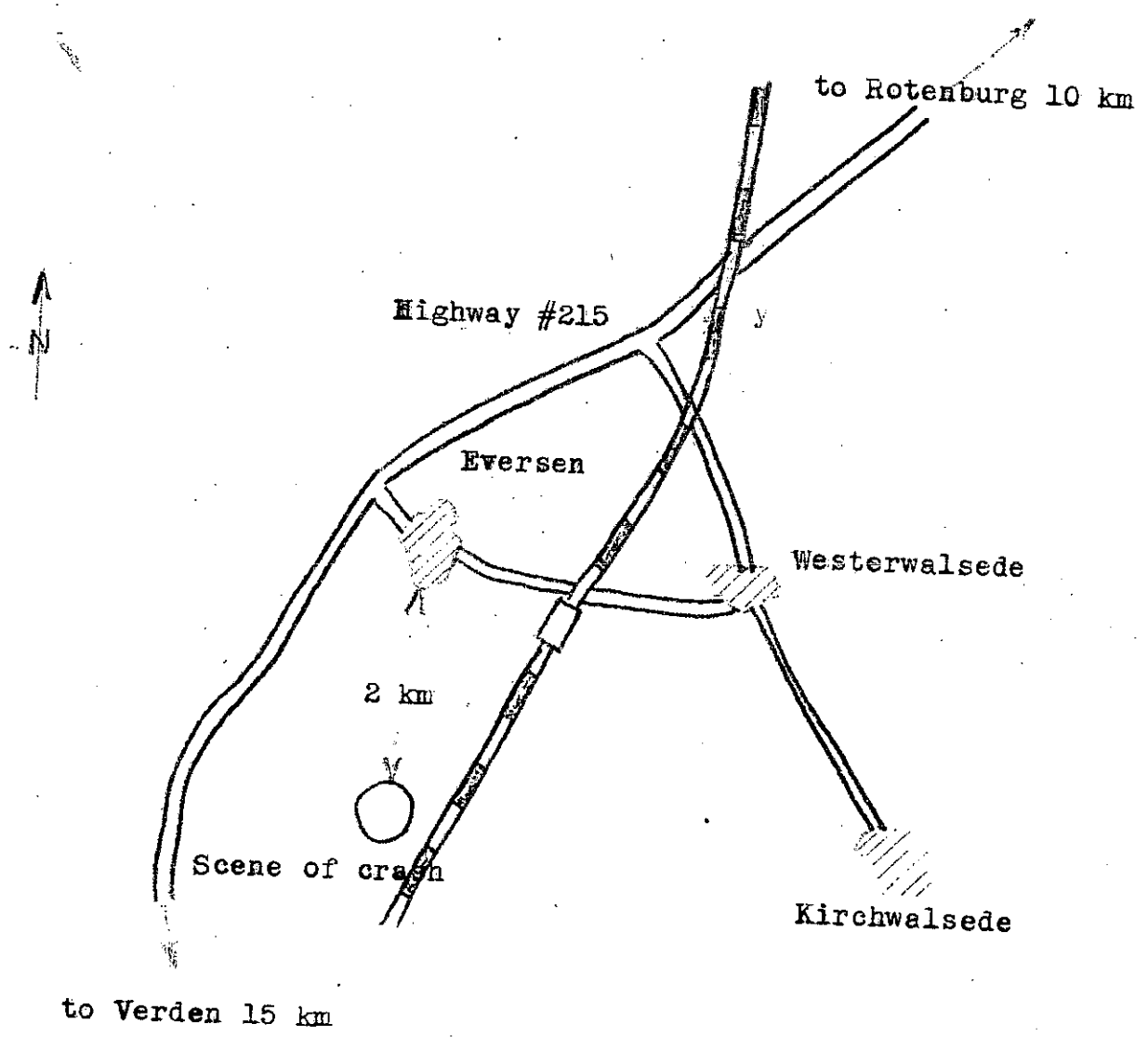
GUSTAVE H. WEIMANN
Major Inf.
Operations Officer

SCENE of FIGHTER PLANE *CRASH

(P-47 Thunderbolt)
near

EVERSEN (L-54/S-10)

on May 22nd, 1944; between 10 and 11hrs. a.m.



HEAD-QUARTERS
 466TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (M)
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
 APO 171, U. S. ARMY

AFP/gt

21 March 1947

NARRATIVE REPORT

On 6 March, 1947 I was dispatched from this Headquarters to Rothenburg, Germany (L-54/S-10) to exhume the remains of an American flier from the local civilian cemetery. According to the investigation which had been accomplished by a team from this Headquarters, the grave shown in sketch (see Incl. # 1-s) was supposed to contain the remains of 2nd Lieut. Richard Heinemann, who died in the crash of a Thunderbolt on May 22, 1944.

While making arrangements to disinter the grave I met a Mr. Jaeger Conrad who was an interpreter at the Internee hospital. He told me that there were five Americans buried in the local cemetery. Although this did not agree with facts disclosed in original investigation, I proceeded to open the grave, supposedly that of Heinemann. At a depth of about five feet I reached the casket. Upon opening casket I found that the remains were those of an American Enlisted man, not an officer. Just next to the casket was another casket. I opened the lid and saw that the remains in this casket also were dressed in American uniform.

It was obvious that a reinvestigation of the case would be necessary, as only one deceased was supposed to be there. I removed the remains from the first casket, however did not disturb the other remains. A grave side check of these remains was made. I found a laundry mark (H-9087) in the underwear. Upon return to this organization a check of AGRO Casualty listing showed this deceased to be Morgan Heafy, Sgt. 37469087. Deceased will be assigned Evacuation # LF 3185.

On 13 March, 1947 I was dispatched a second time the Rothenburg, this time accompanied by an investigating team to make a reinvestigation of the case.

The first casket we removed contained a body dressed in an American flying uniform. In the flying jacket a laundry mark was found (M-4073). According to information obtained by investigator these are the remains of Jack Mosey, 1st Lt. 0764074. Remains were assigned Evacuation # LF 3186.

The remains removed from the second casket were found to be dressed also in American flying uniform. Laundry mark found in trousers (S-0154) when compared with information obtained by investigator, indicated this deceased to be S/Sgt. Gerard A. Stimmel. Remains were assigned Evacuation # LF 3187.

The third box was found to contain only a few dismembered remains and remnants of an American flying uniform. An Army Air Force insignis was found on one small piece of clothing. Judging from the condition of these remains it is possible that they are those of Lieut. Richard Heinemann, for whom the original investigator was searching. These remains were assigned Evacuation # LF 3188.

The remains removed from the last box opened were clothed in a white garment, which was probably a hospital garment. On one of the legs of this deceased a silver wire was noticed, indicating that he had probably been treated for a wound in the leg. The cross on the grave of this deceased was marked with the inscription:
N-84109, probably a P.W. Serial number. This is the only one of the five deceased who was not conclusively identified as an American. It can probably be determined upon processing at US Military Cemetery whether or not deceased is of American nationality. Remains were assigned Evacuation # LF 3189.

All remains were placed in metallic liners, mattress covers, tagged with Emergency Medical tags and placed in burial boxes.

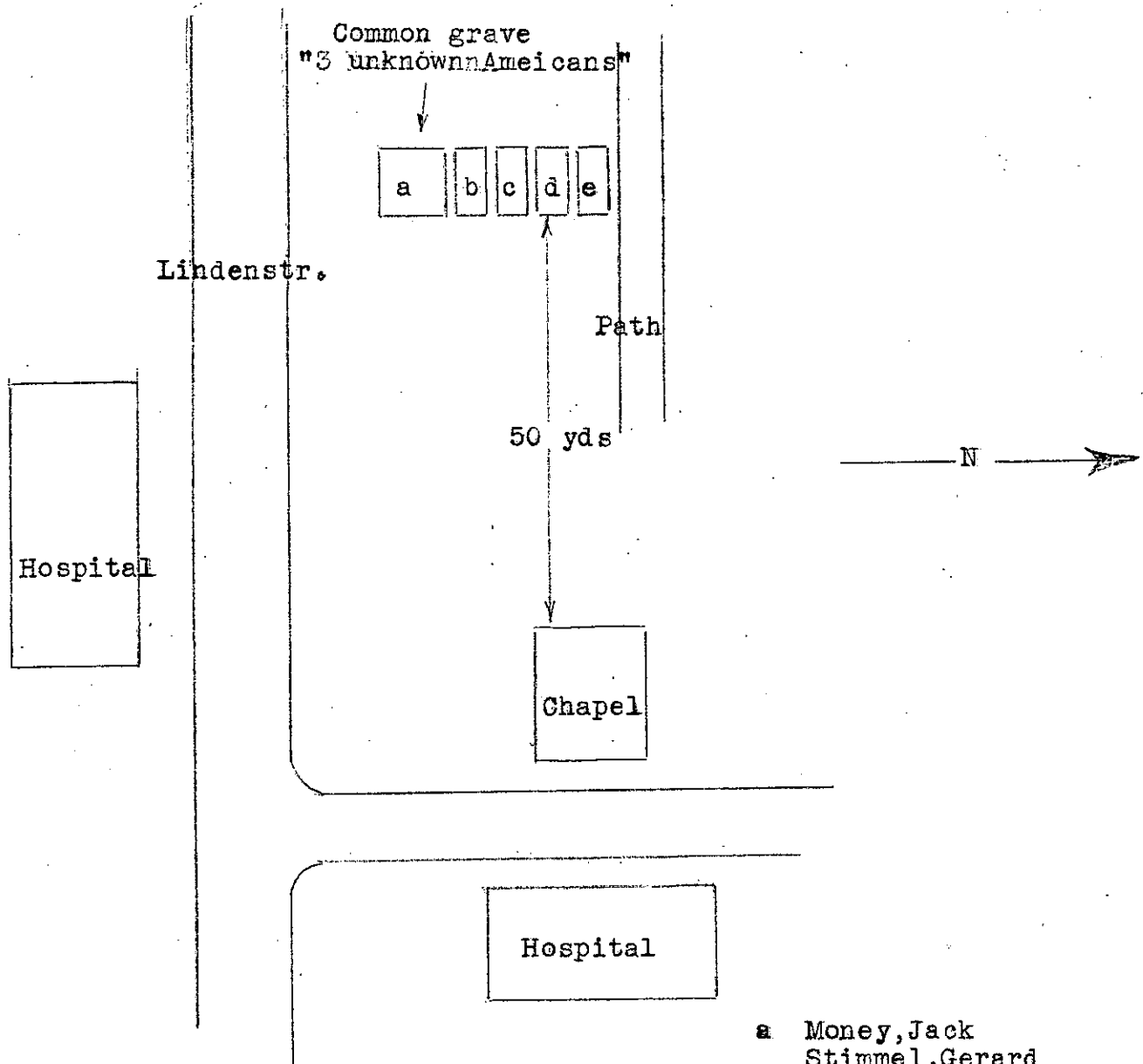
Before leaving Rothenburg I left a notice of Disinterment with the Burgermeister.

Ashton F. Pitts
ASHTON F. PITTS
Sgt. RA 17076241
Disinterment Medic.

SECRET

CIVILIAN CEMETERY of ROTENBURG

(L-54/S-10)
 (Burial sites of the disinterred bodies)



a Money, Jack
 Stimmel, Gerard
 Morgan, Heufey

b German grave

c Lt. Heinemann ?

d U.K. POW

e POW 84109

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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Unknown X-5500

9 May 1947

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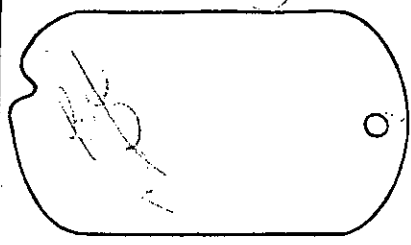
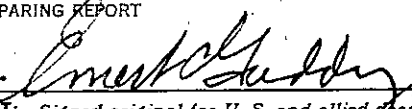
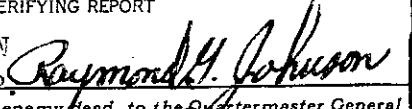
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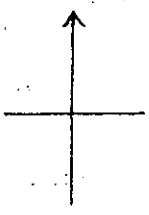
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QMC Form 1042 (Rev. 1 Apr. 1946) (Supersedes GRS Form 1, and Rev. of 1 Apr. 45, which may be used.)		REPORT OF INTERMENT (AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815)			DATE OF REPORT 12 June 1947	
Imprint Identification Tag If Possible: DO NOT TYPE 		Section 1.—IDENTIFICATION.				
NAME (Last, first, middle initial)		Unknown X-5500			SERIAL No. Unknown	
GRADE		Unknown			ORGANIZATION Unknown	
RACE		Unknown			BRANCH OF SERVICE BTB: A.A.F. (See case papers)	
CAUSE OF DEATH		Unknown			IF OTHER THAN U. S. DEAD, GIVE NAME OF COUNTRY	
PLACE OF DEATH Vicinity of Rothenburg, Germany		CAUSE OF DEATH BTB.: Plane crash			DATE OF DEATH Est. December 1944	
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) Unknown						
IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOUND ON BODY (1, 2, or none)		IF NO TAGS FOUND ON BODY, DESCRIBE MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION (If unidentified, fill in section 3 on reverse)				
None						
WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED?(Yes or no)		COMPLETED TOOTH CHART ON QMC FORM 1045 ATTACHED HERETO				
Yes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
LIST PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND ON BODY AND DISPOSITION OF SAME CANCELLED, Transferred to the French Authorities per Transmittal Letter dated 13 August 1951, Subject; Transfer of Remains... 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 187)						
DATE OF BURIAL	HOUR	BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other)	TYPE OF GRAVE MARKER	PLOT No.	ROW No.	GRAVE No.
12 June 1947	1500	Casket	wood. cross	W	12	293
WAS THIS A REBURIAL? (Yes or no)	IF A REBURIAL, INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE			PLOT No.	ROW No.	GRAVE No.
Yes	Rothenburg, Germany L-54/S-10 1/250.000			Common grave		
TYPE OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY	PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES		IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND CONTAINERS BURIED WITH BODY			
Joint, P, C & H	Chaplains Rusher Saatman & Lepchivcher		Report of Burial			
IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH BODY (Yes or no)	IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO MARKER (Yes or no)					
No	GRS					
BODY BURIED ON DECEASED LEFT. NAME (Last, first, middle initial)	RANK	SERIAL No.	ORGANIZATION	GRAVE No.		
Unknown X-5450	Unk	Unk	Unk	294		
BODY BURIED ON DECEASED RIGHT. NAME (Last, first, middle initial)	RANK	SERIAL No.	ORGANIZATION	GRAVE No.		
Hernandez, Jose	Pfc	18090000	506 Para	292		
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 U. S. and allied dead, signed original and one copy for enemy dead, to the Quartermaster General through Headquarters GRS Officer. Copies for retention in theater as prescribed by theater commander.						

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LEFT LITTLE FINGER	Sect. UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS.			
LEFT RING FINGER	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 fingerprint 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.			
LEFT MIDDLE FINGER	HEIGHT Est. 5'10	WEIGHT UTD	COLOR OF EYES UTD	COLOR OF HAIR Dark brown 2"
LEFT INDEX FINGER	WEAPON AND SERIAL NO. None		LAUNDRY MARKS None	BIRTHMARKS, SCARS, OR TATTOOS UTD
LEFT THUMB	OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES		WHERE BODY WAS BURIED OR FOUND Rothenburg, Germany	
RIGHT THUMB	<p>Photos of fingerprints made by the Photo Laboratory are forwarded with case papers.</p> <p>Investigation was made to recover the remains of Lt. Richard Heinemann O-1810507 reported to be pilot of a fighter P-47 Thunderbolt which was shot down over the village of Westerwaldsede, Germany on 22 May 1944 around 12:15 hours.</p> <p>Civilian statement tells of an American fighter plane which crashed near Westerwaldsede on 22 May between 10:00 and 11:00 hours.</p> <p>The only remains of the pilot of this plane were parts of hands, feet, torso and Army shoe.</p> <p>Civilian states that subject remains were taken to the Air Base at Rothenburg. From there it is unknown where deceased was taken.</p> <p>An American grave was opened in "Heldenfriedhof" #7 Rothenburg cemetery, Germany. Five bodies were found in this grave but in separate caskets and were assigned evacuation number 1F-3185, through 1F-3189 inclusive.</p> <p>Processing at Subordinate Identification Point, Margraten, Holland, revealed no positive identifying clues, therefore this case is classified Unknown.</p>			
RIGHT INDEX FINGER	FURNISH SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE AND COORDINATES FOR BURIAL IN OTHER THAN ESTABLISHED CEMETERY			
RIGHT MIDDLE FINGER				
RIGHT RING FINGER	REMARKS: Form 11, Check List of Unknowns, Form 1A Tooth chart accomplished.			
RIGHT LITTLE FINGER	Fingerprints taken of left little finger and left ring finger and forwarded with case papers. Estimated weight of remains recovered: 100 Lbs.			

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