

FILE IDENTIFICATION TOPPER

FILE NUMBER

293 UNK. NEUVILLE, X-5572

SUBJECT

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293 Unk, Neville X-5572

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

UNKNOWN X-5572 Neville

(POC) NEUVILLE

MAN  
File

14 Nov. 51

M. Martin

Identification Branch

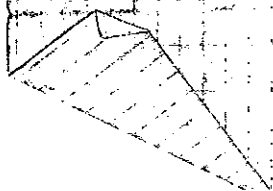
Certification

Moi soussigné Félix Léonard cultivateur à Vandel  
 lez Diekirch (Luxembourg) atteste que deux tanks  
 américains ont été détruits près du village de  
 Vandel à la route Vandel-Fouhren environ deux  
 cents mètres du village. Ils ont été abattus par les  
 Allemands le 17 ou le 18 décembre (au commence-  
 ment de l'offensive de Rundstedt.) L'infanterie  
 et probablement l'équipage ont peu se sauver à  
 l'exception d'un soldat américain qui est bru-  
 lé dans l'un des tanks <sup>N°1</sup>. L'autre <sup>N°2</sup> tank était  
 tourné à côté et l'intérieur tellement brûlé  
 et détruit, qu'on ne pouvait plus constater  
 qu'il étaient des soldats brûlés dedans. Je ne  
 me rappelle plus des numéros des tanks mais  
 j'ai vu sur chaque tank l'insigne [ 1  
 Les allemands ont été <sup>reste du</sup> le corps humain du sol.

soldat américain du tank américain avant qu'ils  
aient fait sauter le tank. Ils ont alors enterré le  
corps à côté de la route. Les deux tanks ont été  
enterrés par le gouvernement de l'état luxem-  
bourgeois l'été 1946. Et je ne sais pas ou ce qu'ils  
ont transporté la ferraille.

Caudebec, le 18. mars 1947

Félix Timmermans



X-5572 - Merrill

Luxembourg 7581

S T A T E M E N T

I, the undersigned Nicolas Faring, alderman of Tandel, certify that we have found the remains of a human body, coming from an American tank, on the Tandel-Fouhren road. This tank had been destroyed 17 or 18 December 1944 by the Germans. The Germans removed the body and blew up the tank. The body was buried two weeks after the destruction of the tank beside the road. An American investigator came 18 March 1947 and we have gathered the bones which are now at my place.

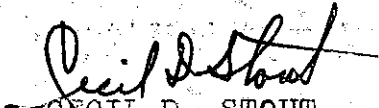
Tandel, 18-3-1947

/s/ Nic Faring


There are no more American bodies in our community.

/s/ Nic Faring

CERTIFIED TRUE TRANSLATION:

  
CECIL D. STOUT  
US WD Civilian  
A 441414

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

  
DURELL B. HARTMAN  
1st Lt. Inf

Certificat.

Je soussigné, Nicolas Ferring, ichévis, à Candol, certifie  
que nous avons trouvé le débris d'un corps humain provenant  
sur la route Candol-Fauchon.

Dans un tonneau américain, ce tonneau a été détruit le 17 ou le 18

Décembre 1944 par les allemands. Les allemands ont enterré

le corps avant faire brûler le tonneau, le corps a été enterré

deux semaines après la destruction du tonneau, au bord de la

route. Un vestiment américain est venu le 18 mars

1947 et nous avons ramassé les os qui sont réunis

tenant chez nous.

Candol, le 18.3.1947.

Nicolas Ferring.

Il n'y a plus de corps américain dans notre commune

Nicolas Ferring.

USMC NEUVILLE EN CONDROZ  
PILOT: C ROW: 17 GR: 3  
Date of Burial: 27 pt. 1949  
Verified by GRS Officer  
E.N. HEISEY, 1/Lt QMC

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

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*Eyc*

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED		DIRECTIVE NUMBER <b>1260 02157</b>	DATE <b>15 08 48</b>		
NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM	RACE	RELIGION
<b>UNKNOWN</b>	<b>X-005572</b>		<b>J</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>6</b>
CEMETERY <b>NEUVILLE BELGIUM</b>	PLOT <b>Y</b>	ROW <b>8</b>	GRAVE <b>185</b>	DISPOSITION OF REMAINS <b>1202 80</b>	
				CODE	DIST. CTR.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE <b>NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ, BELGIUM</b>	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN <b>(BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)</b>
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SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME <b>UNKNOWN X-005572</b>	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED <b>2 DEC 1948</b>
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <b>EMB</b> <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER <b>EMB</b>	ORGANIZATION <b>UNKNOWN</b>	RELIGION <b>UNK</b>	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY <b>STANLEY C TYRRELL CAPT INF</b>	

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL <b>MATTRESS COVER</b>	CONDITION OF REMAINS <b>ONE BONE FRAGMENT</b>
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION <b>12 PLATE WITH REMAINS-121412-X-5572</b>	

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

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

DATE **12 JAN 1949** BY **HARRIE D NELSON EMBALMER**

CASKET SEALED BY **HENRY F PERGANDE** EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED **HOWARD B FREEMAN**

DATE **12 JAN 49** BY **IDENT TECH**

~~HOWARD B FREEMAN~~ ALL TAGS, MARKINGS AND PLATES VERIFIED BY:  
**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

SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR  
**MANUEL M ESTEVEZ 1st Lt INF**

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS  
certify that the entries on this form are true copies of the entries on Copy Number 4 of this Disinterment Directive which contains the signatures of the persons whose names are typed hereon.

*Raymond G. Johnson, 1st Lt. Inf*

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 US ARMY

22 July 1949

(Date)

RRE 293

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS.

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X - 5572, Plot Y  
Row 8, Grave 185, USMC NEUVILLE,  
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.

2. Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to your  
Office by Transmittal Letter No. 2390, dated 6-8-47.

3. Remarks:

Received TL-4161-26 July 49  
Not identifiable from OQMG  
information presently W J P Aug  
available

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

W Henry  
Col. H.P. HENRY, O-12589

QMC

Lt. Col. E.D. MULVANY, O-359598

QMC

Roger Berger  
Major R. BERGET, O-251736

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Capt. Jack C. HAYES, O-1577297

QMC

Edward E Stout  
Capt. E.F. PRICE, Jr. O-1588236

QMC

1/Lt. Edward E. STOUT, O-1594512

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Incl #11



OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES:

According to Narrative of Investigating Team, on 17-18 December 1944, two (2) American Tank Tanks were destroyed by German A/T and artillery fire about 250m from village of Tandel. Mr. Felix Leonardy, Tandel, saw the tanks after they were disabled and distinctly remembers to have seen on each the letters "C I." This would mean Company "C," First Platoon, and checks with information in Casualty Clearance Plan. One (1) tank was hit on turret and burned intensely; this also checks with Casualty Clearance Plan on Cpl. Aukerman's tank. The crew, with exception of one (1) member burned to ashes. Tank No. II was destroyed in area of Tandel-Fouhren, approximately 40m from Tank No. I, towards the village of Tandel. Before demolishing Tank No. II, the Germans discovered the charred remains of a body. Said remains were buried alongside the road two (2) weeks after destruction of tank; at time of disinterment remains consisted of bones, no head or clothing could be found. No further details concerning this deceased could be obtained.

Investigator states it is certain that this deceased was a crewmember of a tank from the First Platoon, Company "C," 707 Tank Battalion; the same Unit of which Cpl. Harry M. Aukerman, Jr., was a member.

Processing at Subordinate Identification Point #2, Margraten, Holland, revealed the remains to consist of one (1) section of the ulna, approximately  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches long. Said bone shows no evidence of having been charred.

Due to above findings, and as no other clues to identification were found, this deceased is classified UNKNOWN.

MACR REGISU (MACR) FOR CASUALTY CLEARANCE

2 Inbourg 7561  
12 1412

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION  
AREA SEARCH

AGRC Form # 10 (Revised)  
1 January 1946.

Date 16 July 1947

NAME UNKNOWN X-5572 RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

ORGANIZATION Unknown 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 Unk. 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 Unknown

b. ORGANIZATION 1 Platoon Co. "C" 707 Inf. Bn.

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY? None

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

a. Date of above burials N/A Common Graves? N/A

5. Name and Type of Cemetery DNA  
(Military or civilian)
6. Map coordinates of the Cemetery DNA  
a. Town DNA Country DNA
7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains  
a. Section DNA Row DNA Grave DNA  
b. Is sketch attached? DNA
8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location  
a. Town Dandel Coordinates NS 6, E 84, 1-250.000  
b. Is sketch attached? Yes  
c. Is area mined? No
9. How is the grave marked? No Markers
10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon.  
DNA  
a. From what sources was this information obtained? DNA  
(Identification tags, personal effects)  
b. By whom DNA
11. Where are the cemetery records? DNA  
(Town hall, cemetery, Burgermeister's office)  
a. What information was contained thereon? DNA  
DNA  
b. Where was the information obtained? DNA  
c. By whom? DNA
12. What is the date of death? Estimated 17-18 December 1944  
a. Give Basis See Statement Felix Leonardy
13. What is the cause of death? Anti-Tank Fire  
b. Give Basis See Statement Felix Leonardy
14. What is the date of burial? Estimated 30 December 1944

a. Give basis See Statement

14. What was the place of death? Coord 6, P-86, 1-280.00

a. Give basis See Statements

15. Where were the remains found? Coord 6, P-86, 1-280.000

a. By Whom? Mr. Felix Leonardy

b. Is sketch attached? Yes

16. Was a casket used? Yes Who furnished the casket? USA

Type of casket USA How marked USA

17. Who made the burial? German Military  
Location of grave (Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)

a. What are the names and addresses? Unknown

b. Are certificates and statements attached? Yes

SECTION B- AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if Deceased is believed to be member of AAF).

18. Were remains found in the plane wreckage? Yes

a. Give location in plane from which bodies were removed

30. (Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane)

31. Near wreckage? Yes

19. Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation (if removed, state when and by whom)

32. Type of plane and name of plane

33. Markings and/or name on plane

34. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios and other equipment

35. Direction of flight

20. How did crash occur? Anti-aircraft

36. Enemy planes? Collision

- 21. Did plane explode in the air? CONFIRMED On ground?
- 22. Did plane burn in the air? CONFIRMED On ground?
- 23. What was the direction of the flight?
- 24. What was the civilians opinion regarding destination of plane?
- 25. Had bombs been released prior to the crash?
- 26. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
- 27. Number of planes in formation prior to crash
- 28. State precise time and date of plane crash             
(night? day/)
- 29. Were parachutists seen?            How many?            any of  
Escaped?            Prisoners?

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

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

35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement one

36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased? Yes

37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank 1300 hours 17-18 Dec 44  
(Night? Day?)

38. Did any of the crew members escape? unk. Prisoners? unk.

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

39. Did death occur from any other means? (i.e., truck, jeep, mines, drowning, or small arms fire) \_\_\_\_\_

If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation

a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possess knowledge of the case attached? \_\_\_\_\_

40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team? No

If not, state reason There were none.

a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? No

Where? DNA By Whom? DNA

Present disposition DNA

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? Unknown

Where? Unknown By Whom? Unknown

Present disposition Unknown

- c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? Unknown
- d. Did cemetery register or cross indicate the immunization shot? DNA
42. Was Deceased given first aid? No If so where? DNA  
 By Whom? DNA Are statements from the medical people attached? DNA
43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? No  
 Where? DNA Names of people concerned DNA
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? (Buried, Cremated, Bones? 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 DNA
- b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? DNA
47. Was case previously investigated? No By Whom? DNA  
 When? DNA
48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed.  
Nicolas Ferring, Tamsel  
Felix Leonardy, Tamsel
49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? Yes

49. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? 108
50. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? 108  
(If special investigation, give case number) Luxembourg 7581  
See attached narrative
51. Give Brief Narrative \_\_\_\_\_

(Use attached sheets if necessary)

H. L. Deigh  
Signature of Interpreter  
WD CIV. D 150 896

Rank ASN  
4527 QX Service Co (AC)

Organization

H. L. Deigh  
Signature of Investigator  
WD CIV. D 150 896

Rank ASN  
4527 QX Service Co (AC)

Organization



## NARRATIVE

An intensive and extensive search was conducted in Tandel and vicinity and following information obtained:

On the 17-18 December 1944 two American tanks were destroyed by German A/T and artillery fire, about 250 m. from village of Tandel. Mr. Felix Leonardy, Tandel, saw the tanks after they were knocked out and distinctly remembers to have seen on each tank "C" I. This would mean Company "C" First Platoon, and checks with information in "Casualty Clearance Plan". Mr. Leonardy doesn't remember the tank's serial numbers. One tank to which I shall refer as Tank I was hit in turret, turned over on its side and burned intensely. This also checks with "Casualty Clearance Plan" on Cpl. Aukerman's tank. Interior of tanks was completely burned out and destroyed. The crew, with the exception of Pfc. Arthur J. Laughlin, beyond a shadow of a doubt, burned to ashes. In summer of 1946 tank was rolled down and removed by a Luxembourg "Sprangkummando" team. This investigator checked with Luxembourg Army HQ, but was told that "Sprangkummando" was inactivated and that they had not left any records whatever. It is this investigator's opinion that remains of 1st Lt. James J. Leasing, O-1011647, 1/4 Ervin J. Smith, 36 070 276, Cpl. Harry M. Aukerman Jr., 36 173 305, and Cpl. Robert A. Ollier, 37 520 982 are not recoverable.

Tank No. II was hit on road Tandel-Fourzen, approximately 40 m. from Tank I, towards village of Tandel. Germans retook area in which tanks were destroyed and as tank No. II obstructed traffic, were going to blow up tank II in order to free the road. However, the Germans looked into the tank before blowing it up, and discovered the charred remains of a body. This body was buried alongside the road.

Mr. Felix Leonardy led me to the spot where body was buried. All that was left of the body were bones. No head or clothing could be discovered. Immediate vicinity of burial spot was combed for any clues that might have helped to determine identity of deceased. Nothing was found. It is certain that deceased was a crewmember of a tank of the 1st Platoon Co. C, 707 Tank Bn., same outfit as Cpl. Harry M. Aukerman Jr.

Casualty reports were checked and it was found that 707 Tank Bn. had one man who was killed around 17-20 December 1944 in Luxembourg and who is now PFC, nl. Lowery, Datin B., 35 206 052.

*H. L. Veigh*  
H. L. Veigh  
Investigator  
US AD Civilian.

## STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, Felip Leonards, agriculturist at Tandel near Diekirch (Luxembourg) declare, that two American tanks were destroyed near the village of Tandel, on the road Tandel-Fouhren, about 200 meters from the village. They were destroyed by the Germans 17 and 18 December (at the beginning of the Von Rundstedt Offensive). The infantry and probably the crew could save their lives with the exception of one American soldier, who burned to death in one of the tanks (No. I). The other tank (No. II), was turned over on its side and the inside was so burned out and destroyed that it wasn't possible to establish whether there were some carbonized soldiers in it. I cannot remember the numbers of the tanks but I have seen on each tank the inscription C I.

The Germans have taken away the remains of the American soldier of the American tank and then blew up the tank. Afterwards they buried the body beside the road. The two tanks were removed by the Government of Luxembourg in summer 1946 and I don't know where they transported the iron to.

Tandel, 18 March 1947  
/s/ Felip Leonards.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

*Dwight B. Hartman*  
Dwight B. Hartman  
2nd Lt. Infantry

Certified True Translation

*E. de Wijs*  
E. de Wijs  
4527 Service Co. (AO)

Luxembourg 7581

S T A T E M E N T

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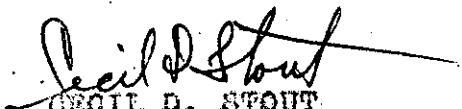
Tandel, 18-3-1947

/s/ Nic Faring

There are no more American bodies in our community.

/s/ Nic Faring

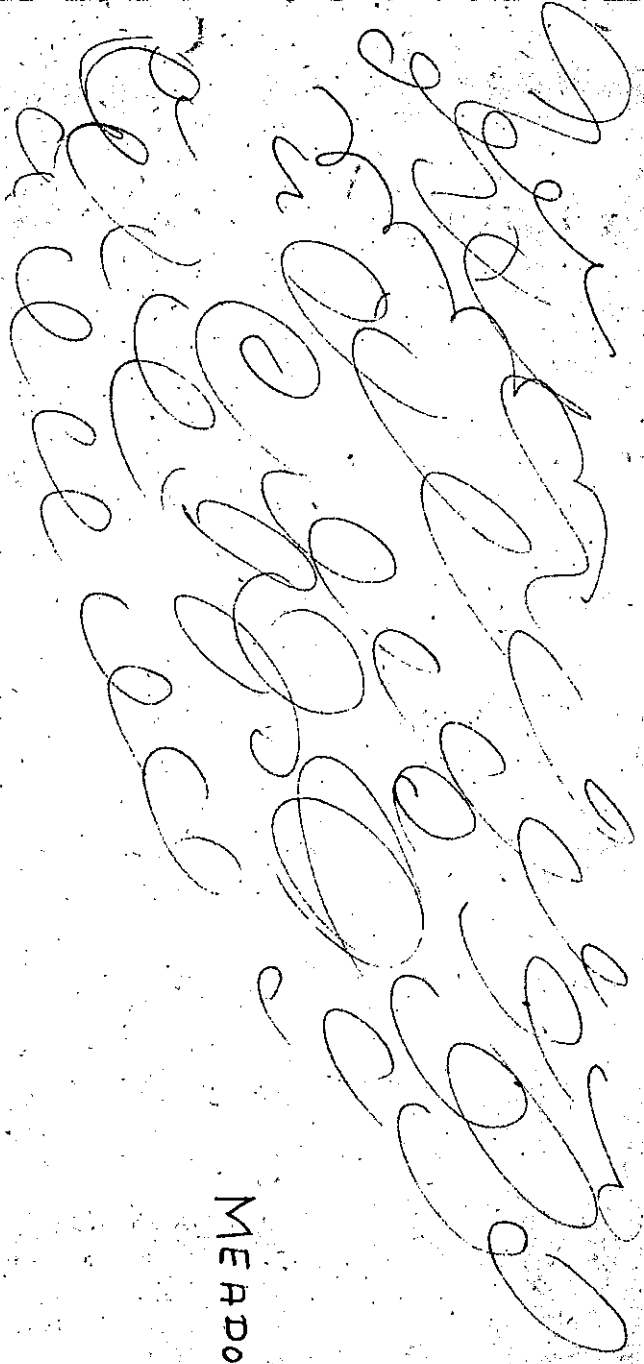
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LUXEMBOURG 7581  
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TANDEL, 1756, P84, 1-250.000



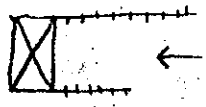
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LITTLE CLEARING  
IN  
WOODS

TANK NOT  
REMOVED

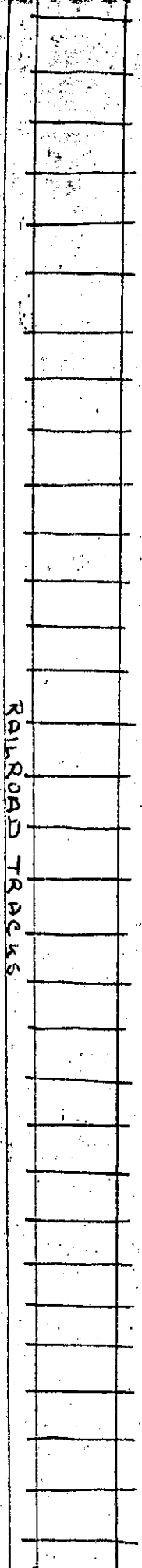


WIRE FENCE



LAST HOUSE OF  
VILLAGE OF TANDEL

TANK NOT FROM WHICH REMAINS FOUND,  
BT ⊕ WERE BURIED. TANK WAS BURN'D UP  
BY GERMANS. DEBRIS OF TANK WAS LATER,  
SUMMER '46 REMOVED BY LUXEMBOURG STATE  
⊕ (SPRENG ROHRRENDE)



RAILROAD TRACKS

ROAD

B/L: Hqs AGRC, ETA, APO 887 US Army, dtd 5 Nov 46  
Subject: Isolated Burials  
w/1st Ind: Hq First Zone, AGRC, APO 228 (Liege) US Army,  
dtd 3 Dec 46

GRU 293.9

2nd Ind.

DHH/ew

HEADQUARTERS 4527 QA SERVICE CO. (AC), FIRST ZONE, AGRC  
APO 58 (Maastricht) US ARMY 4 June 1947

TO: Commanding Officer, First Zone, AGRC, APO 58 (Liege)  
US Army

1. An investigation of Fandel and Fohren, Luxembourg, area was conducted as requested in the basic communication and attached references, revealing two tanks listed in the attached narrative and sketch as Tank # I and Tank # II. According to statements received, C I was plainly visible on both tanks which might mean Co. "C" 1st Platoon. Tank number I was lying on its side, burned intensely and was hit in the turret, while Tank Number II was blown up on the road 40 meters from Tank I by the Germans for road clearance. Both tanks were entirely burned out inside.

2. Tank I contained no remains while Tank II formerly contained a few remains which were removed by the Germans and buried by the side of the road prior to the removal of Tank II as stated in Paragraph 1 above.

3. Upon disinterment only a few remains were found and were forwarded to the Sub Identification Point Margraten Military Cemetery for processing under existing regulations. See attached statements.

THEODOR C. THOMAS  
Captain, Infantry  
Commanding

Incls: 7 added

Form # 8

Form # 10

Form # 52b

Narrative - Mr. Veigh

Statement - Mr. F. Leonardz

Statement - Mr. W. Faring

Sketch

Telephones:  
Maastricht 4033, 4333.

(Luxembourg 7581)

HEADQUARTERS, FIRST ZONE  
551ST QM GROUP  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
APO 887 (LIEGE) US ARMY

CRU 293.9

19 February 1947  
Suspense: 22 March 1947

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials

TO : Commanding Officer  
4527th QM Service Co (AC)  
AGRC, APO 887, US Army

1. Forwarded herewith as additional information to letter Headquarters, American Graves Registration Command, dated 5 Nov 1946, file, subject and case register number as above, is OCMG Form 371 and attached Casualty Clearance Plan pertaining to Cpl. Harry M. Aukerman Jr. 36173305. Above letter has been forwarded to you by 1st indorsement, this Headquarters, dated 3 December 1946.

2. It is requested that an investigation be conducted in the Fohren and Tandel areas and every effort be made to locate the isolated graves of Cpl Aukerman and remaining casualties listed in attached Casualty Clearance Plan.

3. It is further requested that report of investigation be expedited to this Headquarters in compliance with suspense date indicated above.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL JOHNSTON:

Incls: a/s

TRUMAN D ECKOLS  
Major Inf  
Chief of Operations

(Luxembourg 6)  
7581

QRV 293.9

1st Inf

Headquarters, First Zone, American Graves Registration Command,  
APO 228 (Liege) US Army, 3 December 1946

TO: Commanding Officer, Sub-Headquarters, First Zone, AGRG,  
APO 228 (Apeldoorn) US Army

1. Forwarded for compliance with basic communication.
2. It is requested that investigation, disinterment and reburial be accomplished according to existing procedures.
3. If remains are not located or have been previously disinterred, request details be furnished this Headquarters by indorsement hereon.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL WEAR:

TRUMAN D ECKOLS  
Major Inf  
Chief of Operations

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

HRE 293.9 (IB)

6 November 1946

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials

TO: Commanding Officer, First Zone,  
American Graves Registration Command,  
APO 228, US Army.

1. Records of this Headquarters list the following tank crew as killed in action 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Tandel, Luxembourg. Map reference: Sheet G (P/84):

1st Lt James J. Leming,	O-1011647
T/4 Erwin J. Mueth,	36070278
Cpl Robert A. Ollier,	37520982
Cpl Harry M. Aukerman Jr.,	36173305

2. Casualty records state that the incident occurred on mountainous terrain, the result of an artillery shell hitting the drivers compartment.

3. A physical search of the area will be conducted to locate the remains of the deceased. If found, reburial will be accomplished in a U. S. Military Cemetery.

4. Report of investigation will be forwarded by indorsement hereon.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL ODELL:

WALTER B. MORRIS,  
Major, Infantry,  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

PHONE:  
ARC 3900  
Ext 194.



NOTICE OF DISINTERMENT

GRS-GZ Form No. 8.

Date 20 March 1967

The below listed U.S. deceased personnel have this date been disinterred from the location as shown and have been evacuated to US Military Cemetery, subordinate Ident. Point # 2 Margraten, Holland for reburial.

<u>Unknown</u> (NAME)	<u>Unk</u> (RANK)	<u>Unk</u> (ASN)	<u>Tandel, Luxembourg</u> (PLACE OF DISINTERMENT) If communal cemetery show Plot, Row and Grave No., if available.
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Duane B. Hartman  
(Officer or NCO in charge of  
Disinterment)  
DUANE B. HARTMAN, 1st Lt, Inf, O-39466  
6527 Service Co. (AC)  
(Organization)

**IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST**

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

Unknown X - 5572  
 Cemetery Neuville en Condroz, Belgium  
 Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_ Grave \_\_\_\_\_

**Date processed:**

1. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 11 June 1947  
 (Hour) (Date)
2. Place of death TANDEL, Luxembourg MS-6, P-84  
 (Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)  
1/250.000  
 (Sheet, scale and serials used)
3. Remains recovered or disinterred by 4527 QM. Service Co. (AC)  
 (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 (type) NONE

Overshoes NONE

Web Equipment (type) NONE

(Other item) NONE

(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?

UTD

6. Description of Remains:

Age UTD Height UTD Weight UTD Description of wounds UTD

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

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

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face UTD

Complexion UTD  
 (Light, medium, dark, clear, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build UTD  
 (Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair UTD  
 (Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Teeth ..... **UTD**  
(White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

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

Jaw ..... **UTD** ..... Circumference of head in inches ..... **UTD**  
(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)

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Hands ..... **UTD**

Fingers ..... **UTD**  
(Short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

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..... **UTD**  
(Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest ..... **UTD**  
(Size of nipples, color, quantity and extent of hair, large, small, normal)

Waist ..... **UTD**  
(Size of navel, appendectomy, amount, quantity, and color of hair)

Back ..... **UTD** ..... Circumcision ..... **UTD** ..... Pubic Hair ..... **UTD**  
(Quantity and extent of hair) (Yes-no) (Color)

Hernioplasty ..... **UTD**  
(Yes-no; location)

Legs ..... **UTD**  
(Inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color and extent of hair)

Feet ..... **UTD** ..... Toes ..... **UTD**  
(Size, corns, callouses, flat) (Slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures ..... **UTD**  
(Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

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

SEE ATTACHED CHART

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

If not, explain See Remarks

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

9. Remarks E.M. tag found with remains, No burial report. Entire remains consists of one section of Ulna, approximately 3 1/2" long. According to case narrative this case consists of charred bones. This bone shows no evidence of having been charred.

Fluoroscopic Examination not necessary.

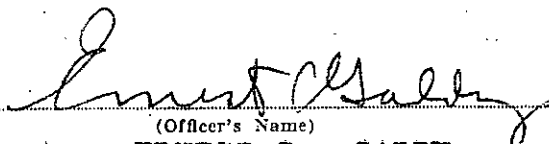
Estimated weight of remains: 1 oz.

Nothing found to warrant Chemical Laboratory Examination.

Processing revealed no positive identifying clues,

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.

therefore this case is classified "UNKNOWN".



(Officer's Name)

ERNEST C. GADDY

C.W.O.

U.S.A.

Rank

Service

CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT

(Organization)

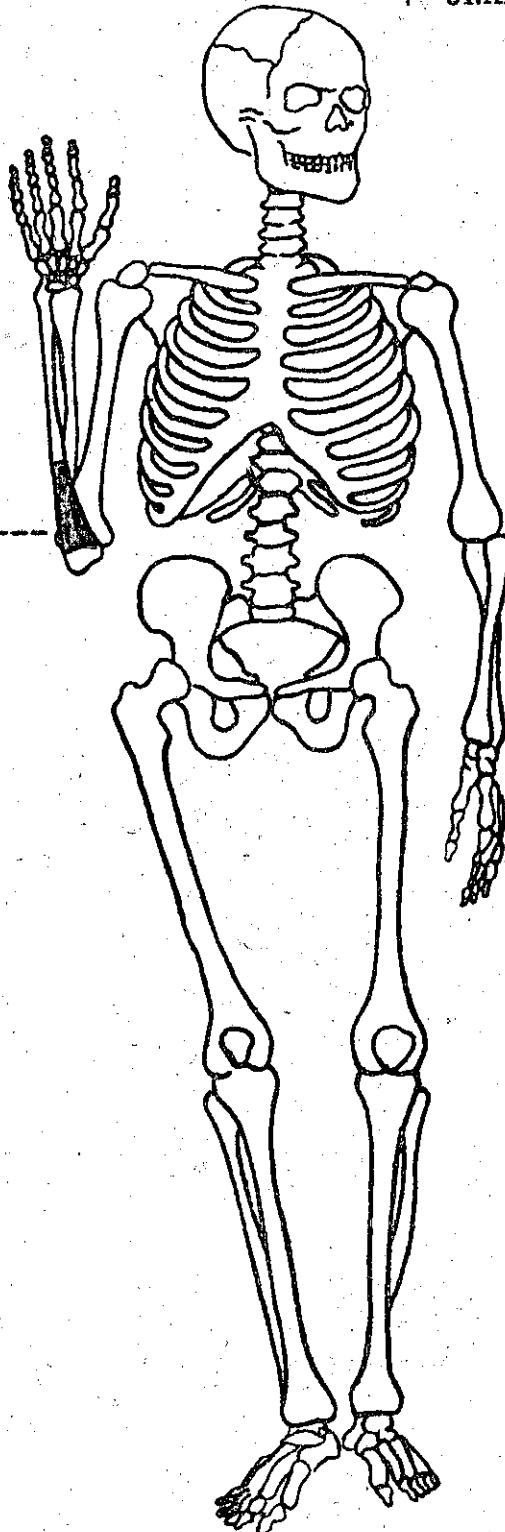
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# SKELETAL CHART

Neuville en Condroz, Belgium

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY ~~NOT~~ RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

UNKNOWN X-5572

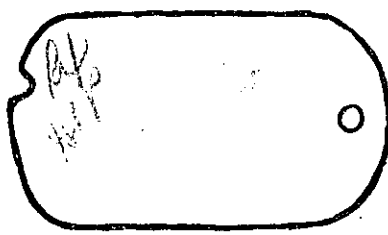



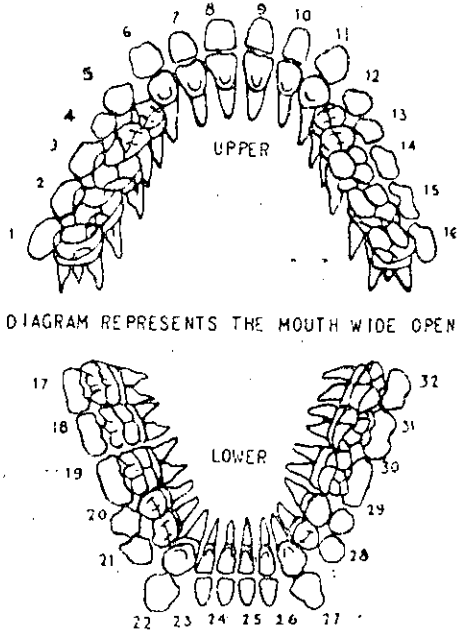
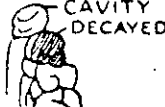
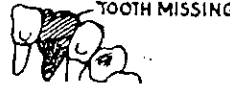


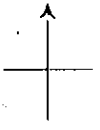
No estimation of height possible (See remarks)

UTD  
Right or left

CHART "A"

12-1112 #1

WD QMC FORM 1042 Rev. 1 Apr. 1945 (Supersedes GRS Form 1)		REPORT OF INTERMENT (AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815)			Date of report 3 July 1947		
Imprint Identification Tag If Possible. DO NOT TYPE 		SECTION I. IDENTIFICATION					
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Unknown X-5572			Serial number Unknown				
Grade Unknown		Organization Unknown		Branch of service UTD			
Race Unknown		Religion Unknown		If other than U. S. dead, Give name of country.			
Place of death Tandel, Luxembourg		Cause of death Killed in action		Date of death Est. 17-18 Dec. 1944			
Emergency addressee (Name, Relationship and Address.) Unknown							
Identification tags found on body (1, 2, or None) None		If no tags found on body, describe means of identification. If unidentified. Fill in section 3 on reverse					
Were substitute tags provided (Yes or No) Yes							
List personal effects found on body and disposition of same None							
SECTION 2. BURIAL If other than an established cemetery furnish sketch and map coordinates en reverse.							
Name, Number, Coordinates and location of cemetery U.S. Military Cemetery, Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium (VK-390187)							
Date of burial 3 July 1947	Hour 1500	Buried in (Schroud, Blanket, or name of other) Casket	Type of grave marker Wood Cross	Temp. Y	Plot no. 8	Row no. 8	Grave no. 185
Was this a re-burial (Yes or No) Yes	If a re-burial, indicate Name, Number, coordinates of previous cemetery, and location of grave Buried alongside the road in vicinity of Tandel, Luxembourg, MS-6, P-84, 1/250,000			Plot no. Isolated Burial	Row no.	Grave no.	
Type of religious ceremony Joint P, C & H	Person conducting burial rites Chaplains Rusher Saatman & Lepchivcher		If identification tags not used, describe identification data and containers buried with body				
Identification tag buried with body (Yes or No) No	Identification tag attached to marker (Yes or No) GRS		Report of Burial				
Body buried on deceased left, Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) De Lachica, Edouardo	Rank S/Sgt	Serial number 38454522	Organization 487 Bb	Grave No. 186			
Body buried on deceased right, Name, (Last, First, Middle Initial) Cassuto, Leo D.	Rank 2nd Lt	Serial number 0-2068073	Organization 305 Bb	Grave No. 184			
Signature of person preparing report RAYMOND G. JOHNSON 1st Lt. Inf CIP			Signature of grs officer verifying report T.D. ECKOLS Major Inf				
DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT: Signed original for US and allied dead, signed original and one copy for enemy dead, to the Quartermaster General through Hdq. GRS Officer. Copies for retention in theater as prescribed by theater commander.							

		SECTION 3. UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS				
Little Finger	Left	INSTRUCTIONS				
		<p>(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.</p> <p>(b) A fingerprint, or prints, are the most valuable of all clues. Imprint all fingers and thumbs in the chart at left, or as many as possible. If no fingerprints or prints can be secured, the condition of each and every tooth will be indicated on the tooth chart in accordance with diagram below. Tooth chart will not be accomplished if one or more fingerprints are secured.</p>				
Ring Finger	Left	Height	Weight	Color of eyes	Color of hair	Birthmarks, scars or tattoos
		UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD
Middle Finger	Left	Weapon and serial number		laundry marks	Where body was buried or found	
		None		None	Tandel, Luxembourg	
Index Finger	Left	Other identification clues				
		See attached sheet.				
Thumb	Left	FILLINGS  SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING		 UPPER LOWER DIAGRAM REPRESENTS THE MOUTH WIDE OPEN		
		CAVITIES  CAVITY DECAYED				
		MISSING TEETH  TOOTH MISSING				
		CROWNED TEETH  PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN				
		BRIDGE WORK  GOLD BRIDGE				
Thumb	Right	FURNISH sketch and map reference and coordinates for burial in other than established cemetery				
Index Finger	Right					
Middle Finger	Right					
Ring Finger	Right	Remarks Form #11, Check List of Unknowns, accomplished. Unable to obtain fingerprints or to accomplish Form #1-A, Tooth Chart, because of missing portions. Estimated weight of remains recovered: 1 ounce.				
Little Finger	Right					