

Ce soldat est venu se réfugier chez moi où il est resté pendant deux jours. Ce militaire nous a beaucoup parlé, mais ne comprenant pas l'américain, je n'ai pu savoir ce qu'il nous a dit.

Une chose est certaine; il s'agissait bien de militaires américains.

En quittant mon habitation je ne puis vous dire où le rescapé du char s'est rendu.

Je précise qu'avant l'arrivée de ce char, l'infanterie américaine était déjà passée dans le pays.

Lecture perserte et signé.

La déclaration ci-dessus en langue allemande a été recue par le truchement du gendarme MAZOYER parlant allemand.

Plusieurs autres personnes entendues n'ont pu nous fournir aucun autre renseignement utile.

Nous mentionnons qu'il nous est impossible de savoir combien de militaires appartiennent les ossements découverts, qui sont tous fragmentaires et en partie calcinés.

En attendant des instructions, ces ossements ont été emmenés et déposés à notre brigade, où ils sont conservés dans un cercueil confectionné à cet effet.

Trois expéditions
destinées :

Le premier à Monsieur l'Officier de liaison américain, près du Délégué Général à Coblenze.
Le deuxième à Monsieur le Délégué de Cercle à Neuwied
Le troisième aux archives.

Fait et clos à Neustadt-Wied le 19 juillet 1947

Signature
ALLENIS

Signature
GUERRIER

Signature
MAZOYER

Copie conforme à l'original

Neuwied, le 6 août 1947
Service des Recherches
G.N. de N E U W I E D .

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APC 58 US ARMY

24 August 1949

(Date)

RRE 293

278 unk. Belgian (Neuville) X-6225

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS.

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X - 6225, Plot BB, Row 1, Grave 6, USMC NEUVILLE, Belgium, have been reviewed an' 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. 2489, dated 29-9-47.

3. Remarks:

Received F4274-26 Aug 49
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

WJ

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

H. F. Henry
Col. H.F. HENRY, O-12589

QMC

E. D. Mulvanity
Lt. Col. E.D. MULVANITY, O-359598
QMC

Major R. BERGER, O-251736

ORD

Capt. Jack C. HAYES, O-1577297

QMC

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

QMC

Major Edward E. SOUTH, O-1594512
QMC

1/Lt. Gaylord E. LUTZ, O-1595665
QMC

Incl #22

RRE Form #43
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293 Yuk - Neuville X-6225

Attached hereto correspondence and/or other identifying media of possible archival value, pertaining to:

UNIDENTIFIABLE	X - 6225	(Temp - Neuville)		
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Initial)	(Rank)	(ASN)

Subject remains have been permanently interred overseas in the United States Military Cemetery NEUVILLE-en-CONDROZ

Incl #

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

AREA SEARCH

15 September 1947

~~Exhumed 1947~~

Date

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

1 January 1946

NAME Unknown X-6225 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)

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a. NAME _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

b. ORGANIZATION _____

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a. NAME Unknown RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

b. ORGANIZATION _____

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY Unknown (Believed to be remains of one of more deceased).

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

a. Date of above burials Not buried Common Graves?

5. Name and Type of Cemetery _____
(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery _____

a. Town _____ Country _____

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.

a. Section Row Grave _____

b. Is sketch attached?

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

a. Town LORSCHIED Coordinates K-51/F-72

b. Is Sketch attached? Yes

c. Is area mined? No

9. How is the grave marked? Not marked

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon

a. From what source was this information obtained?

(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By whom _____

11. Where are the cemetery records? None

(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

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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? Yes
- a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed
Unknown
(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)
- b. Near wreckage? In tank
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of tank Medium M-4 Series
- b. Markings and/or name of tank Unknown
- c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc Unknown

33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? Anti-tank gun

34. Did tank explode? No Burn? Yes

35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement 3

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 0700 hours 14 March 1945
(Night?) (Day?)

38. Did any of the crew members escape? Yes Prisoners? No

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

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

If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation.

a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached?

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

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

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

If not, state reason All burned

a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? None

Where? By whom?

Present disposition

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.

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30 Legion

FRENCH POLICE OF OCCUPATION

Company BAD EMS
Section HACHENBURG
Brigade NEUSTADT-WIED
609 of 19 7 1947

19 July 1947, 1800 hours.

Verbal Statement on Discovery
of Human Remains in an
American Tank.

We, the undersigned, ALLENIC LUCIEN
GUERRIER LUCIEN
MAZOYER PIERRE

policemen of NEUSTADT-WIED, district
NEUWIED, in accordance with orders of
our Headquarters, report the following:

In the morning of 10 July 1947 laborers were occupied with the removal of an American tank located at the crossroads of NOTSCHEID, community of LORSCHEID and discovered human remains in the above mentioned tank.

We went to the indicated place and established the following:

L O C A T I O N

The tank in question is located at the place called "Kreuzung (crossroads) of NOTSCHEID" in the area of the community LORSCHEID (district NEUSTADT-WIED).

The crossroads are situated about 500 meters west of the community LORSCHEID and 10 kilometers south west of NEUSTADT-WIED.

D I S C O V E R I E S

We established that it concerned an American tank. This tank which was destroyed and burnt during the fighting in 1945 is completely torn apart. No markings whatsoever could be found.

The investigations conducted in order to identify the remains were in vain. No means of identification were found among the wreckage of the tank.

Since the tank was located near a house we proceeded to the house and interviewed BUCHMULLER, Gertrud, 43 years of age, farmer's wife, living at the crossroads of NOTSCHEID, community LORSCHEID. She stated the following on the above date and hour:

"The tank which was destroyed in my garden is an American tank. On 17 March 1945 about 0700 hours in the morning the tank took position at the place where it is now located. About 15 minutes after its arrival, it was destroyed by a grenade. Only one (1) of the two (2) or three (3) occupants could save himself from the burning tank.

This soldier escaped to my house for safety and he stayed for two days. The soldier spoke quite a bit but I do not

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know what he said because I could not understand him.

It is certain that it concerned American military personnel.

Since I had to leave my house, I cannot state what happened to the soldier who had escaped from the tank.

I further state that before the arrival of this tank the American Infantry was already spread out in this area."

Lectured and signed.

The above statement in German language was recorded with the help of an interpreter, policeman MAZOYER, who speaks German.

Further persons interviewed could give no helpful information.

We state that it is impossible for us to know how many bodies it concerned according to the discovered remains of bone fragments which were partly burnt to ashes.

Until further steps are made these bone remains have been removed and are being kept in safety at our station where they are kept in a coffin especially made for this purpose.

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- 1 - Delegate of District NEUWIED.
- 1 - Files.

Completed and closed at NEUSTADT-WIED, 19 July 1947

Signature
ALLENIC

Signature
GUERRIER

Signature
MAZOYER

A true copy of the original

NEUWIED, 6 August 1947
Research Service
G.N. NEUWIED

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

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Irene Soulier
Irene Soulier

A TRUE COPY:

Paul H. Mueller
PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cav.
Operations Officer

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Unknown X -6225

Cemetery Neuville en Condroz, Belgium

Plot BB Row 1 Grave 6

Date processed: 4 September 1947

1. ~~Recovered from Cemetery~~ _____
(Hour) _____ (Date) _____
2. Place of death Lorscheid, Germany (Remains found in tank)
(Name of closest town) _____
(Coordinates and letter prefix, maps) _____
- (Sheet, scale and serials used) _____
3. Remains recovered ~~From~~ ~~Recovered by~~ by 164 QM BN
(Name and organization) _____
4. Evacuated to Cemetery by Subordinate Identification Point #2, Neuville en
Condroz, Belgium.
(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	NO CLOTHING (Type)		
Raincoat			
Overcoat			
Jacket, Field			
Jacket, Combat			
Mackinaw			
Sweater			
Jacket, HBT			
* Shirt, Wool OD			
Undershirt, Wool			
Undershirt, Cotton			
Trousers, HBT			
* Trousers, Wool OD			

Belt, web **NO CLOTHING**
 Drawers, wool
 Drawers, cotton
 Leggings, wool
 Socks, cotton
 * Shoes (type)
 Overshoes
 Web Equipment (type)
 (Other item)
 (Other item)

* 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?

6. Description of Remains:

Age **UTD** Height **UTD** Weight **UTD** Description of wounds **UTD**

Bandages or dressings **None** 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, pimplies, pocks, freckles)

Build **UTD** (Large, fat, thin, muscular)

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

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

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

Goatee **UTD**
 (Light, color, extent)
 Eyes **UTD**
 (Color, setting, shape) Eyebrows **UTD**
 (Color, bushiness, extent across nose)
 Nose **UTD**
 (Size, shape, straight) Ears **UTD**
 (Size, set close to or far from head)
 Mouth **UTD**
 (Large, medium, small) Lips **UTD**
 (Small, large, full)
 Teeth **Teeth missing**
 (White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)
 Chin **UTD**
 (Prominent, receding, pointed, dimples, double)
 Jaw **UTD** Circumference of head in inches **skull fractured**
 (Large, small, normal) (flat band)
 Neck **UTD**
 (Size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) Larynx **UTD**
 (Prominent, normal)
 Shoulders **UTD**
 (Broad, straight, small, rounded) Arms **UTD**
 (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**
 (Quantity and extent of hair) Circumcision **UTD**
 (Yes-no) Pubic Hair **UTD**
 (Color)
 Hernioplasty **UTD**
 (Yes-no; location)
 Legs **UTD**
 (Inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color and extent of hair)
 Feet **UTD**
 (Size, corns, calluses, flat) Toes **UTD**
 (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.

See chart

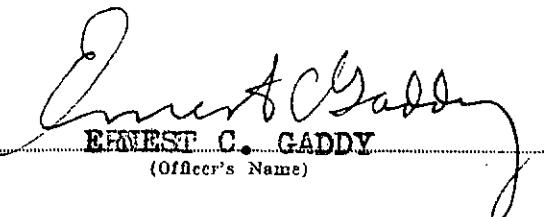
7. Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? No
(Yes-No)

If not, explain too decomposed

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

9. Remarks Partial remains received enclosed in miniature burial box-
inside Munich box- badly fractured and burned.
Estimated weight of remains: 1½ Lbs.
Fluoroscopic Examination: unnecessary.
No clothing found. E.M.T. tag states, body was burned in tank.
Nothing found to warrant Chemical Laboratory Examination.
As processing revealed no positive identifying clues, this
case is classified Unknown.

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.


ERNEST C. GADDY
(Officer's Name)

CWO
Rank

USA
Service

CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT
(Organization)

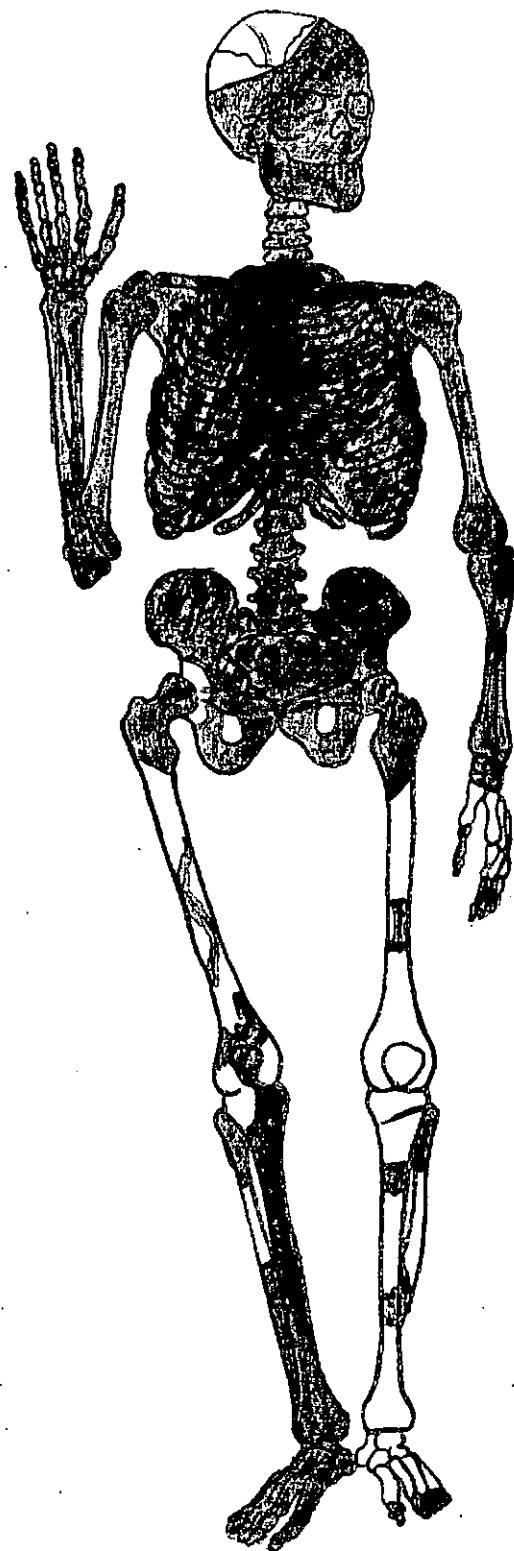
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Leuville-en-Condroz,
Belgium (VK 390187)

Plot BB Row 1 Grave 6
Unknown X-6225

SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)



Estimated height: UTD

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

AREA SEARCH

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

15 September 1947

7 August 1947

Date

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

1 January 1946

NAME Unknown X-6226 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? If so, state the following information:

a. NAME _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

b. ORGANIZATION _____

2. Was partial identification established? No If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:

a. NAME Unknown RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

b. ORGANIZATION _____

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY Unknown (Believed to be re-

mains of one or more deceased).

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

a. Date of above burials Not buried Common Graves?

5. Name and Type of Cemetery _____

(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery _____

a. Town _____ Country _____

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.

a. Section Row Grave _____

b. Is sketch attached?

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

a. Town LORSCHEID Coordinates K-51/F-72

b. Is Sketch attached? Yes

c. Is area mined? No

9. How is the grave marked? Not marked

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon

a. From what source was this information obtained?

(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By whom

11. Where are the cemetery records? None

(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

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).

Yes

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?
- a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed
Unknown
(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)
In tank
- b. Near wreckage?
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
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33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? Anti-tank gun

34. Did tank explode? No Burn? Yes
35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement 3
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 0700 hours 14 March 1945
(Night?) (Day?)

38. Did any of the crew members escape? Yes Prisoners? No

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

39. Did death occur from any other means? (i. e., truck, jeep, mines, drowning, or small arms fire)
- If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation.
- a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached?
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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 All burned
- a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? None
- Where? By whom?
- Present disposition

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E R K L Ä R U N G

Ich gebe hiermit bekannt, dass am 17. März während des vergangenen Kampfes in unserer Nähe hier ein amerikanischer Panzer ausgebrannt ist, und zwar morgens um 7 Uhr. Ein Mann der Besatzung kam glücklich heraus und hat sich zwei Tage bei uns aufgehalten. Wie der Mann erzählte, waren noch Kameraden von ihm umgekommen, die er sehr bedauerte. Es war ein älterer Mann.

gez. Frau Gertrud Buchmüller

S T A T E M E N T

I herewith state that an American tank was destroyed at 0700 hours in the morning of 17 March when fighting took place here. One (1) crew member escaped uninjured from the tank. He stayed with us for two days. As he stated some of his comrades were killed in the accident whom he bemoaned very much. He was a middle aged man.

/s/ Frau GERTRUD BUCHMULLER

A TRUE COPY:

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

Irene Soulier
Irene Soulier

Paul H. Mueller
PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cav.
Operations Officer

30 Legion

FRENCH POLICE OF OCCUPATION

Company BAD EMS
 Section HACHENBURG
 Brigade NEUSTADT-WIED
 # 609 of 19 7 1947

19 July 1947, 1800 hours.

Verbal Statement on Discovery
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 GUERRIER LUCIEN
 MAZOYER PIERRE

policemen of NEUSTADT-WIED, district
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Completed and closed at NEUSTADT-WIEN, 19 July 1947

Signature
ALLENIC

Signature
GUERRIER

Signature
MAZOYER

A true copy of the original

NEUWIED, 6 August 1947
Research Service
G.N. NEUWIED

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

Irene Soulier
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A TRUE COPY:

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PAUL H. MUELLER
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GENDARMERIE FRANCAISE D'OCCUPATION

Compagnie de Bad Ems
 Section de Hachenburg
 Brigade de Neustadt-Wied
 No 609 du 19.7.1947
 Proces verbal de renseignements
 sur la decouverture d'ossements
 humains dans un char americain.

Ce jourd'hui, dix neuf juillet mil neuf
 cent quarante sept a dix huit heures.

Nous soussignes, ALLENIC Lucien
 GUERRIER Lucien
 MAZOYER Pierre

gendarmes a la residence de Neu-
 stadt-Wied, cercle de Neuwied
 revetus de notre uniforme et
 conformement aux ordres de chefs
 rapportons ce qui suit :

Le 10 juillet 1947, dans le courant de la matinee, des
 ouvriers travaillant au decoupage d'un char americain, abandonne
 au lieu dit le "carrefour de Notscheid" commune de Lorscheid, ont
 decouvert dans le dit char des ossements humains.

Nous nous sommes rendus sur les lieux et avons procede aux
 constatations suivantes :

E T A T D E S L I E U X

Le char en question se trouve situe au lieu dit le
 "carrefour de Notscheid", territoire de la commune de Lorscheid
 (Circonscription de la Brigade de Neustadt-Wied).

Ce carrefour est lui-meme situe a 500 metres, a l'ouest de
 la commune de Lorscheid et a 10 kilometres au sud-ouest de Neu-
 stadt-Wied.

C O N S T A T A T I O N S

Nous constatons qu'il s'agit d'un char americain. Cet engin
 qui a ete detruit et incendie au cours des operations de 1945 est
 entierement decoupe par morceaux. Aucun matricule ou insigne n'a
 pu etre releve sur ce char.

Les recherches effectuees pour permettre d'identifier ces
 restes n'ont donne aucun resultat. Aucune plaque matricule n'a pu
 etre decouverte parmi les debris de ce char.

L'engin se trouvant a proximite d'une maison d'habitation
 nous nous livrons a une enquete et entendons :

BUCHMULLER, Gertrude, 43 ans, cultivatrice demeurant au carrefour
 de Notscheid, commune de Lorscheid, qui nous declare aux date et
 heur portes en tete du present :

"Le char qui a été détruit dans mon jardin est un char américain. Le 17 mars 1945, à 7 heures matin, ce char a pris position à l'endroit où il se trouve. Un quart d'heure environ après son arrivée, il a été détruit par un obus. Sur les deux ou trois occupants qui le montaient, un seul a pu se sauver du char qui brûlait.

Ce soldat est venu se réfugier chez moi où il est resté pendant deux jours. Ce militaire nous a beaucoup parlé, mais ne comprenant pas l'américain, je n'ai pu savoir ce qu'il nous a dit.

Une chose est certaine, il s'agissait bien de militaires américains.

En quittant mon habitation je ne puis vous dire le rescapé du char s'est rendu.

Je précise qu'avant l'arrivée de ce char, l'infanterie américaine était déjà passée dans le pays.

Lecture persiste et signe.

La déclaration ci-dessus en langue allemande a été recue par le truchement du gendarme MAZOYER parlant allemand.

Plusieurs autres personnes entendues n'ont pu nous fournir aucun autre renseignement utile.

Nous mentionnons qu'il nous est impossible de savoir combien de militaires appartiennent les ossements découverts, qui sont tous fragmentaires et en partie calcinés.

En attendant des instructions, ces ossements ont été emmenés et déposés à notre brigade, où ils sont conservés dans un cercueil confectionné à cet effet.

Trois expéditions
destinées :

Le premier à Monsieur l'Officier de Liaison américain, près du Délegué Général à Coblenze.
Le deuxième à Monsieur le Délegué de Cercle à Neuwied.
Le troisième aux archives.

Fait et clos à Neustadt-Wied le 19 juillet 1947

Signature

Signature

Signature

ALLENIC

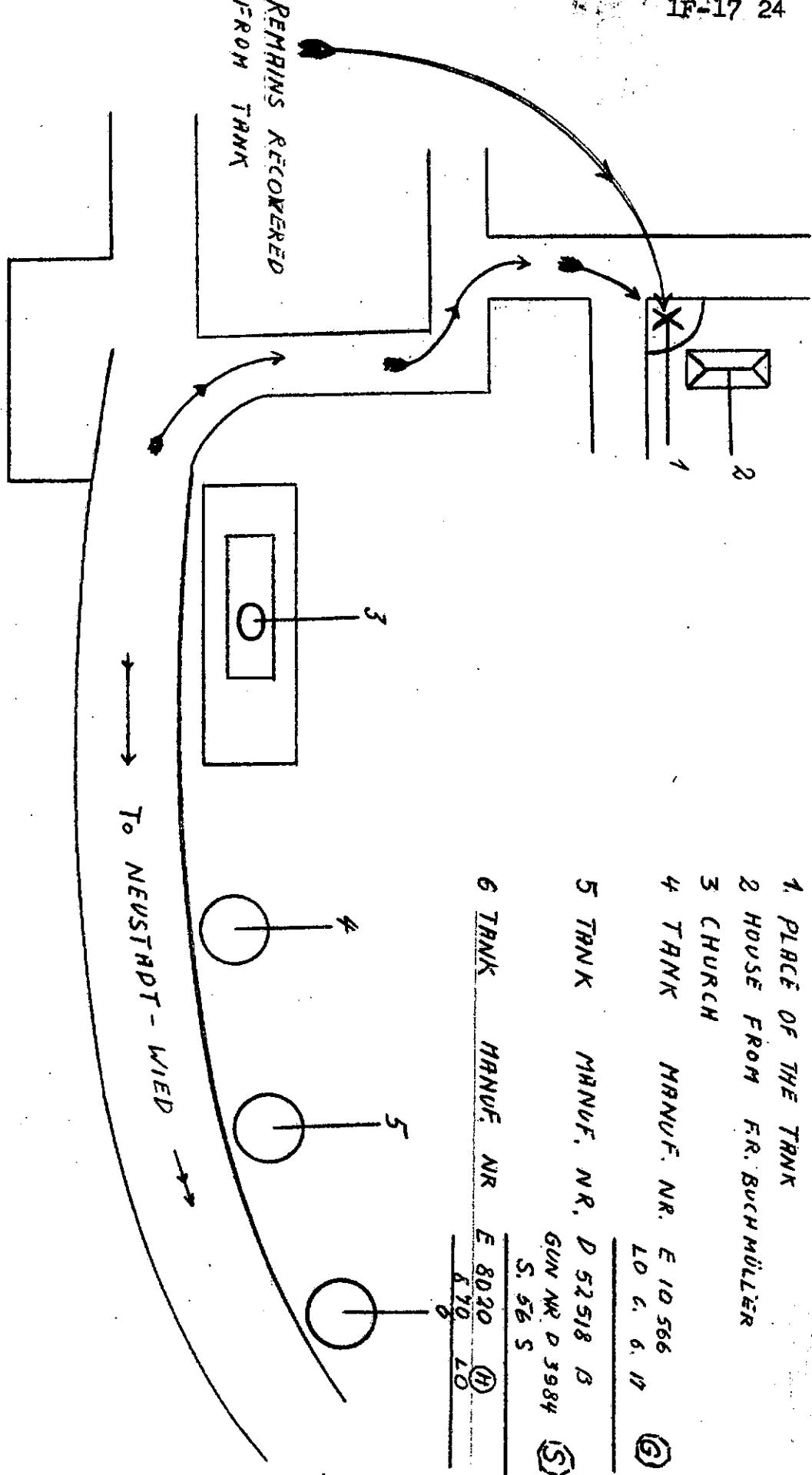
GUERRIER

MAZOYER

Copie conforme à l'original

Neuwied, le 6 aout 1947
Service des Recherches
G.N. de N E U W I E D .

Evacuation Number
1F-17 24



Lösscheid, Germany
K5/F-12

- b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? No
 Where? By whom?
 Present disposition
- c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? No
- d. Did Cemetery Register or cross indicate the immunization shot? No
42. Was Deceased given first aid? No If so, where?
 By whom? Are statements from the medical people attached?
43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? No
 Where? Names of people concerned
44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? No
45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains?
Bodies badly burnt
 (Burnt? Decapitated? etc)
46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? No
 a. If so, give basis for positive assumption
- b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified?
47. Was case previously investigated? No By whom?
 When?
48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed
 1. French Gendarmerie, NEUSTADT-WIED
 2. Frau BUCHMULLER, Gertrud, LORSCHEID
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? Yes
51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? No
 (If special investigation, give case number)
52. Give Brief Narrative See attached statement by French Gendarmerie

(Use attached sheets if necessary)

None

Signature of Interpreter

Signature of Investigator

RENE DELOZIERE

Rank

ASN

Rank

WDC

ASN

6449

Organization

Organization

164th QM.BN. AGRC

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- a. What information was contained thereon? None
- b. Where was the information obtained?
- c. By whom?
12. What is the date of death? 14 March 1945, 0700 hours
- a. Give basis Burned
13. What is the cause of death? Burned in tank
- b. Give basis Remains recovered from a tank
14. What is the date of burial?
- a. Give basis
15. What was the place of death? LORSCHEID, Germany Coords K-51/F-72
- b. Give basis Statement of witnesses
16. Where were the remains found? LORSCHEID, Germany Coords K-51/F-72
- a. By whom? French Gendarmerie
- b. Is sketch attached? Yes
17. Was a casket used? Yes Who furnished the casket? French Military Gov.
- Type of casket How marked? With American Flag
18. Who made the burial Body found by French Gendarmerie and placed in wooden box.
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)
- a. What are the names and addresses? French Gendarmerie
LORSCHEID, Germany

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?
- 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?

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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).

Yes

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?

a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed
Unknown

(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)

b. Near wreckage? In tank

32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)

Medium M-4 Series

a. Type of tank Unknown

b. Markings and/or name of tank Unknown

c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc Unknown

33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? **Anti-tank gun**

34. Did tank explode? **No** Burn? **Yes**

35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement **3**

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 **0700 hours 14 March 1945**
(Night?) (Day?)

38. Did any of the crew members escape? **Yes** Prisoners? **No**

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

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

If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation.

a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached?

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

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

41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team? **No**
If not, state reason **All burned**

a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? **None**

Where? By whom?

Present disposition

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.

a. What information was contained thereon? **None**

b. Where was the information obtained?

c. By whom?

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a. Give basis **Burned**

13. What is the cause of death? **Burned in tank**

b. Give basis **Remains recovered from a tank**

14. What is the date of burial?

a. Give basis

15. What was the place of death? **LORSCHEID, Germany**

Coords **K-51/F-72**

b. Give basis **Statement of witnesses**

16. Where were the remains found? **LORSCHEID, Germany**

Coords **K-51/F-72**

a. By whom?

French Gendarmerie

b. Is sketch attached?

Yes

17. Was a casket used?

Yes

Who furnished the casket? **French Military Gov.**

Type of casket

How marked? **With American Flag**

18. Who made the burial? **Body found by French Gendarmerie and placed in wooden box.**

(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)

a. What are the names and addresses?

French Gendarmerie

LORSCHEID, Germany

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Rev 1 Apr. 1945

(Supersedes GRS Form 1)

DISTRIBUTION TO THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND OTHER BRANCHES OF THE ARMY

Imprint Identification Tag If Possible, but DO NOT TYPE

REPORT OF INTERMENT

(AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815)

111724

Date of report

5 Sept. 1947

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Unknown

L-6225

Grade (Rank to which promoted)

Unknown

Organization

Unknown

Race

Unknown

Religion

Unknown

If other than U. S. dead,

Give name & country.

Serial number

Unknown

Branch of service

Unknown

Place of death Lorscheid,
Germany

Cause of death

Burned in tank

Date of death Est.

14 Mar. 1945

Emergency addressee (Name, Relationship and Address.)

Unknown

REMARKS

Identification tags found on body
(1, 2, or None) NoneIf no tags found on body, describe means
of identification. If unidentified fill in section 3 on reverse.Were substitute tags provided
(Yes or No) Yes

List personal effects found on body and disposition of same

None

SECTION 2. BURIAL If other than in established cemetery furnish sketch and map coordinates on reverse

Name, Number, Coordinates and location of cemetery

USMC, Neuville en Condroz, Belgium (VK3901)

Date of burial	Hour	Buried in (Sheet, Blanket, or name of other)	Type of grave marker	Plot no.	Row no.	Grave no.
8 Sept. 1947	1500	Casket	Tombstone Wooden Cross	BB	1	6

Was this a re-burial? (Yes or No) No	If a re-burial, indicate Name, Number, coordinates of grave	Lorschield, Germany	Plot no.	Row no.	Grave no.
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Remains found in a tank.

Type of religious ceremony	Person conducting burial rites	If identification tag not used, describe identification data and container buried with body
General	J. V. Hartman Capt. J. L. Fisher Lieutenant Joseph Fisher	One copy of WD QMC Form 1042 placed in burial bottle and buried with remains

Identification tag buried with body (Yes or No) No	Identification tag attached to marker (Yes or No) No	Plot no.	Row no.	Grave no.
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Body buried on deceased left, Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Rank	Serial number	Organization	Grave No.
L-6226	Unk	Unk	Unk	7

Body buried on deceased right, Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Rank	Serial number	Organization	Grave No.
L-6224	Unk	Unk	Unk	8

Signature of person preparing report	Signature of GRS officer verifying report
ALBERT G. RICHARDSON US WD QM CAP-S	IVOR J. FINE 2nd Lt. Eng. Co. 3rd Inf. Regt.

DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT: Signed original for US and allied dead, signed copy and one copy for enemy dead, to the Quartermaster General through Hdq. GRS Officer. Copies for retention in theater as prescribed by theater commander.

Lisimterment Directive which contains the signatures of the persons whose names are typed hereunder. I certify that the entries on this form are true copies of the entries on Copy Number 461 that I signed. Dated October 1941.

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

SIGNATURE OF AGS INSPECTOR

ALBERT S. KIMBERLIN, JR.

APPENDIX K

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

EMBALMER (Signature)	HENRY F PERCANDIE	HENRY F PERCANDIE
		EMBALMER
SACRIFICE OF A MOTHER		
		TAGS, MARKINGS, PLATES
		VERIFIED BY: ROGER E LEWIS, CAPT.CAV.
STANLEY E GALTYSKI		
17 JAN 49		
CASKET SEALED BY		
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED		

EMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CERRODOX TRANSFER BOX.
THOMAS T HATCHER, EXAMINER
13 JAN 49

REPORT OF BURIAL WITH REMAINS
HOSPITAL FORM SHOWING "IF-1724"
MISSISSIPPI PLATE FOR IF-1724
MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report GMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)
NONE

NAME		UNKNOWN		SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE		DATE OF DEATH		DATE DISTINTEERED		ORGANIZATION		ENTRIFICATION TAG ON		REMAINS		MARKER		NAME AND TITLE		SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT		CONDITION OF REMAINS		PRICES OF SKULL, 2 ^{1/2} PDX. HNS OF I/R		PRIMER. 5 ^{1/2} R/TBIA.		MATTRESS COVER		ATURE OF BURIAL									
				X-006225		UNK				26. NOV 48		UNKNOWN		UNKNOWN				UNKNOWN				UNKNOWN		VERNON N. HOLT, 1/LT INF.		UNKNOWN		UNKNOWN		CONDITION OF REMAINS		HUMANS CONSIST OF TWO		PRICES OF SKULL, 2 ^{1/2} PDX. HNS OF I/R		PRIMER. 5 ^{1/2} R/TBIA.		MATTRESS COVER		ATURE OF BURIAL	

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ, BELGIUM (BY ADMINISTRATIVE-DEPARTMENT)
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NEUVILLE BELGIUM 1202 80 6 BB 1 METER
REF ID: A61202

NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED		SECTION A-1		NAME			
1234-5678	UNKNOWNX-006225	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	ARM	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER
06	07	01	08	09	05	04	06

Pilot: G. HOW; 13	GR: 1	Date: 3 Sept. 1979	Verified by GRS Officer	B.N. HESSER, 1/lt OMC
DISTINCTION DIRECTIVE				
DIRECTIVE NUMBER DATE				

GENDARMERIE FRANCAISE D'OCCUPATION

30 Légion

Compagnie de Bad Ems
Section de Hachenburg
Brigade de Neustadt-Wied

No 609 du 19.7.1947

Procès verbal de renseignements
sur la découverte d'ossements
humains dans un char américain.

Ce jourd'hui, dix neuf juillet mil neuf
cent quarante sept à dix huit heures.

Nous soussignés, ALLENIC Lucien
GHEHIER Lucien
MAZOYER Pierre

gendarmes à la résidence de Neustadt-
Wied, cercle de Neuwied revêtus de not-
re uniforme et conformément aux ordres
de chefs rapportons ce qui suit :

Le 10 juillet 1947, dans le courant de la matinée, des ouv-
riers travaillant au découpage d'un char américain, abandonné au l-
ieu dit le "carrefour de Notscheid" commune de Lorscheid, ont dé-
couvert dans le dit char des ossements humains.

Nous nous sommes rendus sur les lieux et avons procédé aux
constatations suivantes :

E T A T D E S L I E U X

Le char en question se trouve situé au lieu dit le "carrefour
de Notscheid", territoire de la commune de Lorscheid (Circonscription
de la Brigade de Neustadt-Wied).

Ce carrefour est lui-même situé à 500 mètres, à l'ouest de
la commune de Lorscheid et à 10 kilomètres au sud-ouest de Neustadt
Wied.

C O N S T A T A T I O N S

Nous constatons qu'il s'agit d'un char américain. Cet engin
qui a été détruit et incendié au cours des opérations de 1945 est
entièrement découpé par morceaux. Aucun matricule ou insigne n'a
pu être relevé sur ce char.

Les recherches effectuées pour permettre d'identifier ces rs
restes n'ont donné aucun résultat. Aucune plaque matricule n'a pu
être découverte parmi les débris de ce char.

L'engin se trouvent à proximité d'une maison d'habitation
nous nous livrons à une enquête et entendons :
BUCHMÜLLER, Vertrude, 43 ans, cultuvatrice demeurant au carrefour
de Notscheid, commune de Lorscheid, qui nous déclare aux date et
heure portés en tête du présent :

"Le char qui a été détruit dans mon jardin est un char amé-
ricain. Le 17 mars 1945, à 7 heures, ce char a pris position à l'en-
droit où il se trouve. Un quart d'heure environ après son arrivée,
il a été détruit par un obus. Sur les deux ou trois occupants qui
le montaient, un seul a pu se sauver du char qui brûlait."