

7887 GRAVES DETACHMENT

APO 757

293 unk. St. James X-172 MB

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:

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UNKNOWN X - 172 - St James

(POC) ST JAMES

File - nan

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Q-GR 293.9 1st Ind.
OCQM, HQ., NORMANDY BASE SECTION, CZ ETO, APO 562, U.S. Army, 2 Feb 45

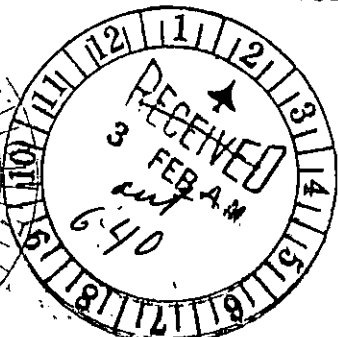
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To: Commanding Officer, 1st QM Group, APO 562, U. S. Army

For the Base Section Quartermaster:

Edwin A. Llwyd

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2d Lt., QMC
Asst.



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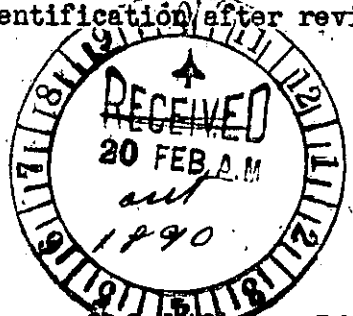
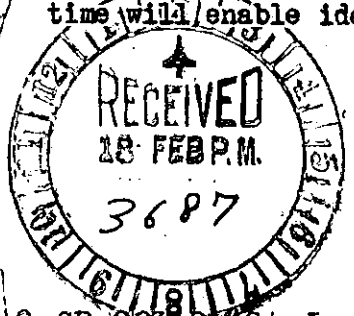
Q-GR 293.9 (St James, O-6-142) 2nd Ind.
(Case No. 864) Hq., 1st Quartermaster Group, Com Z ETO, APO 562, U. S. Army, 15 February 1945.



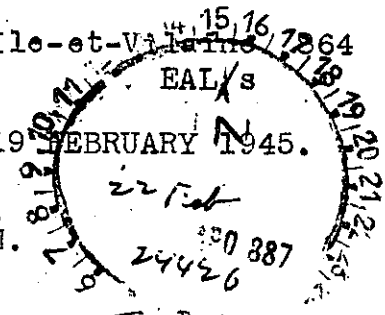
TO: Commanding General, Com Zone ETO, APO 887, U. S. Army.
ATTN: Graves Registration and Effects Division, OCQM
THRU: GRO., Normandy Base Section, APO 562, U. S. Army.

1. Case has previously been investigated, remains disinterred and reburied 8 January 1945 at St. James Military Cemetery, Plot O, Row 6, Grave 142.
2. It is believed that information submitted with Burial Report at that time will enable identification after review by your office.

Maurice Whitney
MAURICE WHITNEY
Lt. Col., QMC
Commanding



Q-GR 293.9 (St James, O-6-142) 3d Ind.
(Case No. 864 - Ile-et-Vilaine) Ile-et-Vilaine EAL/s
OCQM, HQ., NORMANDY BASE SECTION, APO 562, U. S. ARMY, 19 FEBRUARY 1945.



TO: CG, Com Zone ETO, APO 887, U. S. Army.
ATTN: Graves Registration and Effects Div., OCQM.

For the Base Section Quartermaster:

Edwin A. Llwyd

EDWIN A. LLWYD
2d Lt., QMC
Assistant

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(Ile-et-Vilaine)

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HEADQUARTERS
COMMUNICATIONS ZONE
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
Office of the Chief Quartermaster
APO 887

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Q.GRE. 293.9

(S: 14 Feb 45)

30 January 45

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st QM Group, APO 562, U.S. Army.

1. Following is extract from letter of C. Insley, Les Soeurs Garde Malades de Ste Marie, St Malo, Rue E Renan:

"A few months ago when the American troops advanced towards St Malo there was hard fighting in the vicinity of that town and a few of your men fell in a field close to my brother's country estate named "La Grande Riviere" at Parame near St Malo. One of these men was subsequently die, covered and buried on my brother's estate and only a few days ago I visited his grave and found it well kept and covered with flowers. His rifle and helmet with a small wooden cross were placed on the grave and the name MILT MABELL is written on the front and inside the helmet. After further investigations it came to my knowledge that a close-by farmer while making search discovered some distance from the body a small pocket leather folder in which were found several photos apparently of the deceased man's family, parents, wife and children, also 48 francs in French notes. This folder and its contents are now in my possession and I would be glad to hear from you in case you wish to investigate this particular case with the view to ascertaining the identity of this man and his relatives in the USA."

2. Request investigation, disinterment and reburial be made in accordance with technical directive "Search of Battlefields for Isolated Burials and Unburied Remains", and GR Form #1 be attached to this correspondence and returned to this headquarters. Further request effects be secured from C. Insley, as these may be the means to identify the deceased. The surrounding area should also be searched as the information given states "a few men fell in a field". This is interpreted to mean wounded but others than the one referred to, may be buried in the vicinity.

3. Check Lists for Disinterments are to be attached to each copy of Burial Report.

Incl:
Check Lists.



Frank D. Bianco
for Major QMC
BENY ROSALER
Colonel, QMC
Chief, GR & E Div.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

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Unk France X-172 (St James) ^{7 FEB. 1949}
Date

SUBJECT: Unidentifiable Remains

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

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X-172, Plot 0, Row 6, Grave 142, USMC ST. JAMES FRANCE have been reviewed and it is the opinion of this office that insufficient evidence is available to establish the identity of this deceased, and that these remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

2. Report of Reprocessing was forwarded to your office by letter of transmittal No. 2704, dated 22 MARCH 1948. No further information is available.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ GEORGE L. FREEMAN
/t/

Received 21 FEB 1949 OQMG
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

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21 Feb 49
C.E. Dewhaker
Adj. Dir.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 293


- 7 FEB 1949
(Date)

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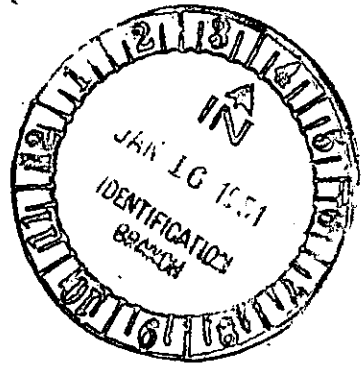
FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:


GEORGE L. FREEMAN
1st Lt QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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QOMG

Incl #5



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Interred 9 Decem 1948
J-16-74 ST JAMES
H.F. HILL CAPT QMC

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

Gen. Supt.
SECTION A -
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER
3578 000 75

DATE
15 01 48
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	ARM	DATE OF DEATH
	UNKNOWN X - 000 172		Q	
CEMETERY	ST JAMES - AVRANCHES			DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
				0 3504 80 CODE DIST. PT.
LOT	ROW	GRAVE	COUNTRY	CAUSE OF DEATH
0	6	142	FRANCE	6

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
ST. JAMES, FRANCE (BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)	

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED
UNKNOWN X - 172	UNK X 172	UTD		25 May 1948
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER	ORGANIZATION	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY	
	UNKNOWN	UTD	M. H. McWhorter, Emb. NAME AND TITLE	

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS
Mattress cover	Advanced decomposition, fractured r/scapula, r/radius, l/clavicle, r/ulna, dist. end, l/humerus, missing lower extremities.
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION	
Form 52 B and GRS form #1 with remains.	

MINOR DISCREPANCIES

None

FILE
RECORDED
DATE MAR 16 1948
NAME [Signature]
R & B BR.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET ~~XXX~~ transfer case

DATE 25 May 1948	BY M. H. McWhorter
CASKET SEALED BY	EMBALMER (Signature)
Garrett J. Burke	

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY
DATE 24 Jun '48 BY C. V. Morgant	All markings, tags and plates verified by: Wm. J. Smith, 1st Lt, CE

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

I certify that the entries on this form are true

copies of the entries on Copy No. 4 of this Disinterment Directive which contains the

Rafael T. Ruiz, 1st Lt, FA

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare discrepancy report and forward for major discrepancies.

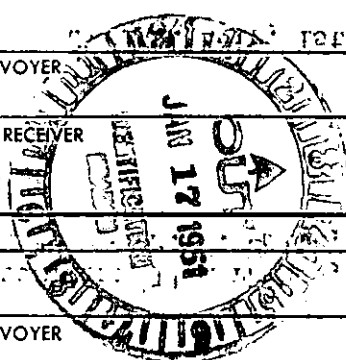
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RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE



2. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

3. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

4. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

5. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE (EX VERIFICATION/RECORD)		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER SIGNED SERVICE	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

6. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

7. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Exh. O. # 866, dated 16 Dec 47

Unknown X - 173

Cemetery St. James, France

Plot 0 Row 6 Grave 142

Date reprocessed: 13 Feb 1948

1. ~~Removed to cemetery~~ (Hour) (Date)

2. Place of death (Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)

(Sheet, scale and serials used)

3. Remains ~~removed~~ disinterred by and reprocessed by I. S. FIRST Zone
(Name and organization)

4. Evacuated to Cemetery by (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	None		
	(Type)		
Raincoat	None		
Overcoat	None		
Jacket, Field	None		
Jacket, Combat	None		
Mackinaw	None		
Sweater	None		
Jacket, HBT	None		
* Shirt, Wool OD	None		
Undershirt, Wool	None		
Undershirt, Cotton	None		
Trousers, HBT	None		
* Trousers, Wool OD	None		

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) One empty deteriorated billfold.

(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

R. Humerus 33.4 L. Radius 24.5

6. Description of Remains: L. Ulna 26.1

Age UTD Height Est 5' 8 1/8" Weight UTD Description of wounds UTD

Bandages or dressings None found 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 None found
(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 **UTD**
 (Prominent, receding, pointed, dimples, double)

Jaw **UTD** Circumference of head in inches **20 1/2"**
 (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 **None**
 (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.

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

If not, explain Fingers missing and/or decomposed

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

9. Remarks Remains received in skeletal form. Estimated weight of reprocessed remains
5 lbs. No clothing recovered. One empty deteriorated billfold found.
Burial bottle found. No GRS tag.

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.

Woodrow W. Wolf

WOODROW W WOLF

(Officer's Name)

CAPT

Rank

QMC

Service

OPERATIONS OFFICER

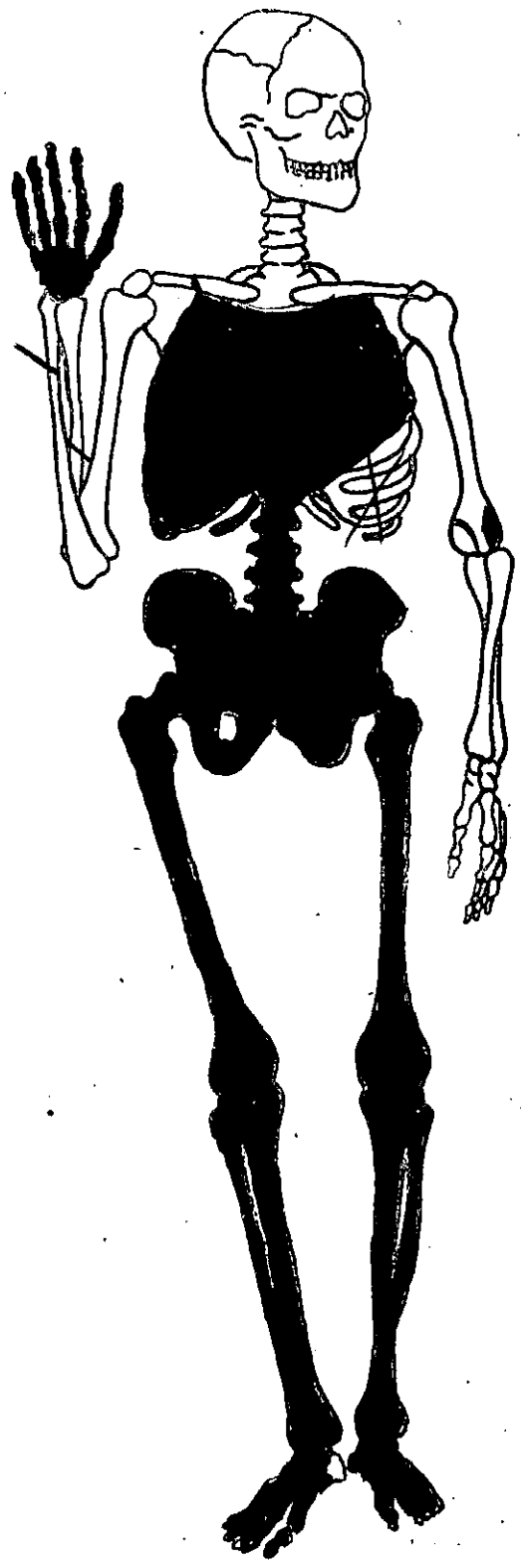
(Organization)

SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

RIGHT

LEFT



HUMERUS 33.4 cm

RADIUS 24.5 cm

ULNA 26.1 cm

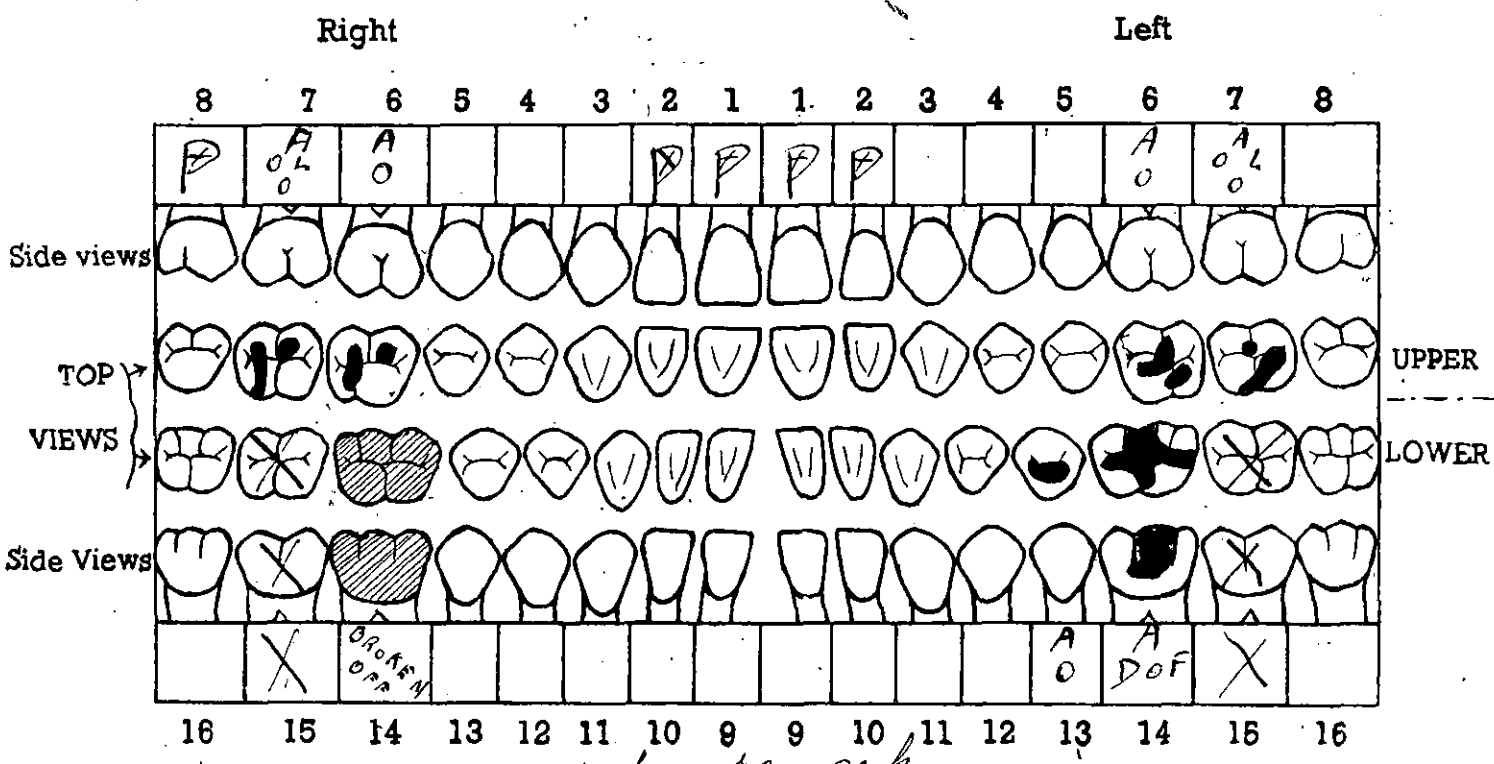
Est. Height : 5' 6 1/8"

TOOTH CHART

13 Feb 1948
Date

Unknown X - 172 Unk Unk
 Last Name First Initial Grade Serial No.
Unk Unk
 Unit Organization

Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death



see remarks

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), bicuspid (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 of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

LARRY DE SHAW
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/s/ Larry De Shaw
Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

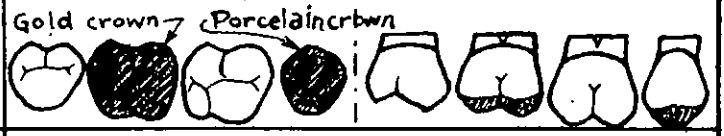
WOODROW W WOLF
CAPT OMC OPE R OFF

Woodrow W. Wolf
Verified by G. R. C. Officer

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



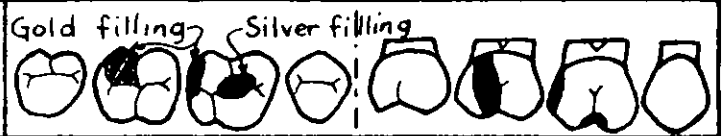
CROWNED TEETH... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver or gold and porcelain), thus :



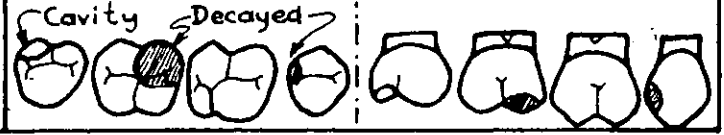
BRIDGE WORK... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :



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

Spaces : L-14-16; 2mm., R-14 - 16; Est. 3mm.
 L-9 slightly overlaps R-9
 Size : average
 Alignment : good
 Color : ivory.

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CHECK LIST FOR DISINTERMENTS

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(To accompany Report of Reburial)

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Only PART I should be completed, if identification tags are available. 1-376
Both PART I & PART II should be completely filled out if identification tags are not available.

If information is unavailable, so indicate.

PART I

(Positive Identification)

X-172 ST-JAMES MILITARY CEM.

1. UNKNOWN: T - 195 S/SGT. Unknown Unknown
(Full name of deceased) (Rank) (ASN) (Organization)
2. State if identification tags were attached to remains, how many, and where attached None
3. Give exact location from which disinterred, furnishing coordinates and map series used Chateau La-Grande Riviere, Parame, France. Coord: 863-115
Sheet 5/G - 1:100,000.
- NOTE: ATTACH OVERLAY SHOWING EXACT LOCATION OF ISOLATED GRAVE TYING LOCATION WITH PERMANENT LANDMARKS.
4. Full name of cemetery (if buried in an organized cemetery) None
5. Approximate or established date of death (state which & give basis for date selected) APPROX. DATE OF DEATH: 8 AUG 44. Information from M. Alphonse Biot, caretaker of chateau, who buried soldier.
6. Approximate or established date of burial (give basis for date established) 10 AUG 44 - INFO FROM M. BIOT, WHO BURIED BODY.
7. Manner in which grave was marked and all information contained on the marker PLAIN WOODEN CROSS, BROKEN RIFLE, ENTRENCHING TOOL, HELMET AND HELMET LINER ON CROSS. NO MARKINGS ON CROSS.
8. List personal effects found in possession of civilian or unauthorized military personnel, furnishing name and address of individuals concerned
NONE REPORTED.
9. Names and addresses of all persons questioned concerning death or burial and information each furnished (contact local mayor, priest, cemetery caretaker, those responsible for burial and any other possessing important information) SECRETARY MAIRIE, PARAME; M. ALPHONSE BIOT; CHATEAU LA GRANDE RIVIERE.

PART II

(Doubtful or Undetermined Identification)

10. Fill in any information available regarding name, rank, ASN, or organization (Check cemetery records and office) "MABEL" SCRATCHED ON HELMET.
"MILT MABELL" and S/SGT CHEVRONS ON FRONT OF HELMET LINER. "M-3854" stamped on cloth head form of liner. US Cal. .30 rifle M-1 #1387209 found w/body &
11. is now on grave. Shirt laundry mark: T-2717
(Est Height) (Est Weight) (Color of Hair) (Color of Eyes)
12. Give description of facial features and body characteristics if possible, including the presence of scars, moles, circumcision, tattoos, length of hair, presence of mustache or beard, etc. Color of hair: BRONNE, clipped very short. Further description unobtainable because body shattered by artillery shell.

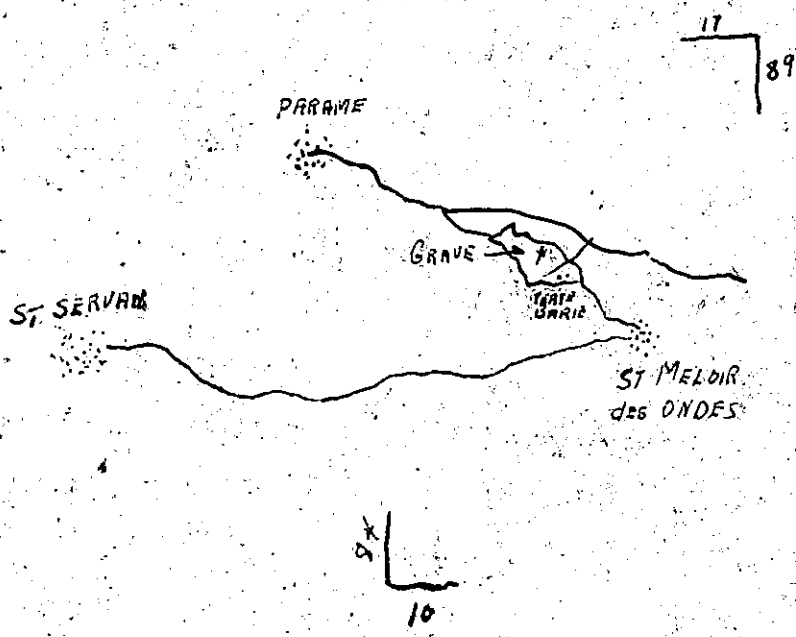
13. Give as detailed description as possible of condition and amount of remains
 HEAD, SHOULDER, AND RIDGE OF SKULL - ALL THAT COULD BE FOUND
14. Give probable cause of death, type & location of wounds (is there evidence
 that body was burned) DIRECT HIT BY ARTILLERY SHELL.
15. Give minute description of all effects, clothing & shoes, including clothes
 markings & sizes, as well as shoe size. List each item of clothing, with a
 description of any unusual cuts, design markings, pockets, colors, patches,
 etc. Also list, with detailed descriptions, all effects without intrinsic
 value, such as gum, food, soap, papers, letters, tobacco, etc., giving
 brands when applicable: O.D. CLOTHING. STAFF SERGEANT'S CHEVRONS.
 HELMET AND HELMET LINER AS DESCRIBED IN PAR. 10. LAUNDRY MARKING IN
 SHIRT: T-2717. SHIRT SIZE 13 1/2 x 33. NO OTHER CLOTHING FOUND.
16. Give description of any vehicle found in the area that could be connected
 with the death of the deceased NONE FOUND. # 1887209 M-1 .30
 (Type) (WD. Serial No.) (Organization) (Serial No. & Type
 caliber rifle.
 of each gun.)
17. Give exact location of remains in vehicle before removal None found.
18. If buried in a coffin, give description and markings None
19. List names of all other deceased persons buried in the vicinity. Also give
 available information concerning the cause & place of death of each that may
 assist in identification of those remains Grave of American soldier:
 "HILL IURMAN" at Chateau de Colombier, about 1/4 mile distant.
20. Other pertinent information which would aid in establishing identity
 Buried in drive of Chateau de le Grande Riviere, Parame, France.
 Case #416 - Unknown T-195. Information from Equipes Nationale of St.
 Servan-sur-Mer. Body buried by M/ Alphonse Biot, caretaker of chateau.
 C.V. HOLMES SGT. 39716266 610 QM GRAVES REG.
 (Individual in Charge of Disinterment) (Rank) (ASN) (Organization) CO.

(Date)

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ST MALO - DINAN
SHEET 5B
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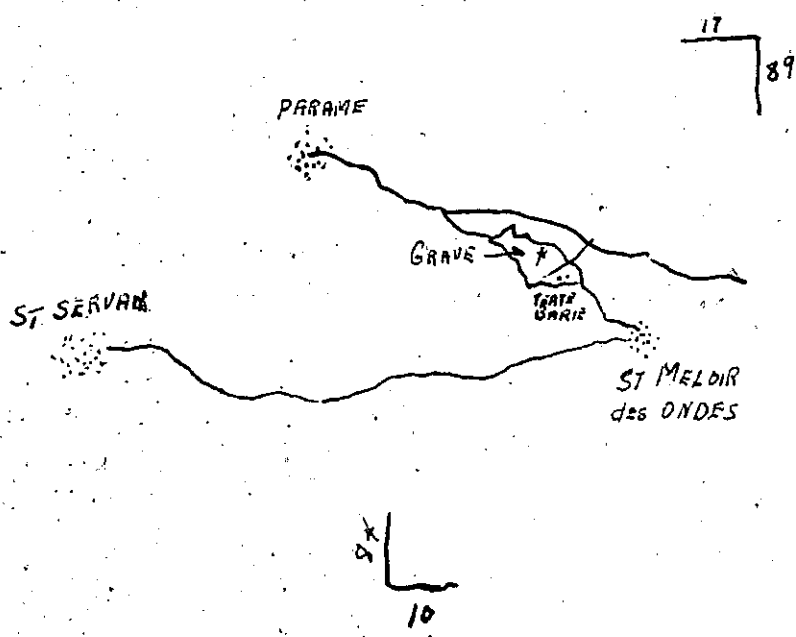
Overlay of location of Grave of Unknown T-195
Near drive of Chateau la Grande Riviere.
Parame France.



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ST MALO-DINAN
SHEET 5B
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No.

Overlay of location of Grave of Unknown T-195
Near drive of Chateau la Grande Riviere.
Parame France.

Shoulder patch found on Unknown T-195

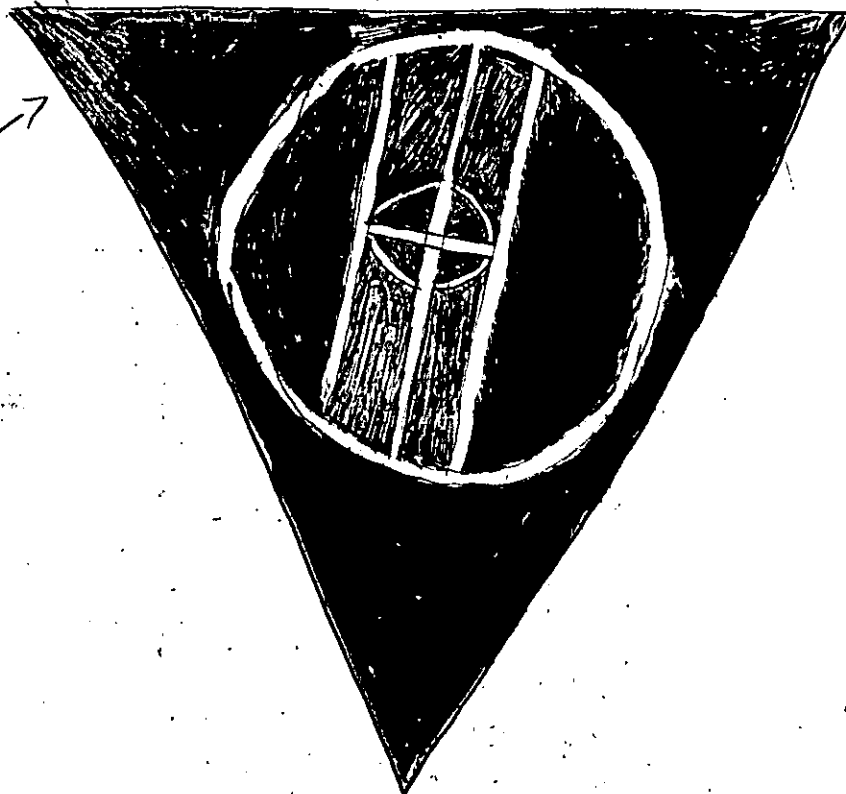
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Patch colors. Black background, -gold diagram.

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Buried near drive of Chateau de la Grande Riviere. Parame, (Ille et Villaine)
France.

Dinentered 8 January 45. Reburied St. James Cemetery.

83rd Division →



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

CASE #416 (Unknown T-193) - St. Coulomb (883-173)

The body of an American soldier was removed from the St. Coulomb churchyard by American troops stationed in Dinan for reburial in the U.S. Military Cemetery at St. James during the month of September 1944. No records were kept in the Mairie of St. Coulomb and the local priest who was present at the disinterment could not recall the name of the American soldier or the date of the disinterment. Cemetery records of this organization disclose no Unknown American dead buried in the St. James military cemetery as evacuations from the city of St. Coulomb or immediate vicinity.

CASE #416 (Unknowns: (a) T-194, (b) T-195, (c) T-196, T-197, T-198,)
Parame (825-155)

(a) T-194 - Thurman G. Hill, S/Sgt - 36776344

The grave was located on right of main drive to Chateau de Colombier (in report: Colombier) at a point about half-way between gate and chateau buildings (See sketch). Two identification tags on a chain were found around neck of body. Cross on grave bore legend: "HILL TURMAN DEAD AUGUST 9, 1944" Person who buried soldier reported no longer in vicinity. Melle Badeau, a maid at the chateau, said she had been told the personal affects were given to an unidentified American officer who was present at the burial. Found with the body, however, were a wallet, an Illinois driver's license for Thurman G. Hill, an Elgin pocket watch, and a wedding ring. (See attached G.R. Form #1 and Report of Investigation).

X-172 (b) T-195 (Unknown)

Proceeding from the gate to the chateau proper, the grave was located on the right side of the main drive between the eleventh and twelfth, of a row of trees leading to the chateau de la Grande Riviere. Grave was marked by a plain wooden cross. Hanging on cross were helmet and helmet liner. Lying beside cross were broken rifle and entrenching tool. Name "MABEL" was scratched on side of helmet. Front of helmet liner bore names "Milt Mabel", and the chevron insignia of a staff sergeant. Stamped on cloth-head form inside helmet liner: "M 3854" Laundry mark "T-2717" appeared on OD shirt; shirt size: 13 1/2 x 33. An M-1 .30 caliber rifle #1887209 was found near the body. Also found, a shoulder patch, sketch of which is inclosed. Remains found: head, shoulders, small piece of the spine. Hair was blonde, clipped short to head contours. Body had been buried by M. Alphonse Biot, a farmer on the chateau property. Soldier died from direct hit by artillery shell.

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(b) T-195 (Unknown)... cont'd:
See also attached G.R. Form #1 and Report of Investigation

(c) T-196, T-197, T-198 (Unknowns)
Three American dead were disinterred from "Le Tertre Barre" farm on approximately 8 September 1944 by American soldiers. Identification of the three bodies could not be obtained. Owner of the farm, M. Lemaire, did not recall the names. Cemetery records of this organization reveal that four unknown American dead were buried at the St. James Military Cemetery on 7 September 1944, designated as : X-81, X-82, X-83, and X-84; these had been removed from Molac, France. Records further reveal that three unknown American dead from Muzillac, France were buried at St. James Military Cemetery, also on 7 September, designated as X-92, X-93, and X-94. These facts suggest no specific conclusions to this office.

CASE #718 (Unknowns: T-695, T-696, T-697, & T-698) - Chateauneuf (895-045)

1. The mayor of Chateauneuf stated that four unknown American dead had been disinterred by American troops in late August or early September 1944. Owner of property upon which the soldiers were buried did not know exact date of disinterment, agreed with mayor as to approximate date. When interviewed, neither man could give any clue to the identities of the dead soldiers or to the identities and organization of the soldiers who disinterred them. The mayor further stated that the soldiers had been killed by machine gunfire in a field south of St. Chateauneuf (851-045) Sheet 5/G. 1:100,000). The civilian who had buried the soldiers could not be reached by the mayor. A thorough search of the records of this organization disclosed no clue as to whether or not the unknown were disinterred from isolated graves in the vicinity of the city of Chateauneuf. Four unknowns were assigned 'X' numbers and reburied in this cemetery on 21 September 1944:
 - a. X-123 - G.R. Form #1 states body was disinterred from Chateauneuf civilian cemetery.
 - b. X-124 - G.R. Form #1 states body was disinterred from Chateauneuf, but does not specify cemetery.
 - c. X-125 - G.R. Form #1 discloses body was picked up at Brest; laundry mark "M-9101" found on clothing.
 - d. X-126 - G.R. Form #1 shows body was picked up at Bonnermain, France.
2. Cemetery records of this organization make no reference to Dallman, Richard A., ASN 36863581; he is not buried in the St. James Military Cemetery. Investigation of site of the isolated grave showed body had been disinterred states Americans removed this body simultaneously with those

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mentioned in paragraph 1 above.

CASE #718 (Re: Carl McNely, Pvt; Donald Ruehm, T/5, ASN 35322436; Paul D. Shaver, T/5, ASN 34257044) - Chateauf, city Cemetery.

Paul D. Shaver, T/5, ASN 34257044, is buried in the St. James Military Cemetery in Plot N, Row 1, Grave 21.

Donald Ruehm, T/5, ASN 35322436, is buried in the St. James Military Cemetery in Plot N, Row 1, Grave 24. (note: records of this organization spell this name ROEHM; your inquiry spells it RUEHM).

Our records disclose that Pvt. Carl McNely is not buried in the St. James Military Cemetery.

McNely may be associated with one of the unknowns mentioned in paragraph a, b, c. and above, or with the four unknowns mentioned in your inquiry as having been burned beyond all recognition. It may be assumed that Unknown X -123 is one of these bodies. Comparison of McNely's Army serial number if it can be ascertained, with the laundry mark found on the clothing of Unknown X-125, may reveal the latter to be McNely.

CASE #718 (2 Unknown Germans) - Vicinity of Chateauf.

Investigation of the two German graves mentioned in your inquiry shows the bodies had been removed by American troops.

Our files disclose that ERNST THOCZ, Fp. Nr. 09977E, was removed from Chateauf and reburied in German Plot E, Grace 286 of the St. James Military Cemetery on 27 September 1944.

No trace can be found of the other body.

CASE #718 (Unknowns: T-706 & T-707) - Bruz (905-445)

T-706 - See attached G. R. Form #1 and report of investigation

T-707 - See attached G. R. Form #1 and report of investigation

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REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

REBURIAL

8 JAN 45 / -379

Date 1-376

UNKNOWN SOLDIER: X-172

Last Name		First	Initial	Rank	Serial No.
Unknown				Unknown	78119
Place of Death			Date of Death	Cause of Death	
Chateau La Grande Riviere, PARAME, FRANCE.			8 AUG 44	ARTILL. SHELL, DIRECT HIT.	
Time and Date of Burial		Name of Cemetery		Name or Coordinates of Location	
1530 - 8 JAN 45		U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY, ST. JAMES, FRANCE.		308-975	
Grave Number	Row Number	Plot Number		Type of Marker	
142	6	0		CROSS	

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No

If No Identification Tags
How were remains identified?

NO TAGS DISINTERRED FROM ISOLATED GRAVE AT CHATEAU LA GRANDE RIVIERE, PARAME, FRANCE; COORD: 863-145 SHEET 5/G (1-100,000).

What means of identification were buried with the body? SEE REVERSE SIDE.

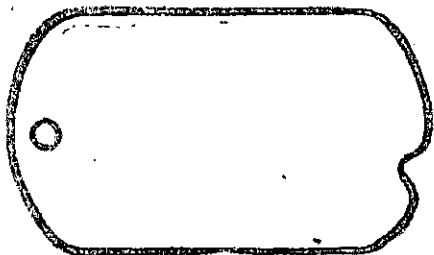
G.R. FORM #1.

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on:

Deceased's Right:	DEVEREAUX, ROBERT J.	37562795	PFC	51 ARMED INF BN	141
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	HILL, THURMAN G.	36776344	UNK	UNKNOWN	143
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:

Emergency Addressee _____ Name _____

REBURIAL

Religion _____

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

NONE.

Previously buried in isolated grave located at Parame

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Alexander H. Telush

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial
1st Lt., QMC
GRS OFFICER.

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

610th QM Graves Reg. Co.

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IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following:

Height: Laundry Marks: T-2717
 Weight: Number of Rifle: 1887209
 Color of Eyes: Wear Glasses?
 Color of Hair: Blonde Is Tooth Chart Attached? Yes:
 Race: See below.

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Only head and shoulders found; no hands, unable to take fingerprints.

Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.:

"MABELL" scratched on side of helmet; MILT MABEL on helmet liner; STAFF SGT CHEVERON on helmet and liner. Rifle: U.S. Cal. .30 M-1. "M-3854" in cloth form of helmet liner. Shoulder patch found on field jacket.

TOOTH CHART

		Deceased's Left							
		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Upper	8								
	7								
Lower	8								
	7								

Indicate: missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O; fillings by □; Bridges by ⊕ linking anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics:

Other Data: On lower jaw No. 7 right and left extracted. No. 6 on lower right, top half decayed.

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.