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SUBJECT: SR #710 (CIL remains)

1. This Office has concurred with the Field's recommendation that SR #710 be designated CIL remains. Copy of radio is attached.

2. Case papers forwarded for any action deemed necessary.

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Case papers

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1293 - Unknown X-6853. See Center

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CINCINNATI HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Pass to OJ 7770 US ARMY HQ West Sec Det Year 11 Aug 55, Ltr,

Subject: Ident WWII Decased WTS 293 OA

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WILSON F. BENTON
Colonel, LTC
Memorial Division

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Pass to CO 7770 USAREUR QM Mort Svc Det Your 11 Aug 55, Ltr,

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SR 710 (GIL REMAINS)

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Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

OCT 28 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Registration Branch

SUBJECT: SR #710 (CIL Remains)

1. Reference is made to attached letter dated 11 August 1955 from Headquarters, USAFEUR QM Mortuary Service Detachment, 7770th Army Unit, Subject: Identification of World War II Deceased, which requests concurrence of this Office in the designation of SR #710 as CIL remains.

2. SR #710 represents a very few additional fragmented portions of the remains presently designated Unknown X-6853, USMC, St. Avold. The fragments, together with some small pieces of wreckage, were recovered in 1952 from the crash site of a 4-motored bomber, at coordinates N-48/A 765 630 at an elevation of approximately 1800 meters on the Dorferberg Mountain, 1 1/4 kilometers NW of Krakaudorf, Austria.

3. Unknown X-6853 (which was determined to be Unidentifiable 29 December 1949) represents the sole casualty in the wreckage of the bomber which crashed on the mountain 25 February 1944. The charred extremely fragmentary remains (recovered from the Civilian Cemetery at Krakaudorf) were interred in USMC, St. Avold, 2 August 1946. The original and subsequent processings showed no identifying media present to afford a basis for physical comparison with an unresolved deceased.

4. Since 1949, based upon circumstantial evidence alone, repeated attempts have been made to associate Unknown X-6853 with Sgt Willard S. Kendall, 16070960, tail gunner aboard A/C B-17 #42-39982, which crashed 25 February 1944 in the Austrian Alps. Sgt Kendall was the only casualty among the crew of nine (9). Survivors and civilians were questioned and field investigations were conducted in 1950, 1952 and 1954. Exhaustive efforts by this Office and by Research Studies Institute, Air Forces University, to eliminate all other bomber crashes in the Austrian Alps met with negative results. Serial numbers found on pieces of the wreckage could not be identified.

5. The preponderance of the evidence indicates that Unknown X-6853 and SR #710 (which have never been processed simultaneously) represent the only recoverable remains of Sgt Kendall. In view of the fragmentary nature of the remains, however, and the absence of conclusive proof that the bomber in question was the one in which Sgt Kendall crashed, it is considered that the Determination of Unidentifiability in the case of Unknown X-6853 should remain undisturbed. Sgt Kendall's next of kin was notified 22 September 1950 that his remains were nonrecoverable.

293 - Unknown X-6853 St. Avold

Note All case papers filed under SR #710 (CIL Remains)

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6. It is recommended that this Office concur in the designation of SR #710 as OIL remains and that the Field be advised to that effect.

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QRCMT 293
Unknown X-6853
USMC St. Avold, France

12 February 1953

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

THRU: Commander-in-Chief
United States Army, Europe
APO 403, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

TO: Commanding Officer
7770 USAREUR CM Mortuary Service Detachment
APO 757, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to paragraph 2, 1st Indorsement dated 15 January 1953 to basic communication (copies inclosed).

2. Forwarded herewith is supplemental information regarding aircraft losses in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944, submitted to this Office 2 February 1953.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. Cy basic ltr w/1st
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2. Supplemental info
A/C losses

J. C. MacFARLAND
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Information Regarding Aircraft Losses of the 301st Bombardment Group (H)
25 February 1944

On 25 February 1944, the four components of the 301st Bombardment Group (H)—the 32d, 352d, 353d, and 419th Squadrons—participated in a mission flown against the Prufening Aircraft Factory at Regensburg, Germany. From the Alps to the target and back, formations of the 301st Group were repeatedly attacked by enemy fighters. As a result of this action, the Group lost eleven aircraft—most of them on the Austrian side of the Alps, where much of the aerial fighting took place.

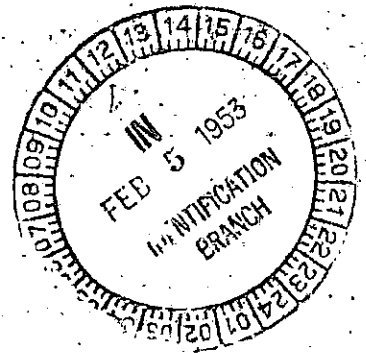
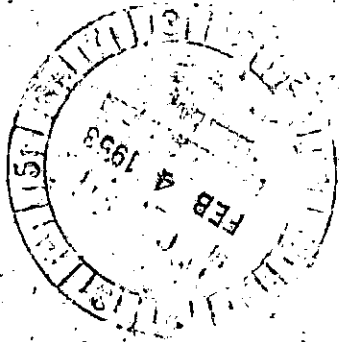
Crews of the planes reported missing at the close of the mission are listed by squadrons below:¹

I. 32d Bombardment Squadron.

Berner, Gerald R.	0-745037	2d Lt
Macaulay, Richard S.	0-687332	2d Lt
Kramer, Lawrence N.	0-801021	2d Lt
Reagan, Daniel A.	0-673894	2d Lt
Miller, Robert G.	13027095	S/Sgt
Palmeri, Vincent	12157441	Sgt
Simon, Aubrey C.	34392718	T/Sgt
Burt, Aubrey N.	34339783	S/Sgt
Walker, Fay R.	18177699	Sgt
Goldman, Jerry	12159767	Sgt
Epps, William C.	0-800366	2d Lt
Palmer, Robert H.	0-690244	2d Lt
Meyer, Edwin H.	0-692051	2d Lt
Capiello, Louis J.	T-1582	F/O
Feist, George J.	37268538	S/Sgt
Stoneman, Landon H.	33221039	S/Sgt
Nix, Elbert C.	14129377	S/Sgt
Seaver, Alonzo J.	18051230	Sgt
Odegard, Clarence E.	16134508	S/Sgt
Paxton, David F.	0-680284	2d Lt
Baughman, Joseph R.	0-751955	2d Lt
Chapas, Joseph J.	0-747080	2d Lt
Mullen, Frank H.	0-735335	2d Lt
Joe, Yick W.	14130038	T/Sgt
Alexander, Charles H.	34036654	S/Sgt
Greenwood, Horace K.	7026267	S/Sgt
Frost, Jack H.	38268353	S/Sgt
Tate, Joe D.	17010267	S/Sgt
O'Connor, Timothy	11021804	Sgt

1. In Paragraph c of "Historical Data Pertaining to Aircraft Losses in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944," prepared by the USAF Historical Office on 24 December 1952, a/c numbers and pilots of the planes are given.

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I. 32d Bombardment Squadron (Cont'd.)

Walker, John P.	0-302495	2d Lt
Barile, Anthony P.	0-679975	2d Lt
Sant Amour, John R.	0-809733	2d Lt
Anderman, Charles P.	0-139897	2d Lt
Oyer, Robert L.	12039868	Sgt
Snoddy, Jack	16018374	S/Sgt
Wages, Thomas B.	18193314	Sgt
McGus, Jesse J.	16003810	Sgt
Kondall, Willard S.	16070960	Sgt

II. 352d Bombardment Squadron²

Power, William D.	1st Lt
✓Nortwick, John E. Van	1st Lt
Kent, Charles A., Jr.	2d Lt
Lawson, Gilbert G., Jr.	2d Lt
Livingood, Hughes H.	2d Lt
Simon, John J.	2d Lt
Thompson, Thomas J., Jr.	2d Lt
Baronas, John C.	F/O
Cole, Charles O.	T/Sgt
Martyniak, Peter P.	T/Sgt
Moye, Otis B.	T/Sgt
Ballard, John C.	S/Sgt
Inlow, Edsol P.	S/Sgt
Murray, Donald L.	S/Sgt
Sbaschnig, Harold J.	S/Sgt
Stech, Joseph T.	S/Sgt
Wiand, Gail F.	S/Sgt
Hazard, Marion W.	Sgt
Moncilovitch, George (NMI)	Sgt

III. 353d Bombardment Squadron

Hurley, Joseph A.	1st Lt	Pilot
Mills, William J.	2d Lt	Co-pilot
Balk, Robert K.	2d Lt	Navigator
Henningsen, Peter V.	1st Lt	Bombardier
Chmielecki, Stanley A.	T/Sgt	Engineer
Schwandt, Lawrence C.	T/Sgt	Radio Operator
Bothwell, William	S/Sgt	Lower Turret
Bumpers, Frederick S.	Sgt	Waist
Suber, William J.	Sgt	Tail gunner

2. This list includes the names of 19 officers and enlisted men but is not divided by crews. According to the aforesaid Paragraph c, the pilots of the two planes lost by this unit were 1st Lt. J.E. Van Nortwick and 2d Lt. J. J. Simon.

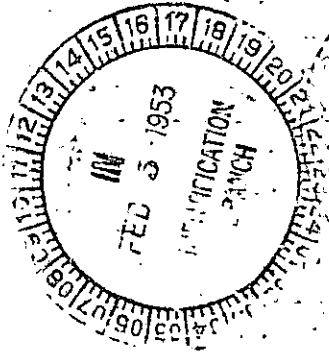
III. 353d Bombardment Squadron (Cont'd.)

Kisselburgh, Alexander J., Jr.	Capt	Pilot
Bromley, John, Jr.	Capt	Co-Pilot
Molloy, Robert J.	1st Lt	Navigator
Sorenson, Glen A.	2d Lt	Bombardier
Dunn, Paul O.	T/Sgt	Engineer
Facilla, Joseph T.	T/Sgt	Radio Operator
Dravecky, Joseph	Sgt	Lower Turret
Ebertone, Anthony J.	S/Sgt	Waist Gunner
Jessup, Dalma L.	S/Sgt	Tail Gunner
Watts, Harold J.	Sgt	Photographer
Pierce, Norman R.	2d Lt	Pilot
Johnson, Charles J.	2d Lt	Co-Pilot
Lankenau, Walter J.	2d Lt	Navigator
Colombo, Louis G.	2d Lt	Bombardier
Campbell, Edwin J.	T/Sgt	Engineer
Gately, Bernard T.	S/Sgt	Radio Operator
Marchi, Caesar A.	Sgt	Lower Turret
Mahn, Frederick F.	Sgt	Waist gunner
Yelverton, James E.	Sgt	Tail gunner
Rose, Wood	1st Lt	Pilot
Steele, John A.	2d Lt	Co-Pilot
Huggott, Irving W.	1st Lt	Navigator
Cobel, Arthur A.	1st Lt	Bombardier
Baltus, George R.	T/Sgt	Engineer
McKnight, Carmon L.	T/Sgt	Radio Operator
Kaminsky, Leonard	S/Sgt	Waist gunner
Barrowdough, David J.	Sgt	Lower Turret
Park, Roy B.	S/Sgt	Tail gunner

IV. 419th Bombardment Squadron

Allen, Loy F.	0-755256	2d Lt
Koch, Chester H. ³	0-747433	2d Lt
Nyren, Ralph J.	0-752931	2d Lt
Parent, Paul R.	0-672464	2d Lt
Shells, Mathew W.	32377721	T/Sgt
Wild, Rudolph S.	32413177	T/Sgt
Johnson, Warren G.	37224913	S/Sgt
Kimberlin, Dwight L.	39550911	Sgt
Montecallo, James V.	32243717	Sgt

3. According to Paragraph c (f.n. 1), 2d Lt. C. H. Koch is listed as pilot.



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Unknown X-6853
USMC St Avoird, France
SUBJECT: Recovery of Partial Remains

Department of the Army, GAGP, Washington 25, D. C., 15 January 1953

THRU: Commander-in-Chief, United States Army, Europe, APO 403,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

TO: Commanding Officer, 7770 USAREUR QM Mortuary Service
Detachment, APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Reference is made to paragraph 4, basic communication. An attempt was made to identify markings found on plane parts of aircraft recovered from the Austrian Alps, July 1952; however, results were negative.

2. Reference is also made to paragraph 7. Inclosed herewith is historical data pertaining to losses in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944, which comprises the only information available to this Office which may be of assistance in resolving Unknown X-6853, USMC St. Avoird, France, and SR #710.

3. It is requested that this Office be informed as soon as possible as to action taken by your headquarters on subject case.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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26 Aug 52 w/USARF attchd
- 4. Cy 1st Ind 16 Sep 52
- 5. Cy Historical Data . . .
Aaft Losses in Austrian Alps 25 Feb 44

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HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

7 August 1952

SUBJECT: Recovery of Partial Remains

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

1. Forwarded herewith are case papers pertaining to the recent recovery of partial remains designated SR # 710.

2. Attention is invited to case file, your office, pertaining to Unknown X-6853 St Avold (now POC Draguignan) originally recovered from crash site of a four-engine bomber at KRAKAUDORF, (N-48/A-765630) Austria which crashed on 25 February 1944.

3. A recent re-investigation of the crash site was conducted in an attempt to identify subject aircraft and possibly recover additional remains. A few fragments of remains were recovered and designated SR # 710. Processing of these remains and a comparison made with skeletal chart of X-6853 St Avold indicates the possibility that these two cases represent portions of one and the same deceased.

4. Recovered with case SR # 710 were the following plane parts with numbers:

a. Motor Casing Numbers

(1) D 20881 (2) C 20896 (3) C 26876
 C 20822 D 19229

b. Bomb Rack Release Assembly

24 Volts D-C.....Order No. 4B 17458-P
Mfg. by Sparks Withington Co.

c. Aluminum Bomb Shackle

Order No. 43-21223

293. 2nd. Lt. Harold X 6853

7 August 1952

SUBJECT: Recovery of Partial Remains

5. Previous investigations indicate a very favorable association between X-6853, reported as the only casualty from the plane which crashed near Krakendorf on 25 February 1944 and Sgt Willard S. KENDALL, 16 070 960, the sole casualty of A/C B-17 # 42-39982 which crashed 25 February in the Austrian Alps.

6. It is suggested that subject aircraft may be identified on the basis of new information submitted in paragraph three (3) above.

7. In the event that this aircraft can be definitely identified as A/C B-17 # 42-39982 and it can also be ascertained that this was the only plane loss on 25 February 1944 having a single casualty it can then be concluded that Unknown X-6853 St Avold and SR # 710 actually represent the only recoverable remains of Sgt Willard S. KENDALL.

8. Remains now designated SR # 710 will be held in above ground storage pending disposition instructions from your office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Incls.: a/s

THEODORE R. PETERSON
1st Lt OMC
C/Graves Registration Branch



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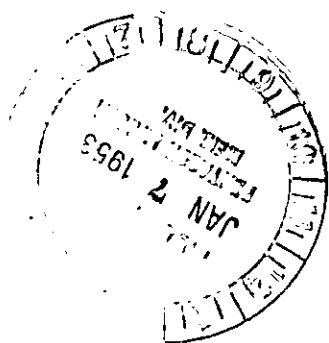
Available material in reply to your
D/F dated 30 September 1952 concerning
plane crashes in the Austrian Alps
on 25 February 1944, is forwarded.

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Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ
Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

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HISTORICAL DATA PERTAINING TO AIRCRAFT LOSSES

IN THE AUSTRIAN ALPS, 25 FEBRUARY 1944

Prepared by
USAF Historical Division
Research Studies Institute
Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
24 December 1952

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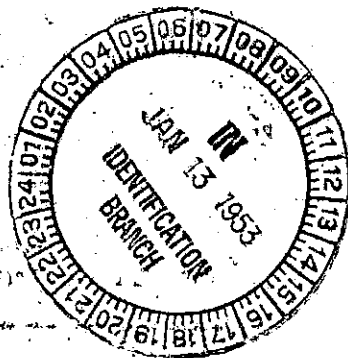
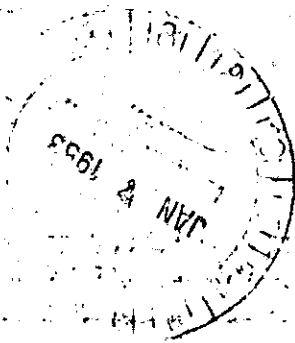
On 25 February 1944, 46 B-17's of the 2d, 99th, and 301st Bombardment Groups and 109 B-24's of the 98th, 376th, 449th, 450th, and 451st Bombardment Groups were dispatched against the Regensburg-Praefening Aircraft Factory. Escort was furnished by 36 P-47's of the 325th Fighter Group and 85 P-38's of the 1st, 14th, and 82d Fighter Groups. Of these numbers, 14 B-17's, 24 B-24's, 4 P-47's, and 20 P-38's returned early. In the course of the mission, an estimated enemy force of 200 aircraft were encountered by the various groups - on the inward flight, over the target, and during withdrawal. Flak in the target area was reported as intense, accurate, and heavy. Fourteen B-24's attacked targets of opportunity at Sibenik, Celje, and Graz airdromes.

Information concerning aircraft lost in the vicinity of the Austrian Alps is given below:

a. 2d Bombardment Group lost three B-17's

- (1) A/C No. 416, piloted by Lt. Withers, was shot down by a fighter. Four parachutes were seen.
- (2) A/C Nos. 070 and 679 were lost through collision. As A/C 070 slid back out of position, "due to a feathered engine in a right turn," A/C 679 came forward and up, with the result that its vertical stabilizer struck the nose of A/C 070, knocking it completely off and demolishing the tail of A/C 679. Neither plane appeared to be burning or smoking; however, the left waist-gunner of A/C 446 reported that four "silks" came from A/C 070. He stated that he did not see either plane crash, but it seemed that both must have done so, owing to their condition. The navigator's log of A/C 446 shows that the collision took place at approximately 44° 42'N - 14° 01'E, at 1258 hours at 21,000 feet. The pilots of the two planes were: A/C No. 679 - 1st Lt. Freedom W. Storm (O-800962) of the 96th Squadron; A/C No. 070 - Lt. O'Shea, of the 20th Squadron.

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1. Mission Report, 2d Bombardment Group, 25 February 1944; and Summary of Operations, 2d Bombardment Group, 4 February - 30 June 1944.



Hist. data re soft losses in Austrian Alps - cont'd

- b. 99th Bombardment Group reported four aircraft lost to enemy fighters before reaching the target.

- (1) A/C No. 31642, piloted by 1st Lt. Connie J. Laino of the 347th Squadron, was hit at 1255 hours in the vicinity of 48° 45'N - 12° 09'E. According to the pilot of another plane in the formation, six parachutes were seen to open.²
- (2) A/C No. 40055, piloted by 2d Lt. Louis G. Kirkpatrick.
- (3) No information available.
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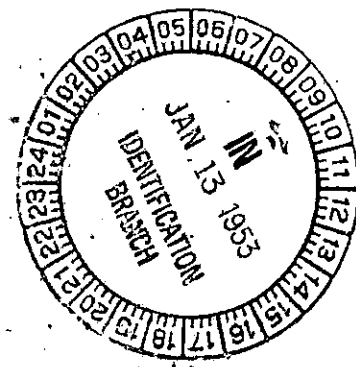
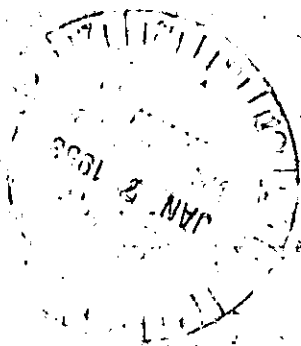
- c. 301st Bombardment Group lost 12 aircraft.³ One of these crash-landed at Trigno.⁴ The other losses resulted from enemy fighter attacks made between Fiume, Yugoslavia, and the target. A/C numbers and pilots of these planes are listed below:

A/C Nos. 7526	Kisselburgh, Alexander J. Jr.	Capt. O-429956	353d Sq.
1397	Hurly, Joseph A.	1st Lt. O-797130	353d Sq.
1703	Rose, Wood (NMI)	1st Lt. O-738034	353d Sq.
1628	Pierce, Norman R.	2d Lt. O-803297	353d Sq.
0310	Koch, Chester H.	2d Lt. O-747433	419th Sq.
1872	Simon, John J.	2d Lt. O-800954	352d Sq.
0329	Van Nertwiok, John E.	1st Lt. O-680339	352d Sq.
0428	Epps, William G.	2d Lt. O-800336	32d Sq.
1664	Faxton, David F.	2d Lt. O-684284	32d Sq.
8076	Berner, Gerald R.	2d Lt. O-745037	32d Sq.
9982	Walker, John P.	2d Lt. O-802495	32d Sq.

- d. 98th Bombardment Group

- (1) A B-24, piloted by 1st Lt. Daniel W. Bowman of the 345th Squadron, was last seen near Rosenheim on a course of 180° at 10,000 feet. At that time the plane appeared to be under control.⁵

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2. Interrogation Form, 99th Bombardment Group, 347th Bombardment Squadron - Report of A/C No. 848, 25 February 1944.
 3. History of the Fifteenth Air Force, Vol. II, Appendix, November 1943 - May 1945. For this mission the 301st Bombardment Group received a Distinguished Unit Citation (WDGO No. 66, 1944).
 4. Ibid., Narrative Report, Mission of 25 February 1944 against Prüfening Aircraft Factory, Regensburg, Germany.
 5. History of the 345th Bombardment Squadron, February 1944.



e. 449th Bombardment Group lost four aircraft.⁶

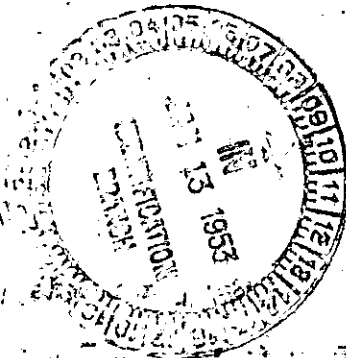
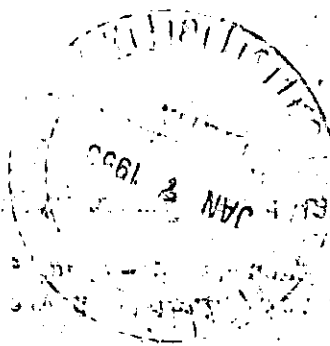
- (1) A/C No. 61, piloted by R. J. Knapp, was hit by fighters and crashed in flames at 1310 hours at 48° 10'N - 12° 43'E - on the north edge of Lake Chein. Three parachutes were noted.
- (2) A/C No. 53, piloted by C. F. Bradley, crashed at 45° 15'N - 12° 15'E at 1305 hours. With the feathering of No. 1 prop, the plane began to lose altitude. After it became necessary to feather a second prop, the 10 men bailed out at 900 to 300 feet, within an interval of one and a half minutes. Nine chutes were seen to open.
- (3) A/C No. 59, piloted by J. R. Forbes, began to fall back just after leaving the target. At that time its engine was smoking. When the plane was last seen, to the southwest of the target, it was still under control. (In another report, mention was made of a B-24 of this group, which was seen in a slow spiral just after withdrawal from the target. This comment may apply to A/C No. 59. Four chutes were seen to open at approximately 48° 38'N - 12° 15'E at 1305 hours.
- (4) A/C No. 35, piloted by W. H. Jones, was originally carried as lost, but on 27 February 1944 the report was corrected to read: "Ship back on field."

f. 450th Bombardment Group lost four aircraft on this mission. The pilots were:-

A/C Nos. not available	Gillespie, Bernard J.	2d Lt.	O-749226	722d Sq.
	Retzlaff, Willie R.	2d Lt.	O-748241	722d Sq.
	Giraude, John C.	1st Lt.	O-739765	720th Sq.
	Cranston, William R.	2d Lt.	O-737368	720th Sq.

[2d Lt. Frank W. Molinan, (O-689329), Co-pilot on Lt. Cranston's plane, stated that the entire crew bailed out over Switzerland, where the airplane crashed.]

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6. Summary of Operations, 449th Bombardment Group, 25 February 1944.
 7. The 450th Bombardment Group received a Distinguished Unit Citation for action over Regensburg, Germany, on 24-25 February 1944 [WDGO No. 3, 1945].
 8. Hq. Fifteenth Air Force, Escape statement, dated 12 September 1944.



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- g. 451st Bombardment Group reported the loss of two aircraft down by fighters. No mention of parachutes was made.⁹
- h. * 454th Bombardment Group lost the four aircraft listed, with their pilots, below:¹⁰

A/C No. 300	Breidenstein, Terrance	1st Lt.	739th Sq.
A/C No. 669	Ebel, Howard	2d Lt.	739th Sq.
Unknown	Whitney, Otis	Lt.	736th Sq.
Unknown	Yarsky, Marvin	Major	736th Sq.

Major Yarsky was flying as pilot with Lt. Paul Mattox and his crew.¹¹

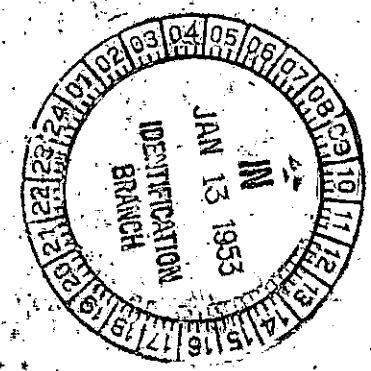
- i. * 455th Bombardment Group was reported to have had one aircraft missing and one lost - the latter, however, crashed in friendly territory.¹¹ Its pilot was a Lieutenant Cleland of the 740th Bombardment Squadron. (No other information is available.)
- j. * 456th Bombardment Group lost one aircraft, which crash-landed in friendly territory.¹²
- k. 1st Fighter Group lost two aircraft during operations near Regensburg on 25 February 1944.¹³ Their pilots were:

Parsons, William G.	2d Lt.	27th Sq.
Gresham, Emmet B.	2d Lt.	71st Sq.

Lt. Gresham was last seen crashing on Privic Island.¹⁴

* These units attacked other targets in the Regensburg area on 25 February 1944.

9. 451st Bombardment Group, Narrative Mission Report, 25 February 1944.
10. Histories of the 736th and 739th Bombardment Squadrons for the period.
11. History of the 740th Bombardment Squadron, February 1944; and History of the Fifteenth Air Force, Volume II, Appendix, November 1943 - May 1945.
12. Idid.
13. Summary of Operations, 1st Fighter Group, February 1944.
14. History of the Fifteenth Air Force, Vol. II, Appendix, November 1943 - May 1945.



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1. 82d Fighter Group suffered the loss of two aircraft, whose pilots were:¹⁵

Champion, Lt.

[Last seen diving into the Adriatic, four miles east of Fiuma Point]

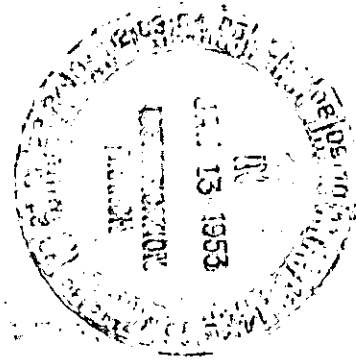
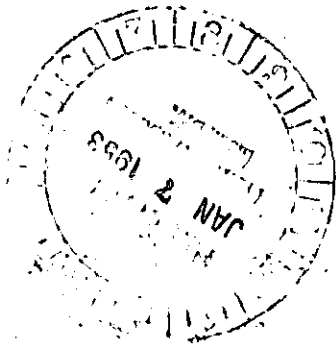
McNamara, Lt.

[Last reported over Fag Island, on the route out.]

- m. 325th Fighter Group lost one plane in the course of operations on 25 February 1944. The pilot is given as 2d Lt. Clifford W. White.¹⁶

15. 82d Fighter Group, Narrative Report, Mission No. 628, Regensburg, Germany, 25 February 1944.

16. War Diary, 325th Fighter Group, for February 1944.



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: <i>PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION</i>		DATE 29 Sept. 1952	
FROM (Branch and Section) Ident. Sec., Ident Br., Mem Division	REQUESTED BY A. M. Coffey -	TEL. EXT. 72947	ROOM NO. 1408B
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) SR 710 (Assoc. Case X-6853, St. Avold)		RANK	SERIAL NUMBER

INFORMATION REQUIRED

Re: Telephone conversation: Miss Clements - Miss Dyer 26 Sept. 1952

Request list, with MACR numbers, of all planes which crashed in the Austrian Alps on 25 February 1944.

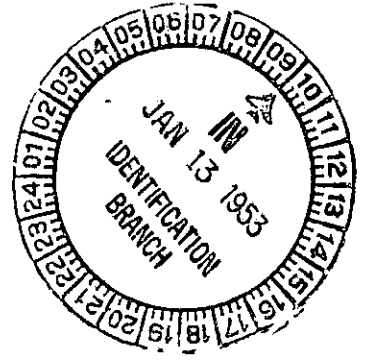
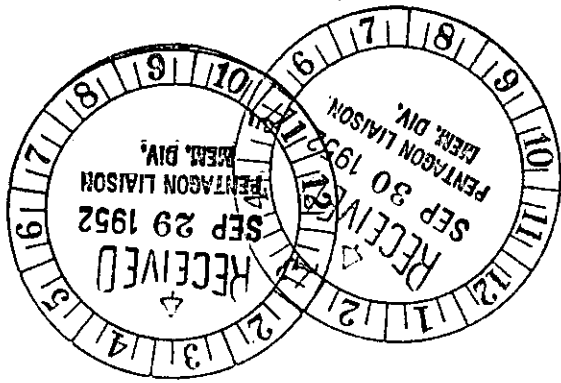
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INFORMATION FURNISHED

All available information is attached.

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

*G.
S. Gibbs, Lt. Col.
Maj. GMC*



TELEPHONE INFORMATION RECORD

DATE

26 September 52

TELEPHONE NUMBER AND BRANCH CALLED
56679 - Casualty Research

NAME OF PERSON PLACING CALL
Miss Clements

CASE UNDER INVESTIGATION (X or Case Number)
Ltr Hq USAREUR QM MORT SERV DET dtd 7 Aug.
1952 Subj: Recovery of Partial Remains

CEMETERY
SR #710
(Asso. Case X-6853 St. Avold)

INFORMATION REQUIRED
Contact for information on number of planes lost 25 February 1944
in Austrian Alps.

DATE CALLED BACK
26 September 1952

PERSON GIVING INFORMATION
Miss Elva Dyer

INFORMATION RECEIVED
Send 1936 to Casualty Research and that office will contact Mr. David Schoem,
Air Historical Liaison Office, Room 822 Old Post Office Building (Tel:66909)
for the information desired.

File
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[Signature]

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS,
CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS

NAME OR TITLE	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
<i>Miss Dyer</i>		
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	DATE	COORDINATION
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		INFORMATION
3		NECESSARY ACTION
		NOTE AND RETURN
4		SEE ME
		SIGNATURE

REMARKS

The inclosed is an addition to the historical data included in par. c of the incl. forwarded in response to your inquiry of 30 Sept. 1952, pertaining to aircraft losses in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944.

FROM NAME OR TITLE

Mr. Scham

DATE

2/2/53

ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION

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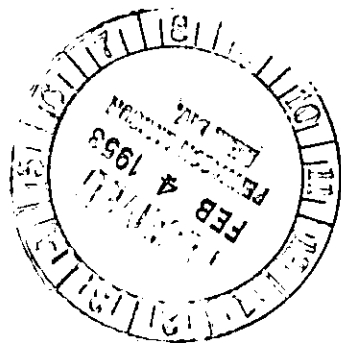
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Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

10-48487-4 GPO



9 December 1952

A. M. Coffey
Investigator

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

1.

Basic letter from Field, dated 7 August 1952. Received in Identification Branch, 19 August 1952. Requesting decision on remains found in Austrian Alps.

ACTION TAKEN: Disposition Form, dated 26 August 1952, to Casualty Research (Mr. Munro) requesting identification of markings found on plane parts.

Reply received by 1st Indorsement dated 16 September 1952, forwarded by 2nd Indorsement, dated 19 September 1952, received in Identification Br. 22 Sept. 1952. Negative findings.

Form 1936 sent to Pentagon Liaison 29 Sept. 1952 requesting listing of all plane crashes in Austrian Alps on 25 Feb. 1944.

FOLLOW-UP - 2 December 1952 (Phone Miss Dyer - Miss Coffey): Mr. Schoen, Air Historical, working on case, but preference has been given to listing of plane crashes in Vienna. Will forward Alps listing as soon as possible.

2.

Basic letter from Field, dated 16 October 1952 forwarded by 1st Indorsement dated 20 October 1952. Received in Ident Br. 6 November 1952. Requesting further dental and After Action Report for Wilson, Ronald A.

ACTION TAKEN: Phone to Pentagon Liaison requesting dental information and After Action Report on 11 November 1952. Dental information received 15 November 1952. Follow up action will be taken 11 December 1952.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Letter to Field dated 8 October 1952, notifying Field of disapproval of individual identifications of Unks. X-9125, X-9126, X-9127 and requesting that consideration be given to group identification. No reply to date.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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ACTION TAKEN: Followup 2 December 1952:

Information from Miss Dyer: Mr. Schoem was contacted last week re this case and he said he is still working on the list - however has a request from Col. Hinman (Congressional) re all plane crashes in Vienna Area etc. etc. which is taking precedent over this case. He will be contacted again Monday as to progress of case.

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (*Signature*)

TRANSLATION

District Rural Police Hdqrs, Murau
E No 684
The American Graves Commission
1 June 1946

To The English Military Government in Murau

The Military Government of Austria has given notice that on 1 June 1946 an American Commission of Steiermark will come in this locality for the purpose of verifying and registering graves of American soldiers.

It is herewith, reported that in the local cemetery in Krakaudorf there is a grave of a crashed American flier. The grave bears the number 93, and is marked by a plain wooden cross. The Priest of Krakaudorf takes care of this grave and is able to give an exact sketch of the grave.

There are no other graves of American soldiers in the area of Murau.

The District Rural
Police Headquarters.

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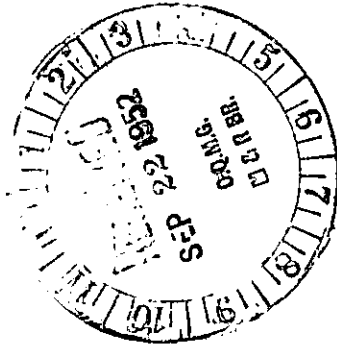
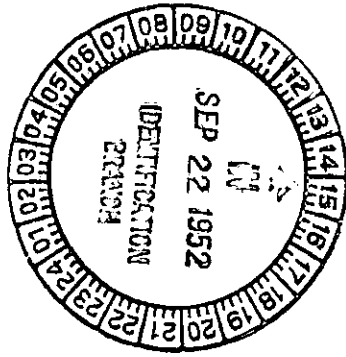
Dept of the Air Force, Hq USAF, Washington 25, D. C. SEP 19 1952

TO: The Quartermaster General, Attention: Memorial Division, Dept of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

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Basic ltr fr Dir of Sup & Svs, Hq USAF to CG Hq AMC, "Dspo of SB-17 Type Acft"

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MCSO(MCMSO12)/FV/r1k

Hq AMC, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, 16 September 1952

TO: Director of Supply and Services, Headquarters United States Air Force, Washington 25, D. C.

1. The following action has been taken by this Headquarters to associate markings on wreckage parts with B-17, serial number 42-39982, cited in basic correspondence.

2. Normal characteristics of Bomb Rack Release Assembly cited is associated with B-17 type aircraft, however, a check with the Buyer on Contract W-535-AC-22235 as pertains to propeller shaft, indicates that this contract is not identified with bomber type aircraft but with fighter type.

3. It was assumed that some identification could be reconciled between the motor casing numbers and the SW-Engines manufactured by Studebaker Wright. Direct contact was made with the local representative of Wright Aeronautical Corporation, but no immediate relationship could be reconciled. It is conceivable that research into Studebaker historical records (if available) could be made, but due to this company not being associated with the manufacture of Aircraft Engines, it is doubtful if this avenue of identification would produce favorable results, plus the cost would make this action prohibitive.

4. Due to insufficient information furnished in basic letter, this Headquarters is unable to identify the items listed as part of B-17 No. 42-39982.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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Eugene A. Menges Capt USAF
for
E. C. KLEIN, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Distribution
Directorate of Supply and Services

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

Reference is made to the report of the Phoenix office dated 8/28/52, captioned as above. The report contains information regarding the activities of the [Illegible] in the Phoenix area. It is noted that the [Illegible] has been active in the Phoenix area since [Illegible].

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4. It is requested that the Office of The Quartermaster General be advised whether any of above markings can be associated with Aircraft B-17 #42-39982.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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L. F. Carlberg

L. F. CARLBERG

Colonel, USAF

Chief, General Supply & Services Div, D/S&S

Office, Deputy Chief of Staff, Materiel



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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AUG 26 1952

SUBJECT: Missing Aircraft World War II

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. The Office of The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, is conducting an investigation in an attempt to identify a World War II deceased Air Force personnel.

2. Aircraft (B-17) #42-39982 crashed in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944, resulting in one casualty (copy MACR inclosed).

3. The wreckage of a plane, with human remains, has recently been found in the area of the crash of Aircraft #42-39982. Markings on wreckage parts are as follows:

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C 20822

(2) C 20896
D 19229

(3) C 26876

b. Bomb Rack Release Assembly

24 Volts D-C Order No. 4B 17458-P
Manufactured by Sparks Withington Company

c. Aluminum Bomb Shackle

Order No. 43-21223

d. NK 117 Cont. No. W-535 AC 22235 No. C 3633 on propeller shaft

e. 1 - 19082 on aluminum part

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: LOCATION: Lucera, Italy COMMAND OR AIR FORCE: XV
GROUP: 301st; SQUADRON: 32nd; DETACHMENT: Germany
- SPECIFY: POINT OF DEPARTURE: Foggia Main; COURSE: Foggia Main to Regensburg
INTENDED DESTINATION: Regensburg, Germany; TYPE OF MISSION: Bombing
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
2/10 alto-stratus at 15,000 feet. Visibility unlimited
- GIVE: (A) DATE: 25 Feb/44 TIME: 1210A; AND LOCATION OF LAST KNOWN
WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING AIRCRAFT: 47°45' 13°10'E (Approx)
(C) SPECIFY WHETHER () LAST SIGHTED; () LAST CONTACTED BY RADIO;
() FORCED DOWN; () SEEN TO CRASH; OR () INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE. (X) Seen to explode
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF (CHECK ONLY ONE): (X) ENEMY AIRCRAFT; () ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT; () OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES AS FOLLOWS:
- AIRCRAFT: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES: B-17 G; AAF SERIAL NO.: 42-39982
- ENGINES: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES: R-1820-97; AAF SERIAL NO. (A) _____
SW-183 (B) SW 328 (C) SW 372 (D) SW 005507
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (FURNISH BELOW MAKE, TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER) M/Gun M2 Flex. 50 Cal.
(A) 931609, 931003 (B) 403285, 361930 (C) 931051, 670236 (D) 667150, 931582
(E) 931496, 666978 (F) 667160 (G) 931460 (H) 931332
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (A) BATTLE CASUALTY: Yes
OR (B) NON-BATTLE CASUALTY: _____
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: CREW 9; PASSENGERS 0; TOTAL 9
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form)

CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (LAST NAME FIRST)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	STATUS
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- IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

NAME IN FULL (LAST NAME FIRST)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CONTACTED BY RADIO	LAST SIGHTED	SAW CRASH	SAW FORCED LANDING
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						

- IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (A) PARACHUTES WERE USED _____; (B) PERSONS WERE SEEN WALKING AWAY FROM SCENE OF CRASH _____; OR (C) ANY OTHER REASON (SPECIFY) _____

13. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE.

(Report)

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

(necessary)

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3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
2/10 alto-stratus at 15,000 feet. Visibility unlimited
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(Date of Report)

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

REMARKS: (Use additional sheet if necessary)

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QMR 293

Missing Aircraft World War II

General Supply & Services Div.
Mortuary Branch D/F&S
Room 5D476, Pentagon
ATTN: Mr. Munro

OS&M/Memorial Division
Identification Branch

21 August 1952 Coffey
X-72947

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1. This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to identify a World War II deceased Air Force personnel.
2. Aircraft B-17 #42-39982 crashed in the Austrian Alps, 25 February 1944, resulting in one casualty (copy MACH included).
3. The wreckage of a plane, with human remains, has recently been found in the area of the crash of A/C #42-39982. Markings on wreckage parts are as follows:
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C 20822	D 19229	
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Mfg. by Sparks Withington Co.
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 - e. 1 - 19082 on aluminum part
4. It is requested that this Office be advised whether any of above markings can be associated with Aircraft B-17 #42-39982.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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Copy of MACH

J. C. MacFARLAND
Lt Col OMC
Memorial Division

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HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

7 August 1952

SUBJECT: Recovery of Partial Remains

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

1. Forwarded herewith are case papers pertaining to the recent recovery of partial remains designated SR # 710.

2. Attention is invited to case file, your office, pertaining to Unknown X-6853 St Avold (now POC Draguignan) originally recovered from crash site of a four-engine bomber at KRAKAUDORF, (N-48/A-765630) Austria which crashed on 25 February 1944.

3. A recent re-investigation of the crash site was conducted in an attempt to identify subject aircraft and possibly recover additional remains. A few fragments of remains were recovered and designated SR #710. Processing of these remains and a comparison made with skeletal chart of X-6853 St Avold indicates the possibility that these two cases represent portions of one and the same deceased.

4. Recovered with case SR #710 were the following plane parts with numbers:

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7 August 1952

SUBJECT: Recovery of Partial Remains

5. Previous investigations indicate a very favorable association between X-6853, reported as the only casualty from the plane which crashed near Krakaudorf on 25 February 1944 and Sgt Willard S. KENDALL, 16 070 960 the sole casualty of A/C B-17 #42-39982 which crashed 25 February in the Austrian Alps.

6. It is suggested that subject aircraft may be identified on the basis of new information submitted in paragraph three (3) above.

7. In the event that this aircraft can be definitely identified as A/C B-17 #42-39982 and it can also be ascertained that this was the only plane loss on 25 February 1944 having a single casualty it can then be concluded that Unknown X-6853 St Avold and SR #710 actually represent the only recoverable remains of Sgt Willard S. KENDALL.

8. Remains now designated SR #710 will be held in above ground storage pending disposition instructions from your office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Incls.: a/s

THEODORE R. PETERSON
1st Lt QMC
C/Graves Registration Branch

"COPY"

INVESTIGATION DIRECTIVE : 934

SR # 710

PROCESSING DIRECTIVE : 174

1 August 1952

NARRATIVE OF PROCESSING

1. Search and Recovery Case # 710 pertains to partial remains recently recovered from the crash site of a US four-engine bomber which crashed 25 February 1944 at KRAKAUDORF, (N-48/A-765630) Austria. Identification of this plane has not been established. Shortly after this plane crashed, Austrian citizens found a few charred remains which they buried at KRAKAUDORF. Subsequently those remains were interred at St Avold as Unknown X-6853.

2. Laboratory examination of the recently recovered remains indicates the presence of portions of one (1) deceased. Comparison of these portions with skeletal chart for X-6853 St Avold indicates the possibility of all portions recovered being for one (1) and the same deceased. All portions of each case are shattered into small fragments and there is no evidence of duplication of parts.

3. Because of the small amount of remains recovered, it is not possible to make any estimations of age, height or weight. There were no teeth recovered.

4. CAUSE OF DEATH: Condition of remains and all available information indicates death was caused by crash of aircraft.

Wesley A. Neep
WESLEY A. NEEP
US DAC GS-7
Lab. Identification Techn.

E. Breitingger
E. BREITINGER
Professor, Institute of Anthropology
University of Frankfurt
Frankfurt/Main, Germany

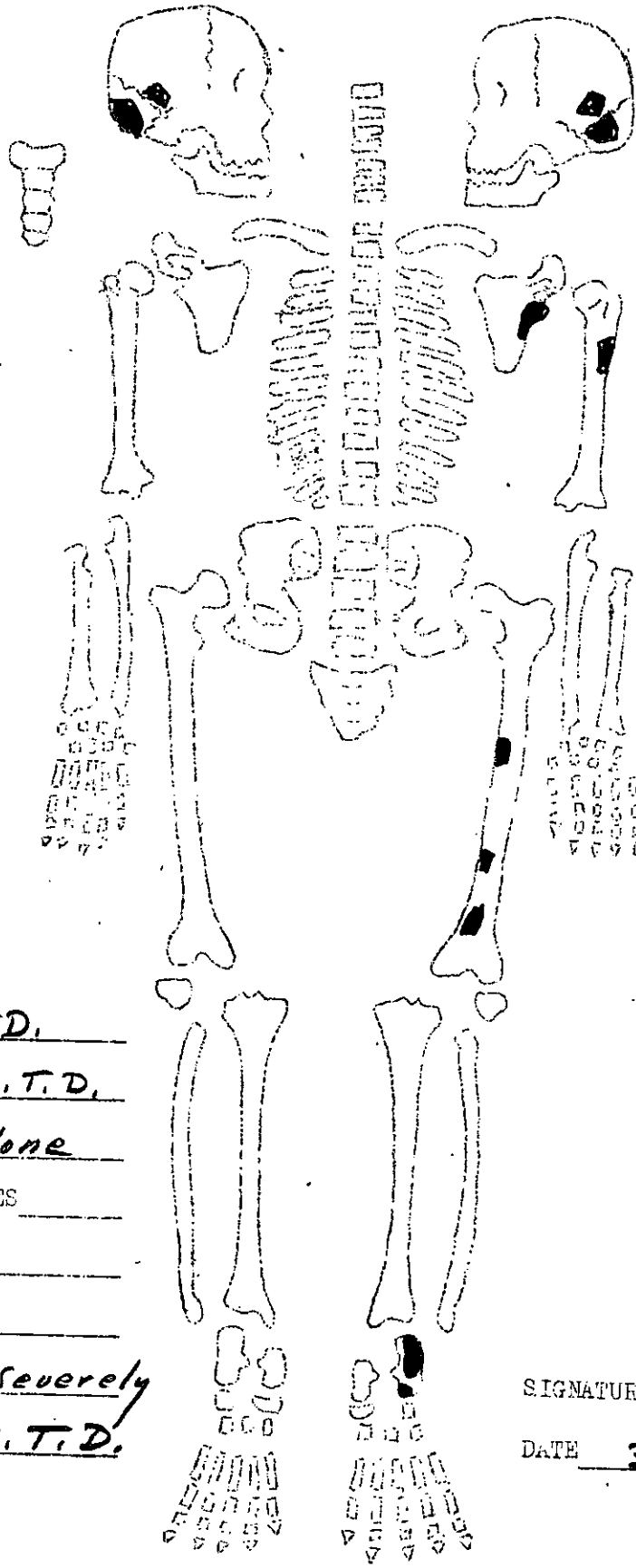
SR # 710

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN SR # 710				2. DATE OF REPORT 1 August 1952	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY Griesheim/Main Mausoleum		4. PLOT	5. ROW	6. GRAVE	7. DATE OF DISINTERMENT REINTERMENT
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION					
8. ESTIMATED WEIGHT AGE U. T. D.		9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT U. T. D.		10. COLOR OF HAIR None found	
11. RACE U. T. D.					
12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS None					
13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND/OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES None					
14. WAS BODY BURNED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT?			
15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT? See attached skeletal chart			
16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF HEALED FRACTURES AND BONE MALFORMATIONS None noted					
17. LIST EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND, SHOWING THE TYPE, COLOR, SIZE, MARKINGS, SERVICE, ETC. (If laundry marks are indistinct such notation should be made and specimen forwarded through channels for examination when facilities are not available in the area)					
Plane fragments with numbers as follows:					
3 Motor casings (a) D 20881 (b) C 20896 (c) C 26876 C 20822 D 19229					
1 Bomb Rack Release - 24 Volts D.C. - Order No. 4B 17458-P Mfg. by Sparks Withington Co.					
1 Aluminum Bomb Shackle - Order No. 43-21223					
NOTE: Plane not yet identified.					
Technician: W. A. Neep					

BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY ()

SR 710



NOTE;
BLACKED
OUT
PORTIONS
ARE
PRESENT

HUMERUS _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

RADIUS _____ cm

FEJUR _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm

EST. AGE U.T.D.

EST. HEIGHT U.T.D.

COLOR HAIR None

HEALED FRACTURES _____

None

FLESH None

BURNED Yes-Severely

EST. WEIGHT U.T.D.

SIGNATURE MA 7 fep

DATE 31 July 1952

HEADQUARTERS
7770TH EUCOM QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757
US ARMY

30 July 1952

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

In compliance with instructions contained in ID # 934, dated 21 March 1952 and with reference to Narrative of Investigation dated 5 May 1952, a second investigation was conducted at KRAKAUDORF (N-48/A-76), Austria and vicinity in an effort to identify two (2) US four-motored aircraft that crashed in subject area on 25 February 1944 and possibly recover additional remains of Unknown X-6853 USMC St Avold, previously recovered by Austrian civilians from crash site at DORFERBERG Mountain and buried in KRAKAUDORF.

Accompanied by Mr. SOJAK, district inspector of Gendarmerie Post KRAKAUDORF, the undersigned investigator climbed the WADSCHOBBER Mountain in the vicinity of FRESSEN, community SEEBACH and found the crash site of one (1) US aircraft located at coordinates N-48/A 725 610 on the "Moertenbauer Kuhweide, WADSCHOBBER RUECKEN", approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ kilometers NE of SEETHAL (N-48/A-75), community TAMSWEG, Land SALZBURG. The bulk of the aircraft wreckage had been removed at a previous period. No human remains were ever recovered from nor seen at the crash site, according to farmer JOSEF STEINER, HOISBAUER, FRESSEN (N-48/A-76) House # 7, community SEEBACH, in whose possession two (2) machine guns were found which he had salvaged from the crash site at a previous date. Their numbers were ascertained as USA # 502297 and USA # 502282. A check of records this headquarters revealed that subject weapons were installed in aircraft B-17 F # 42-30428, which failed to return from a mission to REGENSBURG, Germany on 25 February 1944. Total crew of nine (9) listed on MACR # 12 Austria is in a non-casualty status.

The crash site of the second US four-motored aircraft which had crashed on same day at approximately same time, 25 February 1944 at noon, was found located at coordinates N-48/A 765 630 at an elevation of approximately 1800 meters on the DORFERBERG Mountain, $1\frac{1}{2}$ kilometers NW of KRAKAUDORF, Austria.

Numerous smaller parts of the wreckage were found scattered over the mountain side, while the bulk of the aircraft had been removed previously. A meticulous search of the scene of crash resulted in the recovery of additional remains of Unknown X-6853 USMC St Avold, previously recovered from same site. Due to the rocky nature of the entire area, no crater had formed and all additional remains were recovered from the thin layer of soil at point of impact. The remains were assigned SR # 710 and evacuated to the CIL Frankfurt for processing and association with Unknown X-6853 St Avold.

A thorough combing of the mountainous terrain failed to reveal the presence of any machine guns, however, parts of the motors and aircraft pieces found were scrutinized for relevant numbers which were recorded as follows:

- (1) C-26876 - on motor
- (2) NK 11177 Cont. No. W-535 AC 22235 MFG No C 3633 - on propeller shaft
- (3) 1 - 19082 - on aluminum part
- (4) C-3285 WA 27870 56342 - 2L NK 30487 53644X 414565 N W
C-20896 D 19229 - on motor
- (5) C-20822 D-20881 - on motor
- (6) 43-21223-P - on aluminum part

It is recommended that OQMG records be checked in a final effort to identify subject aircraft on the basis of numbers listed above.

Paul M. Cimarusi
PAUL M. CIMARUSTI
Sgt. RA-19241516
Investigator

HEADQUARTERS
7770TH EUCOM QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

5 May 1952

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to instructions set forth in basic document, ID # 934, dated 21 March 1952, an investigation was conducted at KRAKAUDORF (N-48/A-72), Austria in an effort to identify two (2) US four-motored aircraft that crashed in subject area on 25 February 1944, thus possibly leading to the recovery of additional remains and the identification of unknown X-6853 USMC St Avold, previously recovered from one of the crash sites and buried in KRAKAUDORF.

Initial contact was made with the Gendarmerie Post at KRAKAUDORF, district MURAU, STEIERMARK, Austria. Chief of Gendarmerie Post, Revier-Inspektor SOJAK, who had personally visited both crash sites in previous years and thus had specific knowledge of the terrain involved, advised that both crash sites were located in the mountainous regions north-west and west of KRAKAUDORF, hardly accessible at the present time due to snow and general unfavorable conditions. The undersigned investigator was informed that more favorable conditions would prevail in June, at which time a climb of the mountains to both crash sites should be attempted with proper mountaineering equipment, particularly heavy mountain boots with spikes.

A Gendarmerie patrol of Post KRAKAUDORF, on the occasion of their next routine area check at the end of May will attempt to ascend the mountainous sites for the purpose of a preliminary investigation and area search for relevant plane parts. A report will be submitted to this headquarters immediately thereafter and may be expected within a period of one month.

A subsequent check at the district Chief's office (Bezirkshauptmannschaft) at MURAU revealed that a report dated 21 October 1948 refers to the two (2) plane crashes and gives details concerning ten (10) crew members of both aircraft captured and one (1) unknown partial and charred remains recovered from one of the aircraft that crashed on DORFERBERG in the community district of KRAKAUDORF on 25 February 1944. Names of the captured airmen and the casualty concerned are not available. (See Exhibit "A").

Chief of Gendarmerie Post KRAKAUDORF at time of crashes was Revier-Inspektor LAPTOS, now residing in KALLWANG, Austria. Commander of airfield ZELTWEG, Austria, investigating subject crashes, was former Colonel BENZ (Oberst), now residing in Western Germany. Correct address obtainable from former Oberstabsintendant THOMAS ZECHNER, GRAZ, PUNTIGAM,

(Narrative of Investigation, ID # 934, dtd 5 May 1952, cont'd)

Austria.

It is recommended that another investigation and search be conducted at crash sites of subject aircraft in June 1952 when favorable climatic conditions will prevail for a successful climb to the respective mountain sites.

Theodore R. Peterson

THEODORE R. PETERSON
1/Lt QMC
Investigator

A b s c h r i f t

Gendarmeriepostenkommando Krakaudorf, Bezirk Murau, Steiermark.

E.Nr. 876/48.

Amerikanische Flieger;
Beerdigung verunglückter.

An die

Bezirkshauptmannschaft

in M u r a u.

Krakaudorf, am 21. Oktober 1948

Dortiger fernm. Auftrag vom 20.10.1948 um 12 Uhr 30
(Albert).

Nach hier aufliegenden Akten und durchgeführten Erhebungen fanden am 25.2.1944 im Räume Krakaudorf Luftkämpfe statt, in dessen Verlauf 2 amerikanische 4 motorige Bomber abgestürzt sind.

Von der Besatzung dieser Bomber wurden 10 Mann geborgen und die ersten 6 Mann davon am 25.2.1944 mittels Omnibus vom Wehrmeldeamt Murau in Krakaudorf abgeholt. Von diesen 6 Mann war einer verwundet.

Am 26.2.1944 wurden weitere 4 Mann von diesen 10 Mann Besatzung geborgen und am 27.2.1944 nach Murau abgeführt. Was weiter mit diesen Männern verfügt wurde, ist hier nicht bekannt und auch nicht in Erfahrung zu bringen.

Aus einem der abgestürzten und vollkommen zertrümmerten Bomber am sogenannten Dorferberg im Gemeindegebiet Krakaudorf wurden am 28.2.1944 Leichenteile, vermutlich vom Piloten stammend, geborgen und am Ortsfriedhofe in Krakaudorf beerdigt. Am 3.7.1946 fand durch die amerikanische Einheit 347 Qm Gruppe die Exhumierung und Abtransport dieser Leiche statt.

Weitere Beerdigungen amerikanischer Flieger fanden im hiesigen Postenrayon nicht statt.

Da sich die damaligen Luftkämpfe auch über den Bezirk

hier nicht verzeichnet. Diesbezüglich müßten aus den Akten des ehemaligen Wehrmeldeamtes Murau die Namen ersichtlich sein.

Über die Teile der abgestürzten Flugzeuge und Bomben verfügte damals die Fliegerhorstkommandantur Zeltweg, so daß die Daten der Flugzeuge dort verzeichnet sein dürften.

Bezirkshauptmannschaft Murau

F.d.R.d.A.

Julius

Der prov. Gend. Postenkommandant:

Sojak eh.

Gend. Patrl.

T R A N S L A T I O N

C O P Y

Gendarmerie Post Command Krakaudorf, District Murau, Steiermark.

E No. 876/48

SUBJECT: Burial of Crash US Airman

To The Office of the District Chief in Murau

Krakaudorf, 21 October 1948

Your telephone request of 20 October 1948 at 1230 hours (Albert).

According to records available and to investigations conducted, air battles took place on 25 February 1944 in the area of KRAKAUDORF, in the course of which two (2) US four-motored bombers crashed.

A total of ten (10) crew members of these bombers were captured. Six (6) of them were taken by army bus from KRAKAUDORF to MURAU on 25 February 1944. One (1) of them was wounded. The remaining four (4) were captured on 26 February 1944 and taken to MURAU on 27 February 1944. Nothing is known and nothing could be learned about the ultimate fate of these airmen.

Partial remains, presumably originating from the pilot of one of the bombers which was completely destroyed and had crashed on the DORFERBERG within the community district of KRAKAUDORF, were recovered from the wreckage on 28 February 1944 and buried in the KRAKAUDORF cemetery. These remains were disinterred and evacuated by a US unit of the 347 QM Group on 3 July 1946. No other burials of US airmen took place within the region of the local post.

Since the air battles extended to the TAMSWEG district and subsequently to the entire TAUERN mountain range, it is possible that those offices could furnish information concerning other recoveries of US airmen.

The partial remains recovered here are said to have been badly charred, their identity could not be determined.

Names of the US prisoners or the casualty are not listed. Names could possibly be ascertained from the records of the former army registry office at MURAU.

The airfield command at ZELTWEG disposed of the parts of the crashed bombers so that data concerning these aircraft could possibly be obtained there.

A TRUE COPY:
Bezirkshauptmannschaft Murau
/s/ illegible

The Provisional Commander
of the Gendarmerie Post
SOJAK eh.
Gendarmerie Patrol

EXHIBIT "A"



7887 GRAVES DETACHMENT

APO 757

943 unk St. Avold X-6853 *mm*

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-6853, ST AVOLD, FRANCE.

(FOC) DRAGUIGNAN

*file 2 maut
Kirkland
J Dent.*

AGRC
FORM No. 11
Revised 5 January 1946

CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWNNS

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

Unknown X 6853
Cemetery Q-260584, St Avold
Plot IIII Row 1 Grave 11

1. Arrived at cemetery 1430 2 August 1946
(hour) (date)
2. Place of death Krakau Dorf, Austria Sheet N-48 Scale 1/250,000 A 7662
(name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefex, maps)
- (Sheet, scale and serials used)
3. Remains recovered or disinterred by 612 OM. Group
(name and organization)
4. Evacuated to Cemetery by Major Wm. J. Pelton HQ. Third Field Command A.G.R.C.
(name and organization)
5. **Description of clothing and equipment : (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements).**

Clothing	Indicate unusual markings	
Markings	Sizes	Color wear, tear, repairs, etc.

- Item
- *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 civilian, Remnants of, badly burned
 - Trousers HBT None
 - *Trousers, Wool OD None

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Belt, Web None

Drawers, Wool None

Drawers, Cotton Remnants of civilian, badly burned

Leggins, Wool None (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton None

*Shoes None (type)

Overshoes None

Web Equipment None (Type)

(Other item) Remnants of a parachute badly burned.

(Other item)

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

6. Chevrons or
 Insignia None
(type & location : shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch None

7. Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Forces

Air Force

8. Description of Remains :

Age UTD Height UTD Weight UTD Description of wounds UTD

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

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

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hands & face UTD

Complexion UTD
(light, med. dark, clear, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build UTD
(large, fat, thin, muscular)

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

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Hair **UFD**
(baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics).

Sideburns **UFD** Mustache **UFD** Beard or **UFD**
(color, setting, shape) (color, size, shape) (length, heavy,

Goatee **UFD**
(light, color, extent)

Eyes **UFD** Eyebrows **UFD**
(color, setting, shape) (color, hushiness, extent across nose)

Nose **UFD** Ears **UFD**
(size, shape, straight) (size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth **UFD** Lips **UFD**
(large, medium, small) (small large, full)

Teeth **UFD**
(white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract).

Chin **UFD**
(prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

Jaw **UFD** Circumference of head in inches **UFD**
(large, small, normal) (hat band)

Neck **UFD** Larynx **UFD**
(size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (prominent, normal)

Shoulders **UFD** Arms **UFD**
(broad, straight, small, rounded) (length, muscular, color)

(extent and quantity of hair)

Hands **UFD**

Fingers **UFD**
(short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

(Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest **UFD**
(size of nipples, color, quantity & extent of hair, large, small normal)

Back **UFD** aist **UFD**
(quantity & extent of hair) (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

Circumcision **UFD** Pubic hair **UFD**
(quantity & color of hair) (yes-no) (color)

Hernioplasty **UFD**
(yes-no; location)

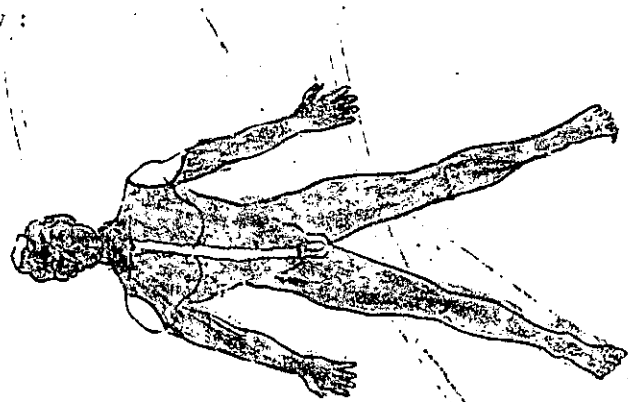
Legs **UFD**
(inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color & extent of hair)

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Feet UTD (size, corns, callouses, flat) Toes UTD (slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed factures UTD (nose, arms, legs, etc.)

9. Black out parts of body not received at cemetery :



10. Have fingerprints been placed on Report of Interment No (yes-no)

If not, explain Impossible to obtain finger prints because of missing portions.

11. Has tooth chart been prepared No (yes-no) If not, explain

Impossible to obtain Form 1A Tooth Chart because of missing portions.

12. Remarks : Only fragments of bones recovered. Two pieces of skull as shown by diagram final stage of decomposition. Est. weight of remains 15 Lbs.

Other informations impossible to obtain.

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.

Wm. J. Pelton (sk)
Wm. J. Pelton
Officer's Name

Major Q.M.C.
Rank Service

HQ. Third Field Command A.G.R.C.
Organization

X-6853

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

E.O. # 790

Unknown X 6853
Cemetery St. Amand, France
Plot IIII Row 1 Grave 11

1. ^{Date reprocessed:} Arrived at cemetery 13 July '48
(Hour) (Date)

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

(Sheet, scale and serials used)

3. Remains ^{Reprocessed} recovered or disintegrated by Mobile Team #1, C.I.P.
(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	(Type)		
Raincoat			
Overcoat			
Jacket, Field			
Jacket, Combat			
Mackinaw			
Sweater			
Jacket, HBT			
* Shirt, Wool OD			
Undershirt, Wool			
Undershirt, Cotton			
Trousers, HBT			
* Trousers, Wool OD			

NONE

X

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Belt, web _____

Drawers, wool _____

Drawers, cotton _____

Leggings, wool _____

Socks, cotton _____

* Shoes _____ (type) *NONE*

Overshoes _____

Web Equipment _____ (type)

X (Other item) *Remnants of a parachute*

(Other item) _____

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

Chevrons or _____ *NONE*

Insignia _____ (Type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch _____

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

6. Description of Remains: *All major bones fractured and/or missing*

Age *UTD* Height ^{Est.} *UTD* Weight *UTD* Description of wounds *UTD*

Bandages or dressings *NONE* Scars _____ (Length, width, location)

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

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face *UTD*

Complexion _____ (Light, medium, dark, clear, pimples, pocks, freckles)

Build _____ (Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair _____ *NONE* (Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

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

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

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USMC DRAGUIGNAN
PLOT: B ROW: 3 COL: 15
DATE OF BURIAL: 18 JULY 50 DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE
VERIFIED BY GRS OFFICER:
R. W. GANSEL, 1/Lt., OMC

SECTION A -
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED
DIRECTIVE NUMBER
3574 00000
DATE
15 01 48
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME: *Frank Starnes* UNKNOWN X-006853 RANK: 1 ARM: 1
CEMETERY: ST AVOLD - METZ. DISPOSITION OF REMAINS: 3501 80
PLOT: 4 I ROW: 1 GRAVE: 11 COUNTRY: FRANCE CAUSE OF DEATH: 6

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE: ~~ST AVOLD, FRANCE~~ DRAGUIGNAN, FRANCE
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN: These remains are unidentifiable and are to be permanently interred. (Hq. AGRC-27 Dec 49)

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME: UNKNOWN X- 006853 SERIAL NUMBER: RANK: DATE OF DEATH: DATE DISTINTERRED: 23 Jun 48
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON: MARKER GRS ORGANIZATION: UNKNOWN RELIGION: Unk IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY: Forrest L Brown, Embalmer

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL: Mattress cover CONDITION OF REMAINS: All major bones fractured and/or missing. Disarticulated.

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION: Report of Burial, 2 Aug 46, found with remains

NAT
FILE
RECORDS ANNOTATED
DATE: 3 Aug 50
NAME: [Signature]
BR. MEM. DIV.

MINOR DISCREPANCIES: None

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET: DATE: 13 Jul 48 BY: Forrest L Brown, Embalmer

CASKET SEALED BY: Forrest L Brown, Embalmer EMBALMER (Signature): Forrest L Brown

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED: DATE: 13 Jul 48 BY: Forrest L Brown, Embalmer SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY: All markings, plates and tags verified by: Donald H Tackett, 1st Lt. OMC

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

Final casketing by: Donald H Tackett, 1st Lt. OMC SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare Discrepancy Report OMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

Consignee corrected Reg. Div.

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC St. Avold, France		TO OIC, Neuville, Belgium	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER Cpl Vincent P. Matozzo, RA-32707218	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>1st Lt. Frank B. Callaghan</i>	DATE 2 Nov 49	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 (CA VERMONT STATE POLICE)		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>SA VACED SERVICE</i>	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

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20 Sep 48

293 Unc - St. Avold X - 6853

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

UNIDENTIFIABLE	X - 6853	(TEMP - ST AVOLD)
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Initial)	(Rank)	(ASN)

Subject remains have been permanently interred overseas in the United States Military Cemetery DRAGUIGNAN

Incl #

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5 1948

ATTN RE & DIV
F. HOUSE #
CAS CLEARANCE

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

AREA SEARCH

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PLOT III ROW 1 COL 11

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1 January 1946.

12 July 1946

Date

NAME Unknown. X6853 RANK Unk. ASN Unknown.

ORGANIZATION A.A.F.

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 _____ 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 _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

b. ORGANIZATION _____

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 _____ Common Graves? _____

Civilian

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

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery Salzburg, N40 1:50,000 A 7000

a. Town Krakendorf Country Austria

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.

a. Section _____ Row _____ Grave _____

Yes

b. Is Sketch attached? _____

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

a. Town _____ Coordinates _____

b. Is sketch attached? _____

c. Is area mined? _____

WOODEN CROSS

9. How is the grave marked? _____

U.S.A. FLIEGER

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon
tauchlich abgesturzt am 25. 2. 44. AM LORFERBERG.

A flier of the United States of America crashed to death on ^{HOME} 25 Feb, 1944 on Loferberg / Vorka mountain
a. From what source was this information obtained? _____
(identification tags, personal effects)

b. By Whom _____

Priest's home

11. Where are the cemetery records? _____
(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

Date of burial

a. What information was contained thereon? _____

he buried the man himself

b. Where was the information obtained? _____

c. By Whom? _____

Feb. 25th 44.

12. What is the date of death? _____

a. Give basis _____

Explosion

13. What is the cause of death? _____

a. Give basis _____

Feb. 25th 44 and April 10th 44.

14. What is the date of burial? _____

a. Give basis _____

15. Where was the place of death? Krakauorf Coords 1:250,000 A 7662

Give basis ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Priest statement

16. Where were the remains found? Krakauorf Coords Salzburg N 48
1:250,000 A 7662

a. By Whom? Egidius Krapfel

b. Is sketch attached? No

17. Was a casket used? Yes Who furnished the casket? Priest

Type of casket wood How marked? none

18. Who made the burial Priest
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)

a. What are the names and addresses? Priest Anton Spath, Krakaudorf

b. Are certificates and statements attached? No

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? Yes

a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed unknown

(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 Unknown

b. Markings and/or name on plane None

c. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment: _____

REMOVED by Luftwaffe

21. How did crash occur? Anti-aircraft

Enemy Planes? Yes Collision? _____

22. Did plane explode in the air? Yes On ground? _____
23. Did plane burn in the air? Yes On ground? Yes
24. What was the direction of the flight? East to West
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane? _____
26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash? Yes
27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
Yes
28. Number of planes in formation prior to crash 22
29. State precise time and date of plane crash 12.15 hours, Day, Feb. 25th 44.
(Night? Day?)
30. Were parachutists seen? Yes How many? 11 Escaped? None
Prisoners? 11

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

 (Radio man, driver, assistant driver or... front, side, or back)
- b. Near wreckage? _____
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of tank _____
- b. Markings and/or name of tank _____
- c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc _____
33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? _____
34. Did tank explode? _____ Burn? _____

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

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

37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank _____
(Night? Day?)

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

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

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

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 _____
Explosion

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

Where? _____ By Whom? _____

Present disposition **Unknown** _____

If deceased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded to PE Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification is made, or investigation is abandoned.

b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? _____ **No**

Where? _____ By Whom? _____

Present disposition _____

- c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? No
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- 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? _____
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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?
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 _____
Priest Anton Spath, Krakaudorf, Austria
-
49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached?
N

50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity?

51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? Yes

(If special investigation, give case number) _____

52. Give Brief Narrative _____

(Use attached sheets, if necessary)

Hermann Ritter
Hermann Ritter
Signature of Interpreter

Civilian

Rank ASN

Organization

Lonald Dawson
Lonald Dawson
Signature of Investigator

T/S 314808109

Rank ASN

347 QI Bn.
Organization

Bezirksgendarmeriekommando M u r a u.
E Nr. 684
Amerikanische
Kriegsgräberkommission.

am 1. Juni 1946.

An die
Englische Militärregierung
in M u r a u.

Die Militärregierung Österreich hat bekanntgegeben, dass ab 1. Juni 1946 eine amerikanische Kommission Steiermark bereisen und örtliche Feststellungen und Registrierungen von Gräbern amerikanischer Soldaten vornehmen wird.

Hiezu wird gemeldet, dass sich am Ortsfriedhofe in Krakaudorf ein Grab eines abgestürzten amerikanischen Fliegers befindet. Das Grab trägt die Nummer 93, ist mit einem schlichten Holzkreuz versehen und sorgt die Pfarre Krakaudorf für die Pflege dieses Grabes.

Die Pfarre Krakaudorf verfügt auch über genaue Aufzeichnungen dieses Grabes.

Sonstige Gräber gefallener amerikanischer Soldaten befinden sich im Bezirke Murau nicht.

Der Bez.Gend.Komdt.

American Graves

[Handwritten Signature]
1532/47

Gendarmerieabteilungskommando Judenburg Nr. 6 .

District Police Section Headquarters Judenburg No. 6

Umseitige Meldung zum dortigen Befehl E Nr. 1524/46 vom 28.5.1946
in Vorlage.

The Report on the above mentioned case is attached

Der Bez. Gend. Komdt.

Reported under no. 1524/46 of 28 May 1946
in enclosure

UNKNOWN X-6853
REINTERRED U.S. MIL. CEM.
ST. AVD LD, IIII-1-11

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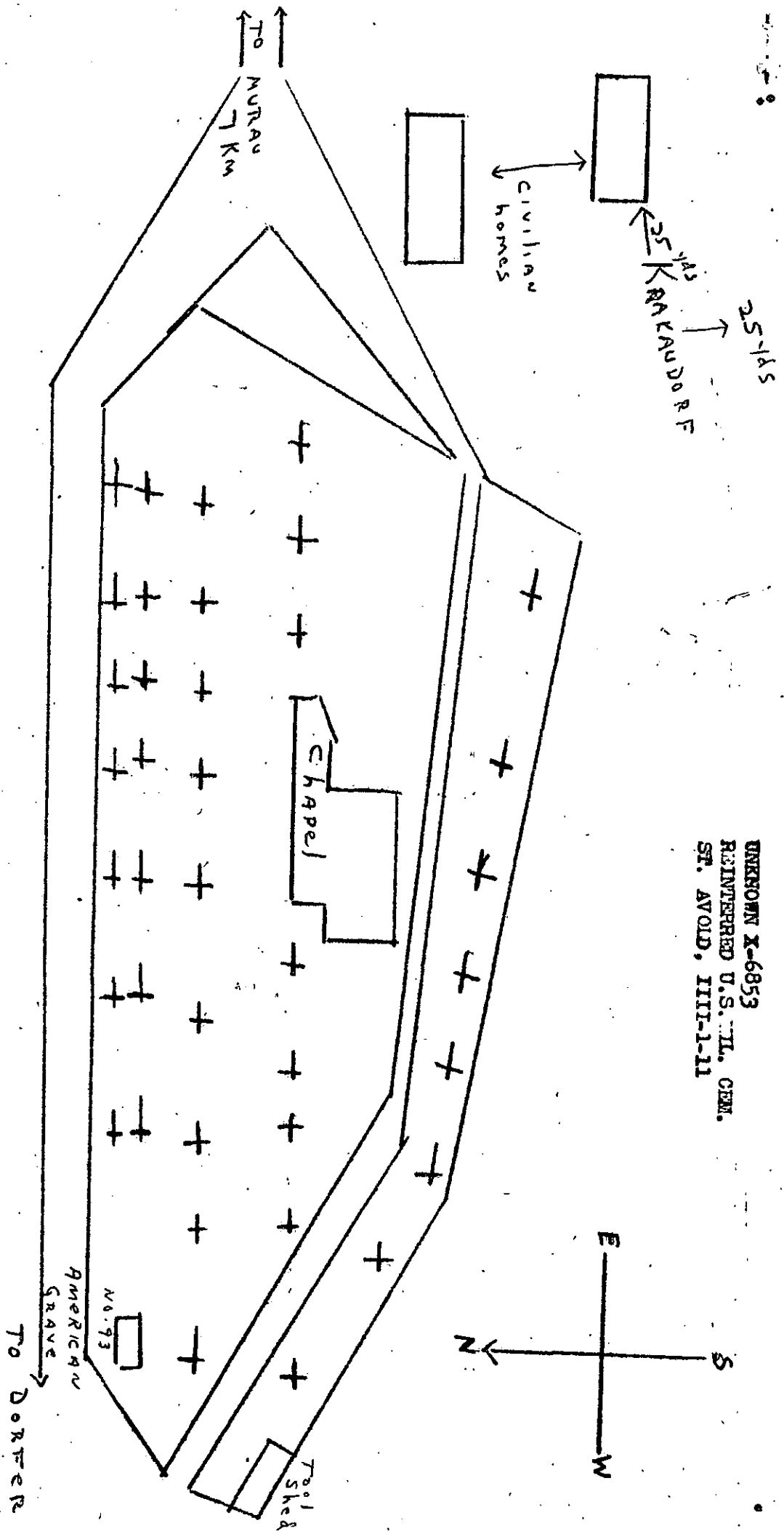
Gendarmerieabteilungskommando Judenburg Nr. 6

Eingel.
Bl.
Nr.

H. 6. 46
1524 Blg

*The District
Police Headquarter
Judenburg*

KRAKAUDORF, Austria
A7662 SAZBURG N48
1:250,000



UNKNOWN X-6853
REINTERRED U.S. MIL. CEM.
ST. AVOLD, III-1-11

AIRMAIL

314.6

SECRET 203
SAC - [unclear] 1st Lt

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Unknown Transmittal Letter #4690

Dept. of the Army, OAG, Washington 25, D. C., 6 January 1950

TO: CG, ACHC, European Area, APO 98, c/o FM, New York, New York

1. This Office approves the classification of the Unknowns listed on basic communication as Unidentifiable with the exception of Unknowns X-1508 and X-4002.

2. The Unknowns listed above are both under investigation and will be the subject of a later communication.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Encls w/s

T. H. MEYER
Lt. Colonel, MC
Memorial Division

Rice/id
Foy
REB

Cy furnished: Adm Sect

X-2-983
Furnace X-10253
S.I. O. 0.0.0.

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AIRMAIL

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FORM 295

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Sub-European

Spk European

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains
Transmittal Letter #4630

Dept. of the Army, GCSG, Washington 25, D. C., 6 January 1950

TO: CG, AEGC, European Area, SPO 58, c/o PH, New York, New York

1. This Office approves the classification of the Unknowns listed on basic communication as Unidentifiable with the exception of Unknowns X-1588 and X-6902.

2. The Unknowns listed above are both under investigation and will be the subject of a later communication.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Incls w/d

T. H. MEYER
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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REB

Cy furnished: Adm Sect

X-1588
X-6902
X-2493
Finner
X 6853
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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293

20 December 1949
(Date)

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X- 6853, Plot IIII, Row 1, Grave 11, USMC ST. AVOLD, France have been reviewed and it is the opinion of the Board of Review, this headquarters, that sufficient evidence is not available to establish the identity of the deceased concerned, therefore, these remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

2. Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General by Transmittal Letter No. 3157, dated 21-10-48.

3. Remarks:

See Case History attached.

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

Col. H. P. HENRY, O-12589

JMC

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

JMC

Maj. Charles REYNOLDS, O-182639

TC

Maj. Gerald SWARTHOUT, Sr., O-267451

CE

Edward F. Price, Jr.
Capt. Edward F. PRICE, Jr., O-1588236

JMC

1st Lt. Frederick S. DAVID, O-1826041

CAV

CWO Frank GLENN, W-2102925

USA

Capt. Jack C. HAYES, O-1577297

JMC

T.L. # 4630, 21 Dec 49

Incl # 3

Leodore Goudreau
CWO Leodore GOUDREAU, W-2113434, USA

Received *Mal Rec* *29 Nov 49*
Not identifiable from *29 Nov 49*
available *29 Nov 49*
presently *29 Nov 49*

Case History

UNKNOWN NO. X-6853

U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY,

St. Avold, France.

(Location)

1. The remains of X-6853 were recovered from a Civilian Cemetery at Krakaudorf, Austria.
2. The remains consists of several small bone fragments, there are no teeth, no height, no color of hair and no clothing or personal effects.
3. A photograph was forwarded with the case papers, of four American airmen wwho were supposed to be crew members of the deceased which was recovered as X-6853. Efforts have been made to identify the four men in this photo and secure statements from them that the remains of X-6853 was the remains of a crew member. However statements received have been conflicting and would indicate that the four men in the photo are from more than one crew.
4. Therefore due to the complete lack of Identifying clues it is recommended that the remains of X-6853 be declared Unidentifiable.

Donald L. Hopkins

Donald L. Hopkins

DL

ANNEX # _____

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 200.2

Date 21 OCT. 1948

SUBJECT: Reprocessing of Remains

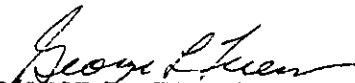
TO: The Quartermaster General
2nd & T Sts. S.W.
Washington 25, D.C.

The remains of X - 6853
interred in Plot IIII, Row 1, Grave 11, USMC St. Avold
France, have been reprocessed and the information
not previously forwarded to your Headquarters is herewith submitted.

PARACHUTE : Remnants
TEETH : Not Recovered
BONES : All Major Bones Fractured or Missing
SKULL : Only Small Portion of Skull found

No evidence of healed fractures or amputations

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL :


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

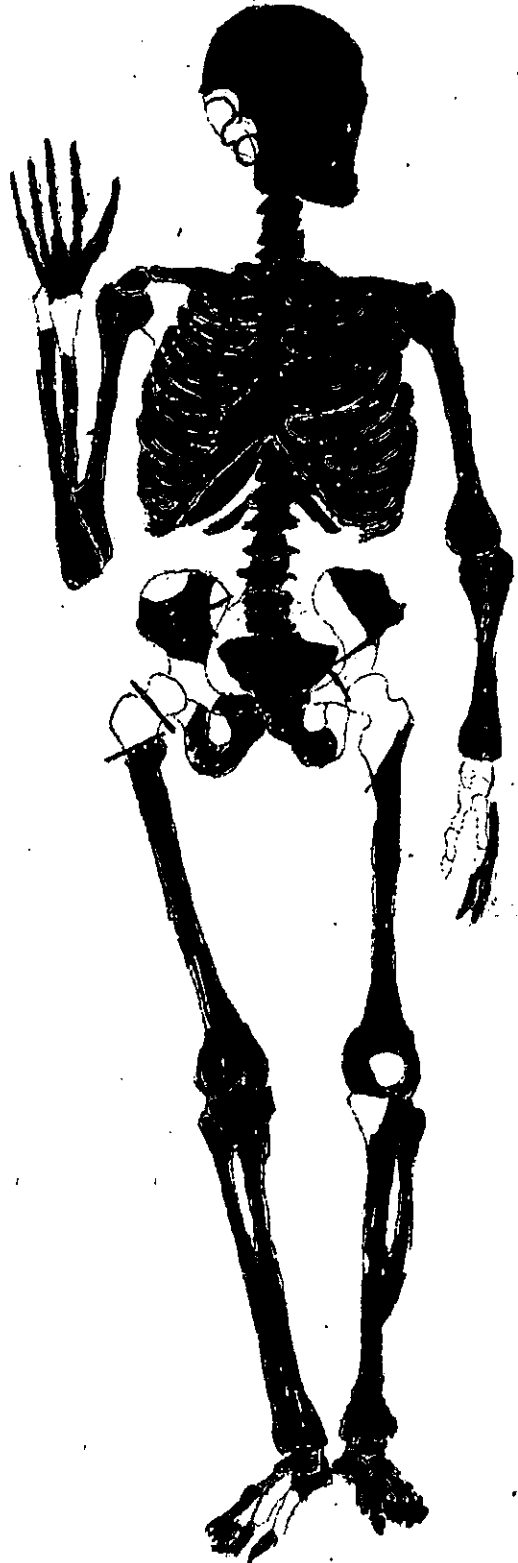
1 Incl. :
Skeletal Chart

SKELETAL CHART

6853
St. Avold, France
III : 1 : 11

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

13 July, 1948



All Major Bones Fractured or Missing.

RHS

MM

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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

293 Unknown - 6853 France (St. Avold)

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED	DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3574 00000	DATE 15 01 48 DAY MONTH YEAR
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NAME UNKNOWN	SERIAL NUMBER X-006853	RANK	ARM I	DATE OF DEATH DAY MONTH YEAR 15 01 48
CEMETERY ST AVOLD - METZ				DISPOSITION OF REMAINS CODE DIST. PT. 0 3503 00
LOT 41	ROW 1	GRAVE 11	COUNTRY FRANCE	CAUSE OF DEATH 6

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE ST. AVOLD, FRANCE (BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
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SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER		ORGANIZATION UNKNOWN	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS
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OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE BY

CASKET SEALED BY	EMBALMER (Signature)
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CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY
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DATE BY

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

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

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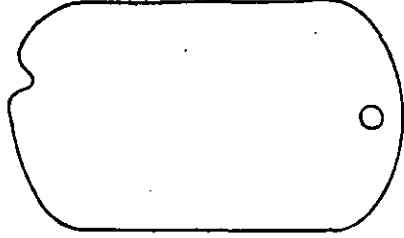
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WD QMC FORM 1042
(Rev. 1 Apr. 1945)
(Supersedes GRS Form 1)

REPORT OF INTERMENT
(AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815)

DATE OF REPORT
2 August 1946

Imprint Identification Tag If Possible.
DO NOT TYPE



Section 1.—IDENTIFICATION.

NAME (Last, first, middle initial)		SERIAL No.
Unknown X6853		Unknown
GRADE	ORGANIZATION	BRANCH OF SERVICE
Unknown	Unknown	A.A.F.
RACE	RELIGION	IF OTHER THAN U. S. DEAD, GIVE NAME OF COUNTRY
Unknown	Unknown	

PLACE OF DEATH Krakaudorf, Austria	CAUSE OF DEATH Explosion	DATE OF DEATH Est. 25 Febr. 1944
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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) None
WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED?(Yes or no) Yes	

LIST PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND ON BODY AND DISPOSITION OF SAME
None

REGISTRATION AND RECORDS BRANCH
 AUG 30 12 50 PM '46
 MEMORIAL DIVISION

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

NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES, AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY
U.S. Military Cemetery (Q-260584) St. Avold, France

DATE OF BURIAL	HOUR	BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other)	TYPE OF GRAVE MARKER	PLOT No.	ROW No.	GRAVE No.
2 August 1946	1500	Casket	Temp Wooden Cross	IIII	1	11

WAS THIS A REBURIAL? (Yes or no) Yes	IF A REBURIAL, INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE Civilian Cemetery Krakaudorf, Austria Sheet N-48 Scale 1/250,000 A 7662	PLOT No. -	ROW No. -	GRAVE No. 93
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TYPE OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY General Service	PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES Ch. H.A. LEE, 1st Lt	IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND CONTAINERS BURIED WITH BODY One Copy W.D. Q.M.C. Form 1042 * Report of Interment * Placed in burial bottle and buried with remains.
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IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH BODY (Yes or no) No	IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO MARKER (Yes or no) Yes-Embossed Plate
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BODY BURIED ON DECEASED LEFT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial) UNKNOWN X-6851	RANK UNK	SERIAL No. UNK	ORGANIZATION AAF	GRAVE No. 10
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BODY BURIED ON DECEASED RIGHT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial) UNKNOWN X-6852	RANK UNK	SERIAL No. UNK	ORGANIZATION AAF	GRAVE No. 12
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SIGNATURE OF PERSON PREPARING REPORT: Dorothea G. Verbeek
 HQ. Third Field Command A.G.R.C. (R)

SIGNATURE OF GRS OFFICER VERIFYING REPORT: RALPH W. SLEATOR
 3rd Field Command Major, Inf.

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

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Section UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS.

INSTRUCTIONS:

(a) Great care will be taken to record the most minute clues for the future identity of unidentified remains. Fill in anatomical characteristics below, and any other clues under "Other," such as shoe size, social security number; position of body found in airplanes, vehicles, and tanks; and serial numbers of airplanes, vehicles, and tanks.


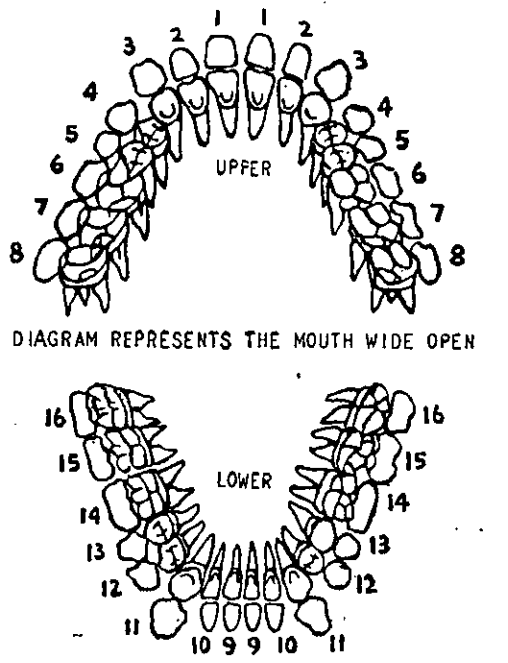




(b) A fingerprint, or prints, are the most valuable of all clues. Imprint all fingers and thumbs in the chart at left, or as many as possible. If no fingerprint or prints can be secured, the condition of each and every tooth will be indicated on the tooth chart in accordance with diagram below. Tooth chart will not be accomplished if one or more fingerprints are secured.

HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR	BIRTHMARKS, SCARS, OR TATTOOS
UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD

WEAPON AND SERIAL No.	LAUNDRY MARKS	WHERE BODY WAS BURIED OR FOUND
None	None	Krakaudorf, Austria

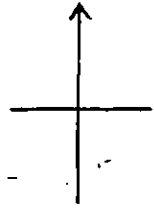
OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES

None

FILLINGS		 <p>DIAGRAM REPRESENTS THE MOUTH WIDE OPEN</p>
CAVITIES		
MISSING TEETH		
CROWNED TEETH		
BRIDGE WORK		

FURNISH SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE AND COORDINATES FOR BURIAL IN OTHER THAN ESTABLISHED CEMETERY

None



REMARKS:

Attached: Form 11 Check List of Unknowns., Impossible to obtain Form 1A: Tooth Chart or Finger prints because of missing portions.

Est. weight of remains 15 Lbs.