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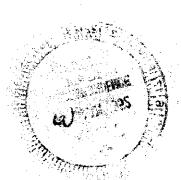
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- 1. Search and Recovery Case # 696 recovered from the vicinity of Colmar, France is now designated Unknown Remains X-9077, Grave 78, AGRS Mausoleum-Liege, Belgium.
- 2. This remains is severally burned throughout. U. S. issue Canteen Cup, Meat Can and canteen were found with this remains along with the butt end of a US M-1 rifle. In addition to a tooth chart which is attached hereto, the other features of identification are as follows:

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3. <u>CAUSE OF DEATH</u>: Because of the badly shattered and charred condition of this remains it is believed that death was the result of explosion followed by fire.

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FRANZ VANDERVAEL
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HEADQUARTERS 7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT APO 757 US ARMY

6 December 1951

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY:

In compliance with the instructions contained in Investigation Directive # 902, dated 4 December 1951, an investigation was conducted at Bennwihr, Haut Rhin, France, in order to recover the remains of an American deceased reported discovered in this town.

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES:

Previous investigation was made by Mr. Harold E. Warner, investigator, in the vicinity of Bennwihr.

Mr. Harold E. Warner, while engaged in investigating I.D. # 819 at Bennwihr, Haut Rhin, France, was informed of the supposed isolated burial of an American soldier by a Mr. Jules Amann of this community.

According to information furnished by Mr. Amann, this soldier was killed on 5-6 December 1944, in the loft of a barn belonging to Mr. Amann. Sometime later, this barn was struck by shell fire and partially burned.

On his return to the area in May 1945, Mr. Amann removed the remains and buried them in a garden to the rear of the barn.

He stated that the soldier had an identification tag's chain around his neck but that he could not find any tag.

The deceased also had a bridge containing four or five teeth in the maxilla.

In the company of Mr. Amann, a visit was made to the area and several test-holes were dug with negative results.

The area has become completely overgrown with brush and weeds and he could not recall the exact location.

Due to the size of the area to be covered, approximately 50×75 feet, and the shortage of time, the search was abandoned.

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On his return, Mr. Harold E. Warner recommended that further investigation be made in this case.

Exchange of correspondence was made by Operations Branch to the town hall of Bennwihr, requesting that Mr. Jules Amann be given all possible help in order to locate the exact place of burial.

Letter received from the town hall of Bennwihr, dated 28 November 1951, indicated that Mr. Jules Amann had made the recommended search and that he was in a position to indicate the exact grave location.

Investigation was then decided.

The purpose of this investigation was to recover the remains and ascertain the facts pertaining to circumstances surrounding the new discovery.

III. FINDINGS:

A visit was first made to the town hall of Bennwihr. Contact was made with the secretary of the town hall. He furnished the information that Mr. Amann had found the exact location, where the remains were buried.

Mr. Amann was then contacted. He reported the information given by the secretary of the town hall. A statement concerning the findings and disposal of remains was also given by Mr. Jules Amann. (See Incls 1 and 2).

He then conducted present investigator to the location where remains were buried. Remains were exhumed and checked. This exhumation revealed that the remains were partially charred and fragmented; the upper part of skull is fractured and fragmented, teeth were also found loose. Mr. Amann explains that fragmentation and fracture could have occurred, due to the fact that catriges were present with remains at first discovery in the barn and that the fire that caused destruction of the barn might have blown up catriges present at the time. No identification tag was present.

A canteen and a canteen cup were found bearing engraved letters "WM" a charred butt-end of American rifle plus rifle cleaning kit, first aid package, little pieces of underwear etc.

The absence of the bridge is explained by the following manner: the bridge was found near the remains, no teeth were present on it when he (Mr. Amann) took it as a souvenir, then when they evacuated to Wettelsheim, he remember that he took it along and declares he lost it during same evacuation.

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The remains were evacuated to Headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Liege, Belgium, under S.R. # 696. Notice of Disinterment was left at the town hall of Bennwihr.

IV. CONCLUSION:

The remains recovered as a result of this investigation are BTB those of an American soldier, due to statements, circumstances and equipments found.

Place of recovery is ten (10) kilometers north of Colmar in village called Bennwihr, Haut Rhin, France.

V. RECOMMENDATION:

That the remains be processed by CIL in an attempt to establish the identity of present remains.

BRUNO GRAVA Belgian Natil Investigator

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STATEMENT

I the undersigned Amann Jules, viniculturist at Bennwihr, declare hereby that the remains exhumed today, 6 December 1951, by a team of the American Army, are the ones of an American soldier interred in a garden behind my house, during the month of May 1945.

These remains were laying in a barn, around the 5th or 6th December 1944.

I had notified the presence of present remains to two (2) American soldiers, which declared to me they knew about it.

Until the 14 December 1944, the remains layed in the barn, but at the same date, we were evacuated to Wettolsheim and came back around the 3rd February 1945.

As we came back from evacuation, we noticed that the barn had burned out. During the clearing of it we found the remains of this American soldier that we had left in the barn.

I then dug a hole in the garden and placed these remains in it.

I am positive of the nationality of this soldier. I can certify he was a member of the American Army.

AMANN JULES Viniculturist

Certified a true translation

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HEADQUARTERS 7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT APO 757 US ARMY

27 August 1951

REPORT OF ISOLATED BURIAL

While engaged in investigating ID # 819 at BENNWIHR, HAUT RHIN, France, this investigator was informed of the supposed isolated burial of an American soldier by a Mr. Jules ARMANN of this community.

According to information furnished by Mr. Armann, this soldier was killed on 5-6-December 1944, in the loft of a barn belonging to Mr. Armann. Sometime later, this barn was struck by shell fire and partially burned.

On his return to the area in May 1946, Mr. Armann removed the remains and buried them in a garden to the rear of the barn.

He stated that the soldier had an identification tag chain around his neck but that he could not find any tag. The deceased also had a bridge containing four or five teeth in the maxilla.

In the company of Mr. Armann a visit was made to the area and several test holes were dug with negative results. The area has become completely overgrown with brush and weeds and he could not recall the exact location.

Due to the size of the area to be covered, approx. 50 x 75 feet, and the shortage of time, the search was abandoned.

It is suggested that records on file at this headquarters be checked in an effort to determine if they reveal a casualty in this area on or about 5-6 December 1944, whose dental characteristics resemble the description as furnished by Mr. Armann, and that if so, the necessary steps be taken to make further investigation in this case.

HAROLD E. WARNER DA CIV. D-046899 Investigator

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

AREA SEARCH

AGRO Form # 10 (Revised)
1 January 1946.

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NAM	Unknown	EANK Unknown	ASNUnknown
OPC.	UNICATION Unknown		
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	l statements above this line o	vill be completed up	on finel processing
	the clarical staff at the unit		
SECT	FIGH A - GEWENAL (To be compl	leted by investigator	s in all cases)
1.,	Was positive identity acquirinvestigation? If so, stare		
	a. MAFR	RANK	asn
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	a. NAME	RANK	ASN
	b. ORGANIZATION_	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
3.	NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BUILD	ED IN IMPEDIATE VICE	PITY
	(Tise re <i>n</i> erse	side for listing of	crew members from MACR)
	a. Date of above burials_		
ļ -	Common Graves?		
	Name and Type of Cemetery	(Military or Civi	lian)
5.	Map Coordinates of the Cemet	tery	
7.	Give exact location in cemet	tery of the remains.	
	a. Section	Row	Grave
	b. Is Sketch attached?		
8.	If remains are not located to	in a cemetery, give e	xact location.
	a. Town BEMNWIHR (Haut Rh	nin) France Coordinate	s
	b. Is Sketch attached?	No	

9.	How is the grave marked?								
10.	If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon								
	a. From what source was this information obtained?								
	(Identification bags, personal offices)								
	b. By Whom								
11.	Where are the cemetery records? (Form Taill, cemetery, burgo melster								
	office)								
	a. What information was contained thereon?								
	b. Where was the information obtained?								
	c. By Whom?								
12.	What is the date of death? Unk.								
	a. Give basis								
13.	What is the cause of death? Unk.								
	b. Give basis								
14.	What is the date of burial? btb. May 1945								
	a. Give basis								
15.	Where was the place of death? Unk.								
-	Coords								
	Give basis_								
16.	Where were the remains found? In a barn in Bennwihr								
	Coords								
	a. By Whom? Mr. Amann Jules								
	b. 1s skotch attached? No								
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SECTI	ION B - AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be Completed only if Deceased is believed to be a member of the AAF).
19.	Were remains found in the plane wreckage?
	a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed
	(Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane
	b. Near wreckage?
20.	Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results of Investigation (if removed, state when and by whom).
	a. Type of Plane
	b. Markings and/or name on plane
	c. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or
	other equipment:
21.	How did crash occur? Anti-aircraft
	Enemy Planes? Collision?
22.	Did plane explode in the air?On ground?
23.	Did plane burn in the air?On ground?
24.	What was the direction of the flight?
25.	What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane?
26.	Had bombs been released prior to the crash?
27.	Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
28.	Number of planes in formation prior to crash
29.	State precise time and date of plane crash (Night? Day?)
30.	Wore parachutists seen? How many? Escaped?
	Prisoners?
SECTI	ON C - ARMORED CORFS 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 re-
	moved

32.	Loć res	ation of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete ults of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
	a.	Type of tank
	b.	Markings and/or name of tank_
	C.	Number on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc.
33.		was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's ablement?
34.	Did	tank explode? Burn?
35.		er of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement
36.	Frec	ise time and date of destruction of tank
38.	Did	(Night? Day? any of the crew members ascape?
	Pris	oners?
SECTI	ON 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, ning, or small arms fire)
	a.	Are all cortificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached?
ьo.	State	e the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing
	the r	name and facts regarding the above listed deceased
		See Marrative of Invest.
SECTI	ON E -	- GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)
11.	Were	personal effects recovered by the investigating term? No
	If no	ot, state reason none present
		Were identification tags found at the time of death? no
	Where	
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	to E	coased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification de, or investigation is abandoned.
	b.	Were personal officets found at the time of death? none
	Where	By Whom?

c. Was deceased id	dentified by living members of the crew at the
time of death?	
d. Did Cemetery re	egister or cross indicate the immunization
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Was deceased given f	first aid? Unk. If so, where?
By whom?	fre statements from the medical
people astached?	
Was deceased evacuat	ed to a German civilian hospital?
WERE?	Mames of people concerned
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Is it possible on su	rface investigation to obtain from civilian
sources a physical d	escription of the deceased? No
Is it possible on su	rface investigation to obtain from civilian
sources the condition	on of the remains? (Burnt? Decapitated? etc)
	See narrative
atrocity case? a. If so, give bas	is for positive assumption
b. If so, has high	er headquarters been notified?
Was case previously	investigated? yes
By Whom? Mr. Harold	E. WARNER Then? 27 August 1951
Give full names, add	resses, and information obtained from each
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