

293 Unk. Frankfurt Maus X-9296

293 Unk. Frankfurt Maus X-9297

INDEX NUMBER OR SUBJECT

FROM:

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DATE

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C, BUREAU OF MEDICINE & SURGERY

3 Mar 59

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293 (MII) (Identification, Decedent)

SUMMARY

1st add

Subj.: Proposed Identification World War II Decedent

dm

WHL Cemetery: Neuville  
Plot: Row 7-Grave 1  
Date of Burial: 24 Feb 57  
Serial: 11111111

Prepared by HQ US Army  
Burial System, Europe  
AGC 757, US Forces

### DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SR 5016	SECTION A — NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED	DIRECTIVE NUMBER	DATE
			18 Nov 57

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM	RACE	RELIGION
A-3256					
CEMETERY	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	DISPOSITION OF REMAINS	
Frankfurt Mausoleum			2, 3	CODE	DIST. CTR.

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISINTERRED
A-3256				
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON	ORGANIZATION	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY	
<input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER			NAME AND TITLE	

SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS
	REMAINS MISSING: Skull except mandible; sternum; r & l/scapulae; r & l/cleivicles; all but two ribs; l/ossars; r/ulnar & radius, all but 26 cervical vertebrae; sacrum; r & l/ iliac symphyses; all hand bones except 1 l/carpal; r & l/patellae and all foot bones except r/calcaneus.
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION	
MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)	
None	Ht: 25, Ht Wt: 66 3/4", Race: W. Ht Wt: 125-145.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE 24 Feb 57	BY
CASKET SEALED BY	EMBALMER (Signature)
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY
DATE 24 Feb 57	

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

FILE

*Ray M. ...*  
SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

W. J. ... Capt., *Boyer*

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

2 March 1959

Subject: Deceased, John J. SIC 60, 23 21

During the week of 2 February Mr. Leo Frask visited this office with the mission of determining what our reaction would be if the Navy proposed that all of the remains recovered from the USS Clennon be interred as unknowns in an overseas cemetery.

Present at the meeting were

Colonel Heltzer  
Lt. Colonel Carl  
Mr. Carl L. Albree  
Mr. W. H. Barnett  
Mr. Leo Frask

Mr. Frask stated that it was the opinion of those in the Bureau of Medicine & Surgery, Department of the Navy, that the deceased identification was not strong enough to warrant disturbing the rest of him after all these years and that, in their opinion, they would not be able to defend the case should they be requested to do so. We in this office took the stand that we considered the identification firm and defensible and that as far as we were concerned there was no question in our minds as to the firmness of the case; however, if the Navy requested that they be interred as unknown and inasmuch as all information indicated that the remains were those of Naval personnel, that we would advise U. S. Army, Europe, to inter the remains as unknowns.

Mr. Frask was cautioned that the deceased file along with the files on 7-297 and 7-298 would be thoroughly documented so that in the event any question ever came up on the disposition of these remains that it could clearly be shown that the positions were for each of our offices.

On 11 February a letter from the Department of the Navy dated 10 February 1959, file 4542-187-01 was received in this office. It is the request from the Navy that the remains recovered from the USS Clennon be interred as unknowns.

ACTION

1. Advise United States Army Mortuary, Frankfurt, that the remains designated Unknowns 9-296, 9-297 and 9-298 are approved as Unknowns and should be interred at Neuville-en-Condroz.

2. Request U. S. Army Mortuary to forward to this office the personal effects recovered with these remains.

3. Upon receipt of the personal effects in this office, transmit to Department of the Navy for their disposition.

WARDLE  
73355

IDENTIFICATION COMMENTS

2 February 1959

SUBJECT: Unknown X-9296, X-9297, X-9298 and OIL 5101 (Frankfurt)

INTRODUCTION:

1. These identification comments concern the identification processing of four individual skeletal remains recovered from the salvaged U.S.S. Glennon which sank off Normandy Beach, France on 8 June 1944.

2. The remains were discovered by Miss Francine Van Nickstal of Carentan, France who was probing in a section of the U.S.S. Glennon wreckage which had been cut away and hauled ashore. It is quite probable that portions of remains were lost during the movement of the wreckage to shore for further cutting up and dismantling.

RECOVERY:

1. Sh #5016 (X-9296) and SR #5017 (X-9297) were recovered from the forward portion of the wreckage.

2. SR #5018A (X-9298) and SR #5018B (OIL 5101) were subsequently recovered when second section of ship was hauled ashore.

PROCESSING:

1. These remains were processed for identification by identification personnel of the U. S. Army Mortuary, and Dr. Hans Fleischacker, University of Frankfurt Anthropological Institute, Frankfurt/Main Germany. The remains were processed into four cases with tentative unknown numbers of X-9296, X-9297, X-9298 and OIL #5101.

2. Original examination indicated the presence of long bones for 2 individuals; 1 skull and 3 mandibles with teeth; and a few small portions too young to be associated with U. S. military personnel. The skeletal parts were segregated by length, weight, form, age, articulation between long bones, and head of femur with acetabulum. The segregation procedure resulted in establishing two (2) adult casualties of nearly equal height, but differ in weight approximation. The slightly shorter casualty was heavier and of larger skeletal structure.

X-9296  
X-9297

66 3/4"  
66 7/8"

125 - 145 lbs  
115 - 135 lbs

**FILE**  
DISPOSITION FRANCE  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

*Boyer*  
MAR 24 1959

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2 February 1959

SUBJECT: Unknown X-9296, X-9297, X-9298 and CIL 5101 (Frankfurt)

2. Unknown X-9296 consisted of a mandible, long bones, the inominate area, one vertebrae and fragments of ribs. The teeth were intact in a damaged and eroded mandible having age indication of approximately 25 years based on degree of tooth abrasion and erupted 3rd molars. The mandible was placed with X-9296 because of non-contradiction to age and weight formation. The dental characteristics of X-9296 are extremely favorable to the dentition of John L. Lausted, 609 23 21, U.S.N., comparison with the other 19 Dental Records, pertaining to personnel involved in this case disclosed that the dentition could only have belonged to Lausted.

3. Unknown X-9297 consisted of a skull w/mandible, long bones, portion of right inominate, a few ribs and vertebrae. The teeth were intact in a damaged and eroded mandible having age indication of approximately 22 years based on minimum wear and unerupted 3rd molars. Skull w/mandible was placed with X-9297 because of similar light weight formation and favorable association between the approximated breadths of corresponding mandibular fossae of the skull and coronoid/condyloid process of the mandible. The dental characteristics were compared with Dental Records for the 20 personnel involved in this case. Lack of individual characteristics resulted in a negative comparison.

4. Unknown X-9298 consists of a complete skull w/associated mandible. The mandible articulates and occludes with the skull, the teeth have numerous gold inlays. The portions are undamaged, uneroded and are dark in color as contrasted with all other portions recovered which are bleached and eroded in varying degrees. The numerous gold inlay dental work indicates this skull may be indigent to the European continent. Dental characteristics for X-9298 were compared with Dental Records for the 20 personnel involved in this case. The result was negative.

5. CIL 5101 (Frankfurt) consists of skull, scapula and pelvic portions for an individual considerably younger than any U. S. military personnel.

REPROCESSED: During re-examination of these remains, Ultra-violet light, Spectrograph, Spectrophotometer, Infra-red light, X-ray diffraction analysis, microscopic, and examination of granular structure were utilized to assist in the proper placement of the portions concerned. This re-examination revealed no additional clues which could be utilized for a more precise placement for the portions.

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FACTS:

1. The two mandibles in question were recovered along with accompanying long bones from the forward portion of the wreckage.
2. The skull designated as X-9298 was subsequently recovered along with a few other bone portions, when the second section of the wreckage was dragged ashore.
3. The two mandibles were placed with the respective skeletal remains based on approved scientific criteria.
4. The two mandibles recovered from the forward portion of the wreckage are related to the long bones recovered at the same time.
5. Dental characteristics (gold inlays) are common to European dental practice.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That X-9296 be identified as Lausted.
2. That X-9297 be declared unidentifiable.
3. That X-9298 be declared unidentifiable.

WILLIAM M. ANNETTI  
Disposition Branch  
Memorial Division

FILE  
DISPOSITION BRANCH  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

*Boyer*  
MAR 24 1959

Date

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD  
DATE: 1950  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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**FILE**  
DISPOSITION BRANCH  
MEMORANDUM DIVISION

*[Signature]*  
MAR 24 1950

Date



23 October 1956

Wausted, John J.  
AF 6092321

Subject: Identified MIA Incident

To: Chief  
Bureau of Medicine and Surgery  
Department of the Navy  
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Reference letter your office DA 1-452-11-0b, 24 July 1956,  
Subject: Wausted, John J., AF 6092321 MIA, deceased ( II) and other  
World War II recovered remains, and to Bureau reply from this office  
dated 27 August 1956, file and subject as above.

2. Enclosed is a copy of a letter, dated 27 August 1956, from  
this office to the United States Army, Europe, requesting  
reprocessing of the remains recovered from the MIA, and copies  
of 1st endorsement and supplemental laboratory report which are in  
answer to that request.

3. It is the opinion of this office that the bones of the bodies  
are properly reprocessed and the portions of the skull and teeth properly  
placed, and that the identification of 19226 as Wausted is firm, based  
on the following factors:

a. The mandible with the remains designated X-9226 by the  
United States Army, Europe, and identified by this office as  
Wausted, definitely belongs to Wausted.

b. From the first section of the wreckage to be dragged as one  
two incomplete remains were recovered. These were designated X-9226 and  
X-9227. Attached as enclosure 3 are copies of the related charts for  
these remains. Based on the physical characteristics X-9226 is considered  
Wausted.

c. From the second section of the wreckage had been dragged as one  
a complete skull (the mandible was recovered along with a right pelvis,  
a rib, and the proximal end of a left fibula. The skull, with X-9226, was  
designated X-9228 and the remaining portions belonged to X-9229.

**FILE**  
DISPOSITION BRANCH  
MEDICAL DIVISION

*Boyer*

MAR 24 1956

100-33

23 October 1947

Wash., D.C.

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Subject: Identification of remains

It is believed that the skull was from the first section of the main  
and the other two were dislodged from the first section and  
were either carried out by the second section or dislodged from the main  
section of the first section and carried out.

4. If the identification of 10-2296 as stated is accepted by the  
Army, -2277 and -2278 will be interred in an overseas cemetery as  
unknowns.

5. Reference paragraph 3 of your letter of 21 July 1947 pertaining  
to a group burial. It is established policy that known group burials be  
returned to the United States for final interment in a national cemetery.  
This policy was set forth initially in an overland memorandum to 10-  
1620-1 dated 9 September 1946. This practice was checked so that the  
next of kin, or other interested individuals, would have an opportunity  
to attend the interment service.

6. The official center is desired for the office for group  
burial. A complete list of the individuals to be buried should be  
available to the Army, to include identification of the individuals, burial  
accommodations, etc. If it is still the desire of the Army to establish  
a group burial of these remains, it is recommended that a number be furnished  
to the office for the use of the current address of the next of kin, or  
each of the family members, and only a general description of the  
remains and the burial location. The only exception to this rule is  
and a copy of the report of the investigation, by the military  
personnel, of the case and any of the services. This office  
will consider any official letter on this subject by the Army. A list of  
official reports is attached.

7. If a group burial is established it will be the Army's responsi-  
bility to advise the next of kin of the Army individuals of the reasons  
for the group burial, and that the remains will be returned to the United  
States for interment in a national cemetery. It is recommended that this  
notification be made after a national cemetery has been selected. In  
this connection your attention is invited to the provisions of Article 10  
95-716, approved 21 August 1947.

8. After the remains arrive in the United States it will be the  
responsibility of the Department of the Official Center to arrange  
for the interment service and to advise the next of kin of the date and  
hour of the service.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
**INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

DUE, HOUR AND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Adjutant Chief Proc Br Gen Div	Adjutant Chief Proc Br (Att: CIG and Proc Br and Div)	1 1955	Under provisions of Division Order G. O., General Division, dated 13 January 1955, the enclosed case is referred to the Chief of Procurement.  1 Incl C, G Home Proceedings (Dusted)  6000 4555 2300 7340

MAY 21 1955

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
MEMORIAL DIVISION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

A Board of Officers appointed by paragraph 1, Division Order No. 1, dated 15 January 1958, (Tab A), convened at 1000 hours, 5 19 A 1958, and after consideration of the following factors, approved the identification of Unknown X-9296, Frankfurt Mausoleum, as Slc John J. Lausted, SN 609 23 21, USNR.

Reference is made to the attached letter, Headquarters, United States Army, Quartermaster Mortuary System, Europe, dated 21 November 1957, Subject: "Letter of Transmittal" which pertains to Unknown X-9296, X-9297, X-9298 and SR #5018 (B).

Records indicate that Slc John J. Lausted, SN 609 23 21, formerly assigned to the USS GLENNON, was missing in action following the sinking of his ship in the invasion of the Normandy coast at Utah Beach at St. Marie du Mont, France, on 8 June 1944. The attached list indicates that only 25 crew members were missing and that five of these were identified subsequently. (Tab B)

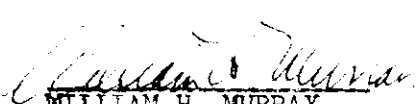
Previous investigation by the field failed to uncover any evidence leading to the discovery of this individual; therefore, Findings of Nonrecoverability were approved on 6 May 1949.

The remains of three unknowns were discovered by a resident of the area who was probing in a section of the USS GLENNON wreckage at St. Marie du Mont, France. The remains designated SR #5016, SR #5017, and SR #5018 were recovered during the search conducted on 20 - 24 August 1957 by an American search team and removed to the Frankfurt Mausoleum. Processing of these remains resulted in the remains being redesignated Unknowns X-9296, X-9297 and X-9298 with the extra remains found in the processing of SR #5018 being redesignated SR #5018 (B).

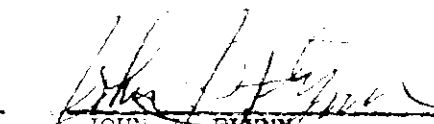
The association of Unknown X-9296 with Slc Lausted was based on a favorable comparison of dental and physical data, (Tab C), place and circumstances of death. Investigation of the two other unknowns resulted in Unknown X-9297 being unidentifiable, previously submitted and approved 10 March 1958, Unknown X-9298 being recommended as unidentifiable and SR #5018 (B) being recommended as CIL remains. Recommendations pertaining to Unknowns X-9296, X-9298 and SR #5018 (B) are being submitted simultaneously.

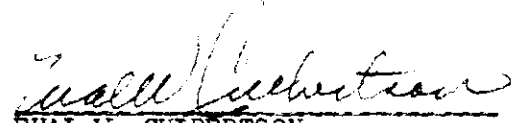
The initials "H.E.A." inscribed on a ring found common with the remains corresponds to the initials of Coxswain Harley E. Alexander, SN 626 78 30, USNR, who was assigned to the USS GLENNON and who was missing in action on 8 June 1944 during the invasion of France. His remains have been approved nonrecoverable.

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that remains designated Unknown X-9296, Frankfurt Mausoleum, be established as S/c John J. Lausted, SN 609 23 21, and that Findings of Nonrecoverability be canceled.

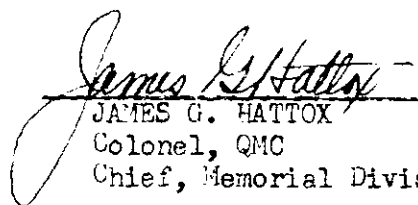
  
WILLIAM H. MURRAY  
Captain, QMC  
Member

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DONALD L. WARDLE  
Major, QMC  
Member

  
JOHN J. FLYNN  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Member

  
EUAL W. CULBERTSON  
Colonel, QMC  
President of the Board

APPROVED:

  
JAMES G. HATTOX  
Colonel, QMC  
Chief, Memorial Division

1 Incl:  
Ltr Hq USA QM Mortuary System Europe  
dtd 21 Nov 57, Subj: "Ltr of Transmittal"  
w/Incls

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Washington 25, D. C.

MEMORIAL DIVISION

19 September 1957

Division Order  
No. 29

SUBJECT: Memorial Division Board of Review

1. Establishment. Under provisions of AR 15-6, dated 25 July 1955, there is hereby established the Memorial Division Board of Review (hereinafter referred to as the Board) to assist the Chief, Memorial Division, in the resolution of special cases which involve the identifiability, non-identifiability, or unrecoverability of the remains of deceased persons.

2. Membership. The Board will consist of three (3) officers. The President of the Board will be designated by the Chief, Memorial Division. One member, as designated by the President, will act as recorder for the Board and will be responsible for the documentation of the findings of the Board.

3. Authority. In the resolution of all cases referred to in paragraph 1 above, the Board will serve as the reviewing channel between the operating branch and the Division Chief. The Board is authorized to review all such cases as are referred through it to the Division Chief. After documentation of its findings, the Board will recommend the approval of the Division Chief or his designated representative or return the case to the operating branch for re-consideration of its determinations.

4. Duties. The Board is charged with the following duties and responsibilities:

a. Establish a set of standards and procedures to determine the adequacy, authenticity, and completeness of records which serve as an operating basis for the board.

b. Review case history reports concerning the identifiability of recovered remains as submitted by the operating branch.

c. Review case history reports concerning the non-identifiability of individual recovered remains and the non-identifiability of individual remains from group recoveries.

ENCLOSURE (A)

DD620/A9  
Serial (0001)

U.S.S. GLENNON (DD620)

13 June 1944.

From: The Commanding Officer, USS GLENNON (DD620)  
To: COMNAVEU.

Information: NCWTF  
CITF 125  
CLS 17

A. LIST OF SHIP'S COMPLEMENT MISSING

	ALEXANDER, Harley E.,	626-78-30
	BACK, Metrolius	614-74-14
	BALDWIN, Theodore (n)	623 24 75
	BELMONT, Charles (n)	560 03 55
IDENT	BENSON, Gerald D.	638 37 58
IDENT	BURKE, George W.	600 14 74
	BRUNS, William A.	656 44 10
	CHUR, Marie James	632 71 83
	DENTRIDGE, James L.	640 03 63
	DIEMER, Charles Martin	607 16 92
	DIXON, Billy Morris	939 94 79
IDENT	EVANS, George Albert	602 31 16
	GATES, Freeman Edwin	316 77 01
	GRUBB, Glen Woodrow	300 74 25
	HARRIS, Harold Kenneth	665 50 36
	KAUFENBERG, Kenneth Sergius	869 38 57
	KENNEDY, William Raymond	710 21 17
X	LANE, John Charles	609 23 21
	LEWIS, Robert Caudle	648 80 55
	MCCORMY, Jerome Martin	249 50 75
	PERAIN, Robert Daniel	802 07 69
IDENT	RYDER, Raymond Keith	312 35 26
	TURNER, Frederick Wade	611 48 91
	VINEY, Vincent Russell	245 61 69
IDENT	WELLS, Donald Davidson	708 18 12

B. LIST OF WOUNDED TRANSMITTED TO BASE HOSPITAL, PORTLAND, ENG.

	FRANK, Milton C., Machinist, USN	
	BROCK, Robert Frank,	552 21 22
	DANDAU, Peter	822 22 95
	DE PARIS, Edward Joseph	811 91 69

B. (Continued)

DOHERTY, Patrick Edward	609	32	37
EDGERTON, Norman Huntley	654	31	72
GABRIEL, Phillip Rosario	224	92	35
O'CONNOR, John Joseph	124	64	43
McKELLOUGH, Edgar Francis	638	96	22
NICKLAJICZ, Wilfouse	823	99	80
O'CONNOR, Patrick Thomas	663	63	98
ROBERTSON, James Edward	607	09	55
ROSEMAN, David Lucy	650	80	38
SCHNEIDERMAN, Floris Theodore	623	77	97
SMITH, Stanley J.	623	20	64
THOMAS, Harry Eugene	623	78	17
WADSWORTH, Harold Lloyd	810	53	21
WYCHKA, John	623	21	45

C. LIST OF MEN AND WOMEN ASSIGNED TO VICARAGE BARRACKS, PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND.

DE VOSS, Vincent Audien	291	37	72
BUCKLEY, John Alex	652	44	27
BUCH, Milton (I)	628	53	92
CRACK, Francis Eugene	383	20	26
DI MARCHIO, John Joseph	712	63	97
DUBOIS, Estelon Charles	825	05	94
FRENCH, Bernard John	316	91	61
GENEHL, Raymond (I)	278	99	49
LEWING, William Louis	618	63	36
SPICER, Frank Arthur	614	68	66
SPURDIN, Thomas Eugene	709	19	45
VENABLE, William Roscoe	265	39	28
VARRINO, Michael Paul	283	27	98
COLLINS, Frank Willard	226	55	45
DIFELY, George Edward	803	84	80
WRIGHT, Edward Lee	657	13	02
WILKINSON, Alphonse	706	01	36
WISBETH, Joseph John	607	07	35
DRUDGE, Anthony Joseph	243	90	89

D. LIST OF WOMEN ASSIGNED TO USS JEFFERS (DD621)

SMITH, Stanley Francis	642	41	59
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E. LIST OF MEN AND WOMEN ASSIGNED TO VICARAGE BARRACKS, PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND

Commander Chester W. JOHNSON, USN	71511
1st Lt. Conar, Joseph W. FRUITER, USN	81079