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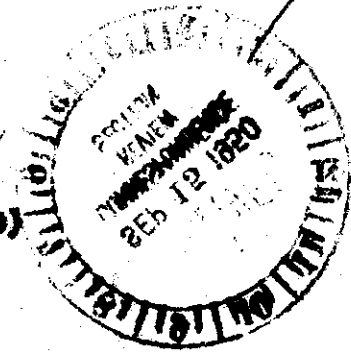
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FROM CQMT USMSG AGRC 1437 AND USMSG WCL 39504

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION NOT RPT NOT REC PD MOST APX DATE REPT WILL  
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AGRC 1437 IS NC IN NO 74273 (8 JUN 50)  
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cc: Admin Sec  
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HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
OPERATIONS DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GROP 293.9 (R719F)

20 September 1950

SUBJECT: Results of Investigation

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

1. Reference is made to radio, your office, WCL 43733, dated 18 September 1950.

2. Information requested therein was forwarded your office by letter, this headquarters, GRRE 293.9 (R644F), Subject: Results of Investigation, dated 28 August 1950, copy of which is attached.

3. Forwarded herewith for your information are additional copies of subject narratives.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*George Gunderman, Jr.*  
GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr.  
Major GIC  
Operations Division

- 3 Incls
- 1. Cy ltr dtd 28 Aug 50
- 2. Cy Narrative of Investigation, dtd 19 Jul 50
- 3. Cy Narrative of Investigation, dtd 24 Aug 50

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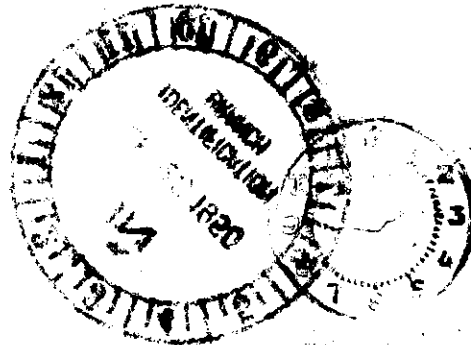
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GRRE 293.9 (R6441)

28 August 1950

SUBJECT: Results of Investigation

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

1. Reference is made to OQMG Forms 371 and 293 files, your office, pertaining to T/4 Arnold A. Pfaff, 37 323 733, Sgt Daniel P. Liptrap, 6 994 527 and Pfc Ralph M. Hammond, 34 889 389.
2. Forwarded herewith for your information is a copy of Narrative of Investigation, dated 19 July 1950.
3. Attention is invited to the recommendations of the investigator, set forth in paragraph II, Narrative of Investigation, dated 24 August 1950, a copy of which is also inclosed.
4. In view of the above, action is being initiated to process subject case in accordance with provisions of letter, Dept of the Army, AGAO-S/293.9 (27 Mar 47) DM, Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.
5. Board findings will be forwarded your office immediately upon completion.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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1. Cy Narrative of Investigation  
dtd 19 Jul 50
2. Cy Narrative of Investigation  
dtd 24 Aug 50

GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr  
Major OMC  
Registration Division

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HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 787 (Liege) US ARMY

19 July 1950

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. MATTERS INVESTIGATED:

In accordance with instructions furnished in Investigation Directive # 316, dated 8 June 1950, a thorough search and investigation was conducted at OTTRE, Bihain and Petit-Langlir, in an effort to locate the remains of:

T/4 Arnold A. PFAFF	57 325 738
Sgt Daniel P. LIPTRAP	6 994 827
Pfc Ralph M. HAMMOND	34 889 389

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES:

The above EM were members of Co "B", 774th Tank Battalion, when they were KIA on 10 January 1945, near OTTRE, Belgium. Sgt Liptrap was riding in one of Co "B" tanks while Sgt Pfaff and Pfc Hammond were crew members of another of Co. "B"'s tanks.

After Action Report for 774th Tank Battalion states that its 1st Platoon supported the 3rd Bn, 331st Inf. Regt at Ottre, 2nd Platoon supported 2nd Bn, 331st between Hebrénval and Ottre, Belgium. Two tanks were reported as lost.

III. FINDINGS:

Proceeded first to Ottre, where contact was made with Mr. BAUDOUIN, Alphonse, Mayers' assistant. He informed the investigator that the only American tanks disabled in the region of Ottre were located on the ridge between Ottre and Petit-Langlir. There were at least two (2) American tanks knocked out and two (2) or more men were consumed by the flames of the burning tank. As far as he knew, the carbonized remains had not been evacuated. The tanks referred to were cut up and removed for scrap by a private scrap dealer more than two years ago. Then visited the Gendarmerie at Bihain where a certificate was obtained to the effect that there were no isolated graves of American or unknown soldiers in the territory under their

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jurisdiction. The tanks in question had been cut up and removed by the "Societe CINDA", 156 rue d'Othee, ANS, (near Liege).

Ottre is actually part of the Commune of Bihain, hence the Mayor of Bihain was contact for an official statement. He declared as the above, that two or three American tanks were destroyed in the encounter which took place between Ottre and Petit Langlir at the place called "Croix Jean Mathieu". These vehicles were removed by the "Societe CINDA". There are no graves located near the former location of the tanks and as far as the Mayor knew, nowhere in the commune.

The village of Petit Langlir falls under the Administrative jurisdiction of Mont-le-Ban. The local policeman of Mont-le-Ban certified that there were no American or unknown graves in the territory of the commune. All the military vehicles disabled in the Area had been removed by a private company.

The last person (and Most pertinent) interrogated was Mr. Marechal Joseph on whose property the encounter occurred. Mr Marechals' house was used as protective cover by the tanks engaged in the battle under consideration. At the time eight American soldiers were in the cellar. He saw on the 10 January 1945 two American tanks crippled and burning alongside of his farm. Another tank was immobilized nearby and is believed to have been knocked out by a mine. A tank-destroyer was located alongside of the house. (11 January 1945). A few months after the end of the war he saw some scattered bones lying alongside of the tanks. Mr Marechal was wounded and evacuated from the 18 January to the 18 February and does not know what happened during this period.

Accompanied by Mr Marechal a physical search was made of the former tanks emplacement. No remains were to be found and it is deemed probable that the charred remains have been removed by an American team.

#### IV. CONCLUSION:

Judging by the time and place the three tanks seen by Mr. Marechal are those described in the After Action Report.

Narrative of Investigation

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These tanks have been cut up for scrap and removed by the "Societe Cinda". As there are no graves in the area, all search operation has been terminated with negative results.

V. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Societe CINDA be contacted in an effort to learn what disposition of any was made of the carbonized bones found in the tanks . If this lead proves negative, the case should be worked as non-recoverable.

/s/ HOWARD E. EPHRAIM  
DA Civilian Investigator

ttre, 19 July 1950

S T A T E M E N T

I the undersigned MARECHAL Joseph, farmer, declare have seen two American tanks, burning near my farm on the 10 January 1945. Another tank was also disabled in the vicinity, a tank-destroyer was set near my house on the 11 January 1945.

I saw human remains lying near the burned tanks several months after the war. In my opinion, these remains were not recovered.

I was evacuated from the 12 January to the 18 February 1945 and I do not know what occurred during this period.

/s/ MARECHAL

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator  
IBS



Ottre, 19 July 1950

STATEMENT

I the undersigned BEAUDOIN Alphonse, former Mayor's assistant declare that I know that during the German attack, two American tanks were disabled near Ottre, several American soldiers were killed and were lying near the tanks.

I also know that one or two soldiers were charred in the tanks.

To my knowledge, the charred remains that were left in the tanks were not evacuated, but the American graves Registration may have evacuated them without informing the Communal Authorities.

These tanks were cut and removed by a civilian scrap dealer over two years ago.

There are not any isolated graves in the territory of the Commune.

/s/ BEAUDOIN

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator

ttre, 19 July 1950

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I was evacuated from the 12 January to the 18 February 1945 and I do not know what occurred during this period.

/s/ MARECHAL

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator  
IBS

Belgium 12058

Bihain, 16 July 1950

STATEMENT

I the undersigned LECOMTE Georges, Chief, Policeman, Commanding the section of Bihain, declare that to my knowledge, there does not exist any more graves of American soldiers in the territory of the police station.

The disabled tanks abandoned by the Americans between OTIRE and LANGLIRE were cut up and removed by the Societe CINDA, Rue d'Othee, no. 156 at ANB.

/s/ LECOMTE

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator  
IBS

STATEMENT

I the undersigned Mayor of Bihain declare that to my knowledge two of three American tanks were destroyed during the Combat which took place between OTTRE and Langlire (Petite) at the place called "Croix Jean Mathieu" in the territory of Bihain. These tanks were cut up and removed by "CINDA".

Bihain 19 July 1950  
The Mayor  
/s/ Ellegible

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator

Ottre, 19 July 1950

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These tanks were cut and removed by a civilian scrap dealer over two years ago.

There are not any isolated graves in the territory of the Commune.

/s/ BRANDOIN

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator

Mont-le-Ban and Petite-Englure

18 July 1950

STATEMENT

I the undersigned LEONARD Alfred, rural policeman declare that to my knowledge, there are not any graves of unknown soldiers in the territory of the Commune.

All destroyed tanks left in the territory of the Commune were removed by a civilian scrap dealer

The rural policeman

/s/ LEONARD

Certified a true translation

/s/ Jean Laurain  
Investigator

HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

AGRC Case Belgium  
12058  
24 August 1950

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

With reference to the recommendations, set forth in paragraph V, Narrative of Investigation, dated 19 July 1950, the Societe "CINDA" was contacted for additional information pertaining to the dismantling of destroyed tanks in Ottre, Bihain, Petite Langlir and Hebronval.

The Commercial Director in charge of this work, which was carried out in 1946 and 1947, stated "that the Ardennes section of Belgium was divided into twelve sectors and the work of dismantling the destroyed vehicles was contracted to different welders and demolishers".

He further stated that "all the contractors were specifically instructed to dismantle with meticulous care all American tanks in their areas; and that when identification tags and/or remains were found, the tank in question was to be left alone and the American Graves Registration Command in Liege was to be notified". At that particular time, mobile AGRC recovery teams were operating in this area and the tanks were cleared by them.

The contractor assigned to the area mentioned above was contacted by telephone and stated that "on several occasions he notified the AGRC to remove ID tags and partial remains found in the tanks". He has no knowledge at this time of the names of subject decedents not having paid attention to these details".

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The recommendations of the investigator, set forth in Narrative of Investigation, dated 19 July 1950, be considered and subject case be processed in accordance with provisions of letter, Dept of the Army, file AGAO-S, 293.9 (27 Mar 47) DM, Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identifi-

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

24 August 1950

ation of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

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Statement fr  
Societe Cinda  
dtd 24 Aug 50

FRANUIS J. DUFFY  
Dept of the Army Civilian  
Investigator



**C I N D A**  
**COMPTOIR INDUSTRIEL & AGRICOLE**  
**(Societe Anonyme)**  
**ARE-LINE, 191, Rue d'Orbec**

**ATTESTATION**

We, undersigned, being in charge of the dismantling of armored wrecks, still occupying the area east of the Meuse River, in contract thereof O.N.A. # 275 of September 25/1945 confirm the following:

We have provided our undertakers with accurate instructions, in view to carry out the dismantling of the U.S. Army wreck (due to war) most carefully; and as such, further instructions have been given to them in view to pick up any possible object pertaining to any U.S. Army number.

Therefore, at repeated times, we have had the occasion to hand over to the American "authority" Place de la Republique Française, dog-tags bearing precise informations as to the areas where they have been found, and from which proceedings were being made.

We, further, certify having nothing more to report regarding this matter, having fully accomplished this task to the best of our conscience.

**CERTIFIED A TRUE TRANSLATION:**

**R. HUNNET**  
Interpreter

/s/ Illegible  
Director Commercial

USMC HENRI CHAPPELLE  
PLOT: H ROW: 11 GR: 72  
DATE OF BURIAL: 7 AUG 50  
VERIFIED BY BRS OFFICER  
R. W. GANSEL 1st LT QMC

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

*43unk Fay X168*

SECTION A *Removal*  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED: **UNKNOWN X-000168**  
DIRECTIVE NUMBER: **1225 00038**  
DATE: **15 07 48**  
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME: **UNKNOWN X-000168** SERIAL NUMBER: **UNKNOWN X-000168** RANK: **0** ARM: **0** DATE OF DEATH: **12 01 80**  
CEMETERY: **FOY BASTOGNE** DISPOSITION OF REMAINS: **0** DAY MONTH YEAR  
PLOT: **J** ROW: **7** GRAVE: **157** COUNTRY: **BELGIUM** CAUSE OF DEATH: **6**  
CODE: **6** DIST. PT.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE: **HENRI-CHAPELLE, BELGIUM**  
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN: **These remains are unidentifiable and are to be permanently interred (Reg.Div. 19 June 50) (BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)**

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME: **UNKNOWN** SERIAL NUMBER: **X-000168** RANK: **UNK** DATE OF DEATH: **22 SEPTEMBER 1948** DATE DISINTERRED:  
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON:  REMAINS  MARKER ORGANIZATION: **UNKNOWN** RELIGION: **UNK** IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY: **JOEL CRAMER, CAPT. I.C.** NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL: **CIN COVER** CONDITION OF REMAINS: **CONDITION OF SKULL, VERTEBRAL COLUMN, I/HU BRUS, R/LIBS, I/HU BRUS, I/HU BRUS, I/HU BRUS**  
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION: **REPORT OF BUREAU NUMBER 100-130**

MINOR DISCREPANCIES: **None.**

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN **CASKET** Transfer box.  
DATE: **23 SEPTEMBER 1948** BY: **RICHARD S. HOLLYER, 1ST LT.**

CASKET SEALED BY: **[Signature]** EMBALMER (Signature): **[Signature]**  
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED: SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY **[Signature]**, BRS & MARKING VERIFIED BY: **[Signature]**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.  
**[Signature]**  
SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR: **[Signature]**

Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.  
RECORDS ANNOTATED  
DATE: **5 Aug 48**  
NAME: **[Signature]**

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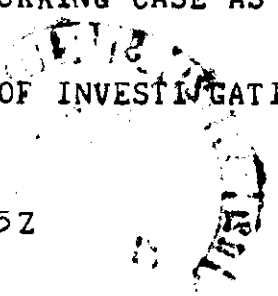
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RALPH M PD HAMMOND BEFORE WORKING CASE AS NONRECOVERABLE PD YOUR OFFICE

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PD END SIGNED BALLARD

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X-393 Liptrap, Daniel P.  
X-293 Hammond, Ralph M.

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**AIRMAIL**

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Unknown X-168 (USMC Foy, Belgium)

**SUBJECT:** Certificate of Unidentifiability of Remains  
Transmittal Letter #4927

Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 7 June 1950

**TO:** Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment,  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

This Office approves the classification of Unknown X-168, USMC  
Foy, Belgium, as Unidentifiable.

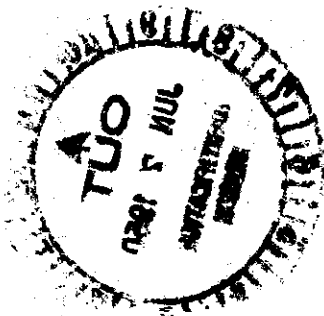
**FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:**

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**THOMAS E. GCK**  
Capt OQMG  
Memorial Division

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HEADQUARTERS  
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23 May 1950

SUBJECT: Certificate of Unidentifiability of Remains  
Transmittal Letter #4927

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

In compliance with letter, your office, QMGT 293, GRS European  
Subject: Final Resolution of Unknown Deceased, dated 29 July 1948, for-  
warded herewith is one (1) certificate pertaining to the following uniden-  
tifiable remains:

<u>Unknown No.</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Plot</u>	<u>Row</u>	<u>Grave</u>
X-168	Foy	J	7	157

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl  
Certificate of  
Unidentifiability

/s/t/ C.W. STEINSIEK  
Capt QMC  
Registration Division

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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1 NO.	2 FROM--	3 TO--	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1.	Mem. Div. Id. Br. Id. Sec.	R & R Br. Rec. Sec. Mem. Div. ATTN: Miss Carrick	31 Mar. 1950	<p>1. Attached Report of Burial forwarded for any action deemed necessary and return to Identification Section.</p> <p>Incl. 1 X-168 - Foy, Belgium</p> <p>BERRENS 76128</p> <p><i>Jackson</i> JACKSON 76128</p>
2.	Rec Sec RR Branch Mem Div	ID Sec ID Branch ATTN: Mr. Berrens	3 April 50	<p>Necessary action has been taken in this office.</p> <p>Incl: n/c</p> <p>O ODENWALDER 73836</p> <p>C Carrick bhl 71672</p> <p><i>To</i></p> <p><i>M/B. Carrick</i></p>

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1	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	Major Sekowski @ Liaison Officer	25 Jan 1950	<p>Request this Office be furnished the current address of Osborne, Monroe D., 35266056, a member of Co. "B", 774th Tank Battalion.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <i>M. M.</i>            M. M.            72953            P. MARTIN            72953         </p>
2	QM Pentagon Liaison Section Adm Br Mem Div	Chief, Id Br Mem Div ATTN: M. Martin	26 Jan 1950	<p>Information requested above is furnished herewith:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Home address: Rt. #1 Elkview, West Virginia</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <i>Sekowski</i>            SEKOWSKI (max)            6679  <i>Dyer</i>            DYER            73090         </p>



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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Ident Br Ident Sec Mem Div	Ident Br Ident Sec Maj Colonel	4 Nov 1949	<p>It is requested that this office be furnished the current address of Captain Cecil Evans, who was attached to the 774th Tank Battalion as Graves Registration Officer, 18 January 1945.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">704 per Dier 72993</p>
2	Pentagon Liaison Adm Br Mem Div	Ident Br Ident Sec Mem Div	7 Nov 1949	<p>Evans, Cecil V. O-390165 Date of Sep. 29 March 1946 Home address: R.R.# 1, Paris, Mo.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Dier Serowski 6679</p>

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1	Mem Div Ident Br Ident Sec	LIAISON Pentagon Attn: Major Sekowski	13 Oct 1949	<p align="center"><u>FRAGMENTARY</u></p> <p>1. It is requested that this Office be furnished status of T/4 Hooker, crew member with Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527, Company B, 774th Tank Battalion, (Liptrap, IA 10 January 1945).</p> <p>2. In the event that T/4 Hooker was MIA, his current address is requested.</p> <p align="right"> <i>M. Martin</i>            EMERY                      MARTIN            72993                        72993         </p>
2	QM-Pent Liaison Adm. Br. Mem Div	Mem Div Ident Br Ident Sec	2 Nov 1949	<p>In reference to the above request, the following information concerning T/4 Hooker is submitted:</p> <p>HOOKER, Lee R.                      T/5                      38 079 553</p> <p>Rld from A/D - 18 October 1945</p> <p>Home address:- Box 52 c/o Mrs. A. Sledge Elderado, Oklahoma, Jackson County.</p> <p align="center"> <i>Sekowski</i>            SEKOWSKI (ms)            6679         </p> <p align="right"> <i>Dyer</i>            DYER (ms)            73090         </p>

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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Mem Div Ident Br Ident Sec	QM LIAISON Pentagon Attn: Major Sekowski	21 Sep 1949	<p>It is requested that this Office be furnished the address of the following, who were members of Co. "B", 774th Tank Battalion.</p> <p>Sgt. Gerkie T/5 Marvin W. Herman, 6994597 Sgt. Richard M. Fuller</p> <p><i>Berry</i> BERRY 2462      MARTIN 73650</p>
2	QM Penta- gon Liaison Adm Br Mem Div	Mem Div Id Br Id Sec	30 Sept 1949	<p>EWX 's attached. <del>Request date above men were with Co. B., 774th Tank</del> <del>Br.</del></p> <p><i>B. J. S.</i> Sekowski 6679      <i>E. M. D.</i> Dyer 73090</p>

FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN 10675 PENT URMSG 15 28 SEP ROSTERS OF CO B 774

TANK BR FOR JAN 45 LIST FOL EM STANLEY ERNEST GEHRKE 37046278

FUTURE ADDRESS READLYN IOWA ON RICHARD MARVIN FULLER 36199905 FUT ADD  
OKEMOS MICH

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FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN 1C675 PERT URMSG 1528 SEP ON MARVIN W HERMAN ~~69949~~ 6994597

LATEST ADDRESS RT 3 ELIZABETHTON TENN

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6994597 LATEST REPEAT 6994597

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	Mem.Div. Ident.Br. Ident. Sec Attn.: Myrtle Martin.	Pentagon QM Liaison Office.	27 July 1949	<p>Narrative of Action against the Enemy lists only the name of Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527, KIA 10 January 1945.</p> <p>It is requested that crew members of subject deceased be furnished this Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SELY 72993</p>
2	QM Pentagon Liaison Office	Mem.Div. Ident.Br. Ident.Sec.  Attn.: Myrtle Martin.	27 July 1949	<p>The Organization of which Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527 was attached, did not have a Casualty List for the period shown above.</p> <p>All available information pertaining to the death of the above EM, was sent to Mrs. Battle, 15 November 1948.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <span style="margin-right: 100px;"><i>S.E.K.</i> SEKOWSKI 6679</span> <span><i>E.M.D.</i> DYER 73090</span> </p>

HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.3

12 April 1950


SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

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

1. In compliance with paragraph 3 of your letter dated 10 March 1950 (copy attached) and in the absence of additional identifying data the remains hitherto recorded as Only Recoverable Remains of PFAFF, Arnold A., T/4, 37323733, LIPTRAP, Daniel P., Sgt, 6994527 and HAMMOND, Ralph M., Pfc, 34889389, have been re-designated Unknown X-168 (Foy). Forwarded herewith is a corrected Report of Burial reflecting this designation.

2. Action has been initiated by this Headquarters to declare these remains unidentifiable and the Certificate of Unidentifiability will be forwarded to your office under separate cover.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

  
EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.  
Capt, QMG  
Registration Division

- 2 Incls:  
1. w/d  
2. Cy ltr OQMG  
dtd 10 Mar 50  
3. Cor R/B (Unk X-168)

20/25  
ID Sec

**AIRMAIL**

*293 Unk Belgium X-168 (Foy)*

*Em*  
**UNIT 293**  
**GAS European**

**10 March 1950**

**SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased**

**TO : Commanding Officer**  
**7687 Graves Registration Detachment**  
**AFG 751, c/o Postmaster**  
**New York, New York**

**1. Returned herewith is Corrected report of Nazial for Unknown X-168 USNS Foy, Belgium, identified by your headquarters as the Only Recoverable Remains of:**

<i>Em</i>	<i>293</i>	<b>PFAPP, Arnold A.</b>	<b>T/A</b>	<b>3732373</b>
<i>X</i>		<b>LIPTRAP, Daniel P.</b>	<b>Sgt</b>	<b>6994587</b>
<i>X</i>		<b>HARRIGED, Ralph H.</b>	<b>Pfc</b>	<b>34589309</b>

**2. This identification is not acceptable to this Office for reasons outlined below:**

**a. It is not definitely determined from which tank remains of Unknown X-168 were removed.**

**b. Investigation disclosed that Sgt. Liptrap was not a crew member of the tank in which T/A Harriged and Pfc. Hammond were killed.**

**c. Statements from surviving crew members as to their observation of subject tanks the following night are contradictory. However, they are in agreement as to the distance of the two tanks which was from 25 to 75 yards apart.**

**3. In view of the facts presented above, it is requested that this case be reinvestigated. If additional information is not available, it is recommended that the remains be redesignated as an Unknown and Certificate of Unidentifiability forwarded this Office as soon as practicable.**

**FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:**

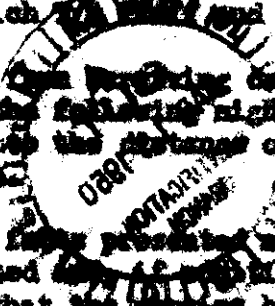
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**Copy B/A for X-168 (Foy)**

**E. M. METZ**  
**Lt. Colonel, GMC**  
**Memorial Division**

**cc: Admin Sec**  
**M. Martin/naj**  
**Foy off**  
**HEP**

**AIRMAIL**

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**MAIL & RECORDS**



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*Att Logr. file  
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[initials]*

*293 Air R. Belgium X-168 (Foy)*

QMGM 293, 3 Dec 48

Subject: Recovery and Interment of Remains

RRE 314.6

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Hq, AGRC-EA, APO 58, US Army, 3 May 49

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

1. In compliance with paragraph 3 of basic communication, forwarded herewith is corrected Report of Burial for the only recoverable remains of:

T/4 Arnold A. PFAFF, 37323733  
Sgt Daniel P. LIPTRAP, 6994527  
Pfc Ralph M. HAMMOND, 34889389

together with relevant Board findings.

2. It is requested that the above identification be approved and this headquarters informed accordingly. In the meantime, the remains concerned will be held in suspense status, pending receipt of concurrence from your office.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

*[Signature]*  
EDWARD F. PRICE JR.  
Capt, JMC  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

1 Incl  
Corrected R/B w/Board  
findings atchd

*1949 AGRC-EA X-168*

*[Handwritten notes and signatures]*

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMU 293  
X-168, Foy, Belgium

3 December 1948

SUBJECT: Recovery and Interment of Remains

TO : Commanding General  
American Graves Registration Command  
European Area  
APO 58, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Burial Report dated 2 September 1948, identifying X-168 Foy, Belgium (J-7-157) as the only recoverable remains of PFAFF, Arnold A., T/4, 37323733 and HAMMOND, Ralph M., Pfc., 34889389.


2. Identification as established by your headquarters is not accepted by this office for the following reasons:

- (a) Insufficient identifying data found with the remains.
- (b) Original Burial Report for X-168 indicated it was not possible to determine from which of the two (2) tanks the remains were recovered.
- (c) Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527 of Co. B., 774th Tank Bn. who was reported KIA on the same date as Pfaff and Hammond is still an unresolved casualty. There is nothing to disassociate this decedent with Unknown X-168.

3. In view of the above, it is requested that all evidence be presented to a Board of Officers with a view toward establishing identity as the only recoverable remains of Pfaff, Hammond and Liptrap. In the event this is not considered feasible, it is requested that UNK X-168 be processed as unidentifiable in accordance with letter 22 September 1948, QMGMU 293, GRS European, Subject: Resolution of Cases of Unidentified Deceased.

4. It is further requested that this office be advised when resolution has been effected.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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

CGMCNT 293  
GRS European

17 November 1949

*Ident - Liptrap, Daniel P -*

Mr. Cecil V. Evans  
Route #1  
Paris, Missouri

Dear Mr. Evans:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an effort to recover and identify the remains of Sergeant Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527, Technician Fourth Grade Arnold A. Pfaff, 37323733, and Private First Class Ralph W. Hammond, 34899389, members of Company "B", 774th Tank Battalion, who were killed in action, 10 January 1945, when tanks in which they were riding, were destroyed in the vicinity of Ottre, Belgium.

Inasmuch as records of this Office indicate that you were the Graves Registration Officer for the above-mentioned battalion, and evacuated the body of Sergeant Liptrap from the turret of the burned tank, it is believed that you may be able to furnish information which will assist in the recovery and identification of these remains. It is particularly desired that you furnish the following information:

1. Were the remains of Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527, removed from the same disabled tank with the remains of T/4 Arnold A. Pfaff, 37323733, and Pfc. Ralph W. Hammond, 34899389? If not, what was the proximity of the tanks?
2. Do you recall removing the remains of Sergeant Liptrap from a tank?
3. Was it possible that the condition of the remains of these three deceased precluded segregation and they were buried in a single grave?
4. If the remains were interred in separate graves, what are the grave locations?
5. Any other information which you believe will aid in this investigation?

A reply at your earliest convenience, in the inclosed self-addressed envelope, requires no postage, is earnestly solicited.

Sincerely yours,

T. E. WATZ  
Lt. Colonel, GSC  
Memorial Division

1 Incl  
Return envelope

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REB

*X 295.1 Unit Belgium X-108 (FOI)*

REB  
TFC

~~SECRET~~  
~~75-100-10000 (Misc)~~  
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*293urb Belgum X-168*

SUBJECT: Identification of Escaped

Commanding General  
American Forces Registration Command  
European Area  
APO SF, 46 Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to letter this OFFICE copy included, to which a reply has been received.
2. It is requested that this OFFICE be kept in the proceeding communication unless it is the preceding.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

2. H. HAYZ  
Lieut. Colonel,  
Quartermaster Division

1 Ltr  
Cpy ltr dtd  
J Dec 1965

cc: Adm Sect  
N. Martin/ejh 7, 71

QUEST 202  
X-158 (Foy) Belgium

5 December 1948

SUBJECT: Recovery and Interment of Remains

TO : Commanding General  
American Graves Registration Command  
European Area  
APO 58, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Burial Report dated 8 September 1948, identifying X-158 Foy, Belgian (S-7-107) as the only recoverable remains of PFAFF, Arnold A., W/O, 87500735 and HAMMOND, Ralph M., P/O, 34200000.

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2. Identification as established by your headquarters is not accepted by this office for the following reasons:

(a) Insufficient identifying data found with the remains.

(b) Original Burial Report for X-158 indicated it was not possible to determine from which of the two (2) tanks the remains were recovered.

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3. Burial P. Iiptrop, 6700007 of Co. B., 774th Tank Bn was reported MIA on the same date as Pfaff and Hammond is still an unresolved casualty. There is no evidence to dissociate this accident with Unknown X-158.

In view of the above, it is requested that all evidence be forwarded to Board of Postmors with a view toward establishing identity of the only identified remains of Pfaff, Hammond and Iiptrop. In the event this is not possible it is requested that USARV X-158 be processed as unidentified remains in accordance with GRCR 22 September 1948, para 202, and European War Graves Commission at Geneva.

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It is further requested that you advise this office when the remains are interred.

Very truly yours,  
Commanding General

S. H. [Name],  
Lt. Colonel, AGC  
Memorial Division

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# DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A —  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

1 225 00038

DATE

15 07 48  
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME

UNKNOWN - 000128

SERIAL NUMBER

168

RANK

ARM

0

DATE OF DEATH

DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY

(FOY) BASTOGNE

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

0 1201 80  
CODE DIST. PT.

PLOT

ROW

GRAVE

COUNTRY

157 BELGIUM

CAUSE OF DEATH

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## SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE

HENRI-CHAPELLE, BELGIUM

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

(BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)

## SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

REMAINS

MARKER

ORGANIZATION

UNKNOWN

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

NAME AND TITLE

## SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES /

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE

BY

CASKET SEALED BY

EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

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

1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Date: 22 May 1950

GRRE 293


CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X - 168 \_\_\_\_\_, Plot J, Row 7, Grave 157, USMC, FOY, Belgium, have been reviewed in accordance with par 159, SR 830-110-5, DA, dated 3 March 1949, and it is the opinion of the Board of Review, appointed by par 3, SO No. 31, this headquarters, dated 28 March 1950, that sufficient evidence is not available to establish the identity of the deceased concerned, and it is recommended these remains be classified as unidentifiable.

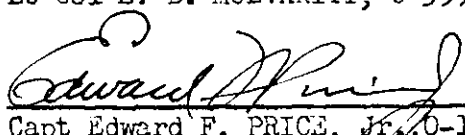
2. Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General, by Transmittal Letter No. 3105, dated 27 September 1948.

3. Remarks:

See copy of Case History attached.

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

  
Maj James C. MacFARLAND, O-1576321, MC

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

  
1st Lt Gaylord E. LUTZ, O-1595665, MC

CWO Leodore GOUDREAU, A-2113434

Received \_\_\_\_\_ OQMG  
Not identifiable from  
\_\_\_\_\_ presently  
available

*7 months in file*  
*3 Dec*

CASE HISTORY

UNKNOWN NO. X-168

USMC

Fgt. Belgium

(Location)

The remains of X-168 Foy were previously identified by this headquarters as the Only Recoverable Remains of: T/4 Arnold A. Pfaff, 37323733; Sgt. Daniel P. Liptrap, 6994527 and Pfc. Ralph M. Hammond, 34889389.

The subject remains were recovered from either tank #30100027 or #30100215. Two (2) ID tags for Martin W. Herman were found near remains in either tank and put on body. Investigation revealed that Martin W. Herman was not a casualty but was a crew member of tank in which T/4 Pfaff and Pfc. Hammond were crew members. Sgt. Liptrap was a crew member of another tank.

This identification was not acceptable to OQMG because it is not definitely determined from which tank the subject remains were removed. Investigation discloses that Sgt. Liptrap was not a crew member of the tank in which T/4 Pfaff and Pfc. Hammond were casualties.

In view of the above and due to lack of identifying data and additional information, it is recommended that X-168 Foy be declared Unidentifiable.

*John E. Smith*  
JOHN E. SMITH



# IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

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

Unknown X-100  
Cemetery Boy, Belgium  
Plot J Row 7 Grave 157

1. ~~Date Recovered~~ Date Recovered: 2 Oct. 1947  
(Hour) (Date)

2. Place of death \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sheet, scale and serials used)

3. Remains recovered or disinterred by Subordinate Identification Point, Louville  
(Name and organization) en Condroz, Belgium

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	<u>None</u>		
	(Type)		
Raincoat	<u>none</u>		
Overcoat	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, Field	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, Combat	<u>none</u>		
Mackinaw	<u>none</u>		
Sweater	<u>none</u>		
Jacket, HBT	<u>none</u>		
* Shirt, Wool OD	<u>none</u>		
Undershirt, Wool	<u>none</u>		
Undershirt, Cotton	<u>none</u>		
Trousers, HBT	<u>none</u>		
* Trousers, Wool OD	<u>none</u>		

Belt, web ..... none

Drawers, wool ..... none

Drawers, cotton ..... none

Leggings, wool ..... none

Socks, cotton ..... none

\* Shoes ..... (type) none

Overshoes ..... none

Web Equipment ..... (type) none

(Other item) ..... none

(Other item) ..... none

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

Chevrons or Insignia ..... none  
(Type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch ..... none

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

6. Description of Remains: R. Radius : 20,5 R. Ina : 2,2

Age Ytd Height 1st 5' 3/8" Weight Ytd Description of wounds Ytd

Bandages or dressings one found Scars Ytd  
(Length, width, location)

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

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face Ytd

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

Build Ytd  
(Large, fat, thin, muscular)

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

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

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

Goatee td  
(Light, color, extent)

Eyes td Eyebrows td  
(Color, setting, shape) (Color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose td Ears td  
(Size, shape, straight) (Size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth td Lips td  
(Large, medium, small) (Small, large, full)

Teeth one found  
(White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

Chin td  
(Prominent, receding, pointed, dimples, double)

Jaw td Circumference of head in inches missing  
(Large, small, normal) (at band)

Neck td Larynx td  
(Size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders td Arms td  
(Broad, straight, small, rounded) (Length, muscular, color, extent and quantity of hair)

Hands one found

Fingers one found  
(Short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

(Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest td  
(Size of nipples, color, quantity and extent of hair, large, small, normal)

Waist td  
(Size of navel, appendectomy, amount, quantity, and color of hair)

Back td Circumcision td Pubic Hair one found  
(Quantity and extent of hair) (Yes-no) (Color)

Hernioplasty td  
(Yes-no; location)

Legs td  
(Unsprung, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color and extent of hair)

Feet missing Toes missing  
(Size, corns, callouses, flat) (Slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures one found  
(Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

NOTE: Use attached charts "A" and "B" to indicate parts not received.

See attached chart.

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

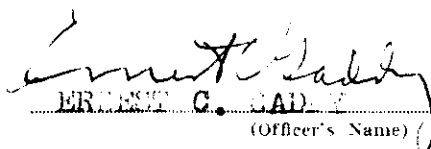
If not, explain No fingers found

8. Has tooth chart been prepared? NO If not, explain none found (Yes-no)

9. Remarks Estimated weight of processed remains 1 1/2 lbs. Luoroscopic examination not necessary. no clothing found with or on remains. One I.D. tag found in the debris as imprinted below. I.D. tag sent in with case papers. It is possible that this is an extra tag never

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

  
ERNEST C. CADLEY  
(Officer's Name)

CWO U.S.A.  
Rank Service

Central Identification Point  
(Organization)

(con't)

found at original processing due to the misspelling of the last name which was not noted on either or the Report of urials.

I.D. tag imprint:

ARVIN W. EA. AI  
994897 T41-42 A

P

All long bones except the right radius and ulna were missing or too badly fractured for measurements.

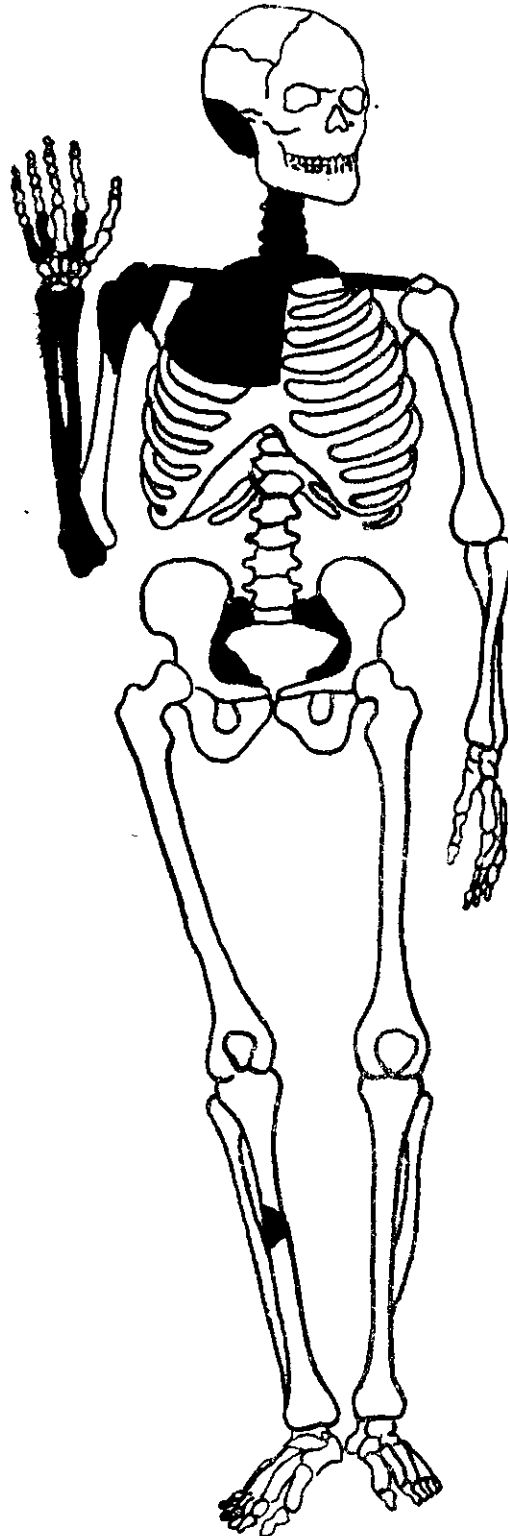
Unknown X-168

by, Belgium

Plot: J Row: 7 Grave: 157

# SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY ~~AND~~ RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)



Radius: 26,8

Ulna: 28,2

CHART "A"

Estimated height : 6'3/8"

U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY  
 FFI, Arnold A.  
 UNKNOWN NO. MARKED, R-168 U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY, Foy, Belgium  
 Formerly R-168 (Location)

TRAPP, Arnold A.	P/4	373 5733
LEIFER, Daniel F.	Pvt	6884337
MARKED, R-168	Pfc	31803388

The above were all members of the 774th tank battalion. P/4 TRAPP and Pfc MARKED were crew members of the same tank and Sgt LEIFER was a crew member of another tank. The two tanks were hit ~~XXXX~~ at the same time by enemy anti-tank shells near Oetre, Belgium. These tanks were knocked out side by side and R-168 was removed from one of these tanks.

Estimated place and date of death of R-168 is in agreement with the M.I. casualty listing for P/4 TRAPP, Sgt LEIFER and Pfc MARKED. ID tags for P/4 TRAPP found with R-168 is in agreement with one crew member of tank of P/4 TRAPP and Pfc MARKED who was returned to duty.

The above listed members of the 774th Tank Battalion were all killed at the same time in two tanks. However the undersigned having investigated this case thoroughly and finding no other unknown that could possibly be associated; presents this case as the only recoverable remains; ~~XX~~ and the last casualties from the 774th Tank Battalion killed in this area and on the case data to be accounted for.

*M. J. Lawrence*  
 M. J. LAWRENCE

CHECKLIST FOR DISINTERMENT OF UNKNOWN

All questions should be answered. If a positive answer cannot be given, estimates should be made and indicated as such. If a reasonable estimate cannot be made, a negative answer should be stated.

UNKNOWN X- 168  
 CEMETERY U.S. Mil. Cem. #1, Foy, Belg.  
 PLOT J ROW 7 GRAVE 157

PART I  
Physical Description

1. Estimated height Impossible to estimate
2. Estimated weight Remains of body: 14 pounds
3. Color of eyes No eyes
4. Color of hair None
5. Race White
6. Quantity and characteristics of hair on head (length, baldness, curly, etc.)  
None
7. Amount and color of hair on body (arms, chest, pelvic region, legs) None
8. Description of mustache and beard None
9. Length of sideburns None
10. Was the deceased circumcised? Undeterminable
11. Are any tattoos or scars on the body? (Give description) No
12. Is there anything unusual about the fingernail structure? No fingernails
13. Is there anything unusual in the construction of the toes or feet?  
No feet or toes
14. Was tooth chart taken? No Were fingerprints taken? No
15. Proximate cause of death? Unknown
16. Was the body burned? To what extent? Impossible to determine
17. Are any parts of the body missing or severed? Yes
18. Is there any evidence of first-aid or other medical treatment? No
19. If the remains are badly rangled, a careful search should be made for identification tags or personal effects.
20. If no clothing is found, measurements should be made of the head, neck, chest, waist, foot, leg (inseam), and arm length in order that clothing sizes may be determined.  
Right arm length at present: 18 inches. Remains of left shoulder: 3 inches.  
3 ribs attached to back- length, 3 inches each. Remaining length of back: 10 inches  
Spinal cord attached to back: 11 inches.

HEADQUARTERS  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE COMMAND  
UNITED STATES FORCES  
EUROPEAN THEATER  
APO 887

PJW/RDP/mjs

ORSG (Poy, J-7-157)

(S: 23 August 1945)  
23 July 1945

SUBJECT: Request for Disinterment.

TO : The Graves Registration Officer, Chancery Base Section, APO 562,  
U. S. Army.

1. Reference is made to Report of Burial, received at this headquarters, for Marvin W. NEWMAN, rank unknown, ASN 6994597, buried 2 May 1945 at Poy American Military Cemetery, Plot J, Row 7, Grave 157. Identification was established by identification tags.

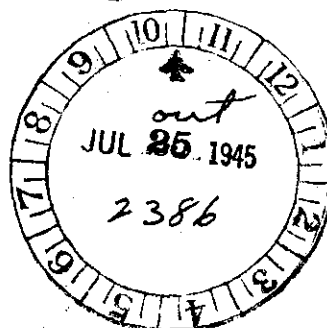
2. Information has been received from AG Casualty Division, Hqs USFHE, that Marvin W. NEWMAN, 6994597, 77th Tank Bn, was evacuated to the United States 3 May 1945.

3. It is requested that the remains be disinterred and very carefully examined for all clues that will aid in identification. All clothing should be described in detail as to type, (officer, enlisted, etc.), indication of rank or unit. All pockets should be carefully searched and any contents carefully noted. The enclosed check lists will be completed in every detail and returned to this headquarters in quadruplicate. A like number of tooth charts will be forwarded, if obtainable.

4. If definite identity cannot be established, the remains will be assigned an Unknown "X" number and corrected copies of the Reports of Burial forwarded in quadruplicate. All copies will contain all information that will aid in future identification of the deceased.

5. Request reply by indorsement to reach this headquarters not later than 23 August 1945.

For the Commanding General:



2 Incls.  
Check List (in quin)  
Tooth Chart (in quin)

DISTRIBUTION:

Orig & dup - Addressee

1 Copy - GR File

1 Copy - S File

F. C. MOORE,  
Captain, QMG,  
Adjutant.

*[Handwritten initials]*  
RDP  
PJW  
ECM



CORRECTED COPY

Graves Registration  
Form No. 1  
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

# REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

7 April 1950  
Date

Unknown X-168  
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Unknown Unknown  
Organization Advance stages of

Sheet 93 Scale 1:50,000  
Coords. 647843 Near Ottre, Belgium Est. Jan 1945 Decomposition KIA  
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

1030 2 May 1945 U.S. MILITARY CEM. #1 Foy, Belgium F574629  
Time and Date of Burial Name of Cemetery Name or Coordinates of Location

157 7 J Cross  
Grave Number Row Number Plot Number Type of Marker

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

If No Identification Tags Previously identified as only recoverable remains  
How were remains identified? of FFAFF, Arnold A., T/4, 37323733, 11PFAAF,  
Daniel P., Sgt, 6994527, HALLONB, Ralph M., Pfc, 34889389.  
Redesignated as Unknown X-168 on 7 April 1950 per authority OQLG.

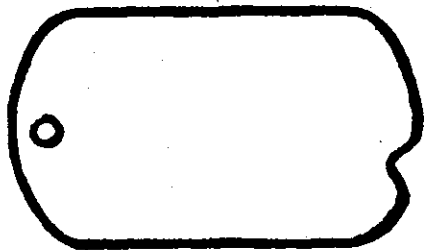
What means of identification were buried with the body ?

GR Form #1

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

Who is buried on :	MC GUIRE	32102708	Pfc	331 Inf Regt	156
Deceased's Right :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left :	ORNECH	39204526	Sgt	83 Inf Div	158
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

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



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

Emergency Addressee: Unknown  
Name

Unknown  
Address

Religion: Unknown

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

This corrected copy of Report of Burial, prepared in the Office of the American Graves Registration Command.

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not for use

*Edward P. Felton, Jr.*  
Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

Verified by G.R.S. Officer  
EDWARD P. FELTON, Jr.  
Capt, JMC  
Registration Division

Incl #3

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 US ARMY

**PLAFF, Arnold A.**  
**HAMMOND, Ralph M.**  
(Name)

W/4  
Pfc  
(Rank)

37323733  
34889389  
(ASN)

Previously buried as Unknown X-168, USIC **ROY**  
Identification accepted in accordance with Letter, File AGAO-S 293,9 (27 Mar 47)  
D-1, War Dept, F 66, 9 April 47, subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for  
Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, by the following members of the Board  
of Review, established by Par 2, SO No. 31, Hq. G.I.C., dated 22 Mar 45,  
Par 2, SO No. 49, Hq. G.I.C., dated 23 Apr 45, and Par 5, SO No. 85, Hq.  
G.I.C., dated 30 June 1948.

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Lt. Col. Patrick J. GUILLY 019066 WO Maj. Walter B. HOWE 0334220 Inf

Maj. Harold J. TUNIS 04879 TC Maj. Clarence R. BEMER 0365667 Inf

Capt. Frederick J. HICKS, 01823156 Inf Capt. Jack C. HARRIS 01577297 Inf

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
1/Lt. Anthony C. S. FINE, 01333003 WO 1/Lt. Joseph E. TROJUTSKI, 01338116 Inf