

FILE IDENTIFICATION TOPPER

FILE NUMBER

2374k. AGRS Griesheim Main News (Med) Summary X-70055

SUBJECT

GPO 83-19180

QMC FORM 1121
1 Aug 45

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WW II CEMETERY FLORENCE
PLOT D ROW 4 GRAVE 1
DATE OF BURIAL:
VERIFIED BY:

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A - *Capt Simon*
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

1200

DATE
24 Sept. 54
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME: Unknown X-70055
SERIAL NUMBER: [] GRADE: [] ARM: []
RACE: [] RELIGION: []

CEMETERY: Griesheim/Main (Med) Mausoleum
PLOT: [] ROW: [] GRAVE: 57
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
1202 CODE 80 DIST. CTR.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
FLORENCE, ITALY
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN: (Administrative Decision)
NO

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION *Flag sent*

NAME: [] SERIAL NUMBER: [] GRADE: [] DATE OF DEATH: [] DATE DISTINTERRED: []
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON: [] ORGANIZATION: [] RELIGION: [] IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY: []
 REMAINS
 MARKER
NAME AND TITLE: []

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL: [] CONDITION OF REMAINS PORTIONS PRESENT: Upper half of skull.
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION: No flesh. Not burned. No hair.

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)

NONE Est. age: Approx 30 yrs.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE 9 December 1953 BY W. A. Neep

CASKET SEALED BY: [] EMBALMER (Signature): []

Walter G. Tebbetts

Walter G. Tebbetts

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED: [] SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY: []

DATE 23 Nov 54 BY Walter G. Tebbetts Francis M. Simon, Capt, QMC

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

Francis M. Simon
FRANCIS M. SIMON, CAPT QMC
SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Unidentifiable

FILE
Regis Over Rec
2-9-55

Incl 4

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM
AORS MARSOLEIN ORTSHIM/MATR (1102)

TO
USMC FLORENCE, ITALY

KIND OF CONVEYANCE
AIR

NAME OF CONVOYER
RICHARD F. WHITE

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

FRANCIS M. SIMON, Captain OMC

DATE

10/1/55

SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER

DATE

10/1/55

FROM

KIND OF CONVEYANCE

NAME OF CONVOYER

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

DATE

DATE

3. SHIPPED

FROM

KIND OF CONVEYANCE

NAME OF CONVOYER

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

DATE

DATE

4. SHIPPED

FROM

KIND OF CONVEYANCE

NAME OF CONVOYER

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

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5. SHIPPED

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KIND OF CONVEYANCE

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6. SHIPPED

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SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

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7. SHIPPED

FROM

KIND OF CONVEYANCE

NAME OF CONVOYER

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

DATE

DATE

TO

7. SHIPPED

FROM

KIND OF CONVEYANCE

NAME OF CONVOYER

SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER

DATE

DATE

DATE 22 Sep 54

INDEX: 293 - Unk-Griesheim Main Maus X-70055

INS

TO: Files Sec Regist Br Mem Div

FROM: Chief Ident Br Mem Div

SUMMARY: UNIDENTIFIABLES

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INDEXER: aj

REMARKS:

FILE
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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

293 Wick - Gues. Secs. Main Maus

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

DATE

X-70055

27 10 48

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM	RACE	RELIGION
Unknown L-70055		100			

CEMETERY	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
Orleans/Main (Med) Mausoleum			57	1902 CODE 50 DIST. CTR.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
Houville - St-Genes Liege, Belgium	(Administrative Decision)

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED
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

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE	BY	EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED 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 AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Undentifiable

Handwritten notes and signatures in the remarks section.

CASE HISTORY

UNKNOWN X-70054
UNKNOWN X-70055


Griesheim/Main (Med)
Mausoleum

The remains now designated Unknown X-70054 and X-70055 were recovered from cultivated field, the property of a Judge Vincenzo Formica, located approximately six (6) kilometers southeast of ARDEA (F-837308), Italy. Remnants of US type equipment were found with the scattered portions of remains.

The remains X-70054 consist of the major portion of a skull; an almost complete mandible; shafts of the right and left humerus; a broken right femur, and a portion of the pelvis. More than half of the teeth are posthumously missing, and there are no fillings in teeth present. Unknown X-70055 consists of only the major portion of a skull.

A review of Mediterranean Zone files on casualties lost and of remains recovered in the general area of Ardea, Italy has failed to provide an association.

In view of the lack of identifying media, it is believed that Unknowns X-70054 and X-70055 should be declared Unidentifiable.


WALTON MEYRICK
8 September 1954

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HEADQUARTERS
US ARMY MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT
APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

MTS 293.9 GR

13 September 1954

SUBJECT: Certificate of Unidentifiability
Transmittal Letter # 6535

*293 7th - Griesheim Mainz Mass
X-70054*

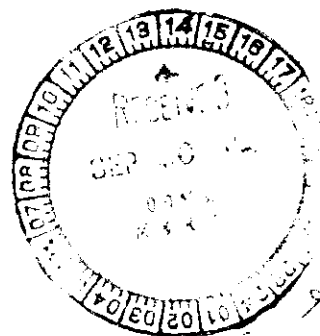
TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.

In compliance with letter, your Office, OMSGT 293, GMS European,
Subject: Final Resolution of Unknown Deceased, dated 29 July 1948, for-
warded herewith are two (2) Certificates of Unidentifiability pertaining
to the following remains:

<u>UNKNOWN NO</u>	<u>CEMETERY</u>	<u>GRAVE</u>
X-70054	Griesheim/Main (Med) Mausoleum	56
X-70055	Griesheim/Main (Med) Mausoleum	57

- 2 Incl
- 1-Cert of Unident
w/case history
X-70054
- 2-Cert of Unident
w/case history
X-70055

S. GIBBS
Maj MC
Commanding



X 293 7th - Griesheim Mainz Mass X-70055

HEADQUARTERS
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT
APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

MTS 293.9 GR

30 July 1954

SUBJECT: Report of Burial
Transmittal Letter # 6525

293 Huk - Griesheim Main Maus.
X-70054

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

Forwarded herewith two (2) Reports of Burial together with associated case papers pertaining to the following remains:

<u>UNKNOWN NO</u>	<u>CEMETERY</u>	<u>GRAVE</u>
X-70054	Griesheim/Main (Med) Mausoleum	56
X-70055	Griesheim/Main (Med) Mausoleum	57

2 Incl
1-Rpt of Burial
w/allied papers
X-70054
2-Rpt of Burial
w/allied papers
X-70055

S. GIBBS
Maj OMC
Commanding

293 Huk - Griesheim Main Maus. X-70055

SR 753

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN X-70055			2. DATE OF REPORT 9 December 1953		
3. NAME OF CEMETERY Griesheim/Main Mausoleum (MED ZONE)	4. PLOT	5. ROW	6. GRAVE 57	7. DATE OF	
				DISINTERMENT	REINTERMENT

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

8. ESTIMATED SEX AGE Aprx. 30 Yrs	9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT U. T. D.	10. COLOR OF HAIR None found	11. RACE U. T. D.
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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?
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15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	TO WHAT EXTENT? See attached skeletal chart
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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)

Portions of wool O. D. blanket

Portions of U. S. Poncho

Technician : W. A. Neep

Anthropologist : Prof. E. Breitinger

S K E L E T A L C H A R T

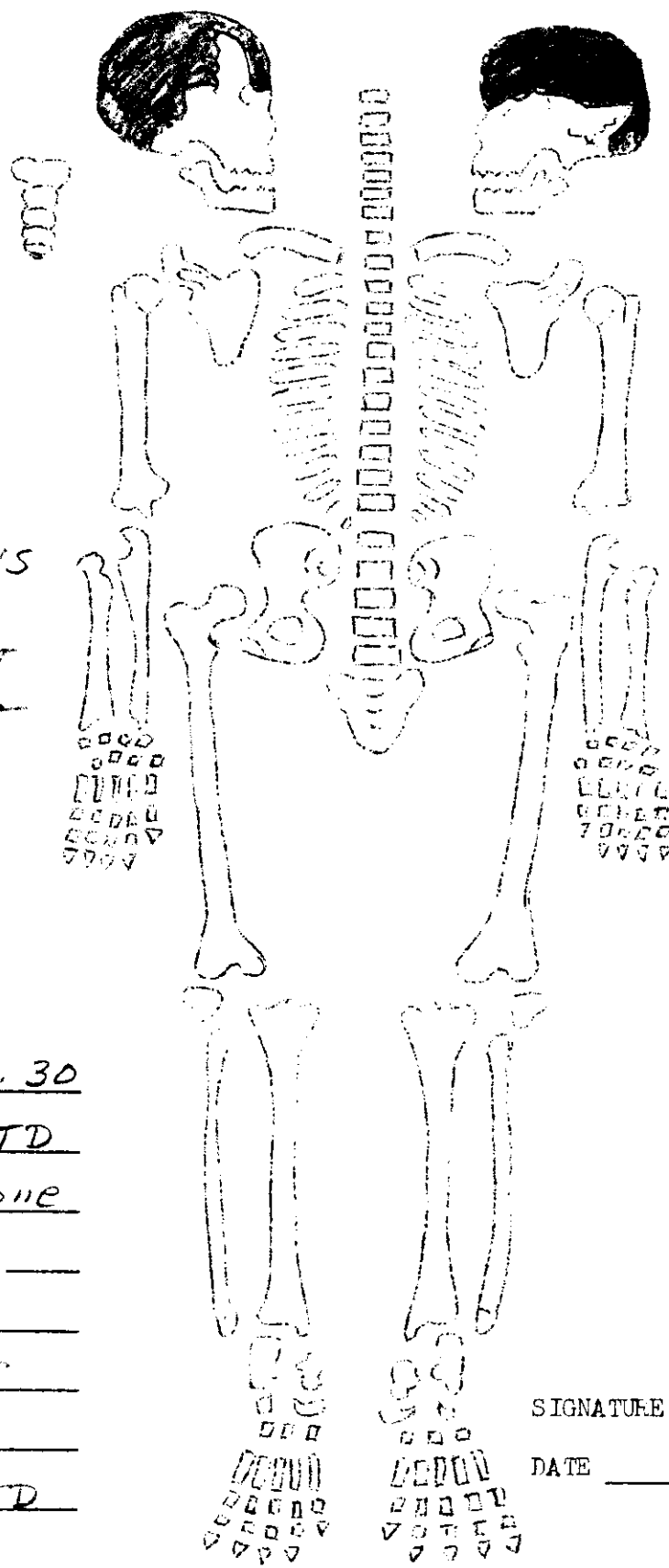
(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY PRESENT)

SR 753

X-70055

Griesheim, M
(MED. ZONE)

Grave 57



NOTE:
BLANKED
OUT
PORTIONS
ARE
PRESENT

HUMERUS _____ CM

ULNA _____ CM

RADIUS _____ CM

FEMUR _____ CM

TIBIA _____ CM

FIBULA _____ CM

EST. AGE Apix. 30

EST. HEIGHT UTD

COLOR HAIR None

HEALED FRACTURES _____

None

FLESH None

BURNED No

EST. WEIGHT UTD

SIGNATURE W.A. Speer

DATE 9 Dec 53

HEADQUARTERS
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT
APO 757 US ARMY

8 February 1954

INVESTIGATION DIRECTIVE: None
PROCESSING DIRECTIVE : 250
REMAINS PROCESSED : SR # 752 and # 753 (X-70054 and X-70055)

IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY REPORT

1. Search and Recovery Cases # 752 and # 753 represent partial remains of two (2) US Ground Force casualties recovered from a field approximately six (6) kms SE of Ardea (sheet 158-IV/837-309), Italy. Found with these partial remains were portions of US wool OD blanket and US poncho.

2. Unknown "X" numbers have been assigned these cases as follows:

SR 752 is now designated UNKNOWN X-70054
Griesheim/Main (MED ZONE) Mausoleum
Grave 56

SR 753 is now designated UNKNOWN X-70055
Griesheim/Main (MED ZONE) Mausoleum
Grave 57

3. Physical characteristics of these remains are as follows:

		<u>AGE</u>	<u>HEIGHT</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>HAIR</u>
X-70054	(Remains)	23-27	5'-5 3/8"	130-150	None
X-70055	(Remains)	Aprx 30	U.T.D.	U.T.D.	None

A mandible with a few teeth was recovered but insufficient skeletal material prevents any definite association with either remains.

4. The shattered condition of these skeletal portions indicates that death resulted from an explosion.

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

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

7770
757

10 December 1953

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On 21 November 1953 while investigating recovery reports of World War II remains at the A.S.C. office in Rome, Italy the undersigned investigators were given a report from the cemetery superintendent at Nettuno. This report concerned the finding of partial remains by Judge Vincenzo Formica, a returnee of Anzio, on his property near Aprilia. He believed the remains were those of an American soldier because of the military equipment present.

II. FINDINGS:

We visited Judge Formica at his farm on 24 November 1953. His property is located approximately six (6) kms southeast of Ardea (A 837/308) and consists of several fields under cultivation. Near the edge of one plowed field we were shown some portions of skull, arm, pelvis and leg bones. With these portions were pieces of wool CD blanket and G.I. type poncho. An examination of the remains revealed the presence of two (2) deceased as indicated by major portions of two (2) skulls. These portions had been found scattered over a large area. A search was made in an attempt to find additional portions on the surface and to site evidence of actual graves. We did not find any additional portions but did see scattered bits of the poncho.

III. CONCLUSIONS:

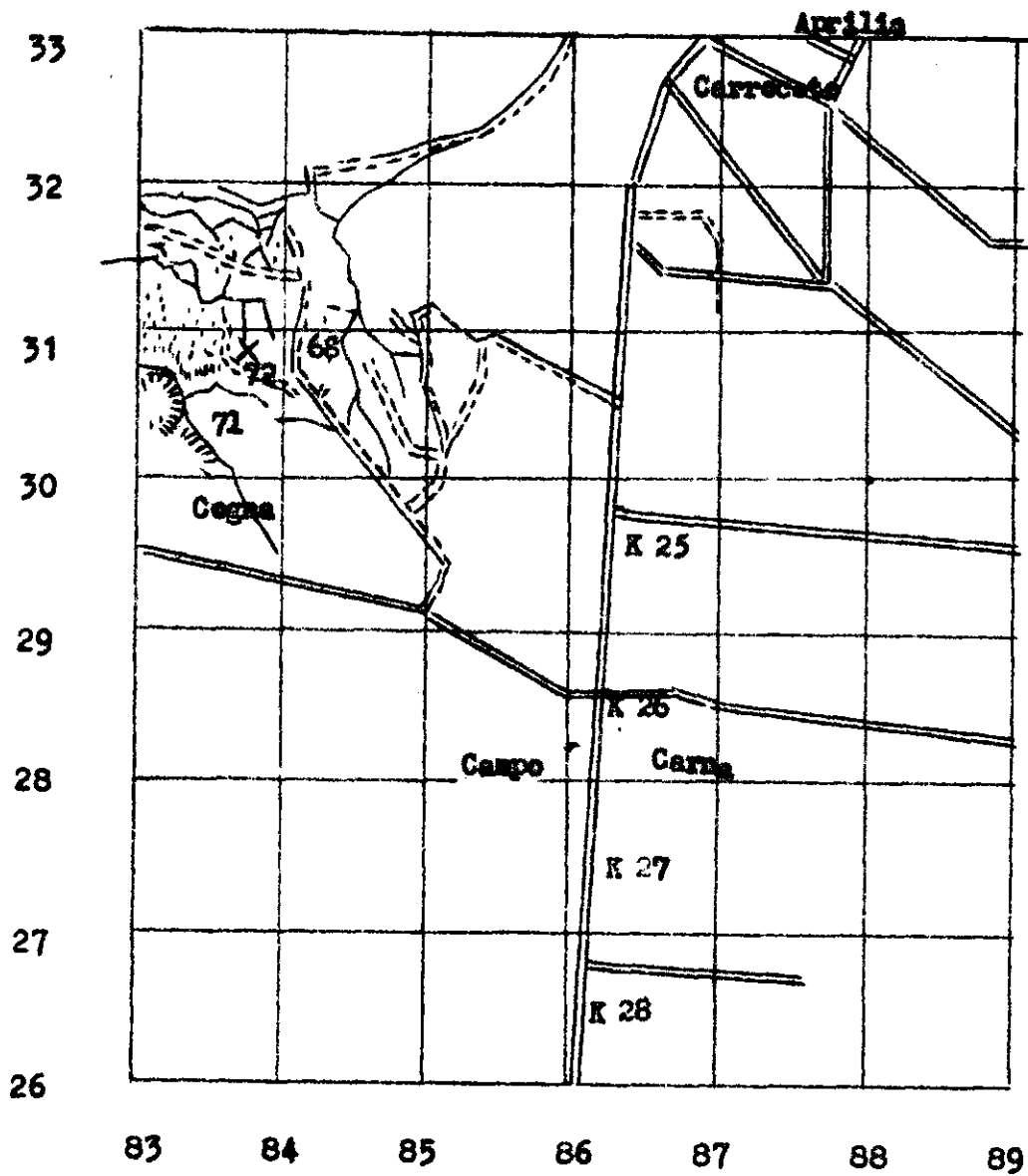
A sketch was made of the recovery site (see Exhibit "A"). The remains were designated SK # 752 and SK # 753 and were evacuated to the Graves Registration Central Identification Laboratory in Wiesbaden, Germany for further processing and research.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the area of recovery be compared with available records to determine if subject remains are additional portions of previously recovered remains and/or can be associated with non-recovered casualties of that area.

Malcolm A. Neep
Investigator Techn.

Francis M. Simon
Capt
Investigator



X -- Recovery site of SR 752 and SR 753

ARDEA Sheet 158 - IV, Map of Italy 1 : 50,000

Exhibit A

EXTRACT

Letter No. 1537 - NC

HJM/nb

Discovery of Remains.

1. SUPT ABMC 8 Mar.
USMC ROME 53
NETTUNO (ATT: CAPT
CAPPIELLO)

1. Judge Vincenzo Formica, Pretura of Anzio, reports the discovery of remains on his property located near Aprilia. It would appear, from the judges description, that only parts of remains have been discovered and parts are believed to be American due to the

presence of U.S. government issue equipment. It is requested a disposition on this report be given in order that the judge can be informed.

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HORACE J. MC CARTHY
Superintendent

Graves Registration
Form No. 1
(Revised 1 Sept. 1945)

REPORT OF BURIAL

10 December 1953

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

Unknown X-70055

Unknown

Unknown

Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

Serial No.

Unknown

Unknown

Unit

Organization

6 kms SE of Ardea, Italy

Unknown

Explosion

Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

1600 hrs 10 Dec 53

Griesheim/M (MED ZONE) Mausoleum Frankfurt/M, Germany

Time and Date of Burial

Name of Cemetery

Name or Coordinates of Location

57

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

How were remains identified?

What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right :

Name

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

Deceased's Left :

Name

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

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



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

Emergency Addressee

Name

Address

Religion

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

Recovered from a cultivated field
approximately six (6) kms SE of
Ardea (sheet 158-IV/837-309), Italy

William M. Loy

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

WILLIAM M. LOY, 1/Lt QMC

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

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File
17 Aug 54
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IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

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

Height :	Laundry Marks :
Weight :	Number of Rifle :
Color of Eyes :	Wear Glasses ?
Color of Hair :	Is Tooth Chart Attached ?
Race :	

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

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

Thumb	1	2	3
Left Hand	1	2	3

Thumb	1	2	3
Right Hand	1	2	3

TOOTH CHART

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

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

Characteristics :

Other Data :

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