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UNKNOWN X- 6121
 CEMETERY St. Amand, France
 PLOT AAAA ROW 5 GRAVE 51

Arrived at cemetery 1000-11 May 46 From UPP, 3rd Field Command
 (hour) (date) (collecting point)
 Place of death Herrlisheim, Bas-Rhin, France (R-1315)
 (name) (coordinates & landmarks)
Eu Rd Map Pnt 87, 1.200.000

Remains recovered by 3049th QM Gr Co
 (name and organization)

Evacuated to cemetery by GPP 535th QM Gr
 (name and organization)

Is load list attached _____ Are names of deceased found in same
 (yes-no) area as this Unknown starred _____
 Are circumstances described
 (yes-no) which may indicate organization of the deceased _____ If only
 (yes-no) part of a body was received, was a careful search made for other
 parts of Unknown _____
 (yes-no)

If remains come from vehicle, plane, etc: _____
 (type of vehicle or plane,

nickname _____ serial number, organization or symbols)

Crew list _____
 (names of other deceased and positions in which found)

If a tank, which hatches were free and available for escape use _____

If organization to which vehicle or plane was assigned or if names
 of all other deceased are not known, give detailed information con-
 cerning vehicle or plane _____

(parts of markings or symbols) (burned)

(pierced by shell fire - where) (found in town, field, by road)

(damaged by mine explosion) (names of men who escaped)

(description of other vehicles or planes in area)

Detailed description of personal effects _____
 (Indicate exact pocket

or part of body where found)

Description of clothing and equipment: (If clothes do not fit, obtain sizes from body measurements)

Item	Clothing Markings	Sizes	Color	Indicate unusual marks, wear, tears
Headgear (type)	none			
Raincoat	none			
Overcoat	none			
Jacket, Field	one 1943	Field jacket	W/fw collar	
Jacket, Combat	one			
Mackinaw	none			
Sweater	none			
Jacket, HBT	none			
*Shirt, Wool OD	none			
Undershirt, Wool	one			
Undershirt, Cotton	one			
Trousers, HBT	none			
*Trousers, Wool OD	one			
Belt, Web	one			
Drawers, Wool	none			
Drawers, Cotton	one			
Leggins Wool	none			(unusual lacing)
Socks Cotton	none			
*Shoes (type)	none			
Overshoes Web	none			
Equipment (type)	none			
Other item	Fur lined jacket	flyers		
*If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains. Cheverons or <u>UTD</u>				
Shoulder Patch <u>UTD</u> .(type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)				
Description of Remains: <u>EST</u>				
Age <u>UTD</u> (yrs)	Height <u>UTD</u> (ft-in)	Weight <u>15 lbs</u> (lbs)	Description of wounds	<u>UTD</u>

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

Tattoos UTD
(number, location - illustrate on sep. page)

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

Sunburn or tan, other than hands and face UTD

Tobacco stain on fingers or teeth UTD
(designate where, extent)

Complexion UTD Build UTD
(light, med, dark, clear, pimples, pocks, freckles) (large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair UTD
(color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting, baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)

Sideburns UTD Mustache UTD Beard or goatee UTD
(color, setting, shape) (color, size, shape) (length, heavy, light, color, extent)

Eyes UTD Eyebrows UTD
(color, setting, shape) (color, bushiness, extend across nose)

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

Forehead UTD Mouth UTD Lips UTD
(high, wide, wrinkled) (large, medium, small) (small, large, full)

Teeth UTD
(white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extractions)

Chin UTD Cheekbones UTD
(prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double) (high, normal)

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

Neck UTD Larynx UTD Shoulders UTD
(size, long, short, normal, wrinkled) (prominent, normal) (broad, straight, small, rounded) (length) (muscular, color, extent & quantity of hair)

Hands UTD
(vaccination scar, size of wrists) (large, small, normal, calloused noticeably)

(marks on fingers indicating that rings were worn)

Fingers UTD
(short, thick, long, slender; size of knuckles) (missing fingers or joints)

(unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest UTD
(size at nipples; color, quantity & extent of hair; large, small, normal)

Back UTD Waist UTD
(quantity and extent of hair) (size at navel, appendectomy, amount & color of

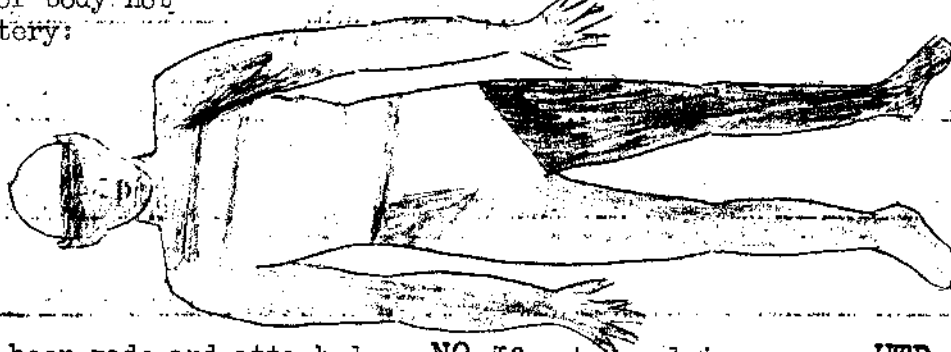
Circumcized UTD Pubic hair UTD Hernioplasty UTD
hair) (yes-no) (color) (yes-no) (location)

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

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

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

Black out parts of body not
received at cemetery:



Have photographs been made and attached NO If not, explain UTD
(yes-no)

Have fingerprints been placed on GRS # 1 NO If not, explain UTD
(yes-no)

Has tooth chart been prepared? NO If not, explain PORTIONS OF BODY MISSING
(yes-no)

Remarks: Body in advanced state of decomposition. Appears to have been
badly burnt. Estimated weight of remains 15 lbs.

William D. Lawson III
William D. Lawson III 2nd Lt Inf 535th QM Gr
Signature of GRO and Organization

21. How did crash occur? Anti-aircraft
Enemy planes? Collision?
22. Did plane explode in the air? On the ground?
23. Did plane burn in the air? On the ground?
24. What was the direction of the flight?
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding the destination of the plane?
26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash?
27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with the 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. Were parachutists seen? How many? Escaped?
Prisoners?

SECTION C - ARMORED CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to have been a member of the Armored Force).

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?
- a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed
(Radio man, driver, asst driver or..front, side, or back)
- b. Near wreckage?
32. Location of destroyed tank be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of tank
- b. Markings and/or name of tank
- c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc.
33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement?
34. Did tank explode? Burn?
35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement
36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased?
37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank
(Night?, Day?)
38. Did any of the crew members escape? Prisoners?

AGRC Form #10 (Revised)
1 January 1946

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION AREA SEARCH

1 May 1946
Date

NAME Unknown X-6121 RANK Unk ASN Unk

ORGANIZATION Unknown

MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION none

(All statements above this line will be completed, upon final processing, by the clerical staff at the unit processing point)

SECTION A GENERAL (To be completed by investigators in all cases)

1. Was positive identity acquired for the deceased through the surface investigation? No If so, state the following

a. NAME _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

b. ORGANIZATION _____

2. Was partial identification established? Yes If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:

a. NAME Unknown RANK Unk. ASN Unk.

b. ORGANIZATION Unknown

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY _____

Man, Richard C.

(Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MGR)

A. Date of above burials May, 1945 Common Graves? No

4. Dated Approx. 8th of Jan. 1945

5. Name and type of cemetery _____
(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery _____

a. Town _____ Country _____

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains.

a. Section _____ Row _____ Grave _____

b. Is sketch attached? _____

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

a. Town Herrlisheim, France Coordinates Bar. N. 1. 5h. 87 Sc. 1:200

b. Is sketch attached? Yes

c. Is area mined? No

9. How is the grave marked? Simple cross, steel helmet, trench knife.

10. If grave is marked with cross, give the exact markings thereon

The soldier American 1945

a. From what source was this information obtained? None

(Identification tags, personal effects)

b. By whom? Mr. Brezillon Eugene

11. Where are the cemetery records? No records
(Town hall, cemetery, burgemeister's office)

a. What information was obtained thereon?

b. Where was the information obtained? List in Mairie's office

c. By whom? Searching team

12. What is the date of death? Approx. 8th of Jan. 1945

a. Give basis. Date of attack on village.

13. What is the cause of death? Unknown

a. Give basis

14. What is the date of burial? May, 1945

a. Give basis. Statement of burier

15. What is the place of death? Herrlischheim See 8.

a. Give basis. Where body was found

16. Where were the remains found? 13, rue du village Coords

a. By whom? Mr. Brezillon Eugene

b. Is sketch attached? Yes

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

Type of casket Plain box How marked?

18. Who made the burial? Mr. Brezillon Eugene

a. What are the names and addresses? 13, rue du village
(Civilian, American W.I. or German W.I.)

b. Are certificates and statements attached? Yes

SECTION B - AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to be a member of the AAF).

19. Were remains found in the plane wreckage?

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

(Ball gunner, pilot, radio turret, etc., or front, side, or 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 of plane

Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment

- 21. How did crash occur? Anti-aircraft
Enemy planes? Collision?
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SECTION D - OTHER BRANCH (To be filled out if B & C are not applicable)

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

If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation.

a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached? _____

40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased

SECTION E - GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)

41. Were personal effects recovered by investigating team No

If not, state reason None were found

a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? Unknown

Where? _____ By whom? _____

Present disposition In possession of AGRC.

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

b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? Unknown

Where? _____ By whom? _____

Present disposition _____

c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? Unknown

d. Did Cemetery register or cross indicate the immunization shot? No

42. Was deceased given first aid? Unknown If so, where? _____

By whom? _____ Are statements from the medical people attached? _____

43. Was deceased evacuated to a German hospital? No

Where? _____ Names of the people concerned _____

44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? No

45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains? Burnt
(Burnt? Decapitated? etc)

46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? No

a. If so, give basis for positive assumption _____

b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? _____

47. Was case previously investigated? No By whom? _____

When? _____

48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed _____

Madame Brezillion Eugene, 13, rue du village

49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? Yes

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

51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? Yes

(If special investigation, give case number) _____

52. Give brief narrative Remains were found by Mr. Brezillion in a house destroyed by fire, all that remained of the body were a few bones and ashes, and buried in his garden with another American Soldier named Egan, Richard C.

(Use attached sheets, if necessary)


Siegfried Harnisch

Signature of Interpreter

French Civilian

Rank

ASN

535th QM. Group AGRC.

Organization


Charles F. Kulp

Signature of Investigator

T/5

Rank

42088926

ASN

535th QM. Group AGRC. 3rd Field Command.

Organization

CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWNNS

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

Unknown X - 6121
Cemetery St. Avoild - France
Plot AAAA Row 5 Grave 51

1. Arrived at cemetery _____
(hour) (date)
2. Place of death _____
(name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefex, map)

(Sheet, scale and serials used)
3. Remains ~~recovered by _____~~ recovered and processed by C.I.P. 10.15.1946
(name and organization)
4. Evacuated to Cemetery by _____
(name and organization)
5. **Description of clothing and equipment : (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements).**

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

Item			
*Headgear	none		
	(type)		
Raincoat	none		
Overcoat	none		
Jacket, Field	remnants, 1943		
Jacket, Combat	none		
Mackinaw	none		
Sweater	remnants of,		
Jacket, HBT	none		
*Shirt, Wool OD	remnants of,		
Undershirt, Wool	remnants of,		
Undershirt, Cotton	none		
Trousers HBT	none		
*Trousers, Wool OD	remnants of, size 31-33		

Belt, Web **remnants of,**

Drawers, Wool **remnants of,**

Drawers, Cotton **none**

Leggins, Wool **none** (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton **none**

*Shoes (type) **none**

Overshoes **none**

Web Equipment (Type) **none**

(Other item) **Remnants of glasses, remnants of fleece-lined jacket,**

(Other item) **remnants of combat suit.**

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

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

Shoulder Patch **none**

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

8. Description of Remains :

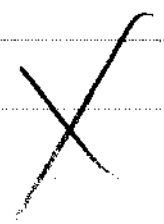
Age	Utd	Height	Est. 5'8"	Weight	Est. 160Lbs	Description of wounds	Utd
Bandages or dressings	Utd	Scars	Utd	<small>(length, width, location)</small>			
		Tattoos	Utd	<small>(Number, location — illustrate on sep, page)</small>			
Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks	Utd	<small>(yes-no: description, location)</small>					

Sunburn or tan, other than hands & face **Utd**

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

Build **Utd**
(large, fat, thin, muscular)

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



Hair Utd (baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)

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

Goatee Utd (light, color, extent)

Eyes Utd (color, setting, shape) Eyebrows Utd (color, bushiness, extent across nose)

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

Mouth Utd (large, medium, small) Lips Utd (small, large, full)

Teeth Utd (white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract)

Chin Utd (prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

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

Neck Utd (size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) Larynx Utd (prominent, normal)

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

Utd (extent and quantity of hair)

Hands Utd

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

Utd (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

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

Back Utd (quantity & extent of hair) Navel Utd (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

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

Hernioplasty Utd (yes-no; location)

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

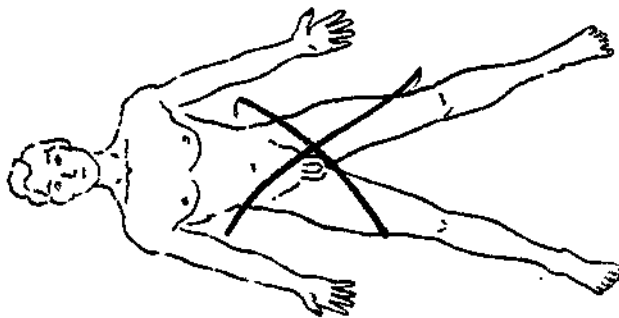


Feet Utd Toes Utd
(size, corns, callouses, flat) (slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures none
(nose, arms, legs, etc.)

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

See attached sheet.



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

If not, explain hands missing

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

12. Remarks : All flesh completely decomposed, only bones down in chart

recovered, clothing and bones badly burned. Est. weight of remains

recovered 15 Lbs. ~~Not necessary for fluoroscopy.~~ Fluoroscopic examination unnecessary.

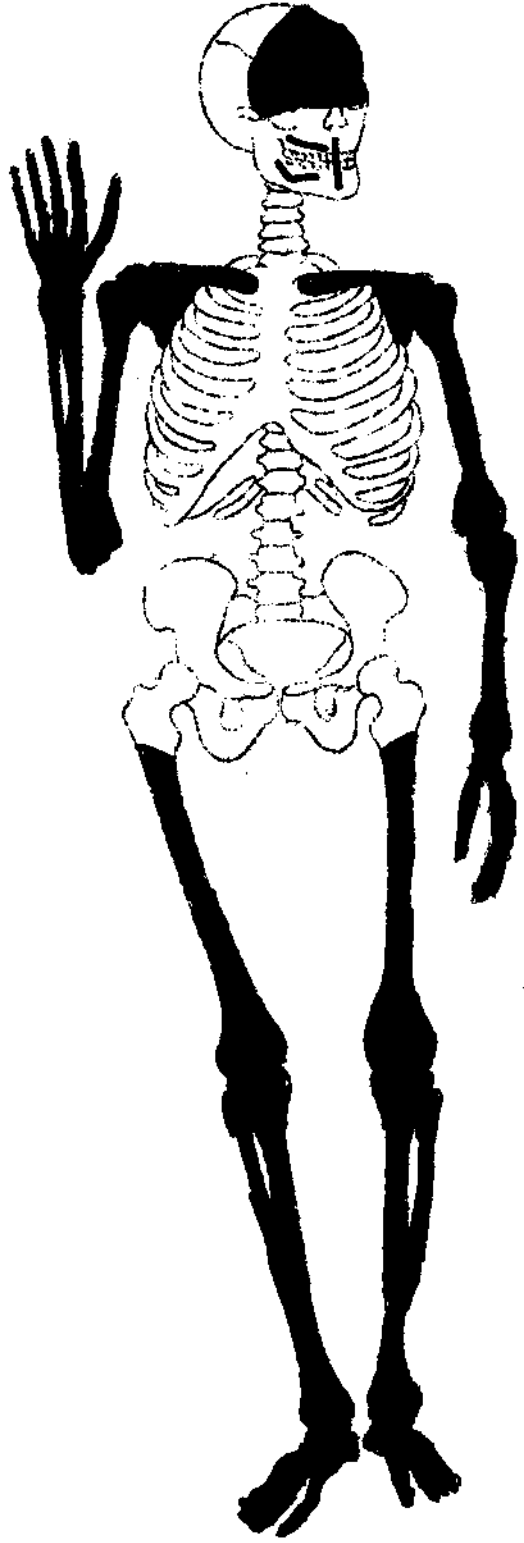
Nothing was found to warrant chemical laboratory examination.

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.

Robert A. Salvador
Officer's Name
ROBERT A. SALVADOR
Captain Inf.
Rank Service

Central Identification Point
Organisation

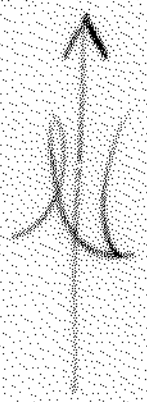
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Herrlischheim
Europe Rd Map
Sh 87 - 1/200,000
(R-1315)



UNKNOWN-X-6121
REINTERRED U.S. MIL. CEM.
ST. AVOLD, AAAA-5-51

Sketch showing location
of Grave of one unk.
American.

main road
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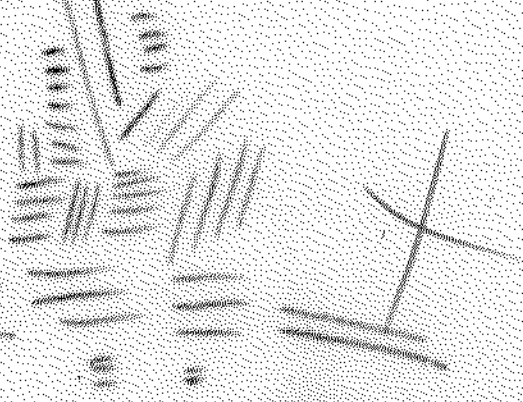
↑ Grave
100 yds.

300 yds.

Small dirt road
to fields

Strasbourg
↓

Herrlischheim



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S T A T E M E N T

I hereby certify that the said body that is designated on sketch is that of: Vincent Hilk. I Joseph Schlur, and Charlie Faurel and Alex Schlur buried the body at the beginning of June 1945.

March, 27th 1946.

/s/ Schlur Alex.

A True Copy.

Thomas M. Shedden

Thomas M. Shedden
1st. Lt. T.C.
Commanding.

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AIRMAIL

293 unk France (MIA) (St. Anwald)

X-6121 X-6107 X-7352 X-8057

FORM 314.6

1st Ind

GRS European

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains
Transmittal Letter #4761

(293 unk St Anwald X6121)

Dept. of the Army, OCSG, Washington 25, D. C., 24 February 1950

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

1. This Office approves the classification of Unknown X-6107, listed on basic communication, as Unidentifiable.
2. Unknown X-6121 was previously approved as Unidentifiable and your headquarters notified by letter dated 4 August 1949.
3. It is recommended that all action in connection with Unknowns X-7352 and X-8057 be suspended pending further notification from this Office.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

4 Incls:
w/d

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

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3146 GRS European Area

AIRMAIL

REGISTRATION DIVISION
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 200.2 (UDB)

7 February 1950

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains
Transmittal Letter #4761

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

In compliance with your letter dated 29 July 1948, file QMGMT 293 GRS European subject: Final Resolution on Unknown Deceased, there are inclosed herewith four (4) certificates pertaining to the following Unidentifiable Remains:

US Military Cemetery ST AVOLD, France

Unknown X-6121	Plot AAAA	Row 5	Grave 51
Unknown X-6107	Plot Y	Row 5	Grave 53
Unknown X-7352	Plot KKKK	Row 6	Grave 142
Unknown X-8057	Plot 0000	Row 2	Grave 49

FOR CHIEF, REGISTRATION DIVISION:

4 Incls:
Certificates of
Unidentifiability of remains

GAYLORD E. LUTZ
1st Lt. QMC
Registration Division

AIRMAIL

293 unk France (Miss) (J. Wald)
Z-6121 Z-6107 Z-7352 + X-8057
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Lt. Colonel, GSC
Memorial Division

JAN

TEC

Holden:cam
Clements
HSD

will transfer to X-6121 - 57-1-1-1

AIRMAIL

T.L. # 4761

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 757 US ARMY

RFE 293

30 January 1950
(Date)

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

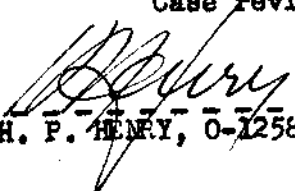
1. The records pertaining to Unknown X - 6121, Plot AAAA, Row 5, Grave 51, USMC ST. AVOLD, France, have been reviewed and it is the opinion of the Board of Review, this headquarters, that sufficient evidence is not available to establish the identity of the deceased concerned, therefore, these remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

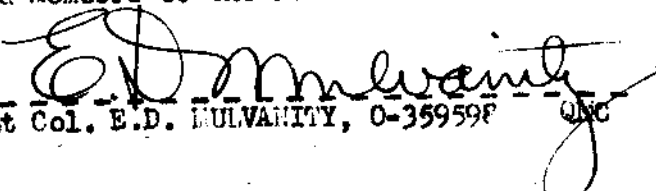
2. Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to the Office of the Quartermaster General by Transmittal Letter No 4041, dated 17-6-49.

3. Remarks :

See Case History attached.

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review :


Col. H. P. HENRY, O-12589 QMC


Lt Col. E.D. MULVANY, O-35959F QMC

Capt. Edward F. PRICE, Jr., O-1588236 QMC 1st Lt. Gaylord E. LUTZ, O-1595665 QMC


CWO Leodore GODREAU, W-2113434 USA

*Previous
accepted
28 Jan 49
All advised 4 Aug 49*

Incl #1

UNKNOWN NO X-6121 U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY Saint Avold
(Location)

The remains of Unknown X-6121 (USMC Saint Avold) was recovered from an isolated grave in the area of Werrlisheim, France. An attempt was made to associate these remains with an unresolved casualty in the area through the use of Form 371's. As the physical characteristics of X-6121 are limited no definite association could be made. In view of this these remains are being declared U N I D E N T I F I A B L E.

L. Pierpoint
31 January 1950

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

293 unk France X-6121 (Stavold)
Date _____

SUBJECT: Unidentifiable Remains

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

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X- 6121, Plot AAAA,
Row 5, Grave 51, USMC St Avoild, France have been
reviewed and it is the opinion of this office that insufficient evidence
is available to establish the identity of this deceased, and that these
remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

2. Report of Reprocessing was forwarded to your office by
letter of transmittal No. _____, dated 2 June 1949. No
further information is available.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ George L. Freeman
/t/ GEORGE L. FREEMAN
1st Lt QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

Received 28 June 49 QMG
Not identifiable from
information presently
available

*NAN
file 28 June 49
Schroth
Ident Br*

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AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 US ARMY

RRE 293

23 DEC 1948
(Date)

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by letter of transmittal No. No record this HQ, dated .

No further information is available.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

George L. Freeman
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1st Lt QMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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QMG

Incl #10

1	USMC, ST. AVOLD, FRANCE		Buried at deceased		VANDER ROBERT 32011491 S SG	
	Plot F, Row 12, Grave 19		DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE		Right: GOLDSTEIN ALEX 36983751 PFC	
Date reburied: 22 Jan 49		<i>HARRILL</i>		DIRECTIVE NUMBER		DATE
SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED DREW R. BELL 1st Lt. CAV		3574 00000		15		12 47 DAY MONTH YEAR
NAME	SERIAL NUMBER		RANK	ARM	DATE OF DEATH	
ST. AVOLD - METZ	UNKNOWN X-006121			U	DAY MONTH YEAR	
CEMETERY	ST-AVOLD - METZ		X-6121		DISPOSITION OF REMAINS	
PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	COUNTRY		3503 80 CODE DIST. PT.	
4A	5	51	FRANCE		CAUSE OF DEATH	
6						
SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN						
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE ST. AVOLD, FRANCE (BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)				NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN		
SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION						
NAME		SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED	
UNKNOWN X-006121					2 Aug 48	
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON		ORGANIZATION		RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY	
<input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKER GRS		USAGF			Geo W Lowry Embalmer NAME AND TITLE	
SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT						
NATURE OF BURIAL			CONDITION OF REMAINS			
Mattress cover			Missing R/L/Ulna, Radius, L/Humerus, L/Tibia, Fibula, Mandible- All other major bones fractured - Decomposition complete			
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION						
Report of Burial found with remains						
MINOR DISCREPANCIES						
None						
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET						
DATE 11 Aug 48		BY Geo W Lowry, Embalmer				
CASKET SEALED BY		EMBALMER (Signature) <i>Geo W Lowry</i>				
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED		ALL markings plates & tags verified by: <i>Jesse C Harrill</i> 1st Lt CAC				
DATE 11 Aug 48		BY Geo W Lowry Embalmer				
I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.						
Final casketing by: <i>Jesse C Harrill</i> JESSE C HARRILL 1st Lt CAC						
JESSE C HARRILL 1st Lt CAC, 7857 AGRC, Zone 3 Hq. SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR						
I Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.						

73 MAY 1949
BRANCH
MEM. DIV.

(Basic ltr Dept of the Army, OCMG, OCMGT 293 Unknown X-6121, St. Avold, France, dated 20 May 1949, subject: Identification of World War II Deceased)

RHE 200.2 - Unknown X-6121
(St. Avold)

1st Ind

Hq. American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58, US Army,
7 June 1949

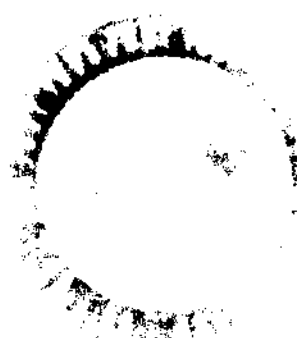
TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

Paragraph 3, letter your office File OCMGT 293, GRS European dated
20 April 1949, Subject: Unidentifiable Remains, being complied with.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



C.W. STEINSIEK
Capt OMC
Actg Asst Adj Gen



NOTED
file 16 June 49
Schroth
Ident Br

913 Unit France X-6121 (St. Avold)

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMT 293

Unknown X-6121
St. Avoild, France

20 May 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

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

1. Reference is made to our letter, QMGMT 293, GRS European dated 20 April 1949, Subject: Unidentifiable Remains, and your cable, AGRC 3191, dated 13 May 1949.
2. Request compliance with instructions contained in subject letter.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:



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

QWENT 293
Unknown L-6121
St. Avoird, France

20 May 1949

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SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 98, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to our letter, QWENT 293, QRS European dated 20 April 1949, Subject: Unidentifiable Remains, and your cable, AMMO 3131, dated 13 May 1949.
2. Request compliance with instructions contained in subject letter.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

F. R. HOFF
Lt. Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

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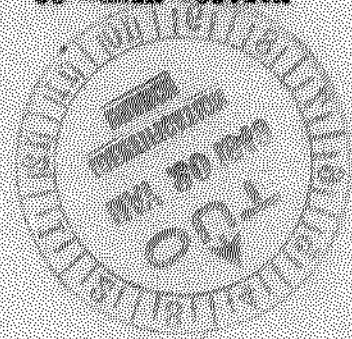
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Clements
REB

REB

cc Admin Section

NJS

Handwritten signature and date:
MAY 20 1949



3146 (Transit # 3333)

U.S. European

21 April 1947

SUBJECT: Unidentifiable Remains

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

1. Reference is made to your Transmittal Letter Number 7113, dated 23 January 1947, Subject: Unidentifiable Remains, and inclosed Certificate of Unidentifiability for Unknown I-0121, United States Military Cemetery at Avois, Plot 4000, Row 5, Grave 51.

2. Since civilian statements indicate that the remains are those of Vincent E. Hill, and comparison of sketch map of original grave locations of I-0121 and remains designated as Hill, Vincent E., 3740007, identified by ID tags, indicate recovery of both remains from the same area, action is being suspended pending investigation by your Headquarters.

3. Request therefore that simultaneous reprocessing be accomplished for I-0121 and Hill (USMC at Avois, Plot 4000, Row 5, Grave 118) to verify identification of Hill, and for possible consolidation of remains.

4. Further request results of your investigation together with complete case papers, including original check list for I-0121, be forwarded at the earliest practicable date.

5. Form 771 for Hill is inclosed for your convenience.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF:

1 Incl: (in dup)
1 Form 771 for (Hill)

T. H. [unclear]
Lt. Colonel, AG
Burial Division

Schroth/vat
Clematis
[unclear] cc Admin Section

1293
K-12-12
K-6121-5115001

IDENTIFICATION DATA

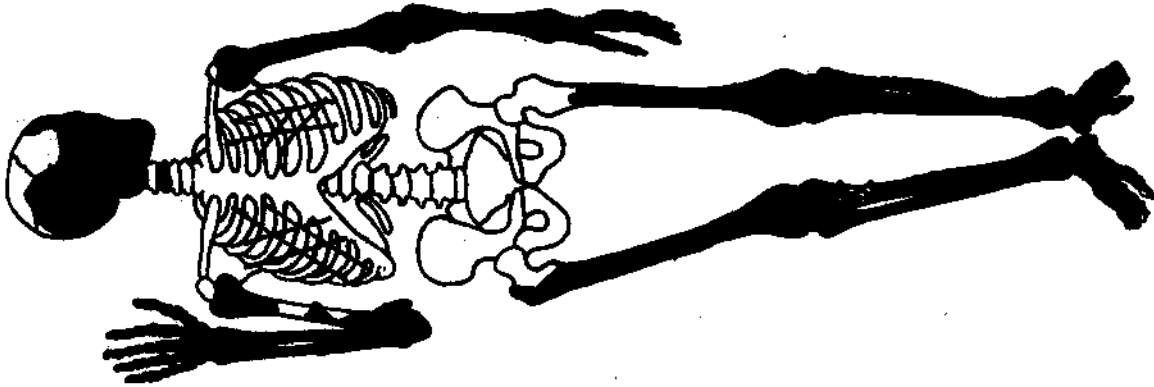
1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN X-6121				2. DATE OF REPORT 2 June, 1949			
3. NAME OF CEMETERY USMC St. Avoird			4. PLOT AAAA	5. ROW 5	6. GRAVE 51	7. DATE OF DISINTERMENT REINTERMENT - -	
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION							
8. ESTIMATED WEIGHT U.T.D.		9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT None		10. COLOR OF HAIR None		11. RACE U.T.D.	
12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS Mortuary plates							
13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND/OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES None							
14. WAS BODY BURNED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT? Skull and appendages burned heavily.					
15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT? See skeletal blackout.					
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) Remnants of white wool socks.							

Inc 1#1

19. BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECORDED

Unknown X-6121

21. Vertebrae present



Est. height; U.F.D.

20.

MASS BURIAL CERTIFICATE (IF APPLICABLE)
(Wherein segregation in whole or parts is impossible)

I CERTIFY THAT THE GROUP REMAINS CONSIST OF PARTS OF None DECEDENTS BASED ON THE PRESENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING ANATOMICAL PARTS:
NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL OFFICER

21. REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Remains previously processed by Repat. Team. No teeth recovered from remains.
Est. weight of processed remains : four pounds of disarticulated, burned skeletal fragments.

Est. age : 25-30 years.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE PERSONALLY VIEWED THE REMAINS OF DECEASED AND THAT ALL RESULTING INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECORDED TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

TYPED NAME, GRADE, ARM OR SERVICE, AND ORGANIZATION

SIGNATURE

C.J. Missigman

2 Jun 49

EXHUMATION ORDER NO 1593

1. Consolidation of remains of Vincent K Hilk with
X-6121 St Avold impossible, due to duplicate parts.

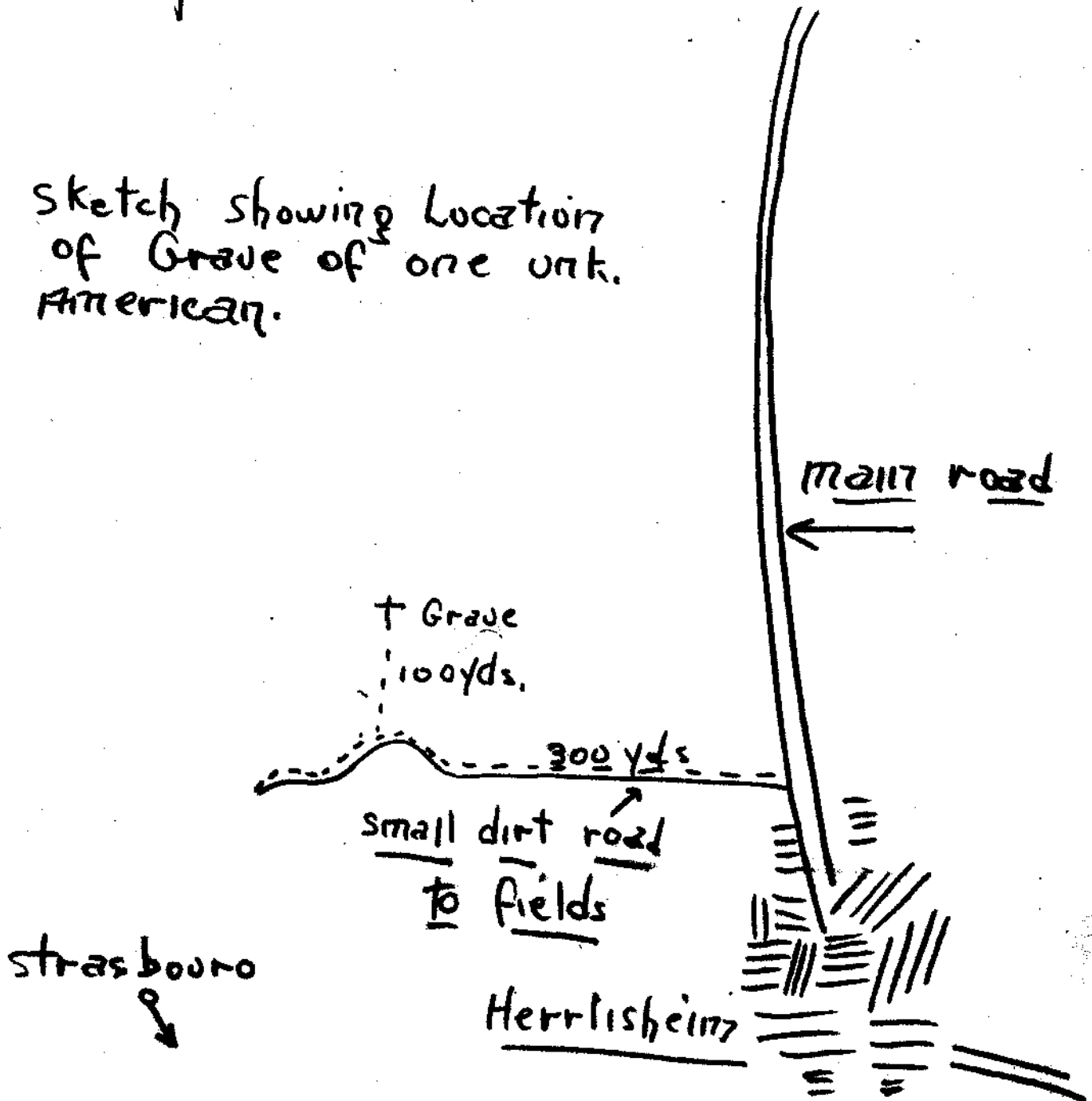
/s/ C. J. Missigman

Herrlisheim
Europe Rd Map
Sh 87 - 1/200,000
(R-1315)

UNKNOWN-X-6121
REINTERRED U.S. MIL. CEM.
ST. AVOLD, AAAA-5-51



Sketch showing location
of Grave of one unk.
American.



S T A T E M E N T

I hereby certify that the said body that is designated on sketch is that of: Vincent Hilke. I Joseph Schlur, and Charlie Faurel and Alex Schlur buried the body at the beginning of June 1945.

March, 27th 1946.

/S/ Schlur Alex.

A True Copy.

Thomas M. Sheddan

Thomas M. Sheddan
1st.Lt. T.C.
Commanding.

HILK, Vincent K Pfc 3142 Inf
33940063 Jan 8, 46 KIA 7 Jan 45

March 27, 1946

I hereby certify that the said body that is designated on sketch is that of one Vincent Quilk. I, Joseph Schlu and Charlie Fawvel and Alex Schlu buried the body at the beginning of June 1945.

Schlu Alex

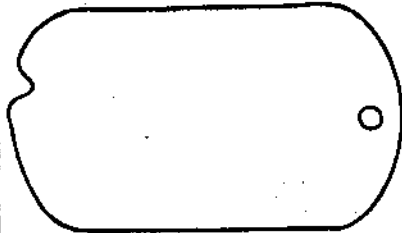
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WD QMC FORM 1042
(Rev. 1 Apr. 1945)
(Supersedes GRS Form 1)

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

DATE OF REPORT
11 May 1946

Imprint Identification Tag If Possible.
DO NOT TYPE



Section 1.—IDENTIFICATION.

NAME (Last, first, middle initial)		SERIAL No.
Unknown X-6121		Unknown
GRADE	ORGANIZATION	BRANCH OF SERVICE
Unknown	Unknown	Ground Forces
RACE	RELIGION	IF OTHER THAN U. S. DEAD, GIVE NAME OF COUNTRY
Unknown	Unknown	

PLACE OF DEATH Herrlisheim Bas-Rhin, France	CAUSE OF DEATH Unknown	DATE OF DEATH Est Jan. 1945
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EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)
Unknown

IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOUND ON BODY (1, 2, or none) None	IF NO TAGS FOUND ON BODY, DESCRIBE MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION (If unidentified, fill in section 2 on reverse)
WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED? (Yes or no) Yes	

LIST PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND ON BODY AND DISPOSITION OF SAME
None

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

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

DATE OF BURIAL 11 May 1946	HOUR 1000	BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other) Casket	TYPE OF GRAVE MARKER Temp wooden Cross	PLOT No. AAAA	ROW No. 5	GRAVE No. 51
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WAS THIS A REBURIAL? (Yes or no) Yes	IF A REBURIAL, INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE Isolated Grave near Herrlisheim, Bas-Rhin, France Eu, Rd, Map, snt 87, 1.200.000, (R-1315).	PLOT No. Isolated Grave	ROW No.	GRAVE No.
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TYPE OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY General Service	PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES Chaplain O.A. RUSHER, 0528621	IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND CONTAINERS BURIED WITH BODY One copy of WD QMC, Form 1042, placed in burial bottle, and buried with remains,
IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH BODY (Yes or no) No	IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO MARKER (Yes or no) Yes, Embossed Plate	

BODY BURIED ON DECEASED LEFT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial) STEWART, FRED	RANK UNK	SERIAL No. 35684009	ORGANIZATION Ground Forces	GRAVE No. 50
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BODY BURIED ON DECEASED RIGHT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial) BENHART, JOSEPH R.	RANK PTC	SERIAL No. 36982348	ORGANIZATION Ce.F. 222nd Inf.	GRAVE No. 52
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SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICER William D. Lawson 2nd Lt Inf 535th Quartermaster Group	SIGNATURE OF GRS OFFICER (If applicable) RALPH W. SLEATOR, MAJ, INF. THIRD FIELD COMMAND
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DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT: Signed original for U. S. and allied dead, signed original and one copy for enemy dead, to the Quartermaster General through Headquarters GRS Officer. Copies for retention in theater as prescribed by theater commander.

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Section 3.—UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS.


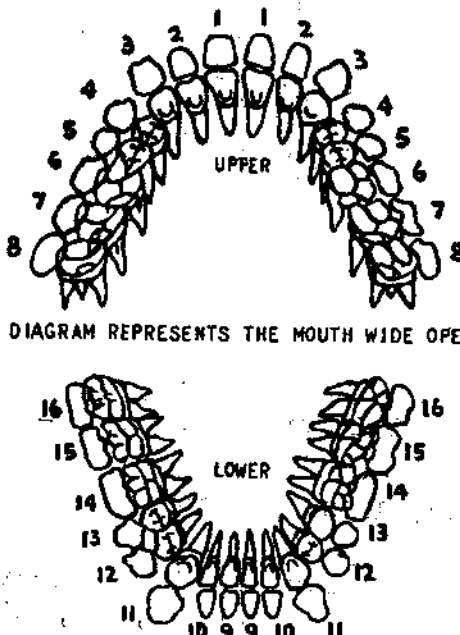




INSTRUCTIONS:

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

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

HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR	BIRTHMARKS, SCARS, OR TATTOOS
UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD	UTD
WEAPON AND SERIAL NO.		LAUNDRY MARKS		WHERE BODY WAS BURIED OR FOUND
NONE		NONE		Herrlisheim, Bas-Rhin France,

OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES

FILLINGS	 <p>SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>	 <p>UPPER</p> <p>DIAGRAM REPRESENTS THE MOUTH WIDE OPEN</p> <p>LOWER</p>
CAVITIES	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED</p>	
MISSING TEETH	 <p>TOOTH MISSING</p>	
CROWNED TEETH	 <p>PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>	
BRIDGE WORK	 <p>GOLD BRIDGE</p>	

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



REMARKS: Attached: Form 1A "Check List of Unknowns". Unable to obtain Form 1A "Tooth Chart" and Fingerprints because of missing portions of remains. Estimated weight of remains 15 lbs.