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To: PORT MORGUE

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AMERIGAN GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
MEDITERRANGAN THEATER SEPARATE ZONE COMMAND-MITOUSA
BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA APO 777, U.S.ARMY

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30 September 1947

SUBJECT: Peport of Investigation on Unknown American X-53

TO: Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Service
Mediterranean Theater Separate Zone Command-MTOUSA
APO 794, U.S.Army

- 1. Submitted herewith is the Report of Investigation by this office on Unknown American X-53, KIA on 18 August 1944, rank and organization unknown.
 - 2. Following exhibits are attached:
 - a. Exhibit "A" Statement of two local civilians
 - 3. FACTS:

MACR concerning this case is not available on file in this office.

4. FINDINGS:

- a. That on 18 August 1944 between 13 and 1500 hrs three American single engine planes were flying, from SW to NE over Veliko Trgoviste, Yugo. Co-ords: 46 00'N 15 51'E. (See Ex: "A")
- b. That one of them burst into flames, exploded and crashed at the place Domahovo. (See Ex: "A")
- c. That an aiman left the plane before it exploded. His chute did not open and he was found dead about 2 km from the scene of crash. (See Ex: "A")
 - d. That the Germans plundered the body and took his papers.
- e. That the remains of the deceased sirmen were buried in the local cemetery at Vel. Trgoviste after 5 or 6 days. The grave was marked with a cross and inscription "American Plt 24 August 1944".
- f. That upon exhumation the remains of an American airman were found in the coffin. Complete skeleten, broken hands and legs. No clothing except underwear.
 - 6. That individual identification was impossible.

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- h. That a tooth-chart was taken.
- i. That the check list of unknowns was filled out.
- j. That it was impossible to identify the plane as all debris had been removed after the crash.

5. COMMENTS:

a. We are not able to associate this case with any MACR on file in this office.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- a. That the disinterred remains be accepted as those of an unknown American airman.
- b. That the tooth-chart taken be compared against the dental records of the airmen lost over Yugoslavia on 18 August 1944.

7. CONCLUSIONS:

- a. That we have buried the above remains in U. S. Military Commetery Relgrade as follows:
 - Unknown American X-53 in Plot D Bow 18 Grave 504
- b. That Report of Interment has been prepared and is attached herewith.

Inclis: a/s

T. C. ANDERSON Major QMC Commadding

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Herewith we declare that on the 18 August 1944, between 13:00 and 15:00 hrs., three planes were flying from South-West to North-East. They were single engine fighters, one of them burst into flames over our village and exploded. At the same time I saw something fell down and established that it was an airman whose parachute didn't open. He was found dead at the village Domahovo.

The Germant Gestapo men rushed to the place of crash and took the dead airman to the cemetery at Veliko Trgoviste. They took all his goods and ordered for the body to be buried. The remains were buried after 5 to 6 days.

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Informants: 1.(s) Capar Josip

2.(s) Koncic Rudolf

Subscribed before be on this 1 July 1947

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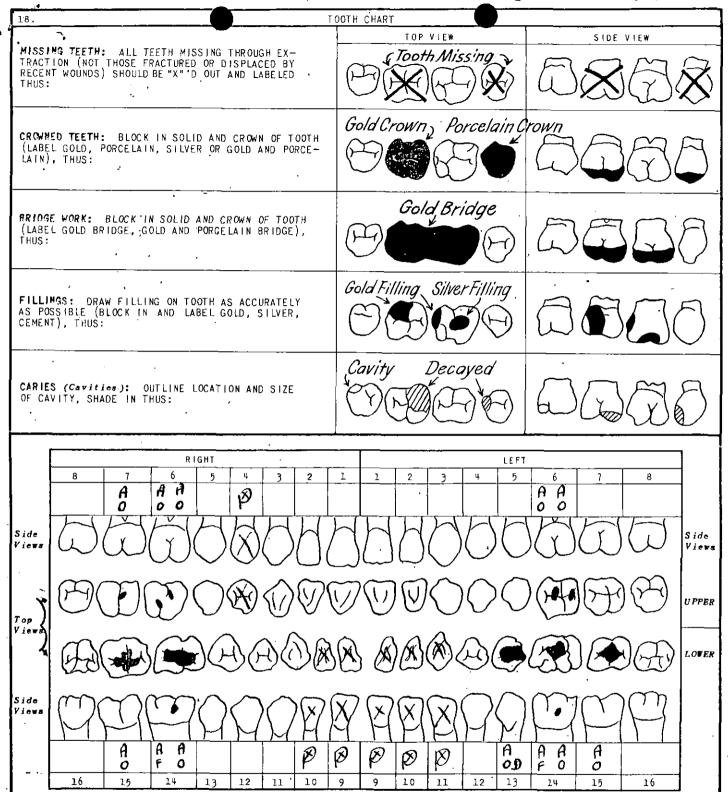
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Det #3, 9107 TSU-QMC, ACRS/MZ

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18 Mar 47

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Processed by: Dr. Alexander Tardy, MD Chief Anthropologist

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DOMINIC A. NETT

2nd Lt. QMC Officer

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HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE MEDITERRANEAN THEATER SEPARATE ZONE COMMAND MIOUSA APO 794 US ARMY

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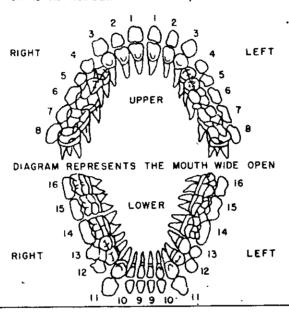
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- 2. NOTE CAREFULLY THAT: SYMBOLS INDICATING MISSING TEETH, CAVITIES AND BRIDGE-WORK ARE TO BE INSERTED IN WHOLE BOX; SYMBOLS INDICATING TYPE OF FILLING ARE TO BE INSERTED IN UPPER HALF OF BOX; AND SYMBOLS INDICATING LOCATION OF FILLING ARE TO BE INSERTED IN LOWER HALF OF BOX.
- 3. ANY ABNORMALITIES SUCH AS MALPOSED, MALFORMED OR DISCOLORED TEETH, ETC. SHOULD BE NOTED. DENTAL WORK NOT COVERED ABOVE WILL BE INDICATED, e.g., PORCELAIN CROWNS, GOLD CROWNS (FULL OR 3/4), 3/4 GOLD CROWN WITH SILICATE WINDOW.
 - 4. FOR INFORMATION OF STANDARD NUMBERING OF TEETH, SEE DIAGRAM BELOW.



REMARKS:

SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHO PREPARED CHART

Nik. Skrbich, Civ. Investigator

AGR Det. AGRS/MTZ Belgrade
PLACE OR HQ. WHERE THIS FORM ACCOMPLISHED

VERIFIED BY GRS OFFICER

T.C. ANDERSON Major OMC.

30 September 1947

DATE OF REPORT VD QMC FORM 1042 REPORT OF INTERMENT (Rev. 1 Apr. 1945) (Supersedes GRS Form 1) (AR 30-1810 and AR 30-1815) 30 September 1947 Imprint Identification Tag It Possible. Section 1.-- IDENTIFICATION. DO NOT TYPE NAME (Last, first, middle initial) SERIAL NO Unknown American X-53 GRADE ORGANIZATION BRANCH OF SERVICE Air Corps RACE RELIGION IF OTHER THAN U. S. DEAD, GIVE NAME OF COUNTRY White Unknown <u>U.S.A.</u> PLACE OF DEATH CAUSE OF DEATH DATE OF DEATH Veliko Trgoviste, Yugo., 46⁰00'N - 15⁰51'E Plane Crash 18 August 1944 EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOUND ON BODY IF NO TAGS FOUND ON BODY, DESCRIBE MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION (If unidentified, fill in section 3 on reverse) (1. 2. or none) None WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED? (Yes or no) See Report of Investigation No LIST PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND ON BODY AND DISPOSITION OF SAME None Section 2.—BURIAL. If other than in established cometery, furnish sketch and map coordinates on reverse. NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES, AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY U.S. Military Cemetery Belgrade, Yugo., 44°47'N - 20°25'E Air Map Europe 1:500.000 Belgrade Sheet DATE OF BURIAL HOUR BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other) TYPE OF GRAVE MARKER PLOT No. ROW No. GRAVE No. 26 September 47 1400 Shroud Wooden Cross 504 WAS THIS A REBURIAL? IF A REBURIAL; INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE (Yes or no) Cemetery Veliko Trgoviste, Yugo., PLOT No. ROW No. GRAVE No. 46°00'N - 15°51'E Yes TYPE OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND CONTAINERS BURIED WITH BODY . GRS Form in burial bottle buried in General IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH BODY (Yes or no) IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO MARKER (Yes or no) grave with remains GRS Form in burial bottle buried in No No grave 1 ft below cross BODY BURIED ON DECEASED LEFT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial) RANK SERIAL No. ORGANIZATION GRAVE No.

SIGNATURE OF PERSON PREPARING REPORT

Nik. Skrbich, Civ. Investigator

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