

FILE IDENTIFICATION TOPPER

FILE NUMBER

293 Unknown, Belgrade, X-78

SUBJECT

QMC FORM 1121
1 Aug 45

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1	WILLARD EDGESEYON Major QMC, Cemetery Superintendent					
	DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE					
SECTION A — NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED			DIRECTIVE NUMBER 9970 00338		DATE DAY: 15 MONTH: 03 YEAR: 49	
NAME UNKNOWN		SERIAL NUMBER X 000078	GRADE	ARM Q	RACE 0	RELIGION 6
CEMETERY BELGRADE YUGOSLAVIA		PLOT E	ROW 19	GRAVE 657	DISPOSITION OF REMAINS CODE: 5202 DIST. CTR.: 80	
SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN						
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE NETTUNO, ITALY				NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN (BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)		
SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION						
NAME		SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH		DATE DISTINTERRED
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> 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 (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies)						
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET						
DATE		BY	EMPRESEY (Signature)		FILE 10 MAY 1949 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BRANCH MEM. DIV.	
CASKET SEALED BY		SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY <i>[Signature]</i>				
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED		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 AGRS INSPECTOR						
REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS						

CHANGE

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RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM NAPLES PORT MORGUE		TO USMC ANZIO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRAIN		NAME OF CONVOYER M SGT GERALD J RYAN	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER WILLIAM H. SPURLIN, 1ST LT QMC	DATE 11Apr49	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>Willard Edgerton</i> WILLARD EDGERTON, MAJ QMC	DATE 12 APR 1949

2. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

3. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

4. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

5. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

6. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

7. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

GENERAL SUPERVISOR
Cemetery Superintendent?

SECTION A — NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED	DIRECTIVE NUMBER	DATE
	9970 00338	15 08 48 DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM	RACE	RELIGION
UNKNOWN X-78	X-000078		0	0	6

CEMETERY	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
BELGRADE YUGOSLAVIA	E	19	657	5201 80 CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
FLORENCE, ITALY	(BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISINTERRED
UNKNOWN X-78				14 Jan 1948
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER	ORGANIZATION	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY	
	UNKNOWN		T.C. ANDERSON, FAI OMC <i>[Signature]</i>	

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
	WILLIAM H. SPURLIN <i>[Signature]</i> 1st. LT. OMC


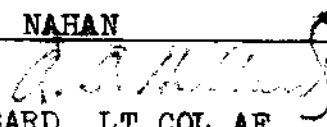
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SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA		TO CCP, NAPLES	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRAIN		NAME OF CONVOYER JOSEPH F. NAHAN	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER  T. C. ANDERSON MAJ QMC	DATE 21 Jan 1948	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER  A. F. HUBBARD LT COL AF	DATE 24 Jan 1948

2. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

3. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

4. SHIPPED

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KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

5. SHIPPED

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KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

6. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

7. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

To be used only when disinterment is made prior to receipt of GRS Form 1194 (Disinterment Directive)

Remains Storage Point Location

AGRS - MZ YORK SHIRT DISINTERMENT

Date JAN 6 1948 No. 657

SECTION A: Information obtained from Zone H. Report

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	ARMY
Unknown American X-78	-	-	USAAF
COUNTRY			RACE
U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY, BELGRADE			White
PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	COUNTRY
E	19	657	YUGOSLAVIA
			RELIGION
			Unknown

*SECTION C: DISINTERMENT AND IDENT. (Info obtained from Remains &/or Grave marker)

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	DATE DISINTERRED
Unknown American x-78	Unknown	Unk	5 January 1948
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON	GRS FORM NO. 1042	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
Remains	with Remains	Unknown	FRANCIS M. GRIGSBY, Capt., QMC
Marker	(Yes XXXX)	Name & Title	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

SECTION D: PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR STORAGE

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS
shroud	Skeletal

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION: None

MINOR DISCREPANCIES: None

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

Date 30 March 1948 By BILL L. LACK

CASKET SEALED BY: BILL L. LACK

EMBALLER (Signature): *Bill L. Lack*

IDENTIFICATION PLATE PLACED ON CASKET

Date 30 March 1948 Name Ramon Narvaez, Jr. Title Recorder

REMARKS: Date of death: 6 April 1944

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. GRIGSBY, Capt., QMC
 Signature of GRS Inspector
 Grade and Organization

* Section "B" Omitted

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED

FROM: USMC, Naples

TO: CCP, Naples

Kind of conveyance: Truck

Name of convoyer: WALTER E. THOMAS
1st Lt., TC

Signature of shipper:

Signature of receiver:

ALTON LEWIS, 1st Lt., AC 29Mar48

BAILEY SKINNER, Major, QMC 29Mar48

2. SHIPPED

FROM: CCP, Naples

TO: Fort Mague

Kind of conveyance: Truck

Name of convoyer:

Signature of shipper:

Signature of receiver:

BAILEY SKINNER, Major, QMC 30Mar48

WALTER E. THOMAS, Capt., QMC 30Mar48

To be used only when disinterment is made prior to receipt of OQMG Form 1194 (Disinterment Directive)	Remains Storage Point Location
AGRS-MZ WORK SHEET DISINTERMENT	
Date JAN 6 1948	No. 657

SECTION A: Information obtained from Zone Hq Record

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	ARM
Unknown American X-78	-	-	USAAF
CEMETERY	U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY, BELGRADE		RACE
			White
PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	COUNTRY
E	19	657	YUGOSLAVIA
			RELIGION
			Unknown

*SECTION C: DISINTERMENT AND IDENT. (Info obtained from Remains and/or Grave Marker)

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	DATE DISINTERMENT
Unknown American X-78	Unknown	Unk	5 January 1948
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON	QMG FORM #1042	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
Remains	with Remains	Unknown	FRANCIS M. GRIGSBY
Marker	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Capt., QMG
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		Name & Title

SECTION D: PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR STORAGE

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS
Shroud	Skeletal
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION	
None	
MINOR DISCREPANCIES	
None	
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET	
Date 30 March 1948	By Bill L. Lack
CASKET SEALED BY	EMBALMER (Signature)
Bill L. Lack	S/ Bill L. Lack
IDENTIFICATION PLATE PLACED ON CASKET	
Date 30 March 1948	Name Ramon Narvaez, Title Recorder

REMARKS
Date of death: 6 April 1944

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FRANCIS M. GRIGSBY, Capt., QMG
Signature of GRS Inspector
Grade and Organization

*Section "B" Omitted

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

In Reply Refer to: ~~SGT 293~~
~~PRICE, James G., O-745172~~
~~(and six crew members)~~

293/2RS The
(Ident.)

18 November 1948

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Service
Mediterranean Zone
APO 794, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to report of proceedings of Board of Officers, dated 24 August 1948, regarding establishment of a Group Burial (7 in 2) in the case of 2d Lt James G. PRICE, O-745172 and six (6) crew members, and to letters of transmittal, dated 25 October 1948, forwarding recommendations that Unknowns X-34, X-59 through X-70, X-73, X-77, X-78 and X-87, USMC, Belgrade, be accepted as Unidentifiable.

2. Tooth charts for Unknowns X-65 and X-69 compare favorably with available dental records of S/Sgt Harry W. PARSONS, 13142898 and 2d Lt Herbert W. MASSA, O-751835, respectively. It is believed that similar comparisons may be possible for other remains disinterred in the vicinity of Mostar, Yugoslavia.

3. Inclosed herewith are OAG Forms 371 and LACK's for the following deceased who were KIA or MIA in the vicinity of Mostar, Yugoslavia:

BLAVIER, Johnnie L.	S/Sgt 34036552	POLLY, Kenneth H.	T/Sgt 39387355
BISSELL, Robert W.	S/Sgt 39325950	GRYGLEC, Irwin A.	S/Sgt 16145692
BLACKSHAW, Robert E.	2d Lt O-674026	ISBROOKER, Charles L.	T/Sgt 34435563
BLANKENSHIP, Joe W.	2d Lt O-754873	KATHLY, Ray C.	2d Lt O-693277
BROWN, Clarence	S/Sgt 19180104	MACLENN, Kenneth	2d Lt O-747291
BURNS, Charles T.	S/Sgt 18167893	MANUEL, James W.	2d Lt O-689076
COHEN, Hyman	2d Lt O-691723	MASSA, Herbert W.	2d Lt O-751835
COMART, Hugh D.	S/Sgt 14139839	MUSTYNSKI, Alexander J. Jr.	2d Lt O-805960
DEHILIO, Louis A.	S/Sgt 36348192		

X 293
Link X-78
Yugoslavia
Belgrade

QUICENT 293

18 November 1948

PRICE, James G., O-745172 (and six crew members)
SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

OSBORNE, Gerald C.	T/Sgt 38444575	SILBER, Michael T.	1st Lt O-795654
PARSONS, Harry A.	S/Sgt 13142898	STEADLEY, Waymon E.	S/Sgt 34392392
PRICE, James G.	2d Lt O-745172	STIVERS, Bailey	2d Lt O-814432
RINNE, Wayne	Cpl 39335908	SUNDEEN, Joseph M.	2d Lt O-690834
ROBERTS, Robert J, Jr	2d Lt O-735819	THILO, Carl F.	2d Lt O-689437
RYON, David O.	2d Lt O-797077	WATERMAN, James M.	S/Sgt 11085942
SATTERLEE, Warren S.	2d Lt O-683784		

4. It is requested that a further investigation be initiated in cases of Unknowns X-59 through X-70 and X-87, and an effort be made to associate them with individuals listed above.

5. Further action relative to Subject Field Board Findings and the Unknowns cited above has been suspended in this office pending receipt of results of the reinvestigation.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

37 Incls:

Incls Nos 1-7: MACHS w/att
Nos 1135, 1136, 3971, 3975,
3976, 4078 and 9680

Incls Nos 8-14: OCMG Forms 371 (in dup)
(Beaver, Bissell, Burns, Cowart,
Rinne, Ryon and Sundeen)

Incls Nos 15-37: OCMG Forms 371 (in dup) w/att
(Blackshaw, Blankenship, Brunn, Cohen,
DeMilio, Foley, Grygienc, Isenhower,
Keithly, Magrath, Manuel, Massa,
Muszynski, Osborne, Parsons, Price,
Rogers, Satterlee, Silver, Steakley,
Stivers, Thilo and Waterman)

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

AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
9107 TSW -CSC
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
MEDITERRANEAN ZONE
B*LODRAR, YUGOSLAVIA APO 794, U.S. ARMY

NS/an

5 January 1948

SUBJECT: Report of Investigation on Unknown American X-78

TO : Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Service
Mediterranean Zone
APO 794, U.S. Army

1. Submitted herewith is the Report of Investigation by this office on Unknown American X-78, KIA on 6 April 1944, rank and organization unknown.

2. Following exhibits are attached:

- a. Exhibit "A" Letter of British Graves Service
- b. Exhibit "B" Report of Hadiveje Krasnik
- c. Exhibit "C" Statement of Alojz Jelen
- d. Exhibit "D" Joint Statement of three local civilians

3. **FACTS:**

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

4. **FINDINGS:**

- a. That on 6 April 1944 at about 14,00 to 15,30 hrs some American fighter planes were engaged in fight with several German fighters over the villages Spodnja and Zgornja Kungota N of Maribor, Yugo. Co-ords: 46°38'N-15 40'E.
- b. That an American fighter plane crashed and apparently exploded on the ground, making a large hole about 12 meters wide and 6-7 meters deep.
- c. That two engines and two heavy machineguns were found at the spot of crash, as stated by the civilians.
- d. That the body of the pilot was disintegrated by explosion. Some parts of body were recovered by the Germans and buried in a coffin in the local cemetery at Kungota.

103 Conf. Sec. Service (Signature X-78)

e. That some photographs of a young man of 20 - 25 years with blonde hair and round face were found and taken by the Germans.

f. That according to the evidence of civilians another airman parachuted and landed safely. He was apparently from the same plane, as stated by Frans Purkart who was told that by the German police.

g. That upon exhumation a few remains in skeletal state and a part of pilot beard were found in a coffin in the local cemetery at Sp. Kungota. Only the following parts were found: upper half of right ulna, lower part of right humerus, upper part of sternum, few pieces of vertebrae, fragment of pelvis, one piece of scapula, one piece of rib, two phalanges.

h. That it was not possible to take a tooth-chart.

i. That individual identification was impossible.

j. That according to the part of plane found with the remains it appears that the subject plane was a P 38. Engines and machineguns had been removed after the crash and are not available now.

5. COMMENTS:

a. MACR for 1st Lt. Fay R. Valley, O-739368, on file in this office indicates that he was seen going down in the vicinity of Zagreb on 6 April 1944 at 15,45 hrs. His status is DDW. His plane was a P 38. A search was made to recover his remains and resulted in negative reports. Statement of 2nd Lt. Carl C. Hoenschell attached to MACR reveals that a lone parachute was seen apparently from a B 17 in the target area. As the target Zagreb is only about 50 miles SE from the place where the remains of X-78 were found and the description of crash corresponds to some extent to MACR for Lt. Valley, it might be that the recovered remains are of Lt. Valley. However, it is felt by this office that the available information is too scarce to identify the subject remains as those of Lt. Valley. It is hoped that the identification will be accomplished by means of part of the plane which will be forwarded to your HQ.

b. We have contacted the British Graves Service for possible identification and obtained the enclosed statement to the effect that the subject remains don't appear to be British.

c. Investigator Krasnik reported that probably some more parts of the deceased could be found in the hole, as stated by the civilians, but owing to the difficulties it was not deemed advisable to make another search.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. That the disinterred remains be accepted as those of an unknown American airman.

b. That further efforts be made for possible identification of the subject remains as suggested in Para 5.

7. CONCLUSIONS:

a. That we have buried the above remains in the U.S. Military

Cemetery Belgrade as:

Unknown American X-78 in Plot E Row 19 Grave 657.

b. That Report of Interment has been prepared and is attached herewith.

Incl's: a/s


T.C. ANDERSON
Major CMC

C O P Y

Subject: Identification of bodies.
TO : American Graves Registration,
Belgrade.

G.R & B (Balkans)
The British Embassy
Belgrade
c/o APO. S.564
C.M.F.

Ref.: No. YB/1013
Date: 2.1.1948

On, or about the 6th of November 1947, I examined two bodies brought in by A.G.R.U. searcher parties.

The first of these bodies was brought from near MARIBOR, date of casualty being 6th of April 1944, and the second, south of ZAGREB, date of casualty 20-30th of March 1945.

There were no means of identifying these bodies as British.

By examining our records, we could not tie up any of our casualties with these two unknowns.

EP/DD

Major
(E.P. Post)
D.A.D.G.R. & B (Balkans)

A TRUE COPY:

T.C. Anderson
T.C. ANDERSON
Major QMC

EXH BIT "A"

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TRANSLATION

Report of Investigation

On 6 April 1944 at about 14^h American and German fighter planes fought over Sp. and Eg. Kungota. The witnesses can't say the course of flight of the American planes. Some of them stated that they were flying towards Germany, and the others declared that they flew towards the South. Suddenly one of the American planes crashed. Witnesses stated that they saw a parachutist from this plane. He landed and was captured by the German police.

The plane crashed and dived into the ground 6 - 7 meters deep. It seems that it exploded when it crashed. The hole was 12 meters wide. The peasant on which field the plane crashed declared that he poured hundred vehicles of dirt into that hole. At the first moment it was not possible to rescue because the munition exploded. When afterwards the hole was dugged two engines and two heavy machine guns were found 4 meters deep in the ground and still deeper parts of the airman's body. The grave keeper Jose Panar put the parts of the remains into a coffin and buried them on the cemetery.

When now the grave was opened we found in it 3 - 4 bones and one plate of the plane. This plate is now with the bones in the sack. The Germans found in the dirt some photographs showing a man of 20-25 years and blond hair. These photographs were taken by a Gestapo. Talking with witnesses from the place where the plane crashed I was informed

that in this hole there are some more parts of the plane, a pistol and some parts of airman bodies.

Alojs Jelen stated that the plane was a fighter plane with two engines and with two heavy machine guns. And other people stated that they saw a White Star on the body of the plane.

(s) Radivoje Krasnik
Civ. Investigator

A TRUE COPY


T.C. ANDERSON
Major QMC

EXHIBIT "B"

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TRANSLATION

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned state that I know the following about the American airman who was killed on 6 April 1944 when his plane crashed at Sp. Kungota, County Maribor Okolica:

On 6 April 1944 at about 14^h American and German fighter planes fought in the air over Zg. and Sp. Kungota. I saw when one of this American planes suddenly crashed, and that before crash one airman bailed out and landed at Stars Gora. This parachutist was captured by the German police.

When I arrived on the spot of crash we found only debris, because the plane exploded and burnt after it hit the ground. It was not possible to rescue because of the explosion of the munition. After the ground was digged there were found in a hole 4 meters deep two engines and two heavy machine guns, some parts of plane and parts of the pilot's body, no more than 25 lbs. The parts of human body's were put in a coffin by the grave keeper Paner Josef and buried on the cemetery at Sp. Kungota.

Five photographs, very likely of the pilot, were found at the scene of crash. They were wrapped in paper. I saw one picture, it was of a young man, about 20-25 years, round face, fair hair. I don't recall other details. These photographs were taken by a Gestapo soldier.

The plane was a fighter plane with two engines and two machine guns.

Josef Paner, the cemetery care taker at Sp. Kungota, can give information about the location of the grave.

/s/ Alojz Jelen

I certify that the above is a true copy:

/s/ Silvo Vatovec

A TRUE COPY

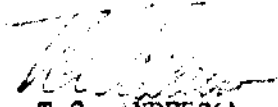

T.C. ANDERSON
Major OMC

EXHIBIT "C"

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STATEMENT

1. It crashed on the 6 April 1944 at about 15.30h.
2. The grave keeper Jozef Kaner who buried the remains is sure of the date of crash as the burial was recorded in the local Register of death under 8 April 1944 two days after the crash.
3. The inn-keeper Franc Furkart knows the following:
The other airman of the shot plane bailed out and told to the Germans that two men were in the plane, that the pilot was wounded while flying and could not bail out.
4. He was told that by the German police.
5. There were several formations of planes flying towards the Austrian border - St. Leonard. They were single and two engine planes.


Informants: (a) Jozef Kaner
grave keeper at
Sp. Kungota.
(a) Franc Furkart
(a) Jozef Versnat

IN THIS COPY:


T.G. ANDERSON
Major MC

EXHIBIT "D"

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN A - 78						2. DATE OF REPORT 27 Feb. 1948	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY U.S.M.C. BELGRADE, Yugoslavia				4. PLOT E	5. ROW 19	6. GRAVE 657	7. DATE OF DISINTERMENT REINTERMENT
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION							
8. ESTIMATED WEIGHT Unknown		9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT Unknown		10. COLOR OF HAIR Unknown		11. RACE	
12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS " Non identifiable by reason of lack of sufficient identifying data" <div style="text-align: right;">  T. O. ANDERSON Major QMC </div>							
13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND/OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES Unknown							
14. WAS BODY BURNED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT?					
15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		TO WHAT EXTENT? Badly Shattered					
16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF HEALED FRACTURES AND BONE MALFORMATIONS None							
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) None							
<p><i>The date not known</i></p> <p><i>31 Aug 49</i> <i>QMC</i></p> <p>to from</p> <p>presently</p> <p>available <i>E. W. Dermot</i></p> <p><i>will return signature</i></p>							

HEADQUARTERS
2107 TSP - C I C
AMERICAN CASUALS REGISTRATION SERVICE
EUROPEAN ZONE
ATO 794 US ARMY

CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Paragraph 1-17 and 19-21, Identification Data CIG 1044 and 1044b
Paragraph 18 - Identification Dental Chart

C.I.P. Case No. 297

Date of Investigation 27 Feb. 1948

Unknown American X- 78

Mil. Com. Belgrade-Yugo. ~~POW~~ Plot E Row No. 19 Grave 657

Place of Death Kungota, near Maribor, Yugo. Date of Death 6 April 1944

Map Reference 46°38'N 15°40' E. Sheet _____ Map of Italy _____

Other American Dead Found in Same Area None

Cause of Death Plane crash

22. Description of Remains

Skeletal State

(If the remains have not been decomposed, attach to this form CIG Form 1042, completely filled out to physical characteristics)

23 Skeletal Data

HEAD Skull missing

TOOTH CHART Impossible

THUNK 1 piece of Vertebra., 2 pieces of pelvic bones
1 piece of sternum, 1 piece of rib .

UPPER EXTREMITIES (Give measurements of long bones).

R Humerus Missing L Humerus Condyles present
R Ulna # L Ulna Head missing
R Radius " L Radius Missing
Carpels, Metacarpels, Phalanges 2 Phalanges

LOWER EXTREMITIES. (Give measurements of long bones).

R Femur Missing L Femur Missing
R Tibia " L Tibia "
R Fibula " L Fibula "
Calcanea, Tarsals, Metatarsals, Phalanges

24. AGE ESTIMATED AT Impossible
BASED ON Lack of necessary bones

25. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS
Skeletal chart impossible insufficient amount of bones.

26. RECOMMENDATIONS
No valuable clues could be obtained.

(Signature of Officer)
ALTON C. LEWIS
1st Lt. Inf.
Commanding CIP

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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
5 January 1948

Imprint Identification Tag If Possible.
DO NOT TYPE



Section 1.—IDENTIFICATION.

NAME (Last, first, middle initial)

Unknown American X-78

SERIAL No.

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GRADE

-

ORGANIZATION

-

BRANCH OF SERVICE

Air Corps

RACE

-

RELIGION

-

IF OTHER THAN U. S. DEAD, GIVE
NAME OF COUNTRY

U.S.A.

PLACE OF DEATH

Kungota near Maribor,
Yugo. 46°38'N - 15°40'E

CAUSE OF DEATH

Plane Crash

DATE OF DEATH

6 April 1944

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)

None

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)

See Report of Investigation

WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED?(Yes or no)

No

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

U.S. Military Cemetery Belgrade, Yugo. 44°047'N - 20°25'E
Air Map Europe 1:500,000 Belgrade Sheet

DATE OF BURIAL

5 January 1948

HOUR

1000

BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other)

Shroud

TYPE OF GRAVE
MARKER

Wooden Cross

PLOT No.

E

ROW No.

19

GRAVE No.

657

WAS THIS A REBURIAL?
(Yes or no)

Yes

IF A REBURIAL, INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE

Local Cemetery at Kungota near Maribor, Yugo.
Co-ords: 46°38'N - 15°40'E

PLOT No.

ROW No.

GRAVE No.

TYPE OF RELIGIOUS
CEREMONY

General

PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES

IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND
CONTAINERS BURIED WITH BODY

GRS Form in burial bottle buried
in grave with remains
GRS Form in burial bottle buried
in grave 1 ft below cross

IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH
BODY (Yes or no)

No

IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO
MARKER (Yes or no)

No

BODY BURIED ON DECEASED LEFT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial)

Bel. to be: Zeiger, Roy N.
Davis, William M.

RANK

2nd Lt.
S/Sgt.

SERIAL No.

0-814621
19128069

ORGANIZATION

463 B.Gp.

GRAVE No.

656

BODY BURIED ON DECEASED RIGHT, NAME (Last, first, middle initial)

Bel. to be: Weisblum, Joseph

RANK

S/Sgt.

SERIAL No.

36827555

ORGANIZATION

425 B. Gp

GRAVE No.

658

SIGNATURE OF PERSON PREPARING REPORT

Nich. Skrbich, Civ. Investigator

SIGNATURE OF GRS OFFICER VERIFYING REPORT

T.C. ANDERSON, Major QMC

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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.

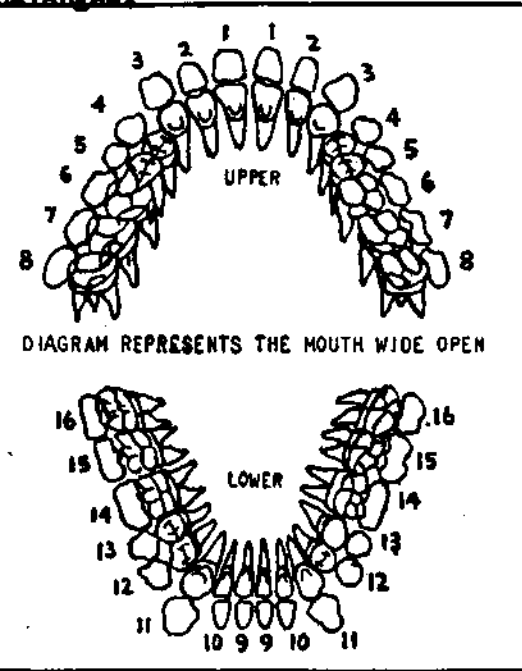
(b) A fingerprint, or prints, are the most valuable of all clues. Imprint all fingers and thumbs in the chart at left, or as many as possible. If no fingerprint or prints can be secured, the condition of each and every tooth will be indicated on the tooth chart in accordance with diagram below. Tooth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

HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR	BIRTHMARKS, SCARS, OR TATTOOS
WEAPON AND SERIAL NO.		LAUNDRY MARKS		WHERE BODY WAS BURIED OR FOUND

OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES

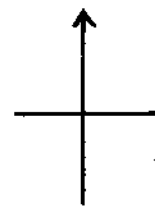
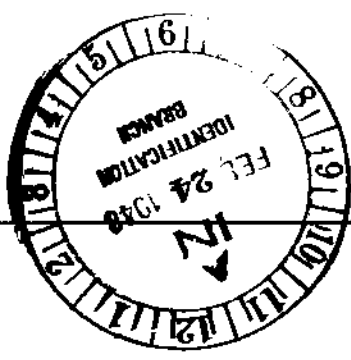
Impossible to take a tooth-chart.
 Only following parts found: upper half of right ulna, lower part of right humerus, upper part of sternum, few pieces of vertebrae, fragment of pelvis, one piece of scapula, one piece of rib, two phalanges.

FILLINGS	
CAVITIES	
MISSING TEETH	
CROWNED TEETH	
BRIDGE WORK	



Impossible to take fingerprints. Body disintegrated.

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



REMARKS: