

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ahneman, George Frank (STM)

July 11, 1932

Mrs. Minna Ahneman,

Mazepa, Minn.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

QM 293 A-M  
Ahmenan, George Frank Pvt. (STM) M

December 22, 1931.

Mrs. Minna Ahmenan,  
Mazzeppa,  
Minn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private George Frank Ahmenan. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed that you would experience no difficulty in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible will be provided for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Ahnemak, George Frank (StM) M  
Pvt.

June 12, 1931.

Mrs. Minna Ahnema,  
Mazeppa,  
Minn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ahneamah, George Frank 1233 H

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Minna Ahneamah  
Hazeppa, Minn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

*Ahnemann, Geo. Frank*

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
*Ahnemann, George Frank 1235*

March 7, 1930

Mrs. Minna Ahnemann,  
Maseppa, Minnesota.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 27, 1929.

Ahneman, George F.  
1233

Mr. Christ Ahneman,  
Maueppa,  
Minn.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 25, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
~~Anneman, George F.~~

May 25 1929.

Mr. Christ Anneman,  
Mazepa,  
Kinn.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

late Private George F. Anneman, Co. 12, 5th Infantry, the father of the  
now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Illaucourt, Meurthe-et-  
Moselle, France, whose remains are

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.



*290*  
Ahnenman,  
(Surname.)

George F.  
(Christian name in full.)

4,069,718  
(Army serial num.)

Pvt.  
(Rank and organization.)

Co E 54 Pioneer Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

*Father*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*no*

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Chris Ahnenman*  
*by L. A. P.*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City or town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by PF

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Checked  
Mett 10-6-20

Letter sent to Mr. Christ Ahneman,  
Mazeppe, Minn.

April 3, 1924

AHNEMAN, George F., Pvt.

Mr. Christ Ahneman,

Lazepa,

Minnesota.

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

Dear Sir,

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

Assistant.

1-Incl.  
Record card.

R. P. HARBOLD

Copy 1 & Files B2



APR 8 1924  
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## COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

## I. DATA COMPILATION

## A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name AHNEMAN, George F. Ser. No. 4069718 )  
 (2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 54 Pioneers Inf. ) TYP. HML  
 (3) Date of death 10-10-18 ) CKR M. E. T.

## B. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(4) Cause of death Tuberculosis Pneumonia ) TYP. SH  
 (5) Grave No. 110 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- ) CKR EMH

## II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; card agrees with #4.

## B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship father  
 (7) Name Chris Ahneman  
 (8) Address Mazeppa, Minn. (Reverse side)  
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? No  
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at ---  
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? ---

OK  
matt

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## C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE

Date of communication ---

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A. G. O. card?  
 If so, specify such information.

No Correspondence(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by mm

(Date)

5-28-20

D (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos? Yes) Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? Yes  
 (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

No request for disposition(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by MMH8

(Date)

5/29/20115A prepared

(over)

Rechecked matt 10-6-20

1/12/22 Examined for  
 concentration - at #4  
 St. Michel 1233



III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to \_\_\_\_\_

OCT 18 24 (17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed \_\_\_\_\_

(18) Typed by \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(19) Typed by \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form 120 7/25/20 father nearest 7 km  
 confirms previous instructions  
 to let body remain in Europe

Form 115 rtd. by Holsten body to remain in Europe H.S.K.

D. Dispatched (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ (Let. Trans. No. 9/30/20)

Par # 2 Not to be returned (OyP)

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED

OCT 27 1920  
G. R. S.



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 8, 1921.

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

## DISINTERMENT

## COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name AHNEMAN, George F.

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. 4069718

11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. Co. E. 54th Pion. Inf.

13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. 10-10 - 18

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. Tuberculosis Pneumonia(b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 46 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

17. None.18. Cemetery American Cemetery19. Commune or town Allerey20. Dept. or County S-et-L21. Country France.22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 8423. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 8, 1921.By J. E. Benson.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name AHNEMAN, George F.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Pvt.Organization Co. E, 54th Pion Inf.Gr. 4625. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes. On body? Yes.

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

T. H. CHUNN.

## PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

No effects found. Form 16a accomplished.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.28. Nature of burial Buried in uniform, and in wooden box.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 8, 1921. By J. E. Benson.31. Casket sealed by J. E. Benson.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

J. E. BENSON.



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No. C-15506

32. Designation of body:

Name AHNEMAN, George F.

Serial No. 4069718

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. E. 54th Pion. Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. 1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 8, 1921. By J. E. Benson.

35. 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 G.R.S. Inspector

D. E. LOWRY, 1st. Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

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37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 8, 1921.

To point of Concentration Beaune (Cote d'Or) France.

(Name

Convoyer Michael Plotkin

Signature Shipping Officer

Capt. G.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

Michael Plotkin

nov. 18 OCT 19

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. 1233 Thiaucourt (M-et-M)

(Name

Convoyer Michael Plotkin

Signature Shipping Office

W. R. BUCKLEY, Capt. QMC.

40. Received: Date Nov. 19, 1921.

G.R.S. Representative

J. B. Daniel, Capt. 2MC  
June 16th 1922

41. Reinterred

(Date

42. Grave No. 4

Section

BLOCK

"A"

43. ~~Plot~~

Row

18

G.R.S. Representative

A. E. Dewey,  
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.



## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 8, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF AHNEMAN, George F. SERIAL NUMBER 4069718RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E, 54th. Pion Inf.2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 8, 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. 46Amer. Mil. Cem. # 84. Allerey ( Saone et Loire) France.By : Group 2. Unit 4.3. Reburied (date): June 16th 1922 In (give complete location):Grave 4 Bl "A" Row 18By : Group Reburial Unit Casket and Shipping Case  
Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :

Buried in uniform and in wooden box. Badly decomposed,  
recognition impossible.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes. On grave marker? Yes.

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :

No effects found.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?

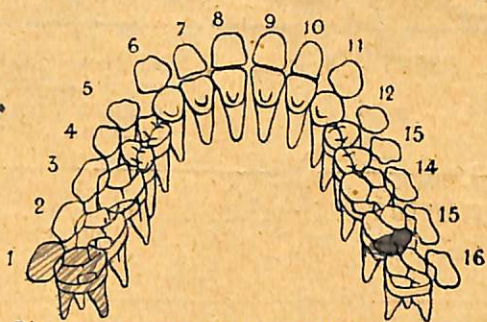
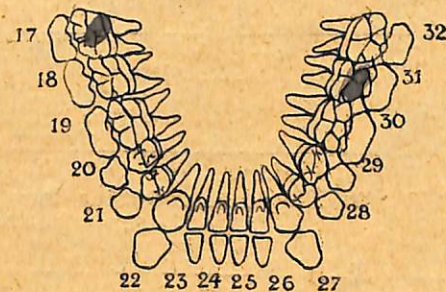
(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.(b) Weight, (estimated) Unable to determine.(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown.Quantity Unable to determine.Characteristics None.(d) Hair on face—Color None.Location Unable to determine.Quantity None.(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,  
or missing parts) None.(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) No. 1, MAD. No. 15, 17, 31,  
SF.Autopsy on head.7. Disinterment  
supervised byJ. E. BENSON.Approved : D. E. Lowry  
EHC.(Title) 1st. Lt., Q.M.C.8. Reburial  
Supervised byH. L. KramerApproved : A. E. Dewey(Title) 1st Lieut., Q. M. C.

Diagram represents the mouth wide open.





See Form 115  
att 7/12/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name AHNEMAN, George F. Ser. No. 4069718 TYP EML  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 65. Pioneers. Inf. GS  
(c) Date of death 10/10/18 Cause of death Tuberculosis. Pneumonia MET

II. REGISTRATION CARD.-(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.):

(a) Grave No 110 Row 1 Plot 1 Sect. 1 TYP SH  
(b) Emerg. Address

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases Card agrees with #4CKR ESW

IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

*A.G.O. card. Chris Ahneman (Father)  
Mazepa, Minn. requests body not returned.  
R.L.E. 10-15-20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 9/30 1920)  
(letter of transmittal on 9/30 1920)  
Par #2 Not to be returned (PJR)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. OCT 15 1920 1920

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. OCT 27 1920 1920

COUNTRY France  
G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
August 1920

CEMETERY NO. 84

SHEET NO 2

S-666/MB

(285) 10-15-20



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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Ahneman 4069118 Geo. F.  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).  
Pvt. Co. E. 54 Inf. (Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Allery

CAUSE OF DEATH: Tuberculosis pneumonia

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct 10, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL:

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

S. E. Cemetery No 84  
Allery, Saone et Loire

GRAVE NUMBER: Sec 1 No. 110

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross? ~~no~~

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? yes

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

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NEAREST RELATIVE: Char. Ahneman

ADDRESS: Mazypa, Minn.

RELATIONSHIP: Father

REPORTED BY:

John B. Ascham  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

Chaplain B. N. ...  
This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

26 OCT 1918



**FILE**  
 GENERAL DIVISION  
 REGISTRATION SECTION

September 20 192 1.

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. E, 54th Pioneer Inf.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

AHNEMAN 4069718 George F.

Pvt.

(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.	11/30/20	84	D-30110
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new data and data correcting previous information)

BY: Miss Lannon

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Gard.  
 (Department)

Corrections made  
 on Organization  
 File Card:

By B

S/1105/LML



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.  
TO: Mr. Chris Ahneman, Mazeppa, Minn  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. George F. Ahneman

The records of this office show that you have requested that his  
body be left in France

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



AUG 22 1920  
RECEIVED

If these are not the correct instructions, please change them. Make changes on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in France.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army.

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 7/27/20

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
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Soldier's Widow

Was not married.

Soldier's Children 1.  
(Name oldest first) 2.

3. None

Father

Mr. Chris Ahneman

Mother

Brothers 1.  
(Name oldest first) 2.

Sisters

Date July 27-20

Signature Chris Ahneman

Address Mazeppa, Minn Relationship Father

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper. (OVER)



We wish to have the body left  
in France so will not make  
any changes.



#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the legally appointed guardian of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
4. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.



CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	A h n e m a n	3	1 8 4
BURIED	George Frank	1	3
	CEMETERY 1 2 3 3	2	1 4
	GRAVE 4	2	1 8
	ROW 18	1	1
	BLOCK A	2	2 7
STATE	Massachusetts	1	2
RANK	Pvt	2	5 1
DIVISION	Inf	3	0 5 4
ORGANIZATION	5 4	1	1
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ahneman, George Frank (STM)

July 11, 1932

Mrs. Minna Ahneman,

Mazeppa, Minn.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.


IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

  
CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

No  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs Minna Ahneman



QM 293 A-M  
Ahnenen, George Frank Pvt. (STM) M

December 22, 1931.

Mrs. Minna Ahnenen,  
Mazeppe,  
Minn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private George Frank Ahnenen. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed that you would experience no difficulty in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible will be provided for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

*Handwritten initials*



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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Ahneman, George Frank (StM) M  
Pvt.

June 12, 1931.

Mrs. Minna Ahneman,  
Mazeppa,  
Minn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

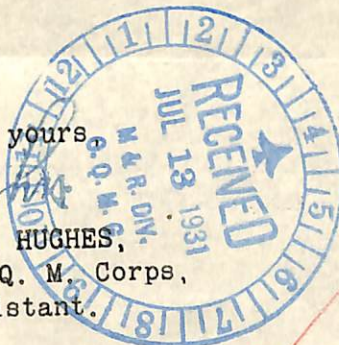
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? no

Write answer here

Mrs Minna Ahneman  
Sign here



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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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~~Ahnema~~, George Frank 1233 M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Minna Ahnema<sup>N</sup>  
Mazeppa, Minn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*M. J. Jones*  
Captain, U. S. Corps,  
Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

no  
(Write answer here)

*Mrs Minna Ahneman*  
(Sign here)



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
AhneMAW, George Frank 1235

March 7, 1930

Mrs. Minna Ahnema,  
Mazeppa, Minnesota.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>cannot</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>70</i> Health <i>Poor</i>	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/>	Other language <i>German</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*  
JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

DATE February 8, 1930

STATE Minnesota CTY. NO. 1233 GRAVE 4 ROW 18 BLOCK A

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Amman, George F.

May 25 1929.

Mr. Christ Amman,  
Mazepa,  
Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

~~late Private Thomas F. Amman, Co. D, 88th Pioneer Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.~~

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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FULL NAME ..... AHNEMAN, George Frank .....RANK ..... Pvt. ..... SERIAL ..... 4069718 .....DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co.E. 54th Pioneer Infantry. Division not shown. .....DATE OF DEATH ..... 10-10-18 .....STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Minnesota .....MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ..... None .....

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	<u>6-16-1922</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>A</u>
	Date	Grave	Row	Block

St. Mihiel American Cemetery 1233

Cemetery



23/306/ARK

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By wc

World War Div  
MAY 26 1925

MAY 28 1925



## GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Thneman 4069718 Geo. H.*  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

*Pvt. Co. C 54 Prov. Inf.*  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *Illery*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Tuberculosis pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct. 10, 1915*

PLACE OF BURIAL:

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

*J.E. Cemetery No 94  
Illery, Saone et Loire*

GRAVE NUMBER: *Sic. 1 No. 110*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross? *no*

Headboard? *no* Bottle? *no*

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *yes*

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *yes*

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Chas. Thneman*

ADDRESS: *Mazeyppa, Mun.*

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

*John B. Aicham, Chaplain*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.



Place Allerey #84

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 30, 19201. REMAINS OF AHNEMAN, GEORGE F. SERIAL NUMBER 4069718RANK PvtORGANIZATION C.O.E. 54th Pio. Inf.

2. Disinterred (date):

From (give complete location):

11-30-20Grave #110 in cemetery #84commune of Allerey, Saone-et-Loire, FranceBy: Group #1Unit Section II Field Forces

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

11-30-20Grave #46 in cemetery #84commune of Allerey, Saone-et-Loire, FranceBy: Group #1Unit Section II FF Nature of reburial Wooden box (blanket)

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

Wooden box (Uniform)Badly decomposed5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

Exhumed for purpose of attaching Monel Tag.

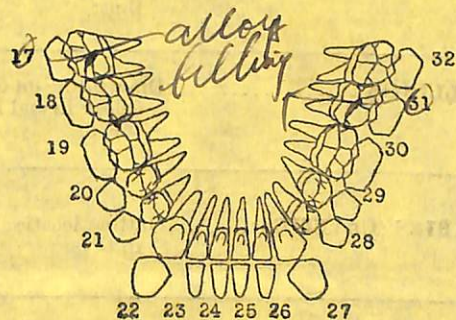
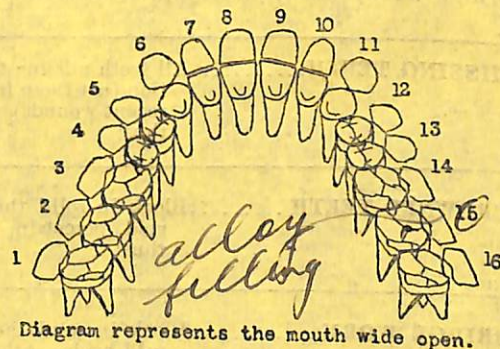
6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?

(a) Height (actual measurement) estimated 68 inches(b) Weight (estimated) 150 lbs(c) Hair—Color dark brownQuantity full headCharacteristics straight(d) Hair on face—Color apparently had a small beard

Location

Quantity -----(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) none apparently

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

none apparently

7. Disinterment supervised by

W.C. Follmer

Approved:

(Title)

John N. Merrick,  
1st Lt., M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by

W.C. Follmer

Approved:

(Title)

John N. Merrick,  
1st Lt., M.C.