

Arens,  
(Surname.)

Hershel  
(Christian name in full.)

143,977  
(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Btry C, 150th F. A.  
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Grandmother

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? No.  
(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) Mrs. Catharine Beix.

Saratoga Ind.  
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by Pm

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12-18

**REVIEWED  
OSP SS.**

cl 12-20-20

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

762'

FULL NAME ..... ARENS, <sup>e</sup>Hürshel.....

RANK ..... Pvt. .... SERIAL ..... 143977.....

42 Div.

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Bty. C., 150th F.A. ....

DATE OF DEATH ..... 8-26-18 .....

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Ind. ....

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....  
Date Grave Row Block

Suresnes, #34

Cemetery

REC'D BY THE WAR DIV.  
17 AUG 23 1946

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 8, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF ARENS, Hershel SERIAL NUMBER 143977  
 RANK Pvt. 95 WAG-2 ORGANIZATION Bty, C. 150th. F.A.

2. Disinterred (date) : Sept. 8, 1921. From (give complete location) : Gr. 11  
Amer. Plot Nouveau Cem. Orleans (Loiret) #384

By : Group 25th Unit HdQRS. Det.

3. Reburied (date) : October 12th, 1921. In (give complete location) :  
Suresnes Cemetery. - Block B - Row 3 - Grave 18.

By : Group Field Operations Branch Unit Unit Nature of reburial Metal Casket and Blanket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Reburial box, blanket and uniform.

Badly decomposed.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? es On grave marker ? Yes

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

Paper in bottle reads "William H. Arens, Pvt. Bty. C. 150th. F.A. 143977.

Burial plaque on box, "Arens, soldat U.S.A. le 25th. Aout 1918. Age de 22 Ans." William H.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity None

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None discernable.

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

None discernable.

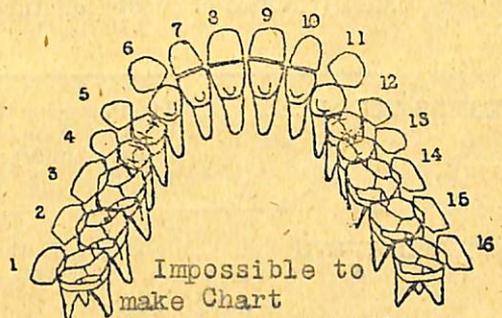
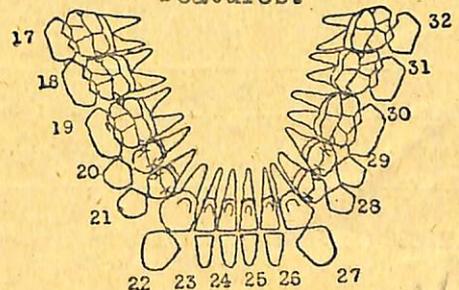


Diagram represents the mouth wide open without disturbing Features.



*Handwritten:* 22-60134

7. Disinterment supervised by R. Z. Nelsen, S.M.

Approved : V. L. Robinson, 1st Lt. QMC  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by R. G. RICHARDS, 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

Approved : R. P. HARBOLD, Major, Q.M.C.  
(Title)

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF  
Arens 143977 William H

(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

private Batt c 150 F.A.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... August wi 28 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL..... Orelans Loiret

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

Cimetiere Nouveau

GRAVE NUMBER..... ~~22~~ 11

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?.....yes.. Cross?.....yes..

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 mark should be given here:

REPORTED BY:

*Arthur W. Mouton*

Chaplain

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q., A. E. F.

Place Orleans, France.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 11, 1920

1. REMAINS OF William H. Arens

SERIAL NUMBER 143977

RANK Private

ORGANIZATION Baty C. 150th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date):

Oct. 11, 1920

From (give complete location):

Grave #117, Amer Plot, Cemetery #384

By: Group #2

Unit #1

3. Reburied (date):

Oct. 11, 1920

In (give complete location):

Grave #11, Amer. Plot, Cemetery #384

By: Group #2

Unit #1

Nature of reburial in Pine box, uniform, wrapped

O. D. Blanket

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

Body very badly decomposed. Features not recognizable. Buried in Pine box with metallic lining and uniform.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes.

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

Brass name plate on cover of burial box reads "William H. Arens".

Grave marker reads "Hershel Arens, Pvt. Bty C. 150th F.A. Grave #11".

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

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Quantity -----

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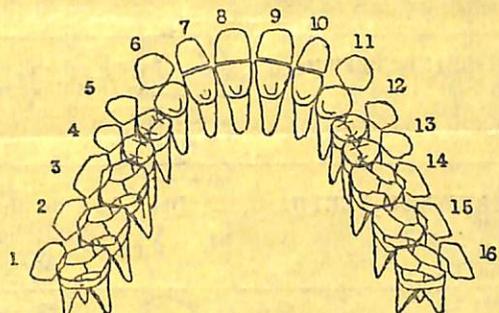
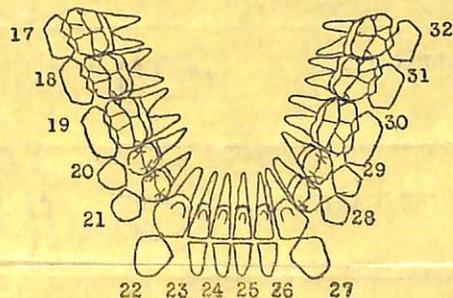


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1st Lt CAC

Approved: O. B. Bolbaugh

(Title) Major

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*Arens, Hershel*  
*PvH*

# CENTRAL PASSENGER ASSOCIATION

TRANSPORTATION BUILDING  
HARRISON AND DEARBORN STREETS

CHICAGO, ILL.

C. A. FOX, CHAIRMAN  
R. E. PEPPER, SECRETARY

FILE NO.

No. 227

From Flint, Mich. To New York and return  
Name Mrs Elenora McCoy  
Address 249 Tremont Ave.

Route

GT to Suspension Bridge  
LV to New York

Train Schedule

Lv. Flint 3:20 PM No. 4-2 May 19  
Ar. New York 10:15 AM No. 2 May 20

Sleeping car from Flint to New York

Elapsed time 18 Hrs 55 Min /

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# Arens, Hershel

## Party "D" Itinerary - Suresnes Group

Sailed May 21st on GEORGE WASHINGTON. Maj. F. D. Carlock in charge. Arrived Cherbourg 11.30 a.m., May 29th. General Cheatham accompanied as observer.

May 30th. Departed. Maj. Bailey, Capt. Kinderman, Lt. Freeman, 9 nurses and other personnel went out to ship on tender. Met at dock by Col. Ellis. Arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, at 2.05 pm. Met by Col. Bartlett and detail of officers, interpreters and nurses. Taken to hotel in eve.

May 31st. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Visited Arc de Triomphe in afternoon. Mrs. Eliza Wilson laid official wreath for party. Reception at Restaurant Laurent. Returned to hotel.

June 1st. Free - Church - Lunch d'Iona. Visited Suresnes Cemetery.

June 2nd. Visited Cemetery and Belle Cycliste.

June 3rd. Fontainebleau.

June 4th. Visited Cemetery, Belle Cycliste and Notre Dame at night.

June 5th. Visited Chateau Thierry.

June 6th. Visited Sacre Coeur - d'Iona - Versailles - Belle Cycliste.

June 7th. Visited Louvre - Belle Cycliste - Cemetery.

June 8th. Free - Church - d'Iona - Napoleon's Tomb.

June 9th. Cemetery - Belle Cycliste - Free.

June 10th. Left hotel between 9 and 9.30 for Invalides Railway Station-entrained for Cherbourg. Accompanied by 8 conducting officers, Capt. Kinderman, 3 nurses, 2 civilian employees. Arrived Cherbourg 4.11 pm. Boarded PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT at 5.08 pm. Sailed at 6 pm. Arrived U. S. June 18th.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE - WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ... ROOM 901 ...

225 West 34th St., New York, N.Y.

Party 2  
 Number 547

ARENS, HERSHEL

SUR

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. ELENORA MC COY  
 Name of Traveler

Estimate cost of through Pullman.

FLINT, GENESEE COUNTY  
 Home Address

New York, to FLINT

MICHIGAN

\$ 7.50

New York, to FLINT  
 Destination.

Via L.V. TO SUSP. BR... G.T. TO DEST.

JUNE 19, 1930  
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. NO.	Date	Time	Lower Seat	car	U.S.G. Order NO.	Est. Cost
LV	<u>NY</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6/19</u>	<u>4:30 PM</u>	<u>1-7</u>	<u>37</u>		<u>7.50</u>
AR	<u>Flint</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6/20</u>	<u>9:15 AM</u>				
LV								
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TOTAL 7.50

Remarks::

Escort - Capt Chied

Name..... McCOY, Mrs. Elenora.  
Paris Hôtel..... HOTEL D'ÉNA  
..... AVENUE D'ÉNA  
Home address..... 249 Tremont Ave., Flint. Genesee County, Michigan.  
Party..... D..... Group..... 6..... Unit ~~SS~~. WASHINGTON  
Date of arrival..... May 30 1930..... Date of departure ~~SS~~. ROOSEVELT-June 10-1930  
Relationship..... Mother  
Name of deceased..... ARENS, Hershel  
Rank..... Pvt..... Organization..... 150 Field Art. 42 Div.  
Cemetery..... Suresnes..... Grave 18. Row 3. Block B.

95.

1 547

NAME MC COY, MRS. ELENORA

S.S. ROOSEVELT JUN 19 1930

HOME FLINT, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

R.R. *LU to Susq B - GT to dest.*

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

519. *Train Time Arrivals*  
X 201. *Party D*

May 22, 1930

FILE NO. 201. (Mrs. Elenora McCoy)  
X519. (~~Train Time Arrivals~~)

SUBJECT: Mrs. Elenora McCoy, (Party "D")

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

1. Under date of May 20th this office advised that Mrs. Elenora McCoy, Flint, Mich., a pilgrim on Party "D" had not arrived on the train which she was scheduled to reach New York.

2. Be advised that Mrs. McCoy subsequently arrived on a later train and sailed aboard the "George Washington" as per scheduled

For the Officer in Charge:

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)  
Assistant



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

May 20, 1930

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger  
list for:

S. S. WASHINGTON, May 21, 1930

Change #22

Party D

~~DELETE - McCoy, Mrs. Elenora~~

MICHIGAN

Page D - 20

For The Quartermaster General,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

*Not deleted*  
*Scanned OK*  
*arrived on*  
*later train*  
*Act*

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*Two notes  
cancelled  
Mrs McCoy  
sailed on Washington  
WAB*

*201 Mrs Coy Mrs E*

For the Quartermaster General:

CC: to: Lt. Moore  
Chief Clerk  
Rail  
Water

R.E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps  
Assistant.

May 20, 1930

201 Mc Coy Mrs. E.

FILE NO. 519 (Train Time Arrival)

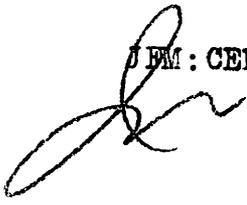
SUBJECT: Non Arrival, Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
Flint, Mich. (Party "D")

TOP The Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

1. Confirming telephone conversation this A.M. with Major Harris, be advised that Mrs. Elenora McCoy, Flint, Mich., appearing on page D-20, did not arrive on the Lehigh Valley Railroad train No. 2, this date.

2. From advice received from the Pullman conductor he states that this lady did not board the train at Flint, Mich.

For the Office in Charge

JEM: CER  


George F. R. Taylor  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)   
Assistant

May 10th, 1930.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Avenue,  
Flint, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,  
Lieut., Q.M. Corps  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Arens Hershel Are	3	195-
BURIED	CEMETERY	34	6
	GRAVE	18	18
	ROW	3	03
	BLOCK	B	2
STATE	Ind	2	15
RANK	Pvt.	1	2
DIVISION	42	2	42
ORGANIZATION	150	3	750
ARM	F.A. Bty	1	3
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	McCoy	3	333
RESIDENCE	STATE	Michigan	26
	COUNTY	Geness	25
	CITY	Flint	039
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	good	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.		
	YR.	1930	
ACCEPTANCE	yes	1	
29/514/EAB	Age		50

Paid May 21 1930

AUDITED

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COILS	CODE
NAME	Arens	3	185
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	ROW	3	03
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STATE	Ind.	2	15
RANK	Pvt.	1	2
DIVISION	42	2	42
ORGANIZATION	150	3	150
AFM	F.A. Bty.C	1	3
MARITAL	No	1	2
NAME	Rex	3	854 <sup>12</sup>
Mrs. Catharine	STATE	Ind.	15
RESIDENCE	309 Market St.	COUNTY	Randolph
Mother Deiled	CITY	Union City	084
RELATION	loco Parentis		4
OTHER		1	
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29/514			

AUDITED  
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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON

October 15, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO: FCAD

293

ARENS, Hershel W.  
XC-59,754

The Quartermaster General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: A. D. Hughes,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

*grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Rex  
NE as has made  
mother Rex 10-24-31  
BB*

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your letter of September 29, 1931 requesting information relative to the foster relationship of Mrs. Catherine Rex to the above named deceased veteran.

You are informed that to date Mrs. Catherine Rex, grandmother of this former service man has not filed a claim for the payment of compensation to her as a foster parent of this former service man. Accordingly no decision has been rendered as to a foster relationship existing.

The veteran named Mrs. Catherine Rex as beneficiary to receive his insurance and also gave her name and address as an emergency address.

The veteran's mother, Mrs. Elenora McCoy has been awarded the adjusted compensation payable in this case and is now receiving monthly payments of \$20.00 each as death compensation payable to her as a dependent parent. In the claim of Mrs. McCoy for death compensation, no statements were made as to whether she or Mrs. Catherine Rex last acted as the mother of the former service man.

Respectfully,

*H. L. McCoy*  
H. L. McCOY,  
Director of Insurance.



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FCAD

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QM 293 A-M  
Arens, Hershel - Sur.

September 29, 1931

SUBJECT: Status of Mrs. Catherine Rex - C-59,754.

TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, DC

1. The records of this office contain a letter from Mrs. Catherine Rex, grandmother of the late Private Hershel Arens, Battery C, 150th Field Artillery, which reads in part: "As you have records to show I am his grandmother, your records also will show that I am the one who raised him in my home and supported him in every way."

2. It will be appreciated if you will advise whether or not you recognize Mrs. Rex as having stood in loco parentis to this late veteran. In the event she received compensation as having stood in loco parentis to her grandson, it is requested a statement of the general facts upon which your decision was based be furnished this office, in order to aid in determining whether or not she is eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of this late soldier. This office is particularly desirous of being furnished the inclusive dates of her loco parentis status.

For The Quartermaster General:

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

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NAME

*McCoy, Mrs. Eleanora*

ADDRESS

*249 Fremont Ave, Flint Mich.*

DATE

*June 25 1930.*

TO:

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED  
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED)

*Eleanora McCoy.*

WAR DEPARTMENT

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS



— OAK PARK STA. —

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

MICHIGAN

Arens, Hershel

Mother

249 Tremont Ave., Flint  
Genesee County.

NAME McCoy, Mrs. Elenora HOME ADDRESS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Mr. Tremont McCoy 249 Tremont Ave.  
Flint, Mich.ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE 5/29/30 HOTEL McAlpin ROOM NO. 1316

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE May 21st, 1930 VESSEL S/S "WASHINGTON" CABIN NO. 717-ALL

DESTINATION CHERBOURG, FRANCE CEMETERY SURESNES

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUN 18 1930

NAME *McCoy, Mrs. Eleanor* HOME ADDRESS *249 Fremont Ave Flint, Mich.*  
RETURN ON S. S. *S/S ROOSEVELT* HOTEL *MCALPIN* ROOM NO. *1097*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *6/19*

ROAD *L2* TRAIN *7* CAR *37* BERTH or SEAT *F7*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- Room 901 -----

225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

May 22, 1930

FILE NO. 201. (Mrs. Elenora McCoy)  
X519. (Train Time Arrivals)

SUBJECT: Mrs. Elenora McCoy, (Party "D")

TO: The Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

1. Under date of May 20th this office advised that Mrs. Elenora McCoy, Flint, Mich., a pilgrim on Party "D" had not arrived on the train which she was scheduled to reach New York.

2. Be advised that Mrs. McCoy subsequently arrived on a later train and sailed aboard the "George Washington" as per schedule.

For the Officer in Charge:



*George F. R. Taylor*  
GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)  
Assistant

*Harold Arms*  
*34*

*523.091*

*Pilgrimage - 4th Star*

*File  
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# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at

War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

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CHICAGO ILLS 854A MAY 21, 1930

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON DC.

YOUR RADIOGRAM YESTERDAY GT ADVISED MRS MCGOY LEFT FLINT MICH  
THREE TWENTY PM TRAIN FOUR MAY NINETEENTH

C A FOX

945A

*11:30 notified Miss Van Riper  
reper above. She will call  
back + advise if Mrs. McCoy  
arrived in D.C. + sailing as  
per schedule.*

*Eas  
5/21/30*

*Colt Williams advised  
Mrs. McCoy came in  
late last night + sailed  
ok.*

*Eas  
5/21/30*



*File*

*293 Arrens - Herschel - 34*

Washington, D. C. May 20, 1930

Mr. C. A. Fox  
Central Passenger Assn.  
608 South Dearborn Street  
Chicago, Illinois

WASHINGTON MAY TWENTY FIRST PAGE D TWENTY ELEANORA MCCOY

PLINT MICHIGAN ASCERTAIN AND ADVISE QUICK FROM GRAND TRUNK  
TRAIN AND DATE DEPARTURE THIS PILGRIM GSM 801

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Quartermaster General

QM 293 A-C  
Arens, Hershel 34

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- ROOM 901 -----

225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

*Crews, Harold*  
*34*

May 20, 1930

523,091

*Pilgrimage*  
*old store*

FILE NO. 519 (Train Time Arrival)

SUBJECT: Non Arrival, Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
Flint, Mich. (Party "D")

TO: The Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

1. Confirming telephone conversation this A.M. with Major Harris, be advised that Mrs. Elenora McCoy, Flint, Mich., appearing on page D-20, did not arrive on the Lehigh Valley Railroad train No. 2, this date.

2. From advice received from the Pullman conductor he states that this lady did not board the train at Flint, Mich.

For the Office in Charge.

*George F. R. Taylor*

George F. R. Taylor  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)  
Assistant



*Capt. H:*  
*Did not this mother*  
*arrive on a later*  
*train + said as per*  
*scheduled? That's what*  
*Cpl. H. advised over phone.*  
*Ed 5/23/30*

*yes*  
*H*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arens, Hershel 34-H

May 5, 1930.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Ave.,  
Flint, Mich.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. in the  
amount of \$ 10.00, to pay for your meals and incidental  
expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage  
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED  
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on  
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be  
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Check No.

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Washington

5-2-30

Arens, Hershel

~~Did not show up in ref.~~

~~Decline~~

Accept

~~I Accept~~

(Accept or decline)

the invitation extended me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the Government of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy

(Name)

249 Tremont Ave., Flint, Genesee Co., Mich.

(Town or City)

(State)

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Arens, Hershel 34 E

March 20, 1930.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Ave.,  
Flint, Mich.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Received Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>  
October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Arens, Hershel

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Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Avenue,  
Flint, Michigan.

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MAY 21 1930

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 not later than December 15, 1929. 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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input type="checkbox"/>
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) <input type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>50</u> (Years)	Health <u>Just fair</u> (Good) <u>fairly</u> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)	Other language <u>English</u> (Specify language spoken)

RECEIVED  
DEC 9 1929  
U.S. ARMY  
Q. M. DIV.  
W. G.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act  
Envelope

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QH 293 A-C  
Arens, Hirschol

December 3, 1929.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Avenue,  
Flint, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 16, 1929, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1929.

In order that your eligibility to make this pilgrimage may be determined, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Flint Mich.

Nov 15 - 1929

War Department

The Adjutant General's office. 18 yrs old

Sir.

enl 6-22-16

Please send me information  
regarding pilgrimage to Europe  
for Mothers.

I am the Mother of Herschel Arens.  
Enlisted June 22 - 1916 at ~~Winchester Ind~~  
for oversea service, Oct 18 - 1917 and  
died August 26 - 1918 while serving as  
a Private with Battery C. 160th Field  
Artillery - American forces in France.  
Resp your



11 Received A. G. O. NOV 19 1929

Mrs Elenora M. Coy,  
249 Tremont Ave.  
Flint.  
Mich.

Herschel, Drews

Grandmother?

Mother

Mrs. Elenora M E Coy

249 Tremont Ave

Flint, Mich

C - 59, 7511

M?

Single?

VETERAN SINGLE

Grandmother

Mrs Catherine Rex

309 Market St

Union City

Incl.

file

Union City, Ind.  
May 14/29.

John T. Harris,  
Major, 2. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter  
which I rec'd. yesterday  
will say that Hershel  
Arens has no widow, and  
as to his mother I do not  
know where she is &  
can give you no information  
about her whatever.

As you have records to show  
I am his grandmother, your  
records also, <sup>with</sup> show that  
I am the one who raised  
him in my home and

193 Arens

supported him in every way.  
I was "mother" to him  
in every sense of the word.  
I who stood in a mother's  
place to him do not care  
to make the pilgrimage  
referred to in your letter.

I have answered  
the things you wanted  
to know to the best of  
my knowledge.

Yours Respectfully,

Mrs. Catherine Rex.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO CM 293 A-C  
Arons, Herschel

May 6, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine Rex,  
Saratoga,  
Ind.

Dear Madam:

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".

The records of this office show that you are the grandmother of the late Private Herschel Arons, Battery C, 150th Field Artillery, whose remains are now interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, 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,

5/29

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Arens, Hershel - Sur.

September 29, 1931

SUBJECT: Status of Mrs. Catherine Rex - C-69,754.

TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, DC

1. The records of this office contain a letter from Mrs. Catherine Rex, grandmother of the late Private Hershel Arens, Battery C, 150th Field Artillery, which reads in part: "As you have records to show I am his grandmother, your records also will show that I am the one who raised him in my home and supported him in every way."

2. It will be appreciated if you will advise whether or not you recognize Mrs. Rex as having stood in loco parentis to this late veteran. In the event she received compensation as having stood in loco parentis to her grandson, it is requested a statement of the general facts upon which your decision was based be furnished this office, in order to aid in determining whether or not she is eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of this late soldier. This office is particularly desirous of being furnished the inclusive dates of her loco parentis status.

Per The Quartermaster General:

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

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Arens, Hershel 34 M

May 6, 1930

Mrs. Elenora McCoy  
249 Tremont Ave.  
Flint, Michigan  
Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Flint G T No. 4-2 3:20 PM May 19  
Ar. New York L V " 2 10:15 AM May 20

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Arens, Hershel 34 E

March 20, 1930.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Fremont Ave.,  
Flint, Mich.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arens, Hershel 34-M

March 21, 1930.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Ave.,  
Flint, Mich.

Dear Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

QM 293 A-C  
Arens, Hirschel

December 3, 1929.

Mrs. Elenora McCoy,  
249 Tremont Avenue,  
Flint, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 18, 1929, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1929.

In order that your eligibility to make this pilgrimage may be determined, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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7. J. H. H.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO <sup>B</sup> QM 298 A-C  
Arens, Hershel

May 6, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine Rex,  
Saratoga,  
Ind.

Dear Madam:

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".

The records of this office show that you are the grandmother of the late Private Hershel Arens, Battery C, 150th Field Artillery, whose remains are now interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, 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,

5/20

Very truly yours,

2 incls. *on*  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

EEB

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

May 9th, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R 65578 (Arens, Hurshel, Pvt.)  
FROM: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army.  
TO: Mrs. Catherine Rex, Saratoga, Ind.  
SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Private Hurshel Arens,  
Battery C, 150th Field Artillery.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 18, Row 3,  
Block B, The American Cemetery of Suresnes (near Paris), Department  
of Seine, France.

FILE  
Pm  
5-9-22

2. This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries  
to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be  
marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name,  
rank, organization and date of soldier's death. The 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.

3. In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were  
exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this  
sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually main-  
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting  
place of our heroes.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

MAILED  
MAY - 9 1922  
G.R.S.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,  
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph-2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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 <u>ARENS, Hershel</u>	10. Name <u>William H. Arens</u>
2. No. <u>143977</u>	11. No. <u>None</u>
3. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	12. Rank <u>None</u>
4. Org. <u>Bty C 150th F A</u>	13. Org. <u>None</u>
5. D.D. <u>October 3, 1918</u>	14. (a) D.D. <u>None</u>
6. C.D. <u>Nephritis Acute</u>	(b) D.B. <u>None</u>

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>11</u> Sec. <u></u>	15. Grave No. <u>None</u> Sec. <u></u>
8. Plot <u></u> Row <u></u>	16. Plot <u></u> Row <u></u>
9. <u></u>	17. <u></u>

18. Cemetery Nouveau 19. Commune or town Orleans

20. Dept. or County Loiret 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 384

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 8, 1921. By R. Z. Nelsen, S. E.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name ARENS, William H. Serial No. 143977

Rank Pvt. Organization Bat. C. 150th. F.A.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes

*R. M. Overstreet*  
 R. M. Overstreet,  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

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).

Paper in bottle reads "William H. Arens Pvt. Nty. C. 150th. F.A. 143977. Burial plaque on box "William H. Arens Soldat U.S.A. le 25th. Aout 1918. Age. de 22 Ans."

27. Condition of body Badly Decomposed

28. Nature of burial Reburial box, uniform and blanket.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None except name see line 10

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept 8, 1921. By R. Z. Nelsen, S.E.

31. Casket sealed by R. Z. Nelsen, S.E.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *R. Z. Nelsen*  
 R. Z. Nelsen S.E.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-7370

32. Designation of body:

Name ARENS, Hershel Serial No. 143977

Rank Pvt. Organization Bty C 150th FA

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Suresnes American Cemetery #34

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 8, 1921. By R. Z. Nelsen

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 V.L. Robinson, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks GRS strip pinned to body reads: "Arens, 143977, Hershel Pvt. Bty. C. 150th. F. 384/11" Cross tag William H. Arens U.S.A. 143977.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 9, 1921.

To point of Concentration Paris Morgue, St. Denis (Seine).

Convoyer Wilford Jensen Signature Shipping Officer V.L. Robinson, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Sept. 10, 1921 at Paris Morgue

By G.R.S. Representative H.L. Ward H.L. WARD, Major Q.M.C.

39. Shipped from ~~Railhead~~ Point of Concentration: Date Paris Morgue, Oct. 12, 1921

To Permanent Cemetery SURESNES Amer. Cty. No. 34 (Name) Wm. C. Ball

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer Wm. C. BALL, Lieut. Col. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date October 12th, 1921.

G.R.S. Representative R. G. RICHARDS, 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

41. Reinterred Suresnes Cemetery. October 12th, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 18. Section

43. Plot xxx Block B. Row 3.

G.R.S. Representative R. G. RICHARDS, 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

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

JUL 31 1920  
SEP 7 1920  
384-3

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.  
TO: Mrs. Catharine Rex, Saratoga, Ind.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Hershel Arens

Rush Answer  
no change

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

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Major, U.S.A.

SEP 16 1920  
RECEIVED Form No. 118  
Date 9-21-20

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER these relatives are STILL LIVING.

was soldier married? not married

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	no widow		
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. 2. 3. no children		
Grand-Father	Eli Rex	Saratoga	Ind
Grand-Mother	Catharine Rex	Saratoga	Ind
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. Roger Pickett half brother 2. 3.		
Sisters (Name oldest first)	1. 2. 3.		

Date Aug 4 1920  
V.A.H.

Signature Catharine Rex

Address Saratoga Indiana Relationship grand mother (only mother known)

IMPORTANT: CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper. (OVER)

Aug. 4 1920.

Catherine Rex

I, the undersigned, am the Grandmother and nearest living relative of the within  
(Relationship)  
named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:  
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired).

RECEIVED  
AUG 6 1920  
G. H. S.

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

~~2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

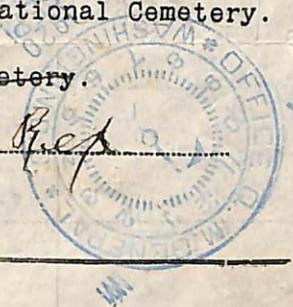
\_\_\_\_\_  
(R.R. Station)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(State)

~~3. To be returned to the U.S. and buried in~~ \_\_\_\_\_ National Cemetery.

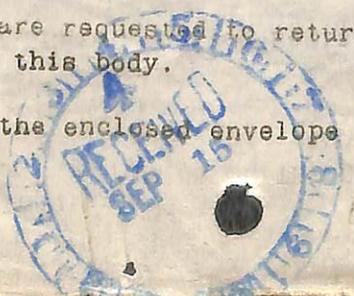
~~4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.~~

Signature Catherine Rex



INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within 2 weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. 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.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

DOB 8/11/21

HURSHEL  
~~HERSHEL~~ (7-8-20)

EXHUMED FOR  
CONCENTRATION

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Arens, Hreshel Ser. No. 143977  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Bty. C. 150th F.A.  
(c) Date of death 10/3/18 (d) Cause of death Nephritis Acute

TYP. VEM  
CKR.

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

(a) Grave No. 11 Row -- Plot Amer. Sect. ---  
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Catherine Rex, (Grandmother) Saratoga, Ind.

TYP. VEM

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases: NO CARD

CKR.

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs Catherine Rex (b) Relationship Grandmother  
(c) Address Saratoga Ind.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S. ---

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. ---

Examiner's Initials JH Date 7-8- 1920

V. A.G.O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from

dated \_\_\_\_\_, confirmed request in Par. IV. item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials JH Date 7-9- 1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

SR Yes  
SR

CONCENTRATED  
INTO PAC #34

Examiner's Initials SR Date 7-9- 1920

CEMETERY DIVISION

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_

Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

1920



VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by-

( cable on \_\_\_\_\_ 1920

( letter on 8/3 1920

*Par. # 2. Not to be returned.*

*(macB)*

*AP. 12/22/20*

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE

ACTION TAKEN

Desires body be

Body to be shipped to

**DEC 30 1920**

**CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.**

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120 8-4-20 Catherine  
Rey, grandmother, Saratoga, Ind.  
requests body remain in France  
Dec. 9-26-20*

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY**

**DEC 30 1920**

**TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. C.M.**

*H. R. Beneficiary: 10/2/20*

*Mrs. Catherine Rey (Grand-mother)  
Saratoga, Ind.*

**HOBOKEN  
N.J.**

2nd Request

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

~~Arens, Herahel, Pvt.~~

~~384 - 3~~

~~Nov. 3, 1920~~

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

~~143977~~

~~Batt. C. 150th P. A.~~

Date of Death 10/3/18

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

C 59754

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Arens, Hershel, Pvt.

384 --- 3

10/2/20

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

143977

Batty. C. 150th F.A.

Date of Death 10/3/18

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Address \_\_\_\_\_

8709/MB

C 59754

*Please Rush*

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
 CEMETERY DIVISION  
 OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Arens, Hershel, Pvt.384 ---39/21/20

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

143977Batty. G. 150th F.A.Date of Death 10/3/18

## WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE Oct. 2, 1920

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Catherine RexGrand-Mother

Address

Saratoga, Indiana.S-709/MB

C ✓

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Concentrated from  
12715

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**FILE**

**REVIEWED**  
OSP SS.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ARENS, 143977, Hreshel

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. Bty. C 150th., F.A.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Hospital (Name unknown)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Nephritis

DATE OF BURIAL: Unknown

PLACE OF BURIAL: Unknown

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

GRAVE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? \_\_\_\_\_ Cross? \_\_\_\_\_

Headboard? \_\_\_\_\_ Bottle? \_\_\_\_\_

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: \_\_\_\_\_

Was one buried with body? Unknown

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

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

Service record sent to \_\_\_\_\_

NEAREST RELATIVE: effects depot.

ADDRESS: No records on hand

RELATIONSHIP: giving desired information

REPORTED BY: Notices of death received; but

hospital, date, and place not given AD Williams Jr.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

Capt. D O R A

portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

143977 Battery C

Arens

WM.H.

150 F.A.

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Private

Batt C

150 F.A.

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL

August 28 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL

Orleans Loiret

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

Cimetiere Nouveau

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?  yes Cross?  yes

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:

REPORTED BY:

*W. W. Mowatt*

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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Chaplain

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

7 SEP 1918

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Arens William H. #143977

Pvt. Co. C. 150th F.Art.

DD 8/25/18

Buried American Plot

Nouveau Cty, Orleans, Loiret

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**FILE** B573

CENTRAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

May 13, 1921. ~~x192xxxx~~

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department..

1.

CASE OF:

Bat. C, 150th F.A.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

ARENS, 143977, Hreshel

(Name)

Pvt.

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 Hurshel

RANK

DATE OF DEATH 8/26/18

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Margaret K. McCarthy

Investigation and Adjustment  
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By *mfc*

S/1105/LML

*F*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

Date May 10, 1921.

File No. 65578 Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

*Aug 26/18 (Determined)*

- a. Surname. ARENS *OK*
- b. Christian name. Hreshel *Hurshel*
- c. Serial number. 143977 *OK*
- d. Organization. Bat. C. 150th F.A. *OK*
- e. Rank. Private. *OK*
- f. Date of death. 10/3/18
- g. Cause of death. Nephritis Acute *OK*
- h. Authority (C. C. No.) 351 *240*
- i. Emergency address. Mrs. Catherine Rex, *OK*  
Saratoga, Ind. *OK*
- j. Relationship. Grandmother. *OK*

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment.
- b. Color of eyes.
- c. Color of hair.
- d. Height.
- e. Weight.
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.)

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

1. Strike out teeth missing:

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Upper right								Upper left							
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lower right								Lower left							

*Donnelly - 2m13  
EPL - AF - 5/2/21*

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U. S. A.,

By

*H. J. Conner*

H. J. CONNER,  
1st Lieut. *Quartermaster Q. M. C.*

MDT/I&A.D./Mr. Wilson

*MAY 11 1921*

*MAY 11 1921*

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 7/9/20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Arens, Hershel

Serial Number 143977

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Bat. C, 150th F.A.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1. Yes. <span style="float: right;">e</span>
2.	Date of Death.	2. 10/3/18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. Nephritis Acute.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4. 351.
5.	Date buried	5. No record.
6.	Grave Location (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Grave No. 11, American Plot, Neveau Cemetery #384, Orleans, Loiret.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker	9. Peg.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. (a) No record. (b) Yes.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11. Mrs. Catherine Rex, (Grandmother) Saratoga, Ind.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	12. Yes. 3/24/19.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case, (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

EES

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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Released by Information Control Dept.

Directory

X Cards 5 x 8

Cards 4 x 6

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

*45575*  
Date *7/9/20*

G.R. S. Form 8-W-A  
Information requested of A.G.O.

File No.                      Registration.

From:                      The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

To:                        The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject:                  Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname                  *Arens* ✓                  f. Date of death
- b. Christian name        *Hershel* ✓                  g. Cause of death
- c. Serial number        *143977* ✓                  h. Authority (C.C.#)
- b. Organization        *Bat C 150 F.A.* ✓        i. Emergency address
- e. Rank
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| upper right     | upper left      |
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| lower right     | lower left      |

*Verified by phone from a SO. CEBarnes*

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,  
Director of Purchase and Storage.

BY:

H. J. CONNER,  
Captain, Q.M.C.



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AMERICAN ARMY IDENTIFICATION SERVICE  
HEAD QUARTERS: SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF, WASHINGTON, A.S.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

1st April, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American A.F.  
TO: Personnel Adjutant, Hqrs. 180th Field Artillery, A.S.F.  
Germany.  
SUBJECT: Grave Location.

1. Reference your letter of 16 February, reference "Location and Number of Graves of deceased soldiers, 180th F.A.".

2. This office has no information regarding:

Pvt. 1st Class Clarence Sholfeld, Headquarters Co.  
Pvt. Leroy Kern, Battery "E".

3. Bugler Earl L. Barans, Battery "A" died from wounds received in action 25th July, 1918 and was buried on 26th July, in Grave No. 2, Row 2, Section 10, American Plot, French Military Cemetery at Camp of Bailly, Department of Aube. The grave is marked by a cross to which is attached one identification tag.

4. Pvt. Fred C. Phillips, Battery "G" died from wounds received in action 18th September, 1918, and was buried 19th September in Grave No. 129, American Cemetery at Soull, Department of Marthe et Bouille. The grave is marked by a cross to which is attached one identification tag.

5. Sgt. Daniel R. Alents, Battery "H", died from wounds received in action 9th October, 1918, and was buried the same day in Grave No. 129 American Battle Area Cemetery, Chateau de Salvange, at Evreux, Department of Eure.

6. Pvt. Raymond Farley, Battery "H", died from wounds received in action 11th August, 1918 and was buried the same day in Grave No. 209, American Cemetery Chateau Montaignonnet at Bouroux, Department of Seine et Marne. This information has not been confirmed by the Graves Registration Service.

7. Pvt. Ansel Patent, Battery "H", died from Hepatitis on September 19, 1918 and was buried on September 20th in Grave No 129, American Plot, St. Gaudens Cemetery at Talence, Department of Gironde. This information has not been confirmed by the Graves Registration Service.

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8. Pvt. Herbert A. Foxlow, Battery "E", died from wounds received in action 29th October, 1918, and was buried on the same day in Grave No. 217, in Central Military Hospital Cemetery at Freiden, Department of the Meuse. The grave is marked by a cross to which is attached one identification tag.

9. Wagoner, Fred C. Taylor, Supply Company, died from Typhoid Fever, and is buried in Grave No. 11, Section No. 1, American Cemetery at Chatelguyon, Department of Puy-de-Dome. This information has not been confirmed by the Graves Registration Service.

10. Pvt. Anthony Wilkens, Battery "C", died from a Railroad Accident on the 22nd July, 1918, and was buried on the 27th July, in the Village Cemetery at St. Hilaire.

11. Pvt. Herschel Arens, Battery "C", died from Acute Nephritis on the 3rd October, 1918. There is no burial information on record in this office.

12. Pvt. Allsey O. Browns, Battery "F" died from Lobar Pneumonia on the 27th October, 1918. There is no burial information on record in this office.

CHARLES C. PIERCE.  
Lieut. Colonel. C.M.C., U.S.A.

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER

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FROM:-

DATE: 3/17/19/

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME ARENS, HERSHEL.

NUMBER 143977.

RANK PRIVATE. ORGANIZATION

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
11.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① Yes
2.	Date of Death.	② 10-3/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	③ nephritis acute
4.	Number of Casualty Cablogram.	④ C C. #351
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S?	⑤ No
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	
11.	Who is nearest relative?	
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑥ Mrs Catherine Rex Brenham Searcy, Miss
14.	What is the Photograph No?	

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER ~~65578~~ ~~12715~~

FROM:- *ARC*

DATE: *2/27/19*

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *ARENS, HERSHEL* NUMBER *143977*  
RANK *PVT.* ORGANIZATION *BATT. C, 150 F.A.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
✓ 1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1.- <del>Hershel Arens, Pvt. Dty. C 150th F.A.</del> ARENS. 143977. William H. Pvt. Batt.C, 50th F.A.
✓ 2.	Date of Death.	2.-8-26-18.
✓ 3.	Cause and place of death.	3.-Nephritis, Acute
✓ 4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4.- <del>CG#351</del> 240.
✓ 5.	Date buried.	5.- <del>Not Given</del> 8-28-18.
✓ 6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6.- <del>Not Given</del> French Cty., Cerzancy. (Aisne) <i>cty #384</i>
7.	Who reported burial.	
✓ 8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	⑧ No
✓ 9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9.- <del>Not Given</del> Name-Peg & Cross.
✓ 10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10.- <del>Not Given</del> One buried with body. One attached to grave-marker.
11.	Who is nearest relative?!	
✓ 12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	12.-No
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No. ?	

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HEADQUARTERS 150TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
American Expeditionary Forces  
Germany

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14 February 1919.

From: Personnel Adjutant, 150th F.A.

To: Chief of Grave Registration Service, Amer. E. F.

Subj: Location and Number of Graves of deceased soldiers, 150th F A

1. It is requested that this regiment be furnished with the location and number of the graves of the following deceased soldiers of this regiment -

Kern, Leroy	2353195	Private	Battery B,	150th F A
Barcus, Earl L	143512	Bugler	Battery A,	150th F A
Wholfeld, Clarence	144938	Pvt 1st Cl	Hq. Co.	150th F A
Phillips, Fred C	144057	Private	Btry C	150th F A
Slentz, Daniel R	143806	Sergeant	Btry B	150th FA
Farley, Raymond	144420	Pvt 1st Cl	Btry E	150th F A
Foxlow, Herbert A	144492	Private	Btry E	150th F A
Taylor, Fred C	145115	Wagoner	Sup Co	150th FA
Fatout, A nsel	144421	Private	Btry E	150th F A
Arens, <del>XXX</del> Hershel	143977	Private	Btry C	150th F A
Browne, Allsey O	1600552	Private	Btry F	150th F A
Wilkins, Anthony	143970	Pvt 1st Cl	Btry C	150th F A

*Allen V. Buskirk*

ALLEN V. BUSKIRK,  
1st Lieut USA, 150th F A  
Personnel Adjutant.

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