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DATE

1. NAME ARNOLD, Thomas SERIAL No. 2807437
 RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. A 27th Engrs.
 & DIVISION Not shown
 GRAVE LOCATION American E. F. Cty., Langres, Haute-Marne CTY. NAME 12 NUMBER 13

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 12, LANGRES (Haute-Marne)
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES E. 320.26 N.121.82

CONCENTRATED TO Not of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

Data concerning any identification found on remains when concentrated, such as collar insignias, letters, broken bones, missing parts, etc.

DATE OF DEATH

May 16 - 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Ariz.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

Not of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

WALTER F. BROWN, CAPT. QMC., Supervisor Area No. 43. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Aug. 10th, 1922.317B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

AUDITED BY

St. Mihiel American Cemetery, THIAUCOURT, (M.-et-M.)

CEMETERY



K.M.
8-3

cc 151 17812 S
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Arnold, ----- Thomas
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sergeant.....**Co. "A" 27th Engrs.**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **May 17-1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **American Cemetery #13**
Army Schools
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

U.S.A.P.O. #714, American E. F.

GRAVE NUMBER... **#12**

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

Headboard? **Yes**..... 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:

Laurin B. Askew,
2nd Lt. Cav. U.S.R.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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France

Arnold, Thomas.

Sgt Co A 27th Engineers.

Died May 16, 1918, Amexforce,
suicide.

Emergency address: Perry Long,
attorney, Prescott, Ariz.

A.G.O. 6/15/18

TBS-26

Write nothing below this line.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Arnold, Thomas</i>	<i>A R N</i>	3	<i>1 8 8</i>
	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>3</i>	2	<i>03</i>
	ROW <i>17</i>	2	<i>17</i>
	BLOCK <i>13</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Ariz</i>	2	<i>02</i>
RANK	<i>Sgt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Engineers</i>	2	<i>49</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>27</i>	3	<i>027</i>
ARM	<i>Engr Regt</i>	1	<i>4</i>
MARITAL <i>Sister</i>	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>King</i>		3	
<i>Mrs Sarah</i>	STATE <i>N.Y.</i>	2	
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Schenectady</i>	2	
<i>Skillman, N.Y.</i>	CITY <i>Skillman</i>	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Head</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arnold, Thomas - 1233 S

July 3, 1930

Mrs. Sarah King
Skillman, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother? *No.*

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried? *No.*

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended? *No.*

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

*Thomas Arnold
was unmarried
and his mother
is dead.*

RECEIVED
JUL 10 1930
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

57-2
Skillman N. J.
May 29th 1929

Quartermaster General
Washing. D. C.

In reply to your
letter of May 26th I
wish to state that
Sergeant Thos. Arnold
of Co. 9. 27th Engineers
was unmarried and
his mother is dead.

Respectfully Yours

Sarah King
Skillman
N.J.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C
IN REPLY REFERRED, Thomas

May 25, 1929.

Miss. Sarah King,
Skillman,
N. J.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the sister of the late Sergeant Thomas Arnold, Co. A, 27th Engineers, 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.

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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.

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Arnold, Thomas

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Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

QM 293 C.R

November 26, 1923.

Miss Sarah King,
Skillman,
N.J.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of **Sergeant Thomas Arnold, Company A, 27th Engineers,** is **Grave 3, Row 17, Block B, St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.**

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, 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

R.L. POSTER
Assistant.



NOV 26, 1923
B.O.C.

23/668/ARK

293 Arnold, Thomas

Arnold

(Surname.)

Sgt.

Thomas

(Christian name in full.)

Co A 27th Engrs.

2307437

(Army serial number.)

Dup

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Sister

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)

Sarah King

R. 201

Stillman

N.J.

(Number and street or rural route.)

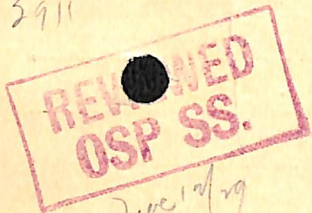
(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Nov 17/29

Perry Leig (friend)
Prescott, Ariz

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80-21-28

Don't know

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE JANUARY 28, 1922.

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 ARNOLD, Thomas

10. Name _____

2. No. -- 2307437

11. No. 2307437

3. Rank Sgt.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. A 27th Engrs.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. May 16th, 1918

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. Suicide

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 12 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. None

18. Cemetery Amer. E. F.

19. Commune or town Langres

20. Dept. or County Haute-Marne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 13

23. Disinterred (Date) January 28, 1922. By J.E. BENSON

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name THOMAS ARNOLD

Serial No. _____

Rank Sgt.

Organization Co. A. 27th Engrs.

Gr. No. 12.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? Yes (2)

Signature J.C. ANNABEL Junior Technical Assistant

J.C. ANNABEL

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).

Sgt. Chevrons on sleeves. No effects found.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Disc on body reads: 2307437.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan 28, 1922. By J.E. BENSON

31. Casket sealed by J.E. BENSON

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

J.E. BENSON

AUDITED BY

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-26235

32. Designation of body:

Name ARNOLD, Thomas Serial No. --Rank Sgt. Organization Co. A 27th Engrs.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. #1233, Thiaucourt, Met-M.34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 28, 1922. 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

WALTER F. BROWN, CAPT. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

Disc on body reads: Thomas Arnold, 2307437, Sgt., Co. A. 27th Engrs.37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) January 28, 1922.To point of Concentration Chaumont, (Hte. Marne).Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer C. J. BLAKE38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Captain, Q. M. Corps, U. S. ArmyBy G.R.S. Representative C. J. BLAKE39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 19 FEB 1922To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer Cty 1233, Thiaucourt, (Met M).Convoyer Michael Plotkin Signature Shipping Officer WALTER F. BROWN40. Received: Date 23 FEB 1922G.R.S. Representative G. D. GAMBLE, Captain, Q. M. C.41. Reinterred: Aug. 10 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No. 3 Section43. ~~Photo~~ Bk. B Row 17

G.R.S. Representative

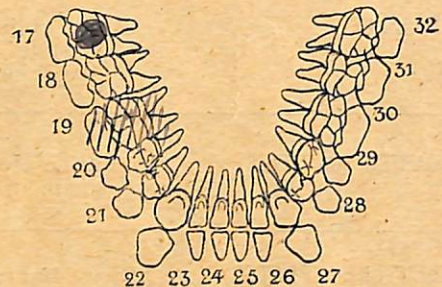
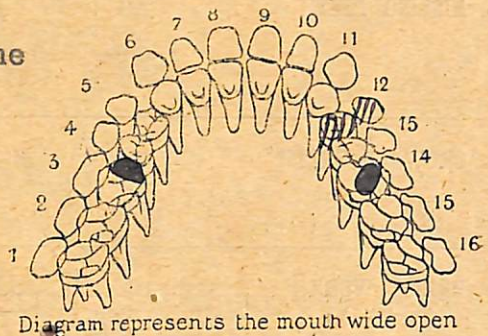
A E Dewey st. Lt. QC

Place LANGRES, (HTE. MARNE)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date JANUARY 28, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF ARNOLD, Thomas SERIAL NUMBER 2307437
 RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. A. 27th Engrs.
2. Disinterred (date): Jan 28, 1922. From (give complete location):
Grave No. 12, American E.F. Cemetery No. 13, Langres, (Hte. Marne)
 By: Group 2 Unit Section 4.
3. Reburied (date): Aug. 10 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 3 Sk. B Row 17
Cty. 1233
 By: Group Reburial Unit Casket & shipping case
 Nature of Reburial
4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Wooden box and uniform.
Badly decomposed Recognition impossible.
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes (2) On grave marker? No
 (b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Sgt. Chevrons on sleeves. No effects found.
6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?
 (a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine Silver filling-3-14-17.
Extracted-19-12.
 (b) Weight (estimated) Unable 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
 (f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)
None



7. Disinterment supervised by J.E. BENSON gbt JCA Approved: WALTER F. BROWN
 (Title) CAPT. Q.M.C.
8. Reburial supervised by H. Kramer Approved: A. E. Dowey
 (Title) 1st. Lt. QMC

To

**BURIALS IN PERMANENT
CEMETERIES**

Q. M. Form No. _____

Report No. _____

Sheet No. 2911

No. of Cemetery

#13 A. E. F.

Date

May 17 1918

Place of Cemetery

Army Schools, A.P.O. #714

Place of death

Torquay Hk Marine

Disposal of Tags

One buried with body, one taken in

Name

Thomas Arnold

Rank

Sgt

Regiment and Company

27th Eng. Comp

Nature of marking

Cross erected by Gov

Disposal of Personal Effects

In possession

Signed :

Chaplain.

NOTE. — Soldiers of I

G.R.S. Form No. 115

COUNTRY

FRANCE

Cemetery No. 13

Sheet No. 7

File No. 2911

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Arnold, Thomas Ser. No. 2307437(2) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. A, 27th Engrs.(3) Date of death 5-16-18

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

(4) Cause of death Suicide, Rifle Bullet(5) Grave No. 12 Row -- Plot -- Sect. --

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; no card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt none(6) Relationship Sister(7) Name Sarah King(8) Address R#1 Skillman, N.J.(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? --MM 4-16-20

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 P.L.(Date) 4-16-20D (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.? -m
(Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.Skillman N.J. Thomas F. King (brother)
requests body of his brother to
be returned to France -(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by P.L.(Date) 8/5-20FORM 115 - A COMPLETED
(over)
CARDER1/19/21. P.L. checked
1/295/26/20
Examined for
Concentration
St. Mary # 1233
676-2Revised
Pr 3-31-20

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JAN 24 1921



III. FINAL ACTION

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

RECEIVED

MAR 22 1921

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

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

(18) Typed by _____ Checked by _____

(Date)

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

(19) Typed by _____ Checked by _____

(Date)

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Dispatched (Date) JAN - 5 1921 (Let. Trans. No. JAN 5 1921)

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED
acc

Approved by _____

(Date) _____

copy of form 120 - 5-18-20. Sister - Sarah King - Skillman
ing. - confirms request on card - will body be moved
from cemetery where now buried at Langres - If so
will relatives be notified. #C 7-19-20

Letter received Oct 12/20 from Sister, Annie King, states she could not
find serial number of brother in previous correspondence, Advises write to Thos
Kelly Bishop Ariz. to find location of grave, Kelly informed her, ^{John}
was in cemetery at Langres, also that his Co. erected monument over
grave. Red Cross sent picture of cross with his name on it Co. H. 27 Eng.
She thinks Government must have changed it, or Red Cross sent wrong
picture - In letter from Wash, his rank is given as Private while they hold
certificate of Sgt. given him at Camp Meade - Letter was so apply to O Sp
Main
1921/20

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE

3-22-21

C M

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

MAY 11 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.

TO: Sarah King, #1, Skillman, N.J.

SUBJECT: Remains of Sergeant Arnold, Thomas,

Rush Answer

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

no change

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.

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>He was unmarried.</i>		
Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3.	<i>None</i>	
Father	<i>head.</i>		
Mother	<i>head.</i>		
Brothers	1.	<i>Thos. King - Skillman - N.J.</i>	
(Name oldest first)	2.	<i>Edw. King - Skillman - N.J.</i>	
Sisters	<i>Annie King - Skillman - N.J.</i>		
Date	<i>May 8th 1920</i>		
Address	<i>Skillman</i>		
Relationship	<i>Sister</i>		
Signature	<i>Sarah King</i>		

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

(OVER)

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.

msd
good
over
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Stillman, N.J.
May 18th, 1920

I do not wish the remains of my brother
Sergeant I. H. Arnold to be removed from
France, - He is buried in the American
Cemetery at Langres. - Can you tell me if
~~his~~ the bodies will be removed from there
to any other cemetery in France, - or if they are
to remain in the cemetery at Langres. - If
you cannot give me this information can
you tell me to whom I should write for
it, If his body should ever be removed
to some other cemetery in France would I
be notified?

Respectfully,

Sarah King
Stillman N.J.

RECEIVED
ING. PRANON

JUL 9 - 1920

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.

CHARGE TO
GOVERNMENT RATE

WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

13-7

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

Arnold
June 2, 1933.

Thomas King,

Stillman, N. J.

Necessary that you as oldest brother of late Sergeant Thomas Arnold

state whether you desire body returned to United States and
buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case
no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you
necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense. **A-136-4**

ROGERS
Quartermaster General

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

BY:

C. D. ANNIS,
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

OSP:SS

Compl. Dept.

FILE NO: 293.3-Reg.Sec.Cem.Div. (Arnold, Thomas.)



Held

March 18th, 1921.

File No; 293.8 Cem. Div., Cor. Br.
(Arnold, Thomas)

Miss Sarah King,
Skillman, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:-

You are advised that in accordance with your desire the remains of your late brother, Thomas Arnold, Sergeant, Serial No. 2307437, Company A, 27th Engineers, will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will be perpetually maintained by the Government as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

Upon transfer of the body to a permanent American Cemetery you will be notified of the grave location.

The Department desires to express assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R.E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By:

F.C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

March 17, 1921.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Branch.
(ARNOLD, Thomas)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #13.
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 1793.

1. The records pertaining to the following case are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the body is to remain in Europe:

REFERENCE NO:

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Arnold, Thomas Sergeant, Serial Number 2307437,
Company A, 27th Engineers.

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. Pallas
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

Revised 3-23-21

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See Form 115
maack
6-16-21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File No. 2911

(a) Name ARNOLD, Thomas. Ser. No. 2307437 TYP. esw
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. A. 27th Engrs. meh
(c) Date of death 5/16/18 Cause of death Suicide Rifle Bullet.

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

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acn

(a) Grave No. 12 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- TYP. esw
(b) Emerg. Address ---

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. No card. CKR tw.

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

G.R.S. files - Thomas F King (brother) Skillman J.
Requests brothers body remain in France acn 1/8/21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 192 (letter of transmittal on 192

PHOTOGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED
acn

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 22 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship and Source and name Desires Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 31 MAR 22 1921 192

COUNTRY France. CEMETERY NO. 13 SHEET NO. 7
G.R.S. FORM 115-A
August , 1920

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1/19/21. P.L.

293.6 ✓

2nd Ind.

2911
HW.NVA

Hqrs., American G.R.S., QMC., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris. Oct. 23, 1922.
To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Certificate covering destruction of tombstone mentioned in basic communication is forwarded herewith.

FOR THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE



2 Encls.

R. P. Harbold
R. P. HARBOLD
Assistant.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'ENA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE.

HW.NWA

File No. 293.6

PARIS, France.
August 23rd 1922.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Monument.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Munitions
Building, WASHINGTON, D.C.

1. Forwarded herewith Form letter "A" and questionnaire concerning a monument removed from the grave of the following soldier in American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne) whose remains have been reburied in St. Mihiel American Cemetery #1233, THIAUCOURT (M-et-M):

ARNOLD, Thomas, Sgt. Co. A., 27th Engrs.

This monument is now held in storage at St. Ouen, Paris (Seine).

2. It is recommended that Form letter "A" and questionnaire be forwarded to the Next of Kin for necessary action and this office be advised at your earliest convenience what disposition is desired of this monument.

FOR THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE:

R. P. Harbold
R. P. HARBOLD
Assistant.

2 Encls. (in duplicate).

293.8 C-R #2911
(Arnold, Thomas Sgt.)

1st Ind.

O.Q.M.G., Washington, D. C., Sept. 13, 1922--To the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. Returned. It is requested that such disposition, as will prevent misapplication or desecration of the monument referred to above, be made, and a report of action taken furnished this office.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

1 incl.
questionnaire.

RECORDED

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
Assistant.



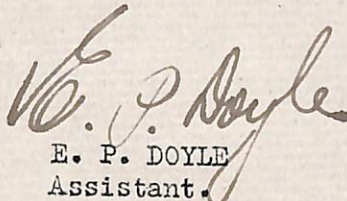
HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE. Q.M.C. IN EUROPE.
Paris, France.

(Date) October 18, 1922.

I CERTIFY that I have this date personally witnessed the destruction
of the headstone formerly over the grave of

ARNOLD, Thomas, Sgt., Co. A., 27th Engrs.

The following discrepancies were noted: None.


E. P. DOYLE
Assistant.

S. Hillman *Sept 14th*
(Place) (Date) 1922

2. I hereby relinquish all rights and claims to the monument formerly erected over the grave of Sergeant THOMAS ARNOLD, Co. A, 27th Engineers at American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne). The United States Government, through its Graves Registration Service, is herewith authorized to make such disposition of said monument as is compatible to the best interests of the Service.

Sarah King
(Signature)



GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Arnold, ----- Thomas
 (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Sergeant Co. "A" 27th Engrs.
 (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL May 17-1918

PLACE OF BURIAL American Cemetery #13
Army Schools
 (Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

U.S.A.P.O. #714, American E. F.

Sangre

GRAVE NUMBER #12

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Cross? yes

Headboard? Yes 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 Laurin B. Askew

Laurin B. Askew,
2nd Lt. Cav. U.S.A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

20 MAY 1918

293.8 C-R #2911
(Arnold, Thomas Sgt.)

1st Ind.

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Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. Returned. It is requested that such disposition, as will
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above, be made, and a report of action taken furnished this office.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

1 incl.
questionnaire.

H. J. CONNER,
Assistant.

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G.R.S.

Skillman N.J.Sept.14th 1922

2. I hereby relinquish all rights and claims to the monument formerly erected over the grave of Sergeant Thomas Arnold, Co.A, 27th Engineers at American Cemetery #13, Langres (~~am~~ Haute-Marne). The United States Government, through its Graves Registration Service, is herewith authorized to make such disposition of said monument as is compatible to the best interests of the Service.

(Sgd) Sarah King.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, QMG., in EUROPE
8 Avenue d'Iena,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE.

HW. INVA

File No.

, France.
Paris August 23rd 1922.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Monument.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Munitions
Building, WASHINGTON, D.C.

1. Forwarded herewith Form letter "A" and questionnaire concerning a monument removed from the grave of the following soldier in American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne) whose remains have been reburied in St. Mihiel American Cemetery #1233, THIAUCOURT (M-et-M):

ARNOLD, Thomas, Sgt. Co. A., 27th Engrs.

This monument is now held in storage at St. Ouen, Paris (Seine).

2. It is recommended that Form letter "A" and questionnaire be forwarded to the Next of Kin for necessary action and this office be advised at your earliest convenience what disposition is desired of this monument.

FOR THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE:

2 Encls. (in duplicate).

R. P. HARBOID
Assistant.



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Form Letter "A"

1922.

September 12,

Subject: Disposition of Monument.

To:

Miss Sarah King, R. #1, Skillman, N.J.

1. The remains of Sgt. Thomas ARNOLD, Co. A, 27th Engineers, formerly buried in Grave 12, American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne) have been reburied in St. Mihiel American Cemetery #1233, Thiaucourt (M-et-M).

2. The Monument which was on this grave in American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne) is now held in storage at St. Ouen, Paris (Seine).

3. As the nearest of kin, you are requested to inform this office what disposition you desire made of this monument. A questionnaire is attached, and an addressed penalty envelope is enclosed for the prompt forwarding of your reply.

4. Description of monument:

Material: Cement. Approximate weight: 187 lbs.
" " 170 lbs.

Dimensions: 2'10" x 1'8" x 7"
" 2'4" x 1'3" x 1'3"

Inscription thereon: "Sgt. Thomas Arnold
Co. A, 27th Engineers U.S.A.
Born June 12, 1879, El Paso,
Texas, U.S.A.
Died May 16, 1918, Jorouenay."

Practicability of monument withstanding shipment: Can be safely crated and shipped.

5. The cost of crating, handling and shipping this monument to any designated point will be at the expense of the consignee who will make all necessary arrangements with an express company or any other agency, advising such agency to call upon the American Graves Registration Service, St. Ouen, Paris (Seine) for the monument that is to be crated and shipped.

6. Should no disposition be indicated by you, it is requested that the clearance certificate on the questionnaire be duly accomplished and mailed to this office.

For the Quartermaster General:

E. E. DAVIS,

Executive Assistant, G.R.S.

1 encl.

MAILED
SEP 12 1922

G.R.S.

MS

QUESTIONNAIRE

(Place)

(Date)

1. It is desired that the monument formerly erected over the grave of Sergeant Thomas ARNOLD, Co. A, 27th Engineers, at American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne), be returned to the United States, the necessary arrangements for crating and shipment at my expense having been made with _____ Company.

(Signature)

* * * * *

(Place)

(Date)

2. I hereby relinquish all rights and claims to the monument formerly erected over the grave of Sergeant THOMAS ARNOLD, Co. A, 27th Engineers at American Cemetery #13, LANGRES (Haute Marne). The United States Government, through its Graves Registration Service, is herewith authorized to make such disposition of said monument as is compatible to the best interests of the Service.

(Signature)

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE



REGISTRATION SECTION
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Mr. Cole.
To—

Date 11/17—

Lieut. Noetzel.

Necessary adjustment.

Preparation of letter. Indorsement.

Mr. C. M. Peck.

Investigation.

Signature.

Card Dept.

Remark.

File.

Cty. Audit Dept.

Suspension.

Recording.

Inv. & Adj. Dept.

Note and return.

Coding.

Prep. of Data Dept.

Information—101—A.

File papers.

Overseas Project Sub. Sec.

Action as noted.

Report to

Files Dept. (Admin. Br.).

MEMO.

For verification of nearest living.

Thos. King can hardly be the brother of Thos. Brased.

Annie King - the writer - down as -

Cousin - sister - and friend -

Please give us a definite statement.

Return to

From

Grant
Ing Br.

FILES

November 19, 1920.

293.8-Cen. #2911 (Arnold, Thomas Sgt.)

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).
To: Miss Ammie King, R.F.D. #1, Skillman, N. J.
Subject: Sergeant Thomas Arnold.

1. In reply to your letter without date, you are advised that the records of this office show that the body of Sergeant Thomas Arnold, Company A, 27th Engineers, is buried in Grave #12, American Cemetery, Langres, Department of Haute-Marne.

2. It is requested that you advise this office immediately as to the exact relationship of Mr. Thomas King, Skillman, N. J., of Miss Sarah King, Skillman, N. J. and of yourself to this soldier.

3. The records of the American Red Cross Photographic Section, attached to this office, show that the grave of this soldier is marked by the regulation cross.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

C. C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

By:

MVB

GA
GLENN A. ROSS,
1st Lt., Q. M. C.

JEW

MAILED
NOV 20 1920
G.R.S.

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OSP. GS.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div. P. O. M. G.
File # 293.8

Ann

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Gentlemen

I received your letter some days ago have been trying to find the Sereal Number you asked for. this is the only number I can find in any letter we ever got

from Washington 293.8. Cem # 29 71 this I found in a letter from you last July just before his name

I think you could find out just where he was buried from

Mr Thomas Kelly at Bisbee Arizona I wrote the Post Master there for a name of a member of his Company. he sent me

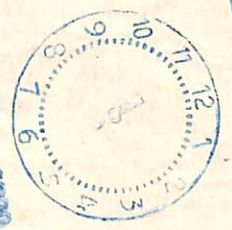
Wm Kelly Thomas

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



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OCT 12 1960
G. R. S.



RECEIVED



Dr. J. H. C.
CEMETERIAL

OCT 28 1960

RECEIVED

his address. I wrote him to
know where he was buried and he
wrote me a long side of a Cemetery
at Langres he also wrote the
other members of his Company
erected a Marble Monument
over his grave we have been
trying ever since to get a Picture
of it, the Red Cross sent a Picture
of a Cross with his name on it,
and Co. A. 22 engineers. so the
government must have changed it,
or they sent us the wrong grave
Picture. they get things so mixed up
in some letters we got from
Washington they write his name

Private Arnold and we have
a Certificate that he was made
Sergeant-at-Arm Meade before
he went over seas his Company
was made up of Western
Mining men he enlisted at
Fort McDowell Cal. I think
if you could hear from the
others out there, they can tell
you just where he was buried.

Yours Respectfully
Armin King
Skillman.
W J.

R W I

FILE

July 21, 1920.

293.8 Cem. #2911 (Arnold, Thomas, Sgt.)

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

Sarah King, Skillman, N. J.

Permanent Burial in France.

1. In reply to your communication of May 18, returning Form #120 to this office, you are advised that the American Cemetery at Langres, Department of Haute-Marne, in which the remains of your brother, Sergeant Thomas Arnold, are interred, will not be maintained as a permanent American Cemetery. The body of your brother will at a later date, be transferred to a permanent Field of Honor, to remain under the control and maintenance of the United States government.

2. This office will advise you as to the final resting place of this soldier.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

rk By:

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CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. Corps.

mail
JUL 22 1920

CEMET
OVERSEAS



OCT 13
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2911
Gentlemen

We would very much
to have the Photograph of
Thomas Arnolds grave
I was talking to a soldier
here in Trenton about it- he
told me to write to you.
he was buried at Langres
in France a year ago last-
may. I heard through one of
the Lieutenants the other members
erected a Marble Monument-
over his grave he was a Sgt. with
Co A. 27th engineers I you can
get it Please send it to his relative

Archie Stine (friend)
Stillman

Somerset Co N J

R. F. W. 1



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Skillman, N.J.
June 4th - 1920
Am

War Department.

Washington, D. C.

I have received
your telegram and
wish to state that I
do not wish the body
of my brother Sergeant
Thos. Arnold removed
from France

Respectfully

Thomas F. King



This corresp.
related to former
Bk 115
6/7/20



War Department
Washington
H. C.



(Cemeterial Division)



COPY OF FORM #120.

Skillman, N.J.

May 18th, 1920.

I do not wish the remains of my brother Sergeant Thos. Arnold to be removed from France. He is buried in the American Cemetery at Langres. Can you tell me if the bodies will be removed from there to any other cemetery in France, or if they are to remain in the cemetery at Langres. If you cannot give me this information can you tell me to whom I should write for it. If his body should ever be removed to some other cemetery in France, would I be notified?

Respectfully,

Sarah King (Sister)

Skillman, N.J.

Sgt. Thomas Arnold

Cty. 13--7

JDB



*copy noted on
form 115-74074 7/19/20*

1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G. R. S.

2. Soldier's No.

3. *Arnold Thomas*

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. *Sgt* *A.* *27th Eng*

Rank

Company

Regt. or Corps

5. *May 17th 1918*

Date of Death

Cause, if known

6. *13*

Date of Burial

Cemetery

7. *Langres*

Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. *12*

Grave No.

Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.
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12.

Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13.

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed. *SA. Brown*

Group Unit *303* G. R. S.

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General.
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

November 3, 1919.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- ✓ (c) Office Files.
- ✓ (d) Photographic Section.

Case of:

Sgt. Thomas Arnold,
Co. A, 27th Engineers,

Grave Location:

American Cemetery, Langres, Department
of Haute-Marne, Grave 12.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- ✓ (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Annie King,
Skillman, N. J.
RFD #1.

G. R. S. MAILED
(Friend)
NOV 3 - 1919

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L

(MM)

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