

MAY 14 1926

DATE Oct. 27th, 1921

1. NAME BARTLESON, Clayton W.

SERIAL No. 1851489

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co. A., 318th Inf.

8 DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne American Cty. ROMAGNE-SOUS-MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232 Sec. 70

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

67

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2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 9

Plot 1

Septsagres (Meuse).

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Meuse Argonne 1232.

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross and body.

DATE OF DEATH

Oct. 4, '18

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SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Va.

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CEMETERY

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

DATE

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CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

Received
MAY 20 1926
M & R BRANCH
G. O. M. G.

M. B. BIRDSEYE
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Oct. 27th, 1921.

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Block D.

16.

DATE

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PLOT

Meuse-Argonne-Amer. Cty # 1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

CEMETERY

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MAY 15 1926

WORLD WAR DIV.

BARTLESON Clayton W. - Pvt. 1851489

Co A 318th. Inf.
80th. Div.

Killed October 1st. 1918.

Place of death. Bois de Breuilles, near Nantillois. Oct. 1. 1918

Grave location. Buried in 4th. Division Burial ground, Montfaucon
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Signed Statement from eyewitness.

Pvt. Clayton W. Bartleson was killed by the accidental explosion of a hand grenade. He died in about ten minutes without regaining consciousness. I reached him about five minutes after the explosion and remained with him until the end, this occurred in the afternoon of October 1. 1918 in the Bois de Breuilles, near Nantillois.

Informant : Corp. Hugh R. Brickert

from records of Major Carl H. Tobey
Adjutant 80th. Div.

Emerg. add.
Anna C. Bartleson
R.F.D. #1 Screamersville. Va.

R.v.G.

Co A. 318th Infantry
80th Division

BARTLESON, Clayton, W-PVT: 1851489

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Informant: BRICKERT, Hugh R.-Corp:1820608
Co A. 318th Infantry
Home Hopewell, Va.

Signed: By Informant.

Emergency address:

Unknown.

MD

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB- HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bartleson,</i>	<i>BAR</i>	3	<i>218</i>
<i>Clayton W.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>31</i>	2	<i>31</i>
	ROW <i>16</i>	2	<i>16</i>
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Virginia</i>	2	<i>54</i>
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>80</i>	2	<i>80</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>318</i>	3	<i>318</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Bartleson,</i>	<i>BAR</i>	3	<i>218</i>
<i>Mrs. A. C.</i>	STATE <i>Va.</i>	2	<i>54</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Spotsylvania</i>	2	<i>89</i>
	CITY <i>Rayo</i>	3	<i>777</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
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DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bartleson Clayton W (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Anna C Bartleson
Rayo Va

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs Anna C. Bartleson

equal to the trip

QM 293 A-M
Bartleson, Clayton W. Pvt. (MA) M

December 14, 1931.

Mrs. Anna C. Bartleson,
Rayo,
Virginia.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date relative to the pilgrimages which are being arranged to the cemeteries of Europe for 1932.

In view of your statement that you do not desire to make the pilgrimage in 1932 owing to your inability to stand the trip, your name has been placed on the list of mothers and widows eligible to visit the cemeteries of Europe in 1933. In the event your health should so improve as to permit you to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Clayton W. Bartleson, at an earlier date, please so advise this office so that arrangements may be made to meet your wishes.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for, and you are assured that if you make a pilgrimage, everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bartleson, Clayton W. (M-A) M

September 3, 1931

Mrs. Anna C. Bartleson,
Rayo,
Va.

Dear Madam:

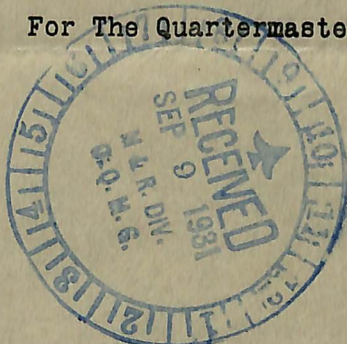
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This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 or 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

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

Ms. Cont. stand the trip.
Thank you.
Write answer here

Encl:
Env.

Mrs Anna C. Bartleson
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE June 22, 1931

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Bartleson, Clayton W.	Pvt.	1851489	Co. A, 318th Inf.	10-1-18

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Va.	1232	31	16	D

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>
	MOTHER	: <u> </u> :
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	: : :
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : (m)
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : : <u>Miss - Anna C - Bartleson</u>
	<i>Single man</i>	: : : <u>Rayo</u>
		: : : <u>Va -</u>

Veterans Bureau Claim Number
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bartleson, Clayton W. Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Pub. Co A, 318th Inf.

Va.

10-1-18

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson,
Screamerville, Virginia

Rayo, Va.

1851489
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Dear Madam:

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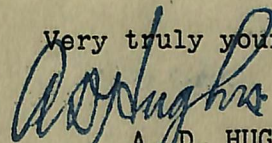
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

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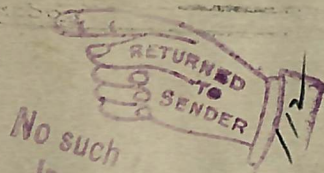
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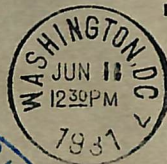
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 6, 1930.

Bartleson, Clayton W. 1232 M

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson,
~~Screamerville,~~ *Rayo,*
Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? no
(Write answer here)

*I appreciate this kind offer
but being in poor health
cannot attend the trip.*

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Bartleson, Clayton W.

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson,
Screamerville, Va.

Dear Madam:

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

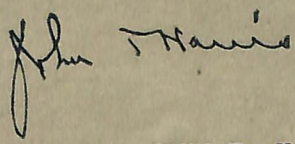
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.


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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bartleson Clayton W (MA)

July 7, 1932

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Rayo Va

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Bartleson, Clayton W. Pvt. (MA) M

December 16, 1931.

Mrs. Anna C. Bartleson,
Rayo,
Virginia.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General.

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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bartleson, Clayton W. (M-A) M

September 3, 1931

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Rayo,
Va.

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Assistant.

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

Write answer here

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Sign here

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293 A-M~~
Bartleson, Clayton W. Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

Write answer here

Sign here

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 6, 1930.

Bartleson, Clayton W. 1232 M

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bartleson, Clayton W. 1232 M

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson,
Screamerville, Va.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Bartleson, Clayton W.

Mrs. A. C. Bartleson,
Screamerville, Va.

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Clayton W. Bartleson, Co. A, 318th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since re-married it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

September 19, 1923.

Mrs. A.C. Bartleson,
Screamerville,
Va.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of ^{Private Alerton Bartleson, Company A, 51st Infantry,} is Grave 31, Row 16, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), 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,

H.H. CHEAL

Assistant.



O.Q.M.G.
Central Mail & Files Bn.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #30272

(a) Name BARTLESON, Clayton Ser. No. 1851489
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 318th Infantry
 (c) Date of death 10/1/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DMA
 CKR. 13.7

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

(a) Grave No. 67 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 70 TYP. DMA
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. A.C. Bartleson (mother) Screamersville, Va.

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IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
 (c) Address _____
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

_____, dated _____
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials MH Date 5/25, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 70

SHEET No. 4

Slg 4/21/21
6-14-21

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct 27 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BARTLESON, Clayton W.

10. Name

2. No. 1851489

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. A, 318th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10-114. (a) D.D. None6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 67 Sec. 70

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 2 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne American19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon20. Dept. or County Meuse21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232, Sec. 70.23. Disinterred (Date) Oct 27 1921By H E Strong

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Clayton W Bartleson

Serial No.

Rank PvtOrganization Co A 318th InfGr 6725. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? Yes

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

Archie A Pope

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).

None27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable28. Nature of burial Box, US uniform and burlap29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct 27 1921 By H E Strong31. Casket sealed by H E Strong

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

H Strong

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-13670

32. Designation of body:

Name BARTLESON, Clayton W.

Serial No. 1851489

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. A., 318th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. # 1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Oct 27 1921 By H E Strong

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

A E Dewey 1st Lt GRC

36. Remarks Paragraph One shows

last name Bertleson

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Oct 27 1921

cc

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed

(Name)

Signature Shipping Officer

G F Spann, Capt GRC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Oct. 27, 1921 Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232.

(Date)

42. Grave No.

31

Section

43. ~~Block~~ Block D

Row

16

G.R.S. Representative

JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.

AUDITED BY

Concentration.

G. R. S. Form. No. 16-A

Place Oct. 27, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Romagne 1232.

1. REMAINS OF BARTLESON, Clayton. W. SERIAL NUMBER 1851489
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. A. 318th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 28, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 67, sec 70, plot 2. Cem. 1232

By: Group 9 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 27, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 31, Block D, row 16.

By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial Unlined Casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
wooden box and burlap and uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes On grave marker? no

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

Tag on body reads "-----1851489. U.S.A."

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.

(b) Weight, (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

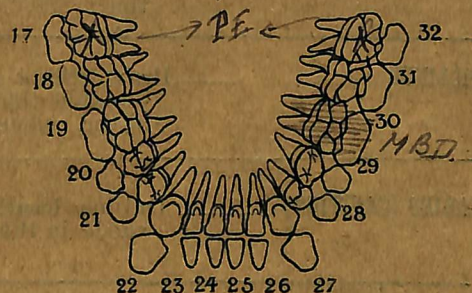
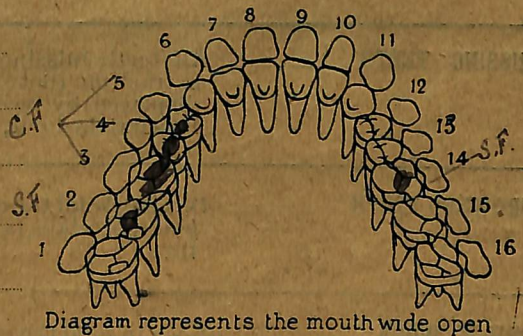
Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,
or missing parts do



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

none visible.

7. Disinterment supervised by H.E. Strong Approved; A.E. Dewey
H.E. Strong. (Title) A.E. Dewey 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Dufault Approved; James W. Younger
A.U. Dufault. (Title) JAMES W. YOUNGER,
CAPT., Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #30272

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BARTLESON, Clayton Ser. No. 1851489
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 318th Infantry
 (c) Date of death 10/1/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

DMA
TYP. B. J.

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

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 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. A.C. Bartleson (mother) Screamer'sville, Va.

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 letter of transmittal on MUN-7-1921, 192

Par. 2 Not To Be Returned (E.S.)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source. Relationship and name. Desires. Action taken.

VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 192

COUNTRY

CEMETERY No.

SHEET No.

G. R. S. Form 115-A
August, 1920

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1232-Sec. 70

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SL 7/21/21

Date 9th June, 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Number:

Name: BARTLESON C. W.
(Barilesson)

1851489

Rank: UnknOrganization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

20th May, 1919B/A Cty Grave No. 9 SEPTSARGES MEUSE35 NE E 313.15 N 290.9

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

20th May, 1919Grave No. 67 Sect. 70 Plot 2ARGONNE AMERICAN CTY NO. 1232ROMAGNE MEUSE

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

Body buried in uniform; badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body? :

Tag on body checks "Bartleson. C. W."

Note:

CONFIRMED No. D

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: L t CaswellR. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.C.O. Group Unit

30272
1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 1851488

3. Bartleson C.W.
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial B.A.C. Cemetery

7. Brioules Meuse
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 9 Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? 1 Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? 1
Identification Tags

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

12. "A" sketch 47
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed. Sgt. Baker

Group. Unit. G. R. S.

PROV. UNIT
GROUP No. 3 "A" G.R.S.