

LIST OF PAPERS

File under No. 2938

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Bates, Percy J. #1453752

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SERIAL NUMBER	FROM-	DATE	TO-	SYNOPSIS
	EUROPEAN CLAIMS UNIT Ft. Myer, Va.	11-16-29	Miss Sullivan.	File retained in the Mail and Record Division O.Q.M.G., Nov. 19, 1929.H.Bell.

Records from
European Claims Unit
Ft. Myer, Va. No. 14.

Bates.

(Surname.)

Percy J.

(Christian name in full.)

1453752 ✓

(Army serial number.)

Cpl

Co I, 138th Inf.,

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Brother

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)

Willis S. Bates

1621 E 7th St.

Winfield Kansas

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Drawn by MKS

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10-30-20

State your relationship to the deceased _____
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 (City, town, or post office.) _____
 (State.) _____
 (Sign here) _____

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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FULL NAME BATES, Percy J. ✓

RANK Cpl. ✓ SERIAL 1453752 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. L, 138th Inf. 3.5- Div ✓

DATE OF DEATH July 13 1918 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Kansas ✓

MEALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. None shown ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 32 29 F
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Rec'd World War Div. Cemetery
5 APR 4 1928

MS 4-11-28
23/306/ARK

21 A.G.O.
AUG 11 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bates **1453752** **Percy J.**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corp. **Co. "L" 138th U.S. Infy.**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **July 16th, 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Linthal dit D'Oberlauchen**
Hamster 1/20,000, 485.271
April, 1918.
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

GRAVE NUMBER **170**

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

Headboard?..... Bottle? **Yes**

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?..... **Yes**

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... **No**

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

Will be when cross is completed

REPORTED BY:

Thos D. Kennedy, Chaplain 138th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Co. L 138th Infantry
35th Div

BATES, Percy J. - Corp 1453752

Was killed while on patrol in no man's land July 15th 1918
Body was found just enside of our were by searching part.
This infotmation getter from his company.

No informant give,

Emergency address:
Mary E. Bates (Mother)
270 Mapli St.
Burlington Vt.

Searcher: Chap Edwin A. Shraver
138th Infantry

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Lintal 456

Date Jan. 13, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BATES, Percy J. SERIAL NUMBER 1453752

RANK Col ORGANIZATION Co. I. 158th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 1-13-21 From (give complete location):

Grave #169 in cemetery #456
commune of Lintal, Alsace, France

By: Group #4 Unit Section II Field Forces

3. Reburied (date): 1-13-21 In (give complete location):

Grave #9 in cemetery #456
commune of Lintal, Alsace, France

By: Group #4 Unit Section II FF Nature of reburial _____

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

Wooden box (Uniform) body decomposed

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

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

Corporal's chevrons on right sleeve. Collar insignia bearing the following inscription: "I" crossed rifles "138"

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32

(a) Height (estimated actual measurement) 70 inches

(b) Weight (estimated) 170 lbs

(c) Hair—Color brown

Quantity full head

Characteristics straight

(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, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
Gold fillings
2, 3, & 4 cement fillings, 1 & 16 missing before death, 9 & 10 missing after death, 12, 13, 14, 15 amalgam fillings.

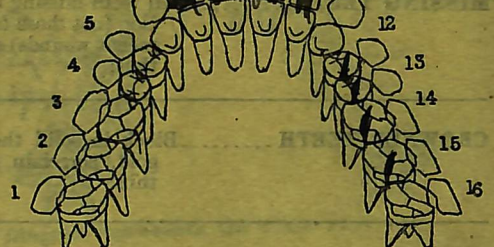
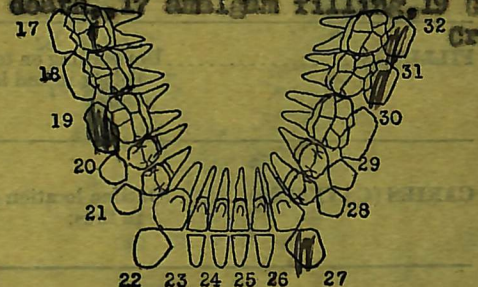


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.

27 missing after death, 31 & 32 missing before death, 17 amalgam filling, 19 gold crown



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7. Disinterment supervised by James McGourty

Approved: John N. Merrick
(Title) John N. Merrick, 1st Lt., U.S.A.

8. Reburial supervised by James McGourty

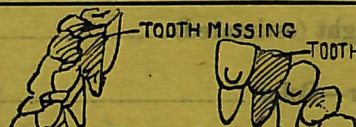




Approved: Orville H. Davis
(Title) Orville H. Davis, 2nd Lt., U.S.A.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

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1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
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6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	 <p>TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	 <p>GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	 <p>GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	 <p>SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>

DENTURES (PLATES)..... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.
8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

JUL 15 1921
 G. R. S.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place LINTHAL, (VOSGES)

Date August 30, 1921,

1. REMAINS OF BATES Percy J.

SERIAL NUMBER 1453752

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION

Co.L. 138th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date):

From (give complete location):

August 30, 1921.

Grave 9, French Mil. Cem. 456

By: Group

3

Unit

Section 5.

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

October 15, 1921.

Row. 29, Bl. F. Gr. 32, Cty. 1232

By: Group

Reburial S.

Unit

Nature of reburial

Unlined Casket

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

Unrecognizable. Badly decomposed. In pine box, and blanket

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No

On grave marker? No

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

Bottle record and strip on body agree with 114- A. Collar insignia

L. 138th Inf. U.S.N.G. Cpl. Chevrons, all bodies in row identified.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 1-16-M.B.D.

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to report

9-10-M.A.D.

(b) Weight (estimated) Unable to report

7-8-gold filling.

(c) Hair—Color None 2-3-4-5-12-13-

14-15-alloy filling

Quantity None 11-gold filling

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None

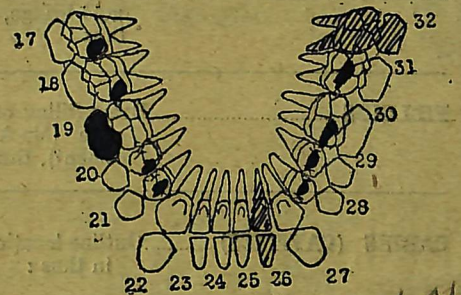
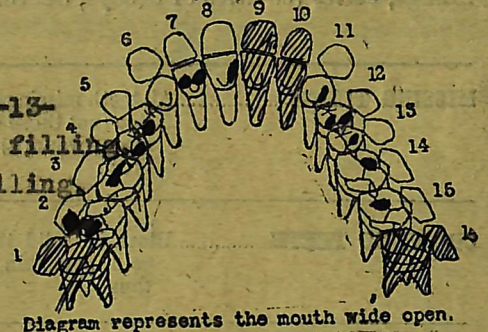
Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Unable to report.

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

Impossible to determine.



26-M.A.D.

32-M.B.D.

19-gold crown.

17-18-20-21-28-29-30-

31-alloy filling.

7. Disinterment supervised by

E.T. Anderson

E.T. ANDERSON

Approved:

F.R. Whipple

(Title)

F.R. WHIPPLER,

1st. Lieut. Q. M. C.

8. Reburial supervised by

W.B. Sheild

W. B. SHEILD

Approved:

James W. Younger

(Title)

JAMES W. YOUNGER

CAPTAIN, Q. M. C.

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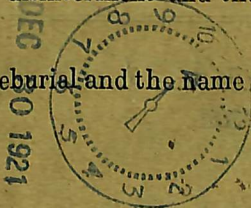
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EMERALD DIVISION

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bates	3	21 ¹² / ₀
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	1
	GRAVE	2	32
	ROW	2	29
	BLOCK	1	6
STATE	Kans	2	18
RANK	Cpl	1	2
DIVISION	35	2	35
ORGANIZATION	138	3	138
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
(Brother) NAME	Bates	5	16
RESIDENCE	Mr W. S. 733 Reynolds Ave Los Angeles, Calif.	2	97
	STATE	2	17
	COUNTY	2	036
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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Audited
 APR 8 1932
 M. B.
 Rm

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bates, Percy J. 1232-B

July 3, 1930.

Mr. W. S. Bates,
733 Reynolds Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

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

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

July 15/29

Major John T Harris,
2 M. Corps Act,

Referring to 2 M. 293 a-c
Percy J. Bates.

Mother deceased and,
no widow.

Very Truly Yours

W. S. Bates

733 Reynolds Ave
Los Angeles
Calif.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY, REFER TO QM 293 A-C
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Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

CROSS INDEX

QM 293 A-C
Berry, Stanton K.

November 18, 1929.

Mr. Otis C. Graham,
Seward-Ayars Post #16, Al.L.,
Neodesha, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of November 4, 1929 has been referred to this office for reply by The Adjutant General of the Army.

The body of the late Captain Stanton K. Berry was returned to the United States and consigned to his father, Mr. John K. Berry, 18 Agassiz St., Cambridge, Mass., for burial on December 18, 1920. This office, however, does not have record of the cemetery in which he is buried.

The body of the late Corporal Percy J. Bates, Company L, 138th Infantry, is buried in Grave 32, Row 29, Block F, of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

SC:LS

O. Q. M. G.

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Bates, Percy J.

1904

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON

May 3rd, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R- #5753- (Bates, Percy J. Cpl.)
FROM: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army.
TO: Miss Julia I. Bates, 278 Maple Street, Burlington, Vermont.
SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Corporal Percy J. Bates,
Company L., 138th Infantry.

FILE
5-3-22

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 32, Row 29, Block F., The American Cemetery of the Meuse-Argonne, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

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 maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

MAILED

MAY - 4 1922

G.R.S.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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Assistant.



DATE _____

1. NAME BATES, Percy J. SERIAL No. 1455752

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. L. 138th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION French Military Cty, Linthal, Alsace, France. #456
CTY. NAME NUMBER

9
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 168 Linthal. Alsace.
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Not known.

CONCENTRATED TO Jan. 11, 1921. 9.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Linthal. 456.
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Not of record.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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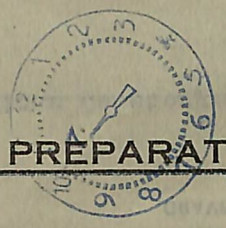
SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Stanley J. Grogan
STANLEY J. GROGAN, Capt. Inf. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/15/21 32 29 F.
DATE GRAVE ROW ~~Block~~ Block

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)
CEMETERY

*Audited
2/23/22
H.O.E.*

CENTRAL DIVISION



DEC 30 1921

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.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE August 30, 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 BATES, Percy J.

10. Name

2. No. 1453752

11. No.

3. Rank Cpl.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. L. 138th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. July 13th

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Killed in action

(b) D.B.

No discrepancy

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 9

Sec.

15. Grave No.

Sec.

8. Plot

Row

16. Plot

Row

9.

17.

No discrepancy

18. Cemetery French Military

19. Commune or town

Linthal

20. Dept. or County Alsace

21. Country

France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 456

23. Disinterred (Date) August 30, 1921

By

E.T. ANDERSON

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BATES, Percy J.

Serial No.

Rank Cpl.

Organization

Co. L. 138th Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker?

No

On body?

No

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

J.A. DOUGHERTY

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).

None

27. Condition of body

Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial

In pine box in blanket

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

None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date

August 30, 1921.

By

E.T. ANDERSON

31. Casket sealed by

E.T. ANDERSON

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

E.T. Anderson
E.T. ANDERSON

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **G-2979**

32. Designation of body:

Name **BATES, Percy J.** Serial No. **1453752**

Rank **Cpl.** Organization **Co. L. 138th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Argonne Amer. Cty. at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, 1232 Meuse, France.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **August 30, 1921.** By **E.T. ANDERSON**

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 *F.R. Whipple*
F.R. WHIPPLE, 1st. Lieut. G.S.

36. Remarks **Bottle record and strip on body check with 114-A gbt**

Collar insignia L. 138th Inf. U.S.N.G. Cpl. Chevrons. all bodies

in row identified.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date **Sept 24th 1921**

To Permanent Cemetery **1232, Meuse-Argonne, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon**
(Name)
Convoyer **R.E. Williams** Signature Shipping Officer *F. Overheiser*
F. Overheiser, 1st. Lt. QMC

40. Received: Date **Sept 27, 1921**

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*

41. Reinterred **Meuse-Argonne Cty. 1232, Oct. 15, 1921.**
(Date)

42. Grave No. **Row: 29. Pl. F. Gr. 32.** Section

43. Plot **Row**

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*

James W. Younger
Captain, Q. M. C.

JAW

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 5753

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BATES, Percy J. 11/813 Ser. No. 1453752 11/813
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co.L, 138th Inf. TYP. EK
 (c) Date of death 7/13/1918 (d) Cause of death K/A CKR. [initials]

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

(a) Grave No. 168 Row -- Plot -- Sec. -- TYP. EK

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Ella Bates (mother) 278 Maple St., Burlington, Vt.
Willis S. Bates (Brother) 1621 E. 7th St., Winfield, Kans. (5-2-22) R

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR. [initials]

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Willis S. Bates (b) Relationship Brother
 (c) Address 1621 E. 7th St - Winfield - Kan.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
 (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 YMK S Date 10-30, 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:

Miss Julia S. Bates, sister, 278 Maple St., Burlington, Vt. wishes to know how her brother's grave is marked. Am relatives of other

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes S.U.

Examiner's Initials S.U. Date 11-2, 1920.

CONCENTRATED INTO PAO #1232

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 456 SHEET No. 3

10-4-21 Remains to
 Miss Argonne 12.22
 10-26-21

[Handwritten initials and date]
 11/13

CEMETERIAL DIVISION



VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

RECEIVED

AUG 4 1921

Division of Cemeterial Division
Office of the Chief of Section

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____

NOV 20 1920

letter on _____

NOV 12 1920

20 1920

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

(H.S.)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

soldiers putting up markers of their own? If not are the crosses used by the government of a material that will be lasting? Any additional information will be appreciated.

Also states that mother, Mrs. Mary Ella Bates is dead. (see, 11-3)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N. J.

DEC 2 1910

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

To: Mr. Willis S. Bates, 1621 East 7th St. Winfield, Kansas

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl. Percy J. Bates, Serial No. 1453752

Co. B, 138th Infantry

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in Europe.

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.

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.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married ?			
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

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

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 _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within two 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 inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See 115-10-26-21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Ser. No. **File # 5753**
 (b) Rank **BATES, Percy** Organization **1453752** TYP
 (c) Date of death **Cpl.** Cause of death **Co.L, 138th Inf.** EK
7/13/1918 **K/A**
11/8/18

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

(a) Grave No. Row Plot Sect. TYP
 (b) Emerg. Address **168** EK

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases **Deceased**
Mrs. Mary Ella Bates (mother) 278 Maple St., CKR Burlington, Vt. *A.B.*

IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:
Willis S. Bates (brother) 1621 E. 7th St Winfield Kans. (5-2-22) s

A.G.O Card: Brother Willis S. Bates, 1621 E. 7th St., Winfield, Kans. requests body be not returned mother is dead. (H.S. 11-15-20)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on **NOV 12 1920**)

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (Z.S.)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S.Hoboken, N.J. **NOV 17 1920** 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

5753

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bates 1453752 Percy J.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corp. Co. "I" 138th U.S. Inftry.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL July 16th, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Linthal dit D'Oberlauchen
Munster 1/20,000, 485.271...

April, 1918.
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

GRAVE NUMBER ~~170~~

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

Headboard?..... Bottle? Yes

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?..... Yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... No

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

Will be when cross is completed

REPORTED BY:

Thos D. Kennedy - Chaplain 138th U.S. Inf
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

22 JUL 1918

FILE

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

December 21, 192 1

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. L. 138th Inf.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

BATES 1453752 Percy J. Cpl.

(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.	1/13/21	456	D- 30180
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

FILE

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

BY: Miss Lamon

Card.
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card;

By A.B.
S/3324/LML

NOV 4 - 1920

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington.

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.C.O.

Date 11/3/20

File No. *5753* 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 Bates ✓
- b. Christian name Percy (Percy J.) ✓
- c. Serial Number 1453752 ✓
- d. Organization Co. L. 138th Infantry. ✓
- e. Rank Cpl. ✓
- f. Date of death 7/13/1918. ✓ *
- g. Cause of death K/A ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) Cable 203
- i. Emergency address Mrs. Mary Ella Bates, 278 Maple St., Burlington, Vermont
- j. Relationship Mother

Pa

BODY DESCRIPTION
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of 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)

FILE

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

** Immediate Report of Death shows: Died 7/13/18
Another Immediate R. of D shows: Died July 14, 1918 - Cause: Bullet.*

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

CHEMISTRY NO: 456

BY:

SHEET NO: 3
TYPED BY: ZS

H. J. CONNER
1st. Lt. Q.M.C.

8-713/MB

Dannelly per G. G. - S. S. - H-343-11-5-20

File
J.P.

October 28, 1920.

FILED

: 293.9 Com. #5753 (Bates, Percy J. Cpl.)

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

To: Miss Julia I. Bates, 278 Maple St., Burlington, Vermont.

Subject: Case of Corporal Percy J. Bates.

1. In reply to your letter of October 15, 1920, you are advised that the records of this office show that the remains of the late Corporal Percy J. Bates, Company L, 138th Infantry, are now interred in grave #168, French Military Cemetery, 'D-Dit D'Oberlauchon, Linthal, Department of Alsace.

2. The records of this office contain a request from Mr. Willis S. Bates, that the remains of this soldier be permanently interred in France, and in connection with permanent burials in France your attention is respectfully referred to paragraph 9 of the inclosed Cometerial Division Bulletin (No. 10-F-W).

3. The graves of our soldier dead buried in France are marked for the present by temporary crosses which will later be replaced by more permanent grave markers. A suitable head stone will mark the graves of our military dead, and this work will be taken up as soon as a few remaining details are worked out.

4. The inclosed bulletin will give in detail information concerning the work of this Division.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

M. N. GREBLEY
Captain, Q. M. G.

C. B. M.

DB

mail
OCT 30 1920

HW

File Number 5753

Date 10-26-20

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: *Bates, Percy J.* Serial Number *1458752*
 RANK: *Cpl.* ORGANIZATION: *C. I. - 138th Inf.*

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	<i>Yes.</i>
2.	Date of death.	<i>(2) 7-13-18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death.	<i>(3) K/a</i>
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	<i>(4) 203</i>
5.	Date buried.	<i>(5) 7-16-18</i>
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<i>(6) Grave 168, French Mil. Co. #456, "D" Dit D' Oberlauchers, Linthal, Alsace</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	<i>(10) 2- } no record</i>
11.	Complete emergency address?	<i>(11) Mrs. Mary Ella Bates (mother) 278 Maple St., Burlington, Vt.</i>
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	<i>(12) 9-15-20-107</i>
14.	What is the photograph number?	<i>(14) no record</i>
15.	Inquiry made by.	

RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

Confirmed.

Unconfirmed.

*L.G.P.
RK*

Bates

G. R. S. Form #124
Disposition Status -
OFFICE MEMORANDUM. -

REGISTRATION SECTION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

File No. 5753
OSPSS Ref. No. 456
Follow-up No. 872

To: Inquiry Section.
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by: MWB) (date 10-23-20)

Data sent Overseas none
Operations to commence (approx.) _____
Operations to be completed (approx.) _____
Bodies shipped from European Port _____
Bodies arrived at Hoboken _____

II. CASE OF Bates, Percy J., Cpl Co. L 138th Inf

The following information was abstracted (Date) 10-23-20 from: Files

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	<u>MWB</u>	<u>yes</u>	Shppg. Inquiry (sent <u>no</u>)		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To _____		
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.			OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

also card

DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN		REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.		
Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)				
Father				
Mother			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
✓ Brothers <u>Willis J. Bates</u>				
Sisters <u>1621 E 7th St.</u> <u>Winfield, Kansas</u>				

MWB 10-23-20

Body to be shipped to _____
was shipped (Date) _____

REMARKS City 456 audited only J.P. 10-23-20

O.R. H.C.H.

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Warrenty Commercial Div., O. O. M. G.
File 293.8
5753

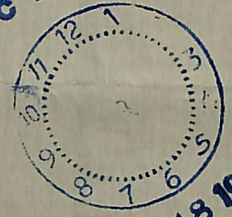
278 Maple St.
Burlington, Vt.

Cy. 456 audited ^{only} Oct. 15, 1920.

Charles C. Pierce,
Col., 2 M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service

Dear Sir:- In behalf of my
brothers and sisters I thank
you for your letter of Sept
15th written to Mary Ella Bates,
mother of ^{of} Percy J. Bates, 1453752,
Co. L, 138th Inf. My mother
only lived three weeks after
receiving news of her son's
death. Therefore will you

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G. H. S.

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OCT 18 1920



CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

DIV. O. M. G.

CLERK

OCT 25 1920



Kindly advise me how my
brother's grave is marked. We are
hoping to visit the cemetery
next year.

Are the other relatives putting
up markers of their own? If
not, are the crosses used by
the government of a material
that will be lasting?

Any ^{additional} information you can
give us will be greatly appre-
ciated.

Very truly,

(Miss) Julia L. Bates.

cty. 456 Audited only J.A. 10-23-20
MWB 10-23-20.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

Reference-5753.

March 5, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO: Julia Gordue, Cantine des Deux Drapeaux, Epernay, Marne,
France.
SUBJECT: Corporal Percy Bates, Co. L, 138th Infantry,
American E.F.

In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the
regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these head-
quarters he is buried in Grave No. 170, Cemetery at LINTHAL-DIT-OBER-
LAUCHEN, ALSACE.

By direction

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

(Enclosures-2)

Per MAURICE B. DIX,
Captain, American Red Cross
Representative assigned to
Graves Registration Service.

MBD-dn

925
10
100
100

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

FILE NUMBER 5953

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 2/3/19.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME:

BATES, PERCY J.

NUMBER:

RANK

SGT.

ORGANIZATION

Co. L. 138th INF.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	(1) BATES, 1453752 Percy Corp. Co. L. 138th. Inf.
2.	Date of Death	(2) 7-13-18
3.	Cause and place of death	(3) K/A
✓ 4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) CC 203
5.	Date buried	(5) 7-16-18
✓ 6.	Grave Location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required	(6) Cty. No. 456 Grave No. 170 Cemetery, Lindthal
7.	Who reported burial	(7)
✓ 8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	(8) yes
✓ 9.	Report as to Grave Marker	(9) Bottle
10.	Report as to Identification Tags	
11.	Who is nearest relative?	
✓ 12.	Has N/R been notified?: (Give Date)	(12) Notified 10-26-18
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.?	

F.P.W.

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

Sergeant in Company
D, 138th Infantry
who died about the
middle of July last -
certainly before the
Twenty ninth - Will it
be possible for me to
go to his grave and take
a picture of it?

Very truly yours,
Julia Bates.

Canton des Deux Drapeaux

~~2/3/19~~ Epemay. Marne

22 January 1919

Grave Identification Bureau -
Am. Expeditionary Force -

Sirs:-

Will you be so kind
as to give me any infor-
mation or any source of
information which you
may have at your disposal
in regard to the grave
of Percy J. Bates.