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*Bays, Jesse J.*

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*JMS*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Boys, Jesse J, S.N. 3138214  
Pvt., Co. C, 306th Inf.,  
Son

March 31, 1954

Mrs. Mary R. Boys,  
1220 E. 98th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with your recent request,  
instructions have been issued to forward you a  
flag in honor of the above named decedent, pro-  
vided a flag has not previously been furnished  
for him.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,  
Lt. Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Copy to Commanding Officer, Washington, Q. M. Depot.  
With instructions to furnish a flag.

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RECEIVED  
MAR 31 10 20  
QUARTERMASTER GEN

# American Gold Star Mothers

OF THE WORLD WAR, INC.

NEW YORK STATE



Headquarters: Pennsylvania Hotel, Seventh Avenue and 33rd Street, New York City

Quarter Master General  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed that I am entitled to an American flag from the Government in memory of

my beloved son Name of Deceased Jesse J. Bays  
SON OR DAUGHTER

Address of Deceased Greenriver Wyoming  
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

Army, Navy, Marine private 305 Inf. C  
RANK REGIMENT COMPANY

Stationed at Meuse - Argonne offensive France

Lost at Sea Among the Missing Or Unknown

Place and Date of Death near Mouzon on Meuse  
river France November 9 '18

Where Buried Meuse - Argonne American Cemetery

Name of Mother Mrs. Mary R. Bays

Address 1220 E 95 St. Seattle, Washington  
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

I will be very grateful if same will be forwarded to me.

Respectfully yours,

To The A. G. C.

7356

G.R.S. Form #114-B

MAY 14 1928

FULL NAME ..... BAYS, Jess J. ✓ *Sole Sig*

RANK ..... Pvt. ✓ SERIAL ..... 3138214 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... *77th Div* Co C, 305th Inf. ✓

DATE OF DEATH ..... *Nov 9 '18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... *Okla.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ..... *None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION ..... 36 46 D  
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

AUG 23 1927  
WORLD WAR DIV.



A. G. C.  
15 1928  
WORLD WAR DIV.

*KM 712.*

23/306/ARK

Co. C. 305th. Inf.  
77th. Division

BAYS, Jess. L.- Pvt. 3138214  
Lucumcari, New Mexico

Pvt. Jess L. Bays was killed by a high explosive shell on Nov. 8th. 1918 in shed on left of Buzanzy. He was on duty in the front line at the time He was burked near railroad station at Buzanzy.

Informant: Lefurgy, Warren D.- Sgt. 1697366  
Co. C. 305th. Inf.  
2 Irving Pl. Yonkers  
N. Y.

Emergency address:9  
Mrs. Mary Bays  
Lucumcari, Mexico.

EB.

*Bays, Jess J.  
Pvt.*

135-80  
~~151-70~~  
32.63  
✓

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU  
ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY June 7, 1953

King County, State of Washington

Name Bays, Mrs Mary R (B-11)

Address 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Wash.

Route going: CMStP&P Chicago, Penna New York

Return: Same route

|                    |      | ROAD     | TRAIN       | TIME | DATE     |        |
|--------------------|------|----------|-------------|------|----------|--------|
| Itinerary<br>going | ✓ Lv | Seattle  | CMStP&P     | 16   | 9:45 PM  | June 1 |
|                    | ✓ Ar | Chicago  | "           | "    | 9:00 AM  | " 4    |
|                    | ✓ Lv | "        | Penna       | 22   | 10:30 AM | " "    |
|                    | ✓ Ar | New York | "           | "    | 8:30 AM  | " 5    |
|                    |      | Lv       | (Penna Sta) |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Lv       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Lv       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Lv       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Lv       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Lv       |             |      |          |        |
|                    |      | Ar       |             |      |          |        |

Accommodations: Standard sleeper Seattle, Wash. to Chicago, Ill. and Chicago, Ill. to New York, N.Y., transportation request for which to be drawn on CMStP&P RR.

Elapsed Time: 79 hrs:45 min.

Extra Fare:

*3 1/2*

*MWR*

*Bays, Mrs J.*  
*Wt.*

**WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU**

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY June 28, 1932

King County, State of Washington

Name Bays, Mrs Mary R (D-9)

Address 1220 E95th St., Seattle, Wash

Route going: Grt Nor St Paul, CB&Q Chicago, Penna New York

Return: Same route

*Deleted*

|                 |                | ROAD   | TRAIN | TIME     | DATE    |
|-----------------|----------------|--------|-------|----------|---------|
| Itinerary going | Lv Seattle     | GrtNor | 2     | 9:30 PM  | June 22 |
|                 | Ar Chicago     | CB&Q   | 44    | 8:45 AM  | " 25    |
|                 | Lv "           | Penna  | 22    | 10:30 AM | " "     |
|                 | Ar New York    | "      | "     | 8:30 AM  | " 26    |
|                 | Lv (Penna Sta) |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Lv             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Lv             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Lv             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Lv             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Lv             |        |       |          |         |
|                 | Ar             |        |       |          |         |

Accommodations: Standard sleeper Seattle, Wash to Chicago, Ill and Chicago, Ill to New York, N Y

Elapsed Time: 80 hrs:

*3 1/2*

Extra Fare:

CODE SLIP



| HEADING                | SUB-HEADING                            | NO. OF COLS | CODE                    |
|------------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------|
| NAME <i>Bays, Jess</i> | <i>BAY</i>                             | 3           | <i>215<sup>12</sup></i> |
| BURIED                 | CEMETERY <i>1232</i>                   | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
|                        | GRAVE <i>36</i>                        | 2           | <i>36</i>               |
|                        | ROW <i>46</i>                          | 2           | <i>46</i>               |
|                        | BLOCK <i>D</i>                         | 1           | <i>4</i>                |
| STATE                  | <i>Wyo</i>                             | 2           | <i>59</i>               |
| RANK                   | <i>Pvt</i>                             | 1           | <i>2</i>                |
| DIVISION               | <i>77</i>                              | 2           | <i>77</i>               |
| ORGANIZATION           | <i>305</i>                             | 3           | <i>305</i>              |
| ARM                    | <i>Inf</i>                             | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
| MARITAL                | <i>No</i>                              | 1           | <i>2</i>                |
| NAME <i>Bays, Mrs</i>  | <i>BAY</i>                             | 3           | <i>215<sup>12</sup></i> |
| RESIDENCE              | STATE <i>Wash</i>                      | 2           | <i>56</i>               |
|                        | COUNTY <i>King</i>                     | 2           | <i>17</i>               |
|                        | CITY <i>Seattle</i>                    | 3           | <i>026</i>              |
| RELATION               | <i>Mother</i>                          | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
| OTHER                  |  |             |                         |
| ELIGIBILITY            | <i>yes</i>                             | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
| NATIVITY               |  |             |                         |
| RACE                   |  | 1           |                         |
| ENGLISH                | <i>yes</i>                             | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
| ATTENDANT              |  | 1           |                         |
| HEALTH                 | <i>Poor (Paralytic stroke in 1930)</i> | 1           | <i>2</i>                |
| NO. OF SONS            |  | 1           |                         |
| DATE OF TRIP           | MO.                                    | 1           |                         |
|                        | YR. <i>1930</i>                        | 1           | <i>4</i>                |
| ACCEPTANCE             | <i>yes</i>                             | 1           | <i>1</i>                |
| <i>29/514</i>          | <i>Page</i>                            | 1           | <i>1</i>                |

Selected November 6-28-32

AUDITED

DEC 2 1931  
R.M.

R.M.

ACCEPTANCE  
29/514

Name **BAYS, Mrs. Mary R.**

Paris Hôtel **HOTEL LUTETIA, Blvd. Raspail**

Home address **Route 12, Box 140-1220 E 95th St.,  
Rt. 12, Box 140, E. 95th St., Seattle, King County, Washington**

Party **B** Group **Unit**

Date of arrival **6/14/33. SS. WASHINGTON** Date of departure **6/29/33 SS. HARDING**

Relationship **Mother**

Name of deceased **BAYS, Jess J.**

Rank **Pvt** Organization **305 Inf: 77 Div.**

Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne** **Gr. 36** **D** **46**

REMARKS

deleted from Party "D" 4/30/30

Deleted from Party "D", 1932



Mary R. Bays

PARTY B (cont .)

Sunday, June 26, visited Sacre Coeur, lunched at Bois, visited Lafayette Escadrille.

Tuesday, June 27, visited the Louvre, lunched at the hotel, and visited Notre Dame.

Wednesday, June 28, visited Cluny, lunched at hotel. The afternoon was free.

Thursday, June 29, departed for Le Havre from the Care des Invalides. Embarked on the S.M. Harding.

MRS. MARY R. BAYS

PARTY B  
MEMBER-ASSIGNED GROUP

Arrived at Le Havre at 8:30 A.M. on the SS Washington in charge of Capt. R. J. Egan, P.A., Lieut. P. F. Gregory, C.A.C. as Liaison Officers. The party was met at the dock by Maj. Lee S. Tillotson and others.

Left Le Havre Maritime Station at 9:15 A.M. and arrived at the Care des Invalides at 12:25 P.M. Detained and spent the night at the Hotel Lutetia.

Thursday, June 16, during the morning, conferences were held with the conducting officers. After lunch at the hotel, the pilgrim visited Napoleon's Tomb.

Friday, June 16, the morning was spent shopping. After lunch at the hotel, the pilgrim visited Versailles.

Saturday, June 17, the morning was free. After a lunch at the hotel, the pilgrim attended the ceremony at the Arc de Triomphe, and later had tea at the Restaurant Laurent.

Sunday, June 18, left Paris at 8:00 A.M., visited Reims, had lunch at Chalons, and stopped at Verdun for the night.

Monday, June 19, left Verdun, had lunch at the cemetery, visited Montfaucon, and returned to Verdun for the night.

Tuesday, June 20, left Verdun, visited Trench of Meuse, lunch at cemetery. Visited Vauxeville in the afternoon and back to Verdun for the night.

Wednesday, June 21, left Verdun, visited St. Mihiel Cemetery, lunched at Nancy, visited Montsec. Spent night at Verdun.

Thursday, June 22, left Verdun, visited Cemetery, Blanc Mont Monument, had lunch at Reims, spent night at Reims.

Friday, June 23, left Reims, visited O.A. Cemetery, lunched at Chateau Thierry, visited A.M. Cemetery, and spent night in Paris.

Saturday, June 24, morning was free, lunched at hotel. In the afternoon visited St. Germain des Lays.

Sunday, June 25, morning at church, lunched at hotel. At 9:30 P.M. night sightseeing trip.

**WAR DEPARTMENT  
 PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS  
 225 West 34th. St. New York, N. Y.**

Party .. **B** .....

Number **135** .....

**REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATIONS.**

**Bays, Mrs. Mary R.**

Name of Pilgrim

**Seattle, 1220 E. 95th St**

City Home Address County

**Washington**

State

**Seattle, Wash.**

Destination of Ticket

via **Penn. to Chicago - C M St P & P to Seattle**

Actual cost of  
 Through Pullman at the  
 Lower Berth Rate.

New York, to **Seattle, Wash.**

\$ **32.63**

**July 8th 1933**

Date of Departure

**Oct. 31, 1933**

Expiration Date of Ticket

|                           | Road             | Tr. No.    | Date         | Time              | Lower Seat<br>or Coach | Car        | U.S.G. Order No.     | Actual<br>Cost |             |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Lv. <b>NEW YORK</b>       | <b>PRR</b>       | <b>61</b>  | <b>JUL 8</b> | <b>11 P.M.</b>    |                        |            | <b>8862</b>          |                |             |
| Ar. <b>CHICAGO, ILL</b>   |                  | <b>135</b> | <b>JUL 9</b> | <b>5.30 P.M.</b>  | <b>2</b>               | <b>101</b> | <b>W21.028.8219-</b> |                |             |
| Lv. <b>CHICAGO, ILL</b>   | <b>C.M.ST.P.</b> | <b>15</b>  |              | <b>10.45 P.M.</b> |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar. <b>SEATTLE, WASH</b>  |                  |            |              | <b>8.00 A.M.</b>  |                        |            | <b>W21.021.822</b>   | <b>2363</b>    |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Lv.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Ar.                       |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            |                      |                |             |
| Excess Fare New York, to. |                  |            |              |                   |                        |            | Cost \$              | Total          | <b>3263</b> |

Stop Over **Chicago, Ill.**

Through Rate

Excess

PARTY ..... B ..... FILE NO. ....

NAME Bays, Mrs. Mary R.  
1220 E. 95th St.  
Seattle, Wash.

ROUTE OF TICKET

*Penn* to *Chicago*  
*Ch HRP* to *Seattle*  
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..... to .....

Expiration date *Oct 31-33*

The following stop overs are requested.

*Chicago*  
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(Signature of Pilgrim)

IN CABIN WITH

Mrs. Edith L. Ray- B-93-3-

Group Som.

THE PULLMAN COMPANY

OFFICE 45-280

FORM 1000-3

**PASSENGER'S CHECK** — To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

From

Chicago. Ill

To

New York NY

Accommodations

Lower 11 Car 63

Line No.

Via

Penna R. R.

305

1 2 3  
Persons

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

P. & S. FRY. CO.

JUN = 3 '33

AMARILLO "C" TEX.  
(11)

Callie Fair

DAILY REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS-1933

ROOM NO. .1820....  
4.00 P.M. DATE ... June 5, 1933.....  
PARTY ... "B" Eastbound.....

NAME ... Bays, Mrs. Mary (Age - 62 - M) ..... Weight - 139 lbs.

ADDRESS ... 1220 East 95th Street .....  
..... Seattle, Washington.....

HOTEL ... McAlpin.....

DIAGNOSIS ..(1) Hemoplegia, right. (2) Hypertension.....  
.....

DISPOSITION .....

REMARKS: This Pilgrim drags her right leg which keeps the toe of her  
right shoe worn off.

Pulse 80 - Blood Pressure, Left - 180/130, Right - 210/130.

She has her own medication which she takes herself.

This Pilgrim refused a wheel-chair at the Pier.

CIVILIAN DOCTOR IN CHARGE OF CASE .....

MEDICAL OFFICER.....

*J. H. Ashcraft*  
JAMES H. ASHCRAFT  
MAJOR, MEDICAL CORPS, U.S.A.  
MEDICAL SUPERVISOR

F. H. P.  
JUN 21 1933

July 8, 1933

*W. G. T. S.*

Mrs. Frances Maywood,  
4407 Wentworth Ave.,  
Chicago, Illinois

MRS. LOUIS BAYS WILL ARRIVE VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD  
TRAIN NUMBER ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE AT SIX THIRTY SUNDAY  
EVENING JULY NINTH PLEASE MEET HER

COLONEL POPE

July 8, 1933

Mrs. W. L. Holmes  
1212 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington

Telephone - Kenwood 7671

MRS. LOUIS BAYS ARRIVED SAFELY IN NEW YORK AND IS WELL

COLONEL POPE

PARTY "B"  
May 22, 1933

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

Upon your arrival in New York City you will be met at the railroad station by an Army Officer who will engage porter service to take care of your baggage and escort you to the hotel. During your sojourn here before sailing for Europe and upon your return from Europe, you will stop at the Hotel McAlpin, 34th Street and Broadway, New York City.

The two tags and four identification pasters accompanying this communication are intended to protect your baggage while in transit. One tag should be attached to the handle of each piece of your baggage and a paster placed on each end of each piece of your baggage before leaving your home. Your baggage will be safer and also more readily available to you after your arrival in New York if it is placed with you on the train.

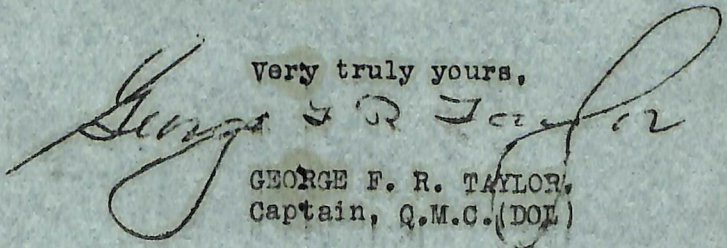
All mail intended to reach you between June 7th, 1933, the day you sail from the United States, and June 29th, 1933, the day you leave Europe, should be addressed to you in care of American Pilgrimage, 20 Rue Molitor, Paris (16), France; for example:

Mrs. Mary Smith,  
c/o American Pilgrimage,  
20 Rue Molitor,  
Paris (16), France.

The party you are to travel with will be disbanded in New York City on the day following your return from Europe and all arrangements for your Pullman accommodations will be made with the railroads in advance by this office. This will require you to remain in New York at the hotel over night as a guest of the United States Government.

Information relative to the cemeteries in Europe is enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,

  
GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,  
Captain, Q.M.C. (DOL)

7 Incls.:  
2 Baggage Tags  
4 Baggage Pastors  
1 Copy Cemeterial Information

Bays, Jess J. (MA)

WASHINGTON - June 7, 1933

COPY

May 16, 1932

"I am very sorry to inform you that I will not be able to make the pilgrimage to my son's grave in France as my physician advises me not to on account of my weakened condition due to a paralytic stroke I suffered about two years ago."

Mrs. Mary R. Bays  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

\* C O P Y \*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

April 8, 1933

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger  
list for: WASHINGTON - June 7, 1933

| CHANGE #3      | PARTY   | B                        | PAGE |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|------|
| CHANGE ADDRESS | WARREN COUNTY   | NEW JERSEY               | B-9  |
|                | Cruts, Mrs. R. H. ( <u>Andie Lucia</u> )<br><u>26 Taylor St., Washington</u>                                      |                          |      |
| CHANGE ADDRESS | KING COUNTY   | WASHINGTON               | B-11 |
|                | Days, Mrs. Mary R.<br>From: Route 12, Box 140 - 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle<br>To: <u>1220 E. 95th St., Seattle</u> |                          |      |
| ADD            | MILWAUKEE COUNTY  | WISCONSIN                | B-12 |
|                | 64 M Miller, Mrs. Mary<br>1632 N. 53rd St., Milwaukee<br>(Speaks German also)                                     |                          |      |
|                | Sgt. Cornelius Miller   | Grave 27, Row 2, Block D |      |
| CHANGE ADDRESS | HAMILTON COUNTY   | TENNESSEE                | B-24 |
|                | Grayson, Mrs. May L.<br><u>302 Crestway Drive, Chattanooga</u>  |                          |      |
| DELETE         | Mrs. Josephine Gregory Summers  | WEST VIRGINIA            | B-24 |

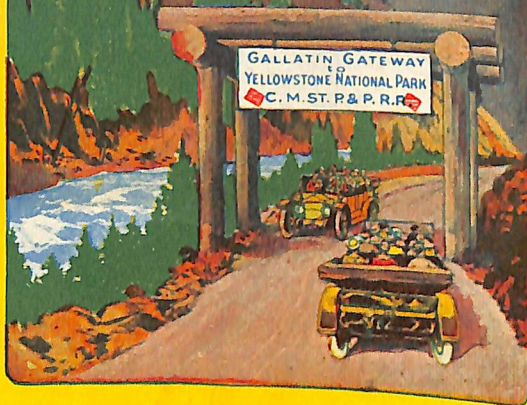
For The Quartermaster General,

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

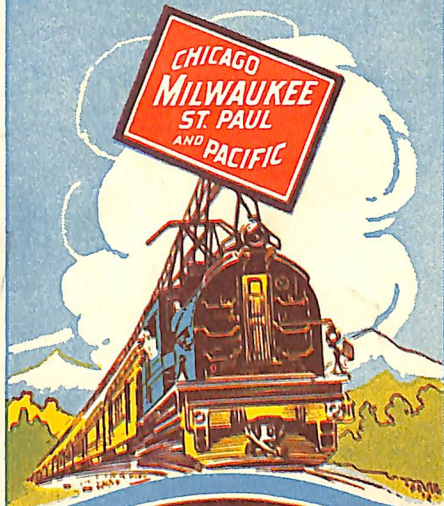
New  
**GALLATIN  
GATEWAY**

into  
**YELLOWSTONE  
PARK**

*The  
Historic-Scenic  
Route*



**PROTECT YOUR TICKET**



**AMERICA'S  
LONGEST  
ELECTRIFIED  
RAILROAD**

PLEASE SHOW YOUR TICKET  
AT THE GATE

MR. Mary Bays

TRAIN 9:45 pm

LEAVES AT 10:45:00

Match Train  
M

STATION \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

193

LOWER 8

UPPER \_\_\_\_\_

COMP'T \_\_\_\_\_

DR. RM. \_\_\_\_\_

CAR 10

RAIL FARE \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SLEEPING CAR \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

THANK YOU.

\_\_\_\_\_  
TICKET SELLER

VALIDATION

IF ENCLOSED TICKET REQUIRES VALIDATION BY AGENT BEFORE COMMENCING RETURN JOURNEY, DO NOT OVERLOOK THAT REQUIREMENT.

Please Inquire  
Green Ticket  
Where marked

X

THE PULLMAN COMPANY

OFFICE 32-64

FORM 10-3

**PASSENGER'S CHECK**—To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

SEATTLE to CHICAGO  
En route to New York

Accommodations Low 8 Car 1

Line No. \_\_\_\_\_ Via C. M. St. P. & P.

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

263

1 2 3  
Persons

THE

OFFICE 32-64

FORM 10-3

**PASSENGER'S CHECK**—To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

CHICAGO to NEW YORK  
En route from Seattle

Accommodations Low 8 Car 501

Line No. \_\_\_\_\_ Via \_\_\_\_\_ R. R.

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

263

1 2 3  
Persons

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GOVERNMENT REQUEST  
 No. 1013312  
 JUN 19 1942  
 CINCINNATI, OHIO

GOVERNMENT REQUEST  
 No. 1013312  
 JUN 19 1942  
 CINCINNATI, OHIO

PARTY

B-11

EASTBOUND

STATE

GROUP

M A

62-M

WASHINGTON

Mrs. Bays, Mary R.

(Name of Pilgrim)

Address

1220 E. 95th St.

Seattle

(Street & No.)

(City or Town)

Washington

King

(State)

(County)

Mr. Martin L. Bays - Husband

(Name of Nearest Kin)

Address

1220 E. 95th St.

Seattle

(Street & No.)

(City or Town)

Washington

King

(State)

(County)

ARRIVAL NEW YORK

VIA. R.R. Pennsylvania Train No. 22 Date 6-5-33

Hotel McAlpin Room No. 1820

Roomed with Mrs. P. Vlachas

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

Date 6-7-33 Vessel Washington Cabin No. B-93-1

In Cabin with Mrs. Edith Ray - B-93-3

(Over Westbound)

PARALYTIC STROKE IN 1930 - HEALTH BAD

WESTBOUND

ARRIVAL NEW YORK

*A-205-3 at sea*  
~~C-105-C~~

Date **July 7, 1933** Vessel **President Harding** Cabin No. ....

In Cabin with **Mrs. Mabel R. Gale** ~~C-105-A~~ *A 205-a* .....

Hotel **Mc Alpin** Room No. **620** .....

Roomed with **Mrs. Ollie Grenshaw** .....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

VIA. R.R. **Penn** Train No. **61** Space **L 2** Car No. **101** Date **7/8/33**

REMARKS

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WAR DEPARTMENT

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**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

NAME ..... MRS. MARY R. BAYS

ADDRESS ..... 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Wash.

DATE ..... *July 17, '33*

TO:           Officer-In-Charge,  
              PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my  
home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed) ..... *Mary R. Bays*

Party to B

# MEDICAL RECORD

M. A. Cmty

Nurse A. Host, RN

Station: Lutetia, Paris.

June 14, 1933.

Date:

Name Bays, Mrs. Mary R.

Home address 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, King County, WASHINGTON.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband: Martin Bays, same address.

Religion Prot.

Age 62

### History of Present complaint:

June 14. Had a right side hemiplegia three years ago.  
Constipation.

**INSTRUCTIONS.** — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications : (include dates)

1. Arteriosclerosis, general and cerebral, with arterial hypertension, marked (BP 220/120)
2. Hemiplegia, old, right, residuals. WCM

Treatment and Progress : (include dates)

June 14, Restrictated activities. Diet. Sedatives. WCM

Disposition : (include dates) June 29. To Le Havre. Fitts.

Remarks : June 27. Conditon has been good during stay in France. WCM

M.A.

# MEDICAL RECORD

Party: B-11 ..... WASHINGTON ..... Eastbound  
 S. S. HARDING ..... Westbound

Name Bays, Mrs. Mary R. ....

Home Address 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Washington .....

Name and address of nearest relative or friend Mr. Martin L. Bays (Husband) .....  
 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Wash. ....

Religion ..... Age 62-M .....

History of present complaint: Pink Sheet Report: Weakened condition due to a paralytic stroke suffered about three years ago. June 5th, 1933 Right sided hemiplegia  
 Feb. 1930 Improved but still drags right foot. Has own medication. J.H.A., M.C.

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(OVER)

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

*Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)*  
Hypertension Rt Hemiplegia-6/12/

*Treatment and Progress: (include dates)*  
6/12/ Heart Examined, BP 22/110, Regulation of diet.

June 30th Brandy 2 Oz. July 1 st. Aleini 2

*Disposition: (include dates)*

*Remarks:*

6/13 - B.P. remains high. No further  
Symptoms. Advise later check up on B.P.  
E.H. M.D.

Paryt B

Nurse *A. Host*

# MEDICAL RECORD

M.A. Cmty

Station: *Hotel Lutetia Paris*  
Date: *June 14<sup>th</sup> 1933*

Name *Bays, Mrs. Mary R.*

Home address *1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, King County, WASHINGTON.*

Address of Nearest friend or relative *Martin Bays. (Husband)*  
*Same address.*

Religion *Protestant*

Age *62*

History of Present complaint:

*June 14<sup>th</sup> Had a right side hemiplegia three years ago.  
Constipation.*

**INSTRUCTIONS.** — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

6/14.  
Diagnosis and complications: (include dates) 1. Arteriosclerosis, general and cerebral, with  
arterial hypertension, marked (220/120). 2. Hemiplegia, old, right, residuals  
WCM.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates) 6/14/33. Restricted activities. Diet. Sedatives.  
WCM.

Disposition: (include dates) June 29. To Le Havre. Fitts.

Remarks: June 14<sup>th</sup> Using her own medication.

6/27/33. Condition has been good during stay in France.

WCM.

QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

September 14, 1933.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mrs. Bays:

I am in receipt of the letter of July 2nd wherein you and the other mothers and widows who sailed on the S. S. Washington, June 7th, express your appreciation for the pilgrimage you made to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory, and that the officers of the Army and the nurses rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages, and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation and consideration shown by the mothers and widows.

With sincere appreciation of your complimentary remarks regarding the conduct of the pilgrimage, I am

Very truly yours,

J. L. DONITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

RES

RTE

RM

~~George Washington~~

Pvt. Jess J. Bays

6/7/33

MA

I accept the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays

(Name)

Rt. 12, Box 140, 1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Wash.

(Town or City)

King County

(State)

PARTY "D"  
June 13th, 1932

Mrs. Mary R. Bays  
1220 E. 95th St.  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

There are enclosed herewith two tags and four identification pasters which have been prepared for the purpose of protecting your baggage while in transit, and to insure its safe arrival at the hotel where you are to stop in New York City. Please attach the tags to the handle of each piece of your baggage and place a paster on each end of each piece of your baggage before leaving your home.

Upon your arrival in New York City, you will be met at the railroad station by an Army Officer who will be in uniform. During your sojourn in New York before sailing for Europe, and upon your return from Europe, you will stop at the hotel McAlpin, 34th Street and Broadway, New York City.

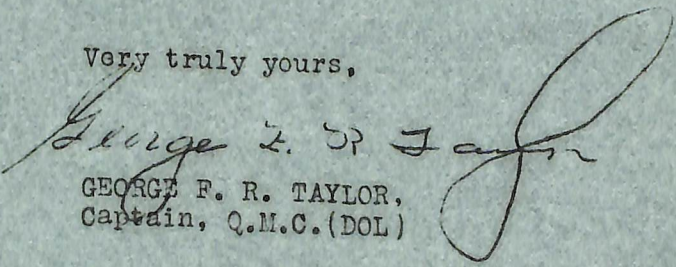
All mail intended to reach you between June 28th, 1932, the day you sail from the United States, and July 21st, 1932, the day you leave Europe, should be addressed to you in care of American Pilgrimage, 146 Avenue des Champs Elysees, Paris, France; for example:

Mrs. Mary Smith,  
c/o American Pilgrimage,  
146 Avenue des Champs Elysees,  
Paris, France.

In making reservations for your journey home from New York City, it is necessary for this office to furnish the railroads with the exact time and date of your departure. The party you are to travel with will be disbanded in New York City on the day following your return from Europe and all arrangements for your accommodations will be made with the railroads by this office accordingly. Upon your return from Europe, it will therefore be necessary for you to remain in the hotel over night as a guest of the United States Government.

There is also enclosed herewith information relative to the cemeteries in Europe.

Very truly yours,

  
GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,  
Captain, Q.M.C. (DOL)

- 7 Incl:  
2 Baggage Tags  
4 Baggage Pastors  
1 Copy Cometerial Information

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE May 21, 1932

MEMORANDUM

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger list  
for:

S. S. ~~IRVIATHAN~~ - June 26, 1932

CHANGE # 15

Party D

DELETE

Bays, Mrs. Mary E.

WASHINGTON

Page D - 9

Orig. to:- M.&R.  
CC: to:- C. O.  
Adjutant  
Water  
Fiscal  
Medical  
(Each mother  
for file)

For the Quartermaster General

E. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, C.M. Corps.  
Assistant,

*Bays, Jess J.*

EXCERPT FROM KENNEDY CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT PARTY "B" 1938

Mrs. Catherine Wedlake - Meuse-Argonne Group.

Diagnosis: Mucus colitis. This pilgrim had suffered for years from abdominal colic and diarrhea, and upon her arrival in Paris, had a relapse with pain and fever. She was unable to proceed with her group to Verdun by bus, but two days later went there by train, with Mrs. Moore and nurses, returning with them by rail to Paris, very fatigued but no worse for her trip. The following day she was able to leave Paris for London to visit her daughters and sisters in England, to rejoin Party "B" at Southampton June 29.

Mrs. Lizzie N. Akers - Meuse-Argonne Group.

Diagnosis: Chronic Arthritis, with partial ankylosis of right knee; practically incapacitated, and required special care and assistance by nurse and runner.

Mrs. Anna Butler - Meuse-Argonne Group.

Diagnosis: Obesity and old partial paralysis, which necessitated care and attention as for Mrs. Akers.

Mrs. Mary Bays - Meuse-Argonne Group

Diagnosis: Arterial hypertension and old paralysis. Condition good; no special care required.

Mrs. James Bean - Aisne-Marne Group

Diagnosis: Postoperative abdominal hernia and asthma; required no unusual care.

Mrs. Elizabeth Foster - Somme Group

Arterial hypertension, arthritis and mild diabetes; no unusual care.

Mrs. Linda Giele - Meuse-Argonne Group

Diagnosis: Arterial hypertension.

Mrs. Bessie Johnson - Meuse-Argonne Group

Diagnosis: Recurrence of old right inguinal hernia for which no special support is worn. Condition satisfactory but advised regarding purchase of truss upon return to the United States.

Mrs. Zilpha Spring - Aisne-Marne Group

Diagnosis: Diabetes, mild, without symptoms. Insulin administered routinely by group nurse.

Mrs. Mary Stump - Meuse-Argonne Group

Diagnosis: Arterial hypertension; non-toxic goitre.

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Bay  
Washington 6-7-33

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Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

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(Signature or name of addressee)

J. B. Bay

(Signature of addressee's agent)

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**D. C.**

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M.A.

RETURN RECEIPT

S.S. Washington 6-7-33

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

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or Post Office Box, \_\_\_\_\_

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**WASHINGTON,**

**D. C.**

Bays, Jessy (ma)

NARRATIVE - EAST

Akers, Mrs. Lizzie N. - Arthritis, chronic, right hip, leg and foot

✓ Bays, Mrs. Mary R. - Hemoplegia, right; Hypertension

Billings, Mrs. Rose - Backache

Butler, Mrs. Anna - Hemoplegia, left

Chandler, Mrs. Nellie W. Myocarditis, chronic

Cross, Mrs. Mary G. - Hemierania, left

Long, Mrs. Edith C. - Fall  
(Fell in dining room of hotel on June 6th. Was not injured)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (IA)

May 17, 1933

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

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

|              |        |              |          |        |
|--------------|--------|--------------|----------|--------|
| Lv. Seattle  | CMSt&P | Train No. 16 | 9:45 PM  | June 1 |
| Ar. Chicago  | "      | " " "        | 9:00 AM  | " 4    |
| Lv. "        | Penna. | " " 22       | 10:30 AM | " "    |
| Ar. New York | "      | " " "        | 8:30 AM  | " 5    |

(Penna. Sta.)

Accommodations: Standard sleeper Seattle, Wash. to Chicago, Ill. and Chicago, Ill. to New York, N. Y.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M

Bays, Jess. J. (MA)

May 16, 1933

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed Check No. 178,441 in the amount of \$26.25, to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:  
Check No.

JAS. H. LAUBACH,  
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 2, 1935

Reys, Jess. J. MA

Mrs. Mary R. Reys,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

With reference to previous correspondence on this subject, you are informed that your passport has been received and will be delivered to you aboard ship.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

April 20, 1933.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

Immediately following receipt of your acceptance of the invitation to make a pilgrimage to Europe, sailing on June 7, 1933, a letter containing general information of importance was mailed to you. In this letter you were told how to proceed to obtain a passport which you must have before you can visit Europe. Your passport has not yet been received in this office.

If it is your intention to make the pilgrimage, you should go at once to the Clerk of the United States District Court, Seattle, Washington, taking with you:

1. Four (4) photographs of yourself on thin paper (unmounted) not more than 3 x 3 inches or less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size;
2. Your invitation and any evidence of citizenship you may have;
3. Someone who has known you for at least two years to identify you.

The Clerk will help you fill out the application and HE will forward it to the State Department. Your passport will be delivered to you aboard the boat. No charge will be made for the application or passport.

If you have changed your mind and do not intend to make the pilgrimage, please so inform this office at once. It is necessary to know at this time whether or not you intend to make the pilgrimage in order that reservation and other necessary arrangements may be made for you.

It is requested you advise whether you are making application for your passport or whether you have decided not to make a pilgrimage. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

PLEASE FILL IN THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR BELOW,  
AND MAIL THIS LETTER PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED  
ENVELOPE WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE.

Bays, Jess J. (MA)  
Bays, Mrs. Mary R.  
~~Route 12 Box 140~~ 1220 E. 95th  
Seattle, King Co. Wash.  
Washington June 7th

Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In the blank space below you will find the name,  
address, and relationship to me, of the person in the United  
States whom I desire to be notified in case I become  
seriously ill or other emergency arises while I am making  
the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress  
approved March 2, 1929.

Martin L Bays  
Name

1220 E. 95th Seattle Washington  
Address

Strasbourg  
Relationship

Very truly yours,



Mary R Bays  
Your name

1220 E 95th St  
Your address

Leviathan

6-28-32

M-A

Bays, Jess J. Pvt.

✓ ✓ *redm'd by letter 5/16/32*  
*accept*

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

.....  
Mrs. Mary R. Bays

(Name)

*address 1220 E 95th*

.....  
Route #12, Box 140, E. 95th St., Seattle, King Co., Wash.

(Town or city)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1932

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jose J.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. #12, Box 140,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

Yes  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Mary R. Bays

QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

May 21, 1932

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box #140,  
E. 95th Street,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 16th declining the invitation to sail June 28th on the LEVIATHAN to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Jess J. Bays.

It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage at this time, and it is sincerely hoped that you will improve rapidly. You will be communicated with again relative to your desire to visit your son's grave when pilgrimages are being arranged for 1933, which is the last year for which they are authorized.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the journey you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

KK *ET*

Seattle, Washington.

May 16, 1932.

Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Reference QM 293 A-M. I am very sorry to inform you that I will not be able to make the pilgrimage to my son's grave in France as my physician advises me not to on account of my weakened condition due to a paralytic stroke I suffered about two years ago. This is a bad disappointment to me as it has always been my fondest hope to some day visit my son's grave.

I wish to thank the Government for it's thoughtful-  
ness.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Mary R. Bays.

Route #12, Box 140

1220 E. 95th St., Seattle, Wash.

King Co.

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Levathan  
6-28-32  
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293 - Bays, Mrs. J. King  
Post  
M A*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293~~ A-M

Bays, Jess J. Pvt. (M-A) M

June, 11, 1931.

1220 Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box 140  
E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

*per acc. card*

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? *J.J.B.*

Write answer here

*Mrs Mary R Bays*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 18, 1930.

Bays, Jess J. - 1232 M

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route 12, Box 140,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

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


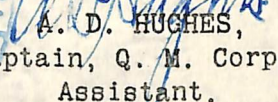
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

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


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

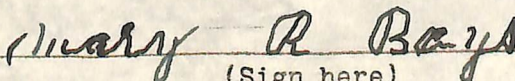
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

  
(Write answer here)

  
(Sign here)

QM 293 A-C  
Bays, Jess J; 1232-M

April 30, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. 12, Box 140, E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of April 4, 1930, declining invitation to sail on the SS "Washington" May 21, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Jess J. Bays, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1928.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS  
225 WEST 34TH ST. N.Y., N.Y., ROOM 901

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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route 12, Box 140,  
E. 95th Street,  
Seattle, Washington.

King County

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- ROOM 901 -----  
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

May 10th, 1930

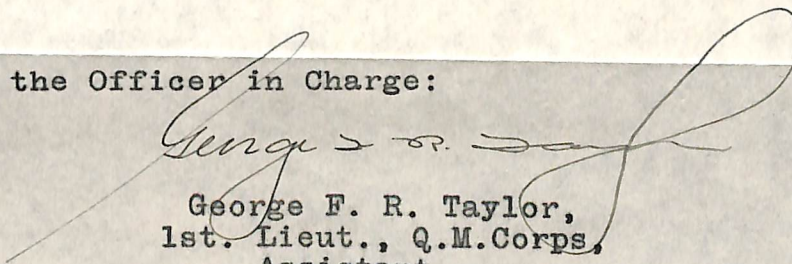
Mrs. Mary R. Bays  
Route 12, Box 140  
E. 95th Street  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For the Officer in Charge:

  
George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags.

Bays, Jess J. M.A.

May 10th, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays  
Route 12, Box 140  
E. 95th Street  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Yours truly,  
The Officer in Charge

George E. R. Taylor,  
1st Lieut. U.S. Army,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

519 Pass. List, Party D

MEMORANDUM

April 30, 1930

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger  
list for:

S. S. WASHINGTON, May 21, 1930

Change #9

Party D

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DELETE - Bays, Mrs. Mary R.

WASHINGTON

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For The Quartermaster General,

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



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Bays, Jess J. 1232

April 28, 1930

Mrs. Mary H. Bays,  
Route # 12, Box 140,  
East 95th Street,  
Seattle, Washington.  
Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe.

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip.

Please comply as early as possible with the instructions shown in form letter attached, or if you have heretofore taken this action advise this office to that effect.

Should the clerk of the court not have been furnished with "Special Pilgrimage Passport" applications, please request him to take the matter up at once with the Passport Bureau, Room 170, State, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C., and he will be furnished with these forms.

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk of Superior Court at Seattle, King County, Washington.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Seattle, Washington.,

April 4, 1930.

*King Co  
1232*

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Office of the Quartermaster General,

Washington, D. C.

Reference QM 293 A-C

Bays, Jess J. 1232 M

Dear Sirs,

I am sorry to inform you that I will not be able to make the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe this year on account of having recently experienced a slight paralytic stroke.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,

Rt. 12, Box 140, E. 95th St.,

Seattle, Washington.

Per H. H. Bays, ----- Son.



*Declines Inv. Washington 5-21-30  
Listed for 1931*

1232

Washington

5-21-30

Bays, Jess J.

declines by letter 4-9-30

I ~~accept~~ the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

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

1931

Mrs. Mary R. Bays

(Name)

R. #12, Box 140, E. 95th St., Seattle,

(Town or City)

(State)

King Co., Wash.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bays, Mess J. 1232 M

March 25, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. 12, Box 140 E 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

December 30 , 1929.

Bays, Jess J. 1232 M

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box 140, East 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

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.

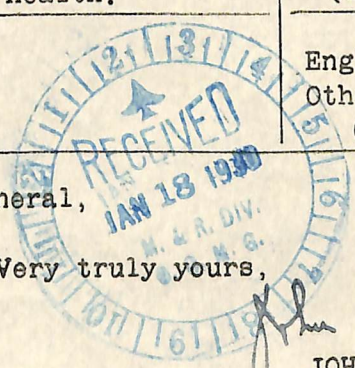
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|---|---|--|
| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?   | (Yes)   | (No)   |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?  | (Yes)   | (No)   |
| 3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)           | (No)   |
| 4. Please give your age and state of health.  | Age (Years) 62                                      | Health <i>good</i> (Good) <del>(Poor)</del>              |
| 5. What language do you speak?  | English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | (No) Other language <i>no.</i> (Specify language spoken) |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bays, Jess J.

Oct. 2, 1929.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. 12 - Box 140,  
E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Jess J. Bays, Co. C, 305th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

no

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

Yes



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bays, JessJ.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
5025 12th Ave., N. E.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased serviceman above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

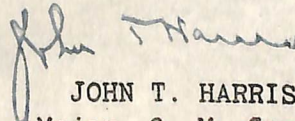
1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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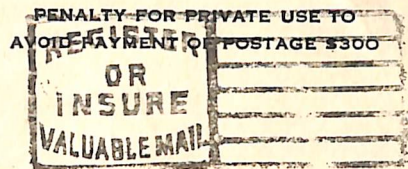
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Boys, Jess J.

*Single*

Mrs. Mary R. Boys,  
5025 12th Ave. N.E.,  
Seattle, Wash.

*mother  
Rte 12 - Box 140  
E. 95th St  
Seattle Wash*

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Jess J. Boys, Co.C. 305th 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.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

September 14, 1933.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mrs. Bays:

I am in receipt of the letter of July 2nd wherein you and the other mothers and widows who sailed on the S. S. Washington, June 7th, express your appreciation for the pilgrimage you made to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory, and that the officers of the Army and the nurses rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages, and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation and consideration shown by the mothers and widows.

With sincere appreciation of your complimentary remarks regarding the conduct of the pilgrimage, I am

Very truly yours,

J. L. DeWITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

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QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

April 20, 1933.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

Immediately following receipt of your acceptance of the invitation to make a pilgrimage to Europe, sailing on June 7, 1933, a letter containing general information of importance was mailed to you. In this letter you were told how to proceed to obtain a passport which you must have before you can visit Europe. Your passport has not yet been received in this office.

If it is your intention to make the pilgrimage, you should go at once to the Clerk of the United States District Court, Seattle, Washington, taking with you:

1. Four (4) photographs of yourself on thin paper (unmounted) not more than 3 x 3 inches or less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size;
2. Your invitation and any evidence of citizenship you may have;
3. Someone who has known you for at least two years to identify you.

The Clerk will help you fill out the application and HE will forward it to the State Department. Your passport will be delivered to you aboard the boat. No charge will be made for the application or passport.

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If you have changed your mind and do not intend to make the pilgrimage, please so inform this office at once. It is necessary to know at this time whether or not you intend to make the pilgrimage in order that reservation and other necessary arrangements may be made for you.

It is requested you advise whether you are making application for your passport or whether you have decided not to make a pilgrimage. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (M A)\*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. #12, Box 140,  
1220 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 293 A-M  
Bays, Jess J. (MA)

May 21, 1932

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box #140,  
E. 95th Street,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 16th declining the invitation to sail June 28th on the LEVIATHAN to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Jess J. Bays.

It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage at this time, and it is sincerely hoped that you will improve rapidly. You will be communicated with again relative to your desire to visit your son's grave when pilgrimages are being arranged for 1933, which is the last year for which they are authorized.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the journey you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 18, 1930.

Bays, Jess J. - 1232 M

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route 12, Box 140,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

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(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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QM 298 A-11

Bays, Jess J. Pvt. (11-A) M

June, 11, 1931.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box 140  
E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

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QM 293 A-C

Bays, Jess J. 1232-M

April 30, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. 12, Box 140, E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of April 4, 1930, declining invitation to sail on the SS "Washington" May 21, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Jess J. Bays, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C

Bays, Jess J. 1232

April 23, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route # 12, Box 140,  
East 95th Street,  
Seattle, Washington.  
Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe.

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip.

Please comply as early as possible with the instructions shown in form letter attached, or if you have heretofore taken this action advise this office to that effect.

Should the clerk of the court not have been furnished with "Special Pilgrimage Passport" applications, please request him to take the matter up at once with the Passport Bureau, Room 170, State, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C., and he will be furnished with these forms.

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk of Superior Court at Seattle, King County, Washington.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

March 25, 1930.

Bays, Jess J. 1232 M

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Et. 12, Box 140, E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bays, Jess J. 1232-M

March 20, 1930

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Rt. 12, Box 140 E. 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

December 30, 1929.

Bays, Jess J. 1232 M

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
Route #12, Box 140, East 95th St.,  
Seattle, Washington.

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<br>(Years)       | Health<br>(Good) (Poor)                     |
| 5. What language do you speak?  | English - (Yes) (No) | Other language<br>(Specify language spoken) |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

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

Days, Jess J.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Oct. 2, 1929.

Mrs. Mary R. Days,  
Rt. 12 - Box 140,

E. 95th St.  
Scuttio, Ind.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dear Madam:

Pvt. Jess J. Days, Co. C, 305th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Young attention is invited, to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bays, JessJ.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
5025 12th Ave., N. E.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29 , 1929.

Bays, Jess J.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
5025 12th Ave. N.E.,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Jess J. Bays, Co.C. 305th 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.

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.

<sup>63</sup>  
Rays

Jess J.

3,138, [redacted]

Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co C 305 Inf

*Jessie Judson Rays*

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

*Mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*Yes*

(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)

*Miss Mary Boreth, Rays  
Fiumari New Orleans*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Qty. 1203 sheet 38

7-18-21 B.

Checked.

and found  
in recheck  
of files.

# 8/18/21

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R

# 64376

January 4, 1923.

Mrs. Mary R. Bays,  
5025-12th Ave., N.E.?  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam: Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
the permanent grave of

Private Jess J. Bays, Company C, 305th  
Infantry is, Grave 36, Row 46, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American  
Cemetery ~~That Remains of the Department, American Military Cemetery, France.~~  
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, date of soldier's death and State  
from which he came. 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.

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

MAILED

Very truly yours,

JAN 4-1923

G.R.S.

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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DATE 11/2/21

1. NAME **BAYS, Jesse J.** SERIAL No: **3138214**  
 RANK **Pvt.** ORGANIZATION **Co. C, 305th Infantry.**  
 GRAVE LOCATION **Sedan American, Letanne, Ardennes.** #1203  
CTY. NAME NUMBER  
**39** **Sec. 3.** **2**  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION **No. 2 Isol. Cem., Mouzon Ardennes.**  
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES **Mezieres 24SE - E 307.46 - N 315.00**

CONCENTRATED TO **3/13/19** **164** **Sec 3** **4**  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

**Beaumont ardennes A. E. F. Cem., No. 1**  
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

**M. R. Mezieres 24 SE - E307.46 - N315.00**

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS **Jan. 14, 21 . 39** **Sed 3** **2** **1203**  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

data taken from form 16-A.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *Wm M. Cline* **Wm M. CLINE**  
**Captain Q.M.C.**

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION **11/2/21** **36** **46** **D**  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

PLOT Block

**Meuse-Argonne Amer. cty #1252, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse**  
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY  
*M.M.E.*  
 11-28-22

PR

Place LETANNE ARDENNES

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 7th 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BAYS, Jesse J. SERIAL NUMBER 3138214

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 305th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Sept. 7th 1921. From (give complete location) : Grave 39, Sec. 3, Pl. 2, Cem. 12031

By : Group FOUR Unit F.S.#3.

3. Reburied (date) : Nov. 2nd, 1921. In (give complete location) : Grave 36, Row 46, Block D. Cemetery 12332.

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment : Blanket and pine box, see par. 6.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks : Reburial record dated 1-14-21, signed JP Glandon 1st Lt. OMC. replaced with body.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact, not disturbed

(b) Weight (estimated) per auth letter dated 8-29-21, Operations Division AGRS OMC in E.

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

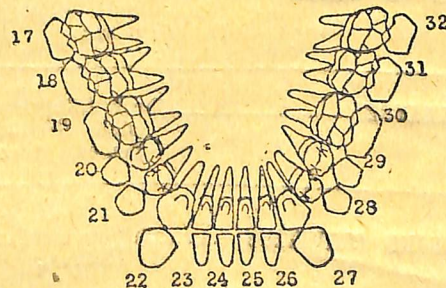
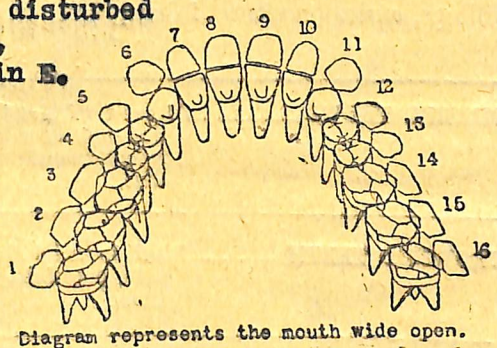
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by A.R. Cheney Approved : J.S. Robinson

(Title) 1st Lt. C.A.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Dufault Approved : James W. Younger

(Title) Captain G.M.C.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 7th 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 BAYS, Jesse J.  
 2. No. 3138214  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. Co. C. 305th Infantry.  
 5. D.D. Nov. 9th.  
 6. C.D. KIA

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 59 Sec. 3  
 8. Plot 2 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. None.

18. Cemetery Sedan American

19. Commune or town Lotannes

20. Dept. or County Ardennes

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

Cty. #1203

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 7th 1921

By A.R. Cheney

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Jesse J. Bays  
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. C, 305th Inf.

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

E. E. White  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

See Par. 36.

27. Condition of body Body decomposed recognition impossible

28. Nature of burial uniform blanket and pine box

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 Sept 7th 1921 By A.R. Cheney

31. Casket sealed by A.R. Cheney

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) A.R. Cheney

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body: **C-4385**  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank **BAYS, Jesse J.** Organization **3138214**

33. Consigned to. **Officer in Charge Operations, 306th Inf.**  
Name of Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Argonne American #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon**  
By **Sept 7th 1921.**

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 **J.S. Robinson, 1st Lt. CAC.**

36. Remarks **Package intact body not disturbed Authority letter**  
**Operations Div. dated August 29th 1921. Original record**  
**buried with body dated 1-14-21 signed J.P. Glandon 1st Lt. QMC.**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Sept 7th 1921.**

To point of Concentration **Romagne sous Montfaucon, Meuse.**  
(Name)

Convoyer **James Flynn** Signature Shipping Officer **J.P. Glandon**  
**Capt QMC.**

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 **Sept 8, 1921**  
G.R.S. Representative **W. J. Younger Capt.**

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cemetery, Nov. 2nd, 1921.**  
(Date)

42. Grave No. **36** Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. ~~Plot~~ **Block D.** Row **46**

G.R.S. Representative **James W. Younger**  
**James W. Younger,**  
**Captain Q.M.C.**

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BAYS, Jess J.  
(Bays, Jesse J)

Number: 3138214

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Unkn.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ From: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

13th March 1919.

Isolated Grave No. 2.

MOUZON, ARDENNES.

24 SE 307.46E 315. N

Reburied (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ in: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

13th March 1919.

Grave 164 Sec 3 Plot 4.

Amer. B/A Cemetery 1203.

LETANNE, ARDENNES. 24 SE 307.5E 308.5N

1203

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

Body badly decomposed, burial very poor.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

What other means of identification were found on the body? None

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Note:

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.

CONFIRMED N° D

R. H. ROSENTHAL

Supervised by: 2nd Lt. Gove S Wright.

2nd Lieut. O M G. U. S. A.

G.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Place Letanne, Ardennes

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 14/21

1. REMAINS OF BAYS, JESSE J. SERIAL NUMBER 3138214

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 305th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): From (give complete location):

Jan. 14/21. Sedan Amer. Cty. Letanne, Ardennes #1203, Gr. 164, Sec. 3, pl. 4

By: Group Jones Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): In (give complete location):

Same date Same cemetery Gr. 39, Sec. 3, pl. 2

By: Group Jones Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Box & blanket

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

5 ft. earthen grave, box burlap, and U-S uniform, body badly disintegrated, features not capable of recognition.

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

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

None

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Estim. 5ft. 10"

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

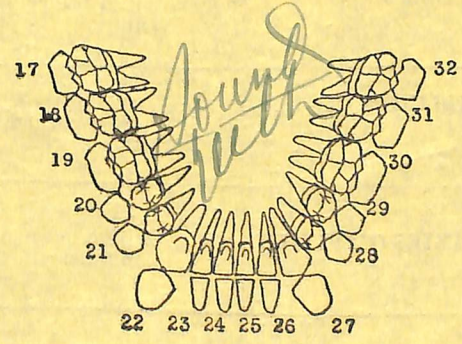
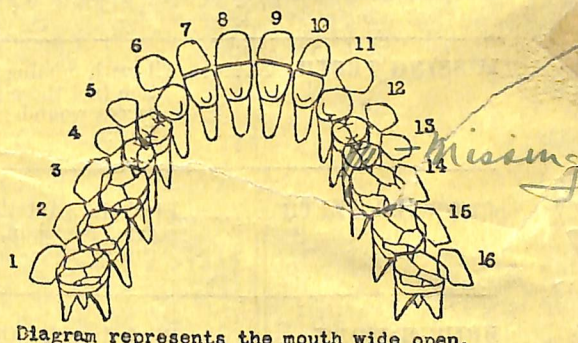
Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Impossible to determine



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7. Disinterment supervised by \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

J P Glandon,  
1st Lt. QMC.

(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Reburial supervised by \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

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

NOV 22 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.  
To: Mrs. Mary L. Bays, Tucumicari, New Mexico.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Jesse J. Bays, Ser. No. 3138214,  
Co. C. 305th Inf.

*noted  
7/15/20  
12-29-20  
N.H.*

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body ~~no request has been made as to the disposition of his remains.~~

*Remain in France*

*over*

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?                        | <i>No.</i>                  |                         |                          |
| Soldier's widow                             |                             |                         |                          |
| Soldier's children.<br>(Name oldest first.) | 1                           |                         |                          |
|   | 2                           |                         |                          |
|   | 3                           |                         |                          |
| Father                                      | <i>Martin Louis Bays</i>    | <i>5025-12 av. N.E.</i> | <i>Seattle Wash.</i>     |
| Mother                                      | <i>Mary Rosetta Bays</i>    | <i>5025-12 av. N.E.</i> | <i>Seattle Wash.</i>     |
| Brothers.<br>(Name oldest first.)           | 1 <i>Jasper Daniel Bays</i> |                         | <i>Whitefish Mont.</i>   |
|   | 2 <i>Hudson Dandym Bays</i> | <i>5025-12 av. N.E.</i> | <i>Seattle Wash.</i>     |
|   | 3 <i>Robert Leslie Bays</i> | <i>Box 606</i>          | <i>Bruckersidge Tex.</i> |
| Sisters.<br>(Name oldest first.)            | 1 <i>Fola Bell Bays</i>     | <i>5025-12 av. N.E.</i> | <i>Seattle Wash.</i>     |
|   | 2                           |                         |                          |
|   | 3                           |                         |                          |

Date *December 20, 1920.*

Signature *Martin Louis Bays*

Address *5025-12 av. N.E. Seattle Wn.* Relationship *father*

CEMETERY

December 20, 1920.



I, the undersigned, am the father 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.~~

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~~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

*Martin Louis Bays*

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.

ARLINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK  
WAR RELIEFS ADMINISTRATION

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File # 64376

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(8-26-21) mkm

(a) Name BAYS, Jesse J. Ser. No. 3138214

(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 305th Inf.

(c) Date of death 11-9-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DB  
CKR.

10/8/21 - in transfer to  
Mesa Camp 1232  
Apr 18/26/21

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

(a) Grave No. 164 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 3 TYP. DB

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary L. Bays, (Mother) Tucumicari, N.M.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -- CKR. MB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. Mary Rosetty Bays (b) Relationship mother

(c) Address Tucumicari, New Mex

(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.

See suspension

card found in pocket of files

Examiner's Initials MCH Date 8/18/21, 1920.

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

dated

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials mom Date 9-27-1920.

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

mother Mrs. Mary R. Bays  
Tucumicari, N. Mex. 4/12/19 request  
photo of grave

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes mom

Examiner's Initials mom Date 9-27-1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1203

SHEET No. 38

8/11-10-20

Reviewed 4/1/21 EA

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

RECEIVED.

FEB 10 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

{ cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on 11-4 \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB

*Par 2 Not to be returned. R.H.E.*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120- 12/20/20 father-Martin L. Bays, 5025-12 Ave., N. E. Seattle, Wash. (nearest of kin) requests Body Remain in France. 12-29-20*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 64376  
*201/10  
 LPO-10/26/21*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

*(8-26-21) MKM*

(a) Name BAYS, Jessé J. Ser. No. 3138214  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 305th Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 11-9-18 Cause of death K/A

} TYP DB  
 } T.

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

*H/S.*

(a) Grave No. 164 Row - Plot 4 Sect. 3 TYP. DB  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary L. Bays, (Mother) Tucumcari, N.M.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR *2/18*

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

*No request for disposition. R.H. 11-4-20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on \_\_\_\_\_ 192  
 (letter of transmittal on 11-4-1920)

*Par. 2 not to be returned*

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

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VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

| Date of and Source | Relationship and name | Desires | Action taken |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------------|
|                    |                       |         |              |
|                    |                       |         |              |
|                    |                       |         |              |
|                    |                       |         |              |

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

**FEB 10 1921**

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COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY NO. 1203 SHEET NO. 38  
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
 August, 1920

S-666/MB

*Checked  
 8-24-21  
 MKM  
 11-10-20*

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

1203-30

February 7th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.  
(BAYS, Jesse J.)

Mr. Martin L. Bays,  
5025 -12th Ave., N.E.  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of "Shipping Inquiry" relative to the remains of your son, the late Jesse J. Bays, Private, Company C, 305th Infantry, Serial No. 3138214, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued at your request that the remains be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

MAILED By authority of the Quartermaster General:

FEB 9 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

RYE. SHANNON,  
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

By:

MAILED

FEB 9 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

F.C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

MAILED

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FEB 9 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

12/21/18 Sketch No 69

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

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 313214

64716 67376

3. Bays

Jese J

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known  
Isolated

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Mouzon Ardennes  
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 8 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.

647 24 SE 307.48 N 314.94  
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12. Mezieres #24 SE E 307.48 N 314.94  
Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. R B 24

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed [Signature]

Group... 2... Unit... E... Sgt Sr Gr G. R. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

AUG 25 1921

File No. 64376

Registration.

64376

Date August 18, 1921.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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

- ✓ a. Surname. *BAYS* *OK*
- ✓ b. Christian name. *Jesse J.* *OK*
- ✓ c. Serial number. *3138214* *OK*
- ✓ d. Organization. *Co. C. 305th Inf.* *OK*
- ✓ e. Rank. *Private.* *OK*
- ✓ f. Date of death. *11/9/18* *OK*
- ✓ g. Cause of death. *K/A* *OK*
- ✓ h. Authority (C. C. No.) *344* *OK*
- ✓ i. Emergency address. *Mrs. Mary L. Bays* *OK*  
*Tucumicari, N.M.* *OK*
- ✓ j. Relationship. *Mother.* *OK*

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

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

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

- a. Strike out teeth missing:
- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| Upper right     | Upper left.     |
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| Lower right.    | Lower left.     |

*Donnelly - adc - ops - wq 8 - 8 - 24 - 21*

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

*H. J. Conner*

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

REC'D MAIL SECTION  
W. W. DIV., A. G. O.  
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MDT/Miss Knight.

Re'd World War Division.

AUG 24 1921

Seattle, Washington  
4211-12 ave. N. E.

April 12, 1919

Chief, Graves Registration Service,  
Headquarters Services of Supply,  
A. P. O. 717  
American C. F., France.

Gentlemen:

We have been informed by the  
Adjutants General's Office that we  
will be able to secure a photograph  
of my son's grave. Will you kindly  
send us a photograph of the following  
grave.

Pvt. Jesse J. Bays, Co. C, 305th. Inf.

Died November 9, 1918.

Cemetery in Commune of Mouzon,  
Ardennes, France.

Please send photograph to Tucuman,   
New Mexico instead of above address, and  
oblige.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. Mary Rosetta Bays