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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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DEC 23 1925

FULL NAME BELLOWS, Charles A. *Bellog*

RANK Private *1st* SERIAL 72560

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company G, 104th Infantry *26th*

DATE OF DEATH *July 23/19*

7-23-19

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Mass*

Mass

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. *40* *1* *A*

Date

Grave

Row

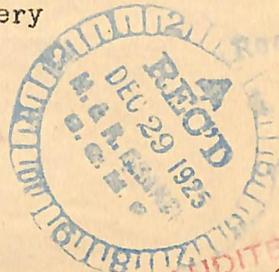
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Cemetery

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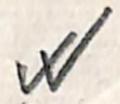
AUDITED BY *6/7/24*

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Bellows, Mrs. Margaret
49 N. Main St., Natick

Bellows, Charles A.
P.F.C.



Route Going and Returning: B&A, Springfield; NYNH&H.

Itinerary:

J-10

June 24	Leave Natick	8.18	A.M.	(EST)	Train No. 67	(B&A)
	Arrive Framingham	8.26	"	"	" "	"
	Leave Framingham	8.53	"	"	" 51	"
	Arrive New York (G.C.T.)	2.35	P.M.	"	" "	(NYNH&H)

→ Coach, Natick to Framingham
Parlor Car, Framingham to New York

Elapsed time; 6 hrs. 17 min. $\frac{1}{2}$

N.E.P.A. Itin. I. - 5/22/30

Leave Natick
Arrive Framingham

Party "I" - Itinerary - Oise-Aisne Group

Sailed June 25, 1930 on SS REPUBLIC. Capt. F. M. Child and Lt. G. E. Young in charge. Arrived Cherbourg 10.30 pm July 5th. Tender arrived 5.35 am July 6th, bearing Major Dailey and 8 other officers; 4 nurses and 2 civilian employees. Train left at 8.21 am. Arrived Gare des Invalides 2.15 pm. Met by Col. Ellis, members of his staff and a detail of interpreters and nurses.

July 7th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Left hotel by bus at 3 pm for Arc de Triomphe where Mrs. Emmeline Neubert placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent after ceremony. Returned to hotel for dinner. Evening free.

July 8th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 1.40 pm left for Rendez vous point Via Porte de Pantin, 4.00 pm arrived La Ferte s/s Jouarre. Rest stop Hotel de la Terrasse. Left La Ferte s/s Jouarre 4.30 pm Via Chateau-Thierry. Arrived Soissons 6.15 pm.

July 9th, July 10th. Daily trips from Soissons to Oise-Aisne American Cemetery.

July 11th. Visited Cemetery in morning. Lunch at Hotels Soissons. 2.00 pm left Soissons Via Vaurains Ferme, right on to Chemin-des-Dames, Craonne, Corbeny, Berry-aux-Bac. Arrived Reims 4.45 pm. Dinner and sleep Hotel Bristol Crystal.

July 12th. Left Reims 8.00 pm Via Fismes. Arrived Soissons 10.00 am. Rest stop Hotel Lion Rouge. Left Soissons 10.30 am. Arrived Compiègne 12.00 noon. Lunch Hotel Rond Royal & du Golf. Left Compiègne 2.00 pm Via La Croix St. Ouen, Senlis. Arrived Chantilly 4.00 pm. Rest stop Hotel du Parc. Left Chantilly 4.30 pm. Arrived Paris 5.45 pm. Dinner at hotel.

July 13th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 2.15 pm depart sightseeing trip Paris Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel.

July 14th. Fontainebleau via Melun. Lunch Hotel Legris. Visit Chateau. Arrived Paris 6.30 pm. Dinner at hotel.

July 15th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 2.15 pm left for visit Louvre. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing Night Trip.

July 16th. Versailles. Lunch Belle Cycliste. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.

July 17th. Boat train for Cherbourg 10.30 am. Arrived Cherbourg 4.13 pm. SS AMERICA sailed shortly after 6.10 pm. Capt. Child and Lt. Young in charge. Arrived New York July 26th.

Name BELLOWS, Mrs. Margaret

Paris Hôtel HOTEL DE PARIS

Home address BOULEVARD DE LA MADELEINE
49 N. Main St., Natick, Middlesex Co., Massachusetts.

Party I Group 2 Unit 88 REPUBLIC

Date of arrival July 6-1930 Date of departure 88 AMERICA July 17 -1930

Relationship Stepmother

Name of deceased BELLOWS, Charles A.

Rank Pvt. 1cl Organization Co.G. 104th Inf.

Cemetery Oise 6isne Gr: 8, Row I, Bl: A.

REMARKS

Desires quarters with Mrs. CUTTING, Bertja 12 28 Charles St., Framingham
Mass, See Group O.A.



WAR DEPARTMENT
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
 ROOM 901
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

BELLOWS, CHARLES A. O.A.

Party I

Number 2228

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. MARGARET BELLOWS Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler

NATICK, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, New York, to NATICK, MASS.
 Home Address

MASS.

*\$ 1.50 to Worcester
 No pullman beyond*

New York, to NATICK, MASS.
 Destination

Via N Y N H & H TO SPRINGFIELD - B & A TO DEST.

LIMIT - AUG 21-30 JULY 27, 1930
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	GR CENT TERM	NYNHH	27	8.15	79	14	Ug 1022450	1.50
AR	Worcester	Bra		120	pm			
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LV	Worcester	Bra	27	127	pm			
AR	Natick			215	"			
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TOTAL

Remarks:

Change at Worcester.

Escorted to train by Capt. Arnold J. Furber.

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NAME BELLOWS, MRS. MARGARET

S.S. AMERICA JUL 25 1899

HOME NATICK, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASS

R.R. NYNH&H to Springfield

STATION B&A to dest

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Aug 21 30

Mrs. Joseph Scally
63 High Street
Hudson, Mass
Middlesex Co.

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WESTERN UNION

MRS JOSIE SCALLY
63 HIGH STREET
HUDSON MASS

A.C. TIPTON
MAJOR INF. (DOL).

JULY 26 1930.

YOUR SISTER WILL ARRIVE IN NATICK AT 3:15 P.M. SUNDAY

COLONEL WILLIAMS.

MRS MARGARET BELLOWS PARTY "I" HOTEL MCALPIN

June 10th, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

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

2 suitcases

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bellows,</i>	<i>BEL</i>	3	<i>252</i>
<i>Charles A.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>8</i>	2	<i>08</i>
	ROW <i>1</i>	2	<i>01</i>
	BLOCK <i>0</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Mass.</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RANK	<i>1st. Co. Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>26</i>	2	<i>26</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>104.</i>	3	<i>104</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2,</i>
NAME <i>Bellows,</i>	<i>BEL</i>	5	<i>252</i>
<i>Mrs. Margaret</i>	STATE <i>Mass.</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Middlesex</i>	2	<i>09</i>
<i>(mother dead)</i>	CITY <i>Natick</i>	3	<i>100</i>
RELATION	<i>Sister</i>	1	<i>3</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>2 eyes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>1930</i>	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>

paid 2/5/31

*Audited
OCT 6 1931
A. L.*

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Age mb

56

Rm

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Bellows</i>	3	<i>253</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>8</i>	2	<i>18</i>
	ROW <i>1</i>	2	<i>01</i>
	BLOCK <i>a</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RANK	<i>1st. Cl. Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
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ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME		3	
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>deas</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

Audited
OCT 14 1931
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104 Inf
Bellows, Charles A. Pvt. 1cl. Co. G. 26th Div. Mass.

S-M. sailed

C29549

single

Natural ^{and} other ?

Dead before 1918

NAME Bellows, Mrs. Margaret

ADDRESS 49 N. Main St. Natick, Middlesex Co. ^{Mass} N.Y.

DATE

July 27 '36

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.

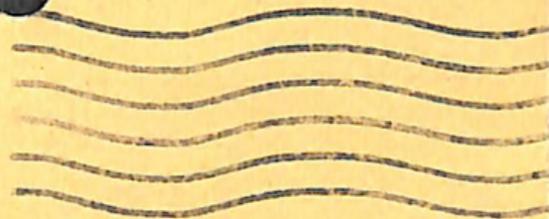
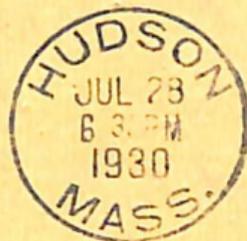
SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs. Margaret Bellows

WAR DEPARTMENT

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

MASSACHUSETTS

BELLOWS, Chas. A.

SM

49 N. Main St.,
Natick,

NAME *Bellows, Mrs. Margaret* HOME ADDRESS *Middlesex Co.*

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN

*Mrs. J. Scally 63 High St.
Middlesex City Hudson, Mass.*

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

COMMODORE

DATE *JUN 24 1930*

HOTEL

ROOM NO. *804*
144

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *JUN 25 1930*

VESSEL

S/S REPUBLIC

CABIN NO. *144-C*

DESTINATION

CHERBOURG

CEMETERY

O. A.

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUL 26 1930

49 N. Main St.,
NatickSM
NAME Bellevs, Mrs. Margaret HOME ADDRESS Middlesex, Co.RETURN ON S. S. S/S AMERICA HOTEL McALPIN ROOM NO. 679 ^{Mass.}DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE 7/27

ROAD ^{Sy N.H.} TRAIN 50 CAR 14 BERTH or SEAT 819

REMARKS

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Republic 6/25/30 608
RETURN RECEIPT.

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

Margaret Bedson

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to addressee only.

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____, 192

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 926955

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Q. M. GENERAL

Return to _____

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

Post Office at

WASHINGTON, D. C.
MAY 31 1930
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Rev. 3-24

YOUR MAIL TO STREET NUMBER

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RETURN RECEIPT.

Margaret Bellum 6/25/30

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

Margaret Bellum

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

6-9, 192*30*

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

POST OFFICE
JUN 9
7 PM
1930

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,

(NAME OF SENDER)

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at

Rev. 3-24

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State

Washington, D. C.

Natick, Mass.

12-30-'30

L.M. 293. A-M.

Dear Sir,

293 In reply to
your inquiry in regard to
the late Private first class
Charles A. Bellon⁶⁰⁸ He was not
married.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Margaret Bellon.



December 26, 1930.

QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A. Pvt. 1cl. 608 SM

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private first class Charles A. Bellows was married and, if so, the name and address of his widow.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Envelope.
RS

QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

August 25, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 19, 1930, expressing your appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the grave of your stepson, the late Private, first class, Charles A. Bellows, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

I am very glad, indeed, to know that you were accorded every consideration and kindness throughout the pilgrimage by the Officers of the Army, the nurses and other employees of the War Department, as well as by the personnel of the Railroad and Steamship lines. It is particularly gratifying to know that special courtesy and consideration were shown to the most aged in your group. The Quartermaster Corps, which was charged with the detailed arrangements for the pilgrimage, views the satisfaction and comfort derived by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government as full compensation for the measures taken and the effort expended to insure a comfortable and pleasant journey for the pilgrims.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments which you expressed, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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

ADH
WRG



Charles A. B. Snow - 608. Natich, Me.
Republic June 25th Aug. 19, 1930
Middlebury Co ✓

Quartermaster General:

Dear Sir,

would indeed be ungrateful
if I did not send a word of
appreciation, and most
heartfelt thanks, to a most
grateful and generous government,
and to all who so efficiently
arranged, the pilgrimage, ~~from~~
which I have returned, also wish
to say a word for all the officers
in charge, in New York, on the
boats, in France, also the nurses
and guides in France, who were
also untiring and thoughtful
in their care of us. I feel that
you would all feel well
repaid for your great efforts

293 - B. Snow Charles A. B. Snow



could you have seen the kindness
and care given, the very aged,
of our group, by these most-
wonderful men and women.
It was to say the least most-
touching, and I believe every
mother and widow who have
made the pilgrimage, have returned
more satisfied and happy, than
they have been since the loss of
their dear ones. I also wish to
speak a word for those in
command and, also all employees
of the Republic, and America,
also Railway employees, who were
all most courteous and kind
to us, all their efforts making it
a most pleasant and comfortable
pilgrimage.

Thanking all sincerely
I remain,
yourself,
Mrs. Margaret Bellone.

QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A.- 608 SM

August 8, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 25th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurse in charge of your group 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 has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

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

ADH
JTH
WRG

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QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Chas. A. 608

June 16, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 W. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 12, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage you will make, in company with Mrs. B. I. Cutting, to the cemeteries of Europe, sailing on the SS REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930.

In accordance with your request, the following itinerary shows the train No., date of departure, etc. from the time you leave your home until you arrive in New York City:

Lv. Natick	B&A	No. 67	8:18 AM	June 24
Ar. Framingham	"	No. 67	8:26 AM	June 24
Lv. Framingham	"	No. 51	8:53 AM	June 24
Ar. New York	NYNH&H	No. 51	2:35 PM	June 24

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Republic
June 25

Middlesex Co.
Hatch, Mass.

June 12. '30
Chas. A. Bellows
608 57M

To Quartermaster 293. A. C.

Dear Sir,

On June 7.

I received letter with check, for meals
and incidentals, on train to N. Y.
but did not give what train, or
on what date I was to leave here.

Frank Cupping 608 W

Mrs. Eda Keuling with whom I am to go,
received letter telling what day and
train, and as we are to sail June 23,
I am quite anxious. If you will kindly
advise, will be very grateful.

Yours. respy.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows
49 N. Main St.
Hatch
Mass.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

June 6, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

Bellows, Charles A. - 608

June 6, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Hutick, Mass.

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. Marlboro	7:45 AM	(EST)	Train No. 67
Ar. Framingham	8:25 AM	"	" " "
Lv. "	8:53 "	"	" " 51
Ar. New York (G. C. T.)	12:33 PM	"	" " "

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-C
Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

April 19, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 14 relative to your desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your stepson, the late Private, first class, Charles A. Bellows, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection, you are advised that notation has been made of your acceptance of the invitation and you are scheduled to sail on the SS "Republic" June 25, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608 SM

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

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.

Ms. Margaret
Bellows -

49 n. Main St. -
Natick, Mass.
Middlesex Co.

Accepted in whole

Republic - 6-25-30

Waltham, Mass.
Apr. 14 '30

Friedlander Co

L.M. 293 A.C.

Dear Sir. In reply to

your communication of April 11.
wish to say that - immediately
on receipt of invitation, which
I believe was about - Mch. 28 00 29.
I filled out - card and
accepted the invitation to make
pilgrimage June 23 '30, and
returned it in ~~envelope~~ which
you sent to me for same, and
cannot understand why you have
not received it. Yours resp.

Accepto
Republic
Sun. 25th

Mrs Margaret Bellone
49 N. Main St.
Waltham
Mass.

293 - Bellone, Chas. C.



Republic

6/25/30

608

Bellows, Charles A.

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.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,

(Name)

49 N. Main St., Natick, Middlesex County,

(Town or City)

Massachusetts.

(State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE. 1929

Mrs. Margaret Bellows
49 N. Main St.
Natick Mass.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bollows, Charles A. 608-SM

April 11, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bollows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the "Republic" on June 25, 1930.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before May 3, 1930, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608-34
Cutting, Frank 608-3

April 9, 1920.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 26, 1920, furnishing this office the name of Mrs. James Scally, 63 High St., Hudson, Mass., as your emergency addressee while you are on the pilgrimage to the grave of your son in Europe.

Notation has been made on the records of this office that you and Mrs. Bertha J. Cutting, 26 Charles St., Fremingham, Mass., desire to be quartered together on the SS REPUBLIC June 26, 1920, and it is believed your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Middlesex Co. 1
Natick Mass.
Mch. 28 '30

L. M. 293-A.C.

Dear Sir:

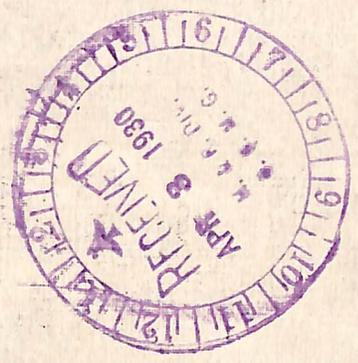
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In reply
to communication of Mch. 28 '30
am sending emergency address
which is that of my sister:

*Mrs Bellows
accepts for
Republic
25, 1930*
Mrs. James Scally
63 High St.
Hudson
Mass.
*Mrs Cutting
accepts
Republic
16-25, 30*

I would also appreciate very
much, being quartered, during
the fulgurage, with Mrs Beth
J. Cutting of 28 Charles Street,
Frankingham Mass., if possible.

notation ~~made~~ ^{made} ~~middle~~ ^{middle} ~~to~~ ^{to} your resp.
desire trip Mrs. Margaret Bellows
49 N. Main St
Natick Mass.
together



QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A. - 608

March 12, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 North Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 8th, relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your step-son, the late Private, 1st class, Charles A. Bellows, under provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised the records of this office show that you are eligible to make the pilgrimage and desire to make the journey during the year 1930. A formal invitation setting forth the name of the vessel upon which reservation has been made for you and the date of sailing, together with detailed information relative thereto, will be forwarded you within a reasonable length of time.

Regarding your statement that a list of mothers entitled to make the pilgrimage which was published in a newspaper did not include your name, you are advised this list was compiled as of November 15, 1929. In view of the fact that a questionnaire which established your eligibility to make the pilgrimage was not received in this office until November 20th, it was not possible to include your name in the list in question.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

bb/h

Bellows, Jas. A.
608

Waltham Mass,
3-5. 1930.

Office of Quartermaster General.

Dear Sir:

I wrote to you some
time ago, answering your
questions in regard to visiting
the grave of my step-son, Private,
First Class, Charles A. Bellows,
Company G, 104th Infantry. I read
a list in paper of all the mothers
entitled to go, and my name was
not one of them. I have waited
expecting to hear from this office.
Does this mean I am not eligible
to make the visit? If so, why not?
I am ready and will prove my
eligibility. I have plenty of
proof, that I was a mother



to the deceased, not only in
name, from time of my marriage
to his father in 1913, until his
death in France, and was
wife to his father, until his
death in 1924. An early
reply will be greatly appreciated.

Yours resp.

Mr. Margaret Bellows,

49 N. Main St.,

Natick

Mass.

Thank you.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 North Main St.
Hatch,
Mass.



Bellows, Chas. A
608

Hatch Mass.
11. 12. '29

L.M. 293-A-C.
Charles A. Bellows
608 - .

10-7 letter
sent 11-16-29

Dear Sir-

In reply to
your letter of Nov. 6. It is my
greatest desire to visit grave
of my step-son, and am
sending answers to questions. Was
married to Private Bellows
father Feb. 3. - 1913. Was married
to him at time his son entered
service; at time of his death,
and until his father's death,
Feb. 7. 1924. There was never a
divorce or separation of any kind.

Your respect.
Mrs. Margaret Bellows
49 N. Main St.
Hatch Mass

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QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.
608

November 6, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 North Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the members of the military and naval forces of the United States now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries.

The records of this office indicate that you were the step-mother of the late first-class Private Charles A. Bellows, and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Private Bellows.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Bellows at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Bellows at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him, or of his death.

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

October 7 , 1929.

Bellows, Charles A. 608 -SM

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Sealed
JUN 25 1930

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
	<i>yes</i>	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
	<i>yes</i>	
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)
		<i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age Health (Years) <i>56</i> (Good) <i>good</i> (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) Other language <i>none</i> (Specify language spoken)	

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Bellows, Charles A.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

OF
THE UNITED STATES

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GEORGE W. CRONIN
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

FRANCIS X. COTTER
ADJUTANT

WILLIAM A. DINSMORE
QUARTERMASTER

602

September 21, 1929

War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Please send application for Gold Star Mothers' trip to France to Mrs. Margaret Bellows, 49 No. Main Street, Natick, Mass. She is the step-mother of Charles A. Bellows, formerly of Co. G., 104th Infantry, whose remains are buried in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetary in France.

ASSISTANT AND CHIEF CLERK
SEP 23 1929
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Sincerely yours,

Fmcs

Francis X. Cotter
Francis X. Cotter
Adjutant



FXC/ws

Letter sent out July 30

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QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.

August 28, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of August 18, 1929,
please be advised that the records show that the remains
of the late Private, First Class, Charles A. Bellows,
Company G, 104th Infantry, are buried in Grave 8, Row 1,
Block A, of the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

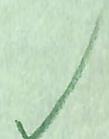
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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A. D. Hughes,
Captain, U. S. Corps,
Assistant.

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Watick Mass

8. 18 - '29

Dear Sir.

Will you kindly
inform me if the body of
my step-son. Charles A. Bellows,
Co. G. 104th Infantry. who was
killed in France, was sent
home; if so where was it sent
to, and where buried; if not
where buried in France?
You will do me a very great
favor by an early reply.

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. Margaret Bellows
49. N. Main St.,

Watick,
Mass.

Thank you.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A.

July 30, 1929.

Mr. Burney H. Bellows,
103 Illinois St.,
Central Falls,
Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

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 ^{brother of the late} Private, first class Charles A. Bellows, 104th Inf., Co. C., 26th Div., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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?
2. If so, give her complete address:
3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.

(B)
Burney H. Bellows
103 Illinois St.,
Central Falls,
Rhode Island,

June 20, 1929.

XC-29549

Mr. Burney Bellows,
42 Elm St.,
Franklin, Mass.

Dear Sir:

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 brother of the late Private, first class Charles A. Bellows, 104th Inf., Co. G., 26th Div., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

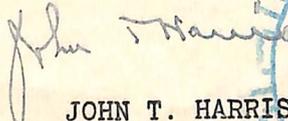
Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend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

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

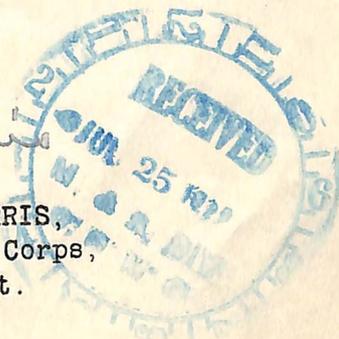
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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December 26, 1930.

QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A. Pvt. 1cl. 608 SM

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private first class Charles A. Bellows was married and, if so, the name and address of his widow.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

August 25, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 19, 1930, expressing your appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the grave of your stepson, the late Private, first class, Charles A. Bellows, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

I am very glad, indeed, to know that you were accorded every consideration and kindness throughout the pilgrimage by the Officers of the Army, the nurses and other employees of the War Department, as well as by the personnel of the Railroad and Steamship lines. It is particularly gratifying to know that special courtesy and consideration were shown to the most aged in your group. The Quartermaster Corps, which was charged with the detailed arrangements for the pilgrimage, views the satisfaction and comfort derived by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government as full compensation for the measures taken and the effort expended to insure a comfortable and pleasant journey for the pilgrims.

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With sincere appreciation of the sentiments which you expressed, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bellows, Charles A.- 608 SM

August 8, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Hatick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 28th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurses in charge of your group 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 has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

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

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QM 295 A-M
Bellows, Chas. A. 608

June 16, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 W. Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Handwritten signature

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 12, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage you will make, in company with Mrs. B. I. Cutting, to the cemeteries of Europe, sailing on the SS REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930.

In accordance with your request, the following itinerary shows the train No., date of departure, etc. from the time you leave your home until you arrive in New York City:

Lv. Natick	B&A	No. 67	8:18 AM	June 24
Ar. Framingham	"	No. 67	8:26 AM	June 24
Lv. Framingham	"	No. 51	8:55 AM	June 24
Ar. New York	NYNH&H	No. 51	2:35 PM	June 24

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM
and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out expeditions. Mrs. Margaret Bellows, 49 N. Main Street, Natick, Massachusetts, and widow who has accepted the invitation to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Dear Madam:

Very truly yours,

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

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

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A, 608-3M

June 2, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The acceptances from the mothers and widows who are to make the pilgrimage to France, sailing on the SS REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930, are far in excess of the number anticipated, and due to this fact this boat will be somewhat crowded and the accommodations will not be as satisfactory as The War Department desires to furnish. Over 300 women have accepted invitations to sail on this boat and it is desired if possible to reduce this number to around 200 by voluntary transfers of women who are booked to sail.

Much more comfortable accommodations can be furnished on the SS REPUBLIC, sailing August 30, 1930, and should you change your sailing date to August 30th, a more comfortable trip can be assured.

If you desire to change from June 25th to August 30th, please notify this office at once, in order that the necessary adjustments can be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
~~Bellows, Charles A. 609-SM~~
Republic 6-25

May 8 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N Maine St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

April 19, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 14 relative to your desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your stepson, the late Private, first class, Charles A. Bellows, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection, you are advised that notation has been made of your acceptance of the invitation and you are scheduled to sail on the SS "Republic" June 25, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608 SM

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

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

Bollows, Charles A. 608-SM

April 11, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bollows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the "Republic" on June 25, 1930.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before May 3, 1930, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608-EM

Cutting, Frank 608-W

April 9, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Ans. 4/11/30

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 28, 1930, furnishing this office the name of Mrs. James Scally, 63 High St., Hudson, Mass., as your emergency addressee while you are on the pilgrimage to the grave of your son in Europe.

Notation has been made on the records of this office that you and Mrs. Bertha J. Cutting, 28 Charles St., Framingham, Mass., desire to be quartered together on the SS REPUBLIC June 26, 1930, and it is believed your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Q. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A. 608-SM

March 25, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main Street,
Natick, Massachusetts.
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A. - 608

March 12, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 North Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 8th, relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your step-son, the late Private, 1st class, Charles A. Bellows, under provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised the records of this office show that you are eligible to make the pilgrimage and desire to make the journey during the year 1930. A formal invitation setting forth the name of the vessel upon which reservation has been made for you and the date of sailing, together with detailed information relative thereto, will be forwarded you within a reasonable length of time.

Regarding your statement that a list of mothers entitled to make the pilgrimage which was published in a newspaper did not include your name, you are advised this list was compiled as of November 15, 1929. In view of the fact that a questionnaire which established your eligibility to make the pilgrimage was not received in this office until November 20th, it was not possible to include your name in the list in question.

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

October 7 , 1929.

Bellows, Charles A. 608 -SM

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.
608

November 6, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 North Main Street,
Natick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the members of the military and naval forces of the United States now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries.

The records of this office indicate that you were the step-mother of the late first-class Private Charles A. Bellows, and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Private Bellows.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Bellows at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Bellows at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him, or of his death.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.

August 28, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bellows,
49 N. Main St.,
Hattick, Mass.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of August 18, 1929, please be advised that the records show that the remains of the late Private, First Class, Charles A. Bellows, Company G, 104th Infantry, are buried in Grave B, Row 1, Block A, of the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes,
Captain, U. S. Corps,
Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A.

July 30, 1929.

Mr. Burney H. Bellows,
103 Illinois St.,
Central Falls,
Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

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 **brother of the late Private, first class Charles A. Bellows, 104th Inf., Co. G., 26th Div., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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?

2. If so, give her complete address:

3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bellows, Charles A.

June 20, 1929.

Mr. Burney Bellows,
42 Elm St.,
Franklin, Mass.

Dear Sir:

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 brother of the late Private, first class Charles A. Bellows, 194th Inf., Co. G., 26th Div., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, U.S.M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C

Bellows, Charles A.

February 11, 1929.

Mr. Burney Bellows,
42 Elm Street,
Franklin, Mass.

Dear Sir:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of your brother, the late Charles A. Bellows, Private, first class, 104th Infantry, Co. G.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 24, 1928

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 BELLOWS, Charles A. *Mass* 10. Name _____
 2. No. 72560 11. No. _____
 3. Rank Pvt. *1cl* 12. Rank _____
 4. Org. Co. G, 104th Inf. *26th Div* 13. Org. _____
 5. D.D. July 23, 1918 14. (a) D.D. _____
 6. C.D. KIA. (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 40 Sec. _____ 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 8. Plot Block A Row 1 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____ 17. _____
 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles
 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608
 23. Disinterred (Date) February 24, 1928 By L. Gordon
 24. Inscription on grave marker:
 Name BELLOWS, Charles A. Serial No. 72560
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G, 104th Inf.
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? _____ On body? _____

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).

 27. Condition of body _____
 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap
 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____
 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 24, 1928 By L. Gordon
 31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

L. Gordon
 L.G.
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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body:

Name BELLOWS, Charles A. Serial No. 72560

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G, 104th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 24, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn
Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name)
Signature Shipping Officer _____

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 _____

Convoyer _____ (Name)
Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred February 24, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 8 Section _____

43. Plot Block A Row 1

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore
William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BELLOWS, Charles A. SERIAL NUMBER 72560

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. G. 104th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): February 24, 1928 From (give complete location):

Grave 40, Block A, Row 1

By: Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): February 24, 1928 In (give complete location):

Grave 8, Block A, Row 1

By: Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic casket _____

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

Pine box and burlap

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

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(d) Hair on face—Color _____

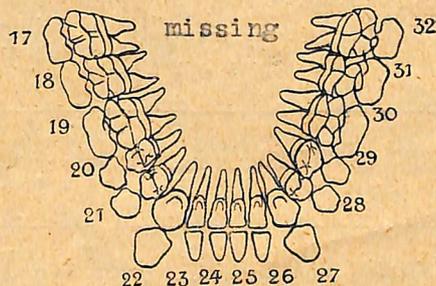
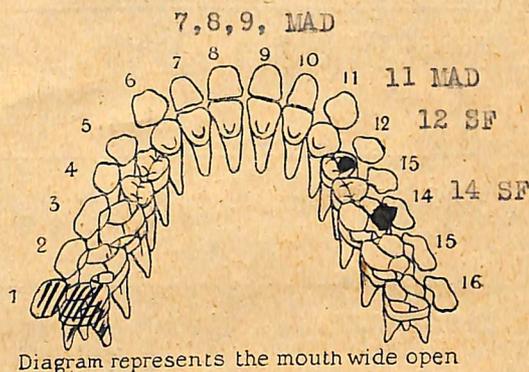
Location _____

Quantity _____

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

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

Left pelvis shattered. Right and left femur shattered. Lower jaw missing.



7. Disinterment supervised by L. Gordon

Approved: _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Fisher

Approved: _____

(Title) _____

Seringes (Aisne)

June 9/19

Charles Bellows

72560

Pvt.

Co.G. 104th. Inf.

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June 9/19

Grave #107 Cem.#711

June 9/19

Grave # 145 Sec.0 Plot.#3. Cem.#608 Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons. SE

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Buried 4 feet deep--- Body badly decomposed.

No tags

None

Identified by name on cross.

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Sgt. W.Darnell

1st.Lt.Oscar W.Forsberg.
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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 17/21

1. REMAINS OF BELLOWS, CHARLES A. SERIAL NUMBER 72560

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. G, 104th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): May 17/21 From (give complete location): Seringes-et-Nesles Amer. Cty. #608, Gr. 145-0-3

By: Group Kierce Unit Sect. 6

3. Reburied (date): Same date In (give complete location): Same cemetery Gr. 137-0-4

By: Group Kierce Unit Nature of reburial Box & blanket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: 5 ft. earthen grave, U S uniform, burlap, pine box, decomposed, unrecognizable

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Boston newspaper clipping found on body (News article)

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics " Partially cut

(d) Hair on face—Color "

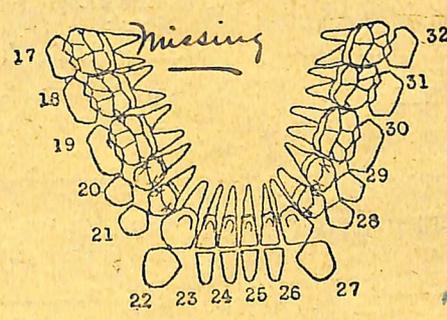
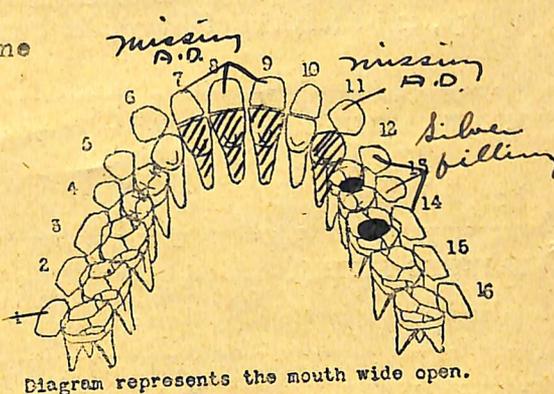
Location "

Quantity "

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

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

Both upper legs broken, left hip bone broken, lower jaw missing.



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7. Disinterment supervised by P. P. Kierce

Approved: W C Hurst
W C Hurst, Capt. QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by P. P. Kierce

Approved: W C Hurst
W C Hurst, Capt. QMC.
(Title)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

BELLOWS, Charles A. - Pvt.

November 5, 1925

Mr. Burney Bellows,
42 Elm St.,
Franklin, Mass.

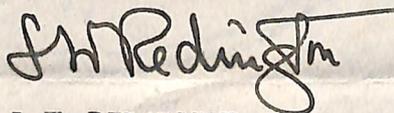
Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

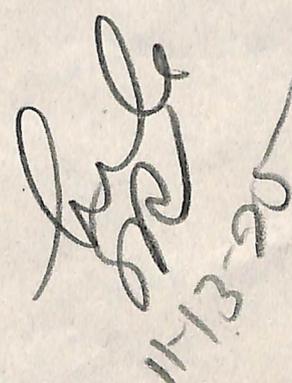
Very truly yours,



L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

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Mr. Burney Bellows,

42 Elm St.,

Franklin,

Mass.

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M. A. BRANNEN
D. C. M. A.

Soldier's  Overseas
Grave

Name Charles A. Bellows

Rank Private

Organization Company G, 104th Infantry

Grave No. 40 Row 1 Block A

Cemetery Oise-Aisne American

Location Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

BELLOWS, Charles A. - Pvt.

November 5, 1925

Mr. Burney Bellows,
42 Elm St.,
Franklin, Mass.

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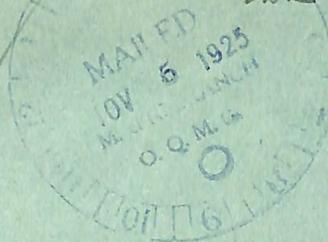
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Very truly yours,

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

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Record card.



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Charles A Bellows

C- 29549

Bureau Bellows Pro
42 Elm St
Franklin,
Mass

auth telep, V.B.

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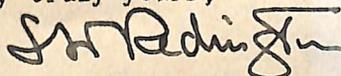
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7695 COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BELLOWS, Charles A. Ser. No. 72560
 (b) Rank Private Organization Co. G, 104th Infantry
 (c) Date of death 7-23-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. yhb
CKR. 2/3

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

(a) Grave No. 145 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 0 TYP. yhb
 (b) Emerg. Address Frank H. Bellows (father) 2 High St., Framingham Center, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. 2/3

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

no card in file P.F.
Date of receipt 12-11-20

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
 (c) Address _____
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____

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

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

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

no corres.

Examiner's Initials P.F. Date 12-11, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *Yes all*

Examiner's Initials att Date 12-11, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 208

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N. J.

JAN 31 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: **Mr. Frank H. Bellows, 2 High Street, Framingham Center, Mass.**

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Charles A. Bellows, Ser. No. 72560, Co. G, 104th Inf.

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

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

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 or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married?

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

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

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1. U. S. Form No. 1. Hq. G. S. File

2. Soldier's No.

3. Bellows, 7256, Charles a.
Surname (In Block Letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt. Co. D, 104th Inf.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Town or Commune (In Block Letters) Department

8. 107 84- I. C. MYERS
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

Exhumed-

Fr woods NW of Champlisant. Re.

12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

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13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

GROUP N 1

Signed Unit 303. G. R. S.

Group Unit 1918 G. R. S.

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Classification _____
 Adjustment _____

CEMETERY DIVISION
 GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
 REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 7/7

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number		<i>re</i>	Burial Information		✓
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files *NS.S. 7-10-20*
 O.K. Organization Files _____
 O.K. State Files. _____

Cemetery Audit Department
 Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By *Collis*

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1 Cards attached.