

G.R.S. Form #114-B

CAUSE OF DEATH *K.I.A.*

293

FULL NAME..... *o.k.* BELLOWS, William H.

RANK..... *o.k.* Pvt. 1/cl SERIAL..... *o.k.* 76342

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *o.k.* M.G. Co., 23rd Infantry *2nd Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... *o.k.* 7-20-1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Calif.*

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *none.*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 11-6-22 77 2 A
Date Grave Row Block

A.G.O.
MAY 9 1927
WORLD WAR DIV.

✓ Aisne-Marne American Cemetery # 1764
Cemetery

24/292/EYS

K.M.
5/31/27.

CODE SLIP

BELLOWS Wm. H.

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bellows, Wm. H.	3	25-2
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	4
	GRAVE	2	77
	ROW	2	02
	BLOCK	1	1
STATE	Calif	2	04
RANK	Priv.	1	2
DIVISION	2nd	2	02
ORGANIZATION	23rd	3	023
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	No	1	2
NAME	Bellows, Wm. H. Sr.	3	25-2
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	04
	COUNTY	2	01
	CITY	3	01
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	disd Jan 1932	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	dead	1	6
NATIVITY	No	1	
RACE	No	1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR.	1	
29/514/EAB		1	

Revised
MAR 15 1932
YPS

Bellows, William H. vt. 1cl MGCo. 23 Inf. Cal

Louise Caroline

M-Mrs Wm. Bellows # Box 124 Dutch Flat, Cal

get age and check address

XC83210

*father Wm H. Bellows Sr
Dutch Flat Cal*

KPG

*Jan
1932*

~~*all 3-1-1932*~~

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bellows, William H. A-M M

October 2, 1931

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows
Box 24
Dutch Flat, Calif.

MH

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293-AM
Bellows, William H. Pvt 1st (AM) M

June 19, 1931.

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Box #24,
Dutch Flat, California.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bellows, William H. Pvt 1 Cl 1764 M

October 10, 1930

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows
Box 24
Dutch Flat, California

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	No
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	No
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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Amendment
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Bellows, William H. 1764 M

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Box 24,
Dutch Flat, Calif.

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)

M. W. H. BELLOWS
BOX 24
DUTCH FLAT, CALIF.

Stutch + Lot July 2nd

War Department Washington

John T Harris

Dear Sir

Your letter received in regard to
~~the~~ to enable the Gold Star motto
to read their name grave in honor
I will not be able to do so he was not
married. Thanking you I remain

a sorrowing mother with
very truly

Mrs M H Bellows



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Bellows, William H.

Mrs Wm.H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat, Calif.

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 Private, first class William H. Bellows, 1200. Co., 23rd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bellows, William H. A-M M

October 2, 1931

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows
Box 24
Dutch Flat, Calif.

MH

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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Encl:
Env.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO **QM 293-AM**
Bellows, William H. Pvt 1cl (AM) M

June 19, 1931.

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Box #24,
Dutch Flat, California.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Sign here

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JUN 20 - PM 11:45
Q. M. G. M. & REP.

QM 293 A-M

October 10, 1930

Bellows, William H. Pvt 1 Cl 1764 M

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows
Box 24
Dutch Flat, California
Dear Madam:

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2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
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For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bellows, William H. 1764 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Box 24,
Dutch Flat, Calif.

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)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bellows, William H. 1764-M

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Box 24,
Cutch Flat, Calif.

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,

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

O.O.M.G.M. & R.D.
June 12, 1929.

Bellows, William H.

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Mrs Wm. H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat, Calif.

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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".

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

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

J. T. Harris

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

April 9, 1927.

BELLOWS, William H., Pvt., 1/cl.
M. G. Co., 23rd Infantry.

Mr. Wm. H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat,
Cal.

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,

K. J. Hampton,
Lt. Col. Q.M.C.
Assistant.

DEP

1 Incl.
Record card.



25/560/EYS

FILE UNDER NO.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

Co. M. G. 23rd Infantry
2nd Div

BELLOWS, William - Pvt

Reported missing as a member of the platoon that suffered heavy casualties while being relieved at Soisson July 20th 1918, and no report ever having been received of burial or admittance to a Hospital.

No informant given.

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FILE

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4/3/31

M. G. Co., 23 Inf.

Bellows, William R. Pvt. 76342. GC227 S

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Missing July 20th 1918.

1. Communication received regarding above soldier.
2. Soldier reported missing in action July 20th, 1918. As the company was being relieved on the night of July 20th, an enemy shell burst among the company, killing 27 men; It is believed that Pvt. Bellows was killed instantly as no ~~other~~ further report from himself or Base Hospital was received by this Co.

Informant: Richard P. Hildreth, Capt. 23rd Inf.
Lt. John Kimball A.R.C.
12/17/18.

Inquirer: Miss Agnes Jones,
B.H. 47 A.P.O. 909.

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FILE UNDER NO.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

INSTRUCTIONS.—Under “Synopsis” make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 108889.

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BELLOWS, William H. Ser. No. 76342
(b) Rank Pvt. 1/c Organization M.G. Co. 25rd Inf.
(c) Date of death 7-20-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DB
CKR. DB

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

(a) Grave No. 138 Row -- Plot 3 Sec. A TYP. DB
(b) Emerg. Address Walter S. Brown (Brother-in-law) 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases _____ CKR. DB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(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 _____, 192

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

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

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

Letter 9-7-21 from Mother requests body remain.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials D.B. Date 11-23-, 192

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1764

SHEET No. 2790

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
letter on _____, 192

12/3/21 "Additional advice" Not to be returned"
1830
12/21

IX.

REMARKS

Letter 9-6-21 from father and letter 9-7-21 from mother acknowledge receipt of letter giving grave location and ask for photo of grave.

9-17-21
Letter to parents gives present grave location and number permits of perpetual maintenance of grave by Gov't. Regrets being unable to furnish photograph.
11-22-21

11-25-21 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 584 TO EUROPE-BODY TO REMAIN Final
11-25-21

Letter from Europe 12/7/21 states instructions (do not return) noted and will be obeyed ^{att} 1/20/22

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 108889.

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name	BELLOWS, William H.	Ser. No.	76342	} TYP. DB <i>DB</i>
(b) Rank	Pvt. 1/c	Organization	M.G. Co. 23rd Inf.	
(c) Date of death	7-20-18	(d) Cause of death	K/A	

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

(a) Grave No.	138	Row	---	Plot	3	Sec.	A	TYP.	DB
(b) Emerg. Address	Walter S. Brown (Brother-in-law) 1217 P. Street, Sacramento, Calif.								

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- CKR. *DB*

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

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

12/3/21 Additional advice "not to be returned."

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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11-25-21 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 564 TO EUROPE-BODY TO REMAIN *found 11-25-21*

Letter from Europe 12/7/21 states instructions (do not return) noted and will be obeyed alt 1/25/22

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

COUNTRY ----- CEMETERY No. ----- SHEET No. *2790*

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE November 6, 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BELLOWS, William H.

10. Name

2. No. 76342

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.1/cl

12. Rank

4. Org. M.G. Co. 23rd Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 7-20-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. ~~M.I.A.~~ K/A

(b) D.B. no discrepancy

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 138 Sec. A

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 3 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. no discrepancy

18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne American Cty.

19. Commune or town Belleau

20. Dept. or County Aisne

21. Country France

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

1764

23. Disinterred (Date) November 6, 1922.

By C.W. Dodge

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William H. Bellows

Serial No. -

Rank Pvt.1/c.

Organization M.G. Co. 23rd Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant J.C. Annabel.

PREPARATION

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

Bottle record agrees.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and burlap

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 Nov. 6, 1922. By C.W. Dodge

31. Casket sealed by C.W. Dodge

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

C.W. Dodge

AUDITED BY

6/29/22

C.W. Dodge

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 31185

32. Designation of body:

Name William H. BELLOWS Serial No. 76342

Rank Pvt.1/cl. Organization MG. Co. 23rd Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne American Cty. #1764, Belleau, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) November 6, 1922. By C.W. Dodge

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 O.E. DAVIS, 1st Lt. QMC.

36. Remarks

none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration (Name)

Convoyer 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 November 6, 1922.

To Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer. Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne) (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer O.E. DAVIS, 1st Lt. QMC.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Nov. 6, 1922, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 77 Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block A Row 2

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary Lt., Chaplain, USA.

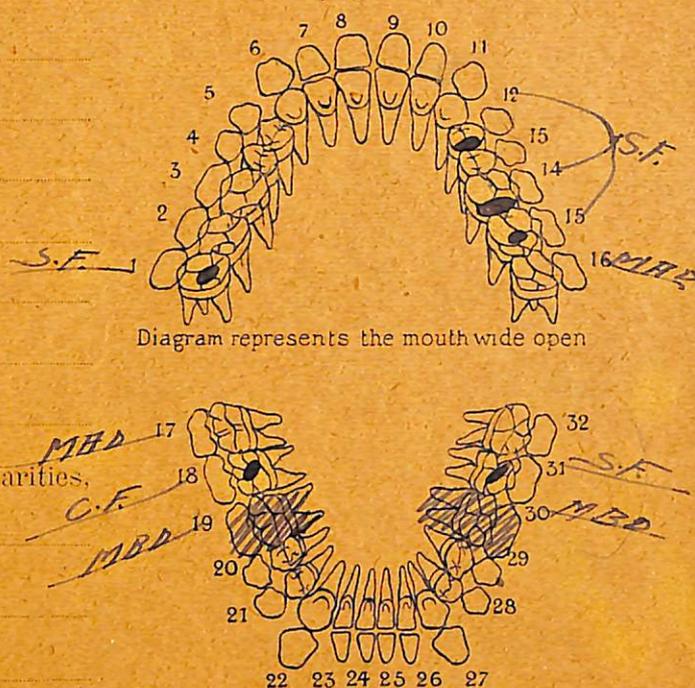
REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place BellemeuseDate November 6, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BELLOWS, William H. SERIAL NUMBER 76342
 RANK Pvt.1/c. ORGANIZATION M.G. Co. 23rd Inf.
2. Disinterred (date) : November 6, 1922. From (give complete location) : Grave 138, Plot 3, Sec. A, Cem.1764.
 By : Group 1 Unit F.S.1, Aisne-Marne Cem.
3. Reburied (date) Nov. 6, 1922 In (give complete location) : Gr. 77, Block A, Row 2, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne).
 By : Group re-burial group Unit _____ Nature of reburial Lined casket
4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box and burlap
Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes (Illegible) grave marker? Yes
 (b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Bottle record agrees.
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 "(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)

Fractures: Left tibia, fibula and humerus.Missing parts: Left humerus, lower third, both femur and pelvis.Checker: J.C. Amabel.

7. Disinterment supervised by C.W. Dodge Approved: O.E. Davis
C.W. DODGE, S.E. (Title) O.E. DAVIS, 1st Lt. OMC.
8. Reburial supervised by L.D. Hays Approved: W.D. Cleary
L.D. HAYS (Title) W.D. Cleary
Lt., Chaplain, USA.

December 3, 1921.

293.8 C-R-106889, Bellows, William H., Cty. 1764-2790.

FROM: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
SUBJECT: Additional advice on the American Cemetery of the Aisne-Marne, #1764.

1. The remains of the following American Dead buried in the American Cemetery of the Aisne-Marne, #1764, are not to be returned to the United States in accordance with our cable #976.

Cable
Ref. No.

ARMY DEAD

2790. Bellows, William H., Private 1/c, 76342, M.G. Co. 23rd Inf.

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

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

O.S.P. ✓

Please attach to

Form 115 when made

MAR 9/17/21

Value of ration, \$_____

Cost of c
To
No. rations due _____

Savings, \$_____

Short, \$_____

September 17, 1921.

293.6-Cem. File #108869 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)

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

Mrs. W.H. Bellows, Dutch Flat, Calif.

Case of Private 1st Class William H. Bellows.

1. In reply to your letter of September 7, 1921, you are advised that this office is pleased to know that its efforts in behalf of the bereaved relatives of our soldier dead is appreciated. The body of your son, the late Private 1st Class William H. Bellows, 25rd Infantry, Machine Gun Company, as previously reported, is interred in grave #138, Section A, Plot #3, Aisne-Marne American Cemetery (Bellevue Wood American Cemetery, Department of Aisne). This is a permanent American Cemetery and the grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by the Government in the most careful and reverent manner.

2. With reference to a photograph of the grave, you are advised that photographs of the graves of our soldier dead were taken by the Photographic Section of the American Red Cross. Their work in this connection was discontinued during the early part of the summer. Therefore, it is regretted that this office is unable to forward you a photograph of this grave.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

JJ CHARLES J. WYNN,
Captain, Q. M. C.

HW

Sept. 17, 1921.

293.8-Com. File #108889 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)
The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Comaterial Division)
Mr. William H. Bellows, Sr., Dutch Flat, Calif.
Case of Private 1st Class William H. Bellows.

1. In reply to your letter of September 6, 1921, your attention is invited to copy of letter herewith, enclosed, addressed to Mrs. W.H. Bellows with reference to disposition of the remains of your son, the late Private 1st Class William H. Bellows, and photograph of grave.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

HP CHARLES J. WYRNE,
Captain, Q. M. C. HW

Sept. 17, 1921.

293.8-Cem. File #108869 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)

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

Mr. Walter S. Brown, 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif.

Grave Location.

1. The records of this office indicate that the remains of the late Private 1st Class William H. Bellows, 23rd Infantry, Machine Gun Company, are now interred in grave #138, Section A, Plot #3, Aisne-Marne American Cemetery (Bellevue Wood American Cemetery, Department of Aisne).

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

JF

CHARLES J. WYHIE,
Captain, Q. M. C.

HW

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Map 33.S.E. Co-or. N.286.45 E.176/85

GARDEN OF, MM. GACANGNE, VIERZON AISNE. Place

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date..... 6.29.21

1. REMAINS OF BELLOWS, W.D. SERIAL NUMBER 7634
RANK EVT 11c ORGANIZATION Co. H. 161st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 6.29.21 From (give complete location): 6th Body in row at right
By: Group BOSSE Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 (C-113)

3. Reburied (date): July 6, 1921. In (give complete location): Grave #138, Sect. A, Plot #3, Cty. 1764, Belleau Wood (Aisne)
By: Group BOSSE Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial Birlap and pine

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE BADLY DECOMPOSED
U.S.A. UNIFORM. BURIED IN 1 1/2 FEET OF EARTH. SINGLE GRAVE MARKER FOR ALL BODIES IN ROW.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? YES (2) On grave marker? NO
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

45 CALIBRE AMMUNITION. U.S. ARMY BUTTONS. BOTH BODY DISCS PARTLY CORRODED. ABOVE HEADING IN NO. 1 OF 16-A LEGIBLE.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(b) Weight (estimated) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(c) Hair—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

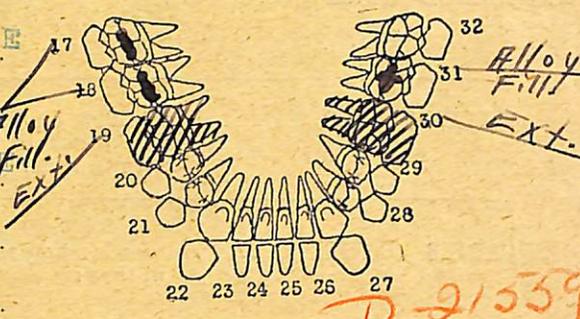
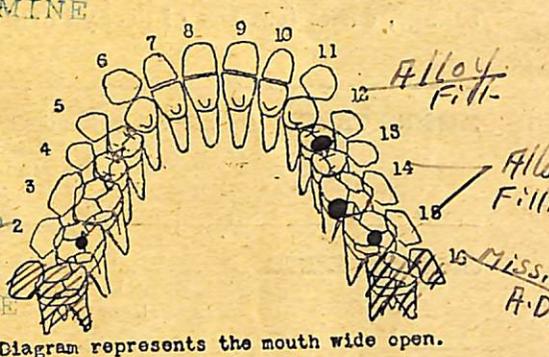
Quantity IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE
Characteristics IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(d) Hair on face—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

Location IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

Quantity IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

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



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) MISSING PARTS: Left humerus from upper third down, both femurs and pelvis. FRACTURES: Both hip bones shattered. Left tibia and fibula lower third. Left humerus upper third.

7. Disinterment supervised by HARRY V. BOSSE, SUP. EMB.

Approved: J. A. YOUNGER, CAPT. OMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. H. BARKLEY, MAJOR, OMC.
WDW. FH SUPERVISOR, AREA #2.

Approved: A. H. BARKLEY, MAJOR, OMC.
(Title) SUPERVISOR, AREA #2.

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FILE UNDER NO. 293 - Bellows, William H.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

2/27/24.

Letter
From: Quartermaster General.
To: QMSO., Washington GID., Wash., D.C.

Submitting list of names of people to whom flags should be sent
at Govt. expense.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 424 - (Flags)

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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M 293 A-C
(Bellows, William H)

February 27, 1924.

Mrs. Wm. H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat, Placer County,
California.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that, in compliance with your request of February 18, 1924, instructions have been issued to have a flag sent to you in memory of your son, the late Private, First Class, William H. Bellows, Machine Gun Company, 23rd Infantry, who gallantly gave his life in the Service of his country.

Application for subscription to "The American Legion Weekly" should be made to:

The American Legion,
627 West 43rd Street,
New York, New York.

Very truly yours,

O.Q.M.G. ✓
Central Mail & Files Bldg. L. FOSTER,
Assistant.



FEB 27 1924
H. B.

RK *RK*
HDS *HDS*
WPR *WPR*
EED *EED*

Relatives of Deceased Buddies Entitled to Flags

I understand that when the body of a deceased service man of the World War was sent home for interment, the relatives of the man were permitted to retain the American flag with which the Government covered the casket. These flags are treasured mementoes in several families I know which lost relatives in the war. Does the Government furnish such flags to relatives of men whose bodies were left in A. E. F. cemeteries?—MRS. R. RAINS, *Bronx, N. Y.*

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL W. H. HART advises that it is the policy of his office to furnish one flag to either the mother or the widow of each soldier who gave his life in the service and whose body is to remain permanently in Europe. Application made direct to the Office of the Quartermaster General, War Department, Washington, will receive prompt attention.

A Handy Man About

NEVER MIND GETTING UP, DEAR -
I'LL GET MY OWN BREAKFAST
READY THIS MORNING -



AWIRYE, DEAR-
I DONT FEEL
S'WELL S'MORNIN'
- 223222
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File 108889

mail

1704

Dutch Flat Feb 18th 1924

Quartermaster General
Washington D.C.

293
Ballou's
M. J. ...

Dear Sir.

Please send me a flag
as described in enclosed clipping. My Son
William W. Bellows. 1st Class Private of Machine
Gun Co. 2nd Division. 23rd Infantry. was killed
in action on July 20th 1918. is buried in Belleau
Woods Cemetery. France. by complying with the
above request you will greatly oblige. His Mother

Yours Respectfully
Mrs W^m W. Bellows.



Placer County

Dutch Flat
California



Where can I subscribe for the American Weekly Legion

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8. AVENUE D' IENA, PARIS

File No.

December 22, 1921.

From: Chief,

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

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following
correspondence from your office:

Letter)

dated: December 3, 1921.

~~Attachment~~)

File No. 293.8 C.R. 108889, Bellows, William H. Cty 1764-2790.

Subject: Additional advice on the American Cemetery of the Aisne-
Marne # 1764.

Name:

Bellows, William H., Pvt 1/c

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FILE

H. F. Rethers
H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Washington, D.C.

DRAFT OF CABLEGRAM
Transmittal by the Adjutant General Requested.

H.L. Rogers,
Quartermaster General.

Sent as Cablegram Paragraph No.	Sent from	File No.
No. 976	Date Nov. 25, 1921	
11/25/21	Received back	

To:

Military Attache,
Ambassy, Paris.

For Rethears: DO NOT RETURN: Section 114
Antoni Nowak 140 George E. Simons 141; 1764 William
✓ H. Bellows 2790.

Copies to: Comterial Division, Information & Guidance.



HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C. IN EUROPE
8. AVENUE D'IEANA, PARIS

November 2, 1921

File No. 108889

From: Chief,

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

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following
correspondence from your office:

~~Letter~~)
dated: October 19, 1921
2nd Indorsement)

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div. - #108889 - (Bellows, William H.)

Subject: Change of records

Name: Pvt.1/cl William H. Bellows

DMK.

H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

FILE

CEMETERY DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

Sept. 19, 1921

MEMO FOR:
Cards Department.

1.
CASE OF:

M.G. Co., 23rd Inf.
ORGANIZATION (old)
Bellows, William H.
(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.	Dis. 6/29/21 & Feb. 7/2/21.		D-
2nd Reb.	Cty. 1764		D21559
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Ethel C. Cawley

Inv. & Adj.

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By MJC

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CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

Aug 25 1921

FILE

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

23rd. Infantry Machine Gun Co.
ORGANIZATION (old)

Bellows, 76342. William H. priv 1/cl.
(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.	7/6/21	1764	D- 21559
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Miss Lannon

Card
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By WJG

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2nd Ind.

FILE NO. 293.8 Com. Div. - #108889 - (HELLOWS, William H.)
From: O. Q. M. G., Cemeterial Division, October 19, 1921 - To: Chief,
American Graves Registration Service, O. M. G. in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena,
Paris, France.

1. Returned. The change of records as listed in foregoing
1st indorsement is hereby confirmed and our records now show,

Private 1/cl William H. HELLOWS, #76342,
Machine Gun Company, 23rd Infantry
Buried in Grave #138, Section A, Plot #3,
American Cemetery #1764, Belleau (Aisne).

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

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OCT 19 1921

G.R.S.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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O. Q. M. G.

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Directory Clerk No.

Mr. Walter S. Brown,

~~1217 F. Street,~~

Sacramento, Calif.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE, \$300.

ADDRESS
YOUR MAIL
TO
STREET AND
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From Sacramento, Cal.

ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
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WASHINGTON

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Sept. 17, 1921.

No. 293.8-Cem. File #108889 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division)
To: Mr. Walter S. Brown, 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif.
Subject: Grave Location.

FILE

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

Charles J. Wynne
CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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September 17, 1921.

293.8-Cem. File #108889 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)
The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division)
Mrs. W.H. Bellows, Dutch Flat, Calif.
Case of Private 1st Class William H. Bellows.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

AD CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C. MCH

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Sept. 17, 1921.

293.8-Cem. File #108889 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)

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

Mr. William H. Bellows, Sr., Dutch Flat, Calif.

Case of Private 1st Class William H. Bellows.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

HF CHARLES J. ~~WINE~~,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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Sept. 17, 1921.

293.8-Cem. File #108809 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)
The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division)
Mr. Walter S. Brown, 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif.
Grave Location.

FILE

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

JF

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, U. S. Army

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Sept. 17, 1921.

293.8-Cem. File #108889 (Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/c)

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

Miss Josephine McAvoy, 1075 Lombard St., San Francisco, Calif.

Grave Location.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

JF

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

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FILE

Office Quartermaster General

Cemeterial Division

9/15 1921

Memo For:

I can find
no record in
Phot. Sec. of
photos being
sent on this
Case.

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from Mrs W H Bellows

Dutch Fr Co.
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Recorded Commercial Div. O. G. M. B.
File # 29887-108889

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Dutch Fr Co - Sept 7th 1921.

Co. Quartermaster General.

Washington D. C.

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Dear Sir

my husband has written you thanking
you for the kindness & attention you
have shown us in giving us the
news that the body of my dear son had
been buried in the American Cemetery,
138 Section A. Plot 3. I want to thank
you & Co. if you know what a load of
anxious days & years of worry it has
left it for 3 years we have been under
such stress as if it had ever been
found. ~~Now~~ ^{now} we know & may God release
many other mothers that are in suspense
over the fate of their dear ones now I
wish his body to remain where it is
buried & will if you kindly send me a
photo of his grave at an early date.

I remain yours truly Mrs W H Bellows

Bellows Mrs. H.



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Dutch Flat Sept 6th 1921

To Charles J. Wynne
Quartermaster General, U. S. Army. (Cem Div)
Dear Sir

Am in receipt of your communications informing me that the body of my late son Private 1st class William H. Bellows, 23rd Infantry Machine Gun Company is now interred in Grave 138, Section A, Plot 3 Aisne-Marne American Cemetery.

Many thanks for the kind information. I would be pleased to receive a Photograph of the Grave as soon as it is my turn to receive one. Thanking you for the favor I am

Yours Truly
William H. Bellows Sr.

Bellows, Wm. H.

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August 29, 1921

293.8-Cem.#103889-(Bellows, William H. Pvt. 1st cl.)

File O. S. P.

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

Miss Josephine McAvoy, 1075 Lombard St. San Francisco, Calif.

Bm 8-29-21

Grave location

1. The records of this office indicate that the body of the late Private 1st class William H. Bellows, 23rd Infantry, Machine Gun Company, is now interred in Grave 138, Section A, Plot 3, Aisne-Marne American Cemetery.

FILE

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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Bm
CHARLES J. WYNNIE,
Captain, Q.M.C.

HW

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AUG 30 1921
G.R.S.

August 29, 1921

293.8-Cem.#108839-(Bellows, William H. Pvt. 1st cl.)

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

Mr. W.H. Bellows, Dutch Flat, Calif.

Grave location

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

LN

Wm
CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q.M.C.

HW

MAILED
AUG 30 1921
G.R.S.



File Number 108889

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date August 24, 1921.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: **William H. Bellows**

Serial Number **76342**

RANK: **Private First Class**

ORGANIZATION: **23rd Infantry, Machine Gun Company.**

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	1. No. <i>put</i>
2.	Date of death.	2. 7/20/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. K/A
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	4. 572-6-16
5.	Date buried.	5. None given
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Grave 138, Section A, Plot 3, American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	9. Cross
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. Yes No.
11.	Complete emergency address?	11. Walter S. Brown, 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	12. F 107-A 8/24/21
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	
14.	What is the photograph number?	14. None given
15.	Inquiry made by.	

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Confirmed.

Unconfirmed.

N. B.—All proper names to be typewritten, or printed
 in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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293.9 Recovery - Area #2

1st Ind.

HW/nm

Hdgrs. American G. R. S., Q.M.C. in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, PARIS, July 26,
1921 - To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON, D. C.

1. Forwarded, inviting attention to basic communication and to
G.R.S. Forms #1-A and #16-A attached hereto.

2: The records of this office show:

BELLOWS, #76342, William H., Pvt. 1/cl M.G.Co., 23rd Inf.,
Grave #138, Sect. A, Plot #3, Belleau Woods
American Cemetery #1764, BELLEAU (Aisne).

pending receipt of further instructions from your office.

(Signed) R. P. HARBOLD

F. C. Johnson
Lt.Col. Q.M.C.
Acting Chief.

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H E A D Q U A R T E R S , A R E A # 2,
A M E R I C A N G . R . S . Q . M . C . i n E u r o p e ,
C h a t e a u T h i e r r y (A i s n e)

July 1, 1921.

File 293. Bellows, Wm.

From: Supervisor, Area #2.
To: Chief, American G. R. S., Q.M.C. in Europe, Paris.
Subject: Concentration.

1. Enclosed herewith is form 16-A in duplicate for the concentration of a location in the village of Bierzy in the garden of Mme. Gacaugne, of a body identified by tags as that of William Bellows, Pvt. Co. H, 161st Infantry.

2. The unlocated file of this office shows the name of BELLOWS Wm. H., #76342, PFC, M. G. Co. 23rd Infantry. This name did not appear on the French burial list, but it was found between the bodies of Lester Durbin and John Kennedy, in which location the French list shows an unknown soldier to be buried.

3. Form 1-A in triplicate covering reburial of this body in Grave #138, Section A, Plot #3, Cemetery #1764, Belleau Wood (Aisne) attached hereto.

(Signed) A. H. BARKLEY
Major, Q.M.C.

AHB/clp
in Incl in dupl
1 Incl. in dupl

C O P Y

Miss Willing
~~Mr Good~~

Letter

18-13-21
~~9/19/21~~

then forward to
Day with 101-a
attached.

H/S

September 19, 1921.

File #108889

Case of: Bellows, #76342, William H.
Pvt., 1/c, M.G. Co., 23rd Inf.

It is requested that an Indorsement be forwarded to France stating our records now show Bellows buried in Grave #138, Section A, Plot #3, American Cemetery #1764, Belleau, Aisne.

H/S

M. A. Hawkins
M. A. Hawkins

File Number 108889

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 10/13/21

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: Bellows, William H.

Serial Number 76342

RANK: Pvt., 1/c

ORGANIZATION:

M.G. Co., 23rd Inf.

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	1. Yes.
2.	Date of death.	2. 7/20/18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. K/A.
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	4. 572-6-16.
5.	Date buried.	5. No record.
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Garden of Mme. Gacangne, Vierzy, Aisne, (No Cmme. No. given). Disinterred 6/29/21 & Reburied 7/6/21 in Grave #138, Section A, Plot #3, Amer. Cty. #1764, Belleau, Aisne.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	9. Cross.
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. (a) Yes. (b) No.
11.	Complete emergency address?	11. Walter S. Brown (Brother-in-law) 1217 F. St., Sacramento, Calif.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	12. No.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	
14.	What is the photograph number?	14. No record.
15.	Inquiry made by.	

ECC

RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

.....X..... Confirmed.

Inv. & Adj. Dept. Unconfirmed.

N. B.—All proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

OPINION

9-15-1921

CASE OF Bellows, William H. 76342, Machine Gun Co. 23rd. Inf. Pvt. 1/c1.

GRAVE 138. Sec. A. Plot 3. Cty. 1764. Belleau, aisme, Amer Cty.

DECISION That the body contained in this grave is that of Bellows, Wm. H.

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Emergency Address		Report on Disinterment	
A.G.O.	Dental Work	Dental Work	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
Missing U.R. #8	None shown	None shown		#7 alloy filling	#8
U.L.				#4 alloy filling	
				#6 alloy filling	
				#7 alloy filling	
L.R. #6			#6	#8 alloy filling	
				#7 alloy filling	#8
L.L. #6			#6	#7 alloy filling	

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:
A.G.O. Reports U.R. #8 out before death. France on disinterment reports U.R. #8
M.A.D. May not have been erupted at enlistment and have erupted and decayed while
in the service necessitating extraction, or France may have reported in error M.A.D.
instead of M.B.D.

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height 5 ft. 7 in.	No report	Impossible to determine
Weight 154		
Hair Lt. Brown		
Fractures None		

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

Found on Cross

Yes (2)

No

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

~~45 calibre ammunitions U.A. Army buttons. Both body discs partly corroded. Information as given in #1 of the 16-A legible.~~

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Garden of Madame Gacangne, Vierzy.
This man reported buried originally Near Vierzy.
Organizations of other men buried around original location Marines

Concur:

Sm Wheeler

APPROVED:

Wm C. Hartman
Investigator

Donald R. Good
9/16

ADDRESS REPLY TO

Division
DIRECTOR OF STORAGE
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WAR DEPARTMENT
PURCHASE, STORAGE, AND TRAFFIC DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

No:

From:

To:

Subject:

JASS/FMF

JASS/FMF

FROM: O. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
War Trade Building
Room 2421

PLEASE
FOR THE USE OF THE OFFICE
EXPEDITE
FOR THE USE OF THE OFFICE

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

Date 8/30

File No. 108889-Registration.

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. *Bellows*
- b. Christian name. *Wm H*
- c. Serial number. *76342*
- d. Organization. *M. G. Co. 23rd Div.*
- e. Rank. *1/2 Pvt.*
- f. Date of death. *July 20/1918*
- g. Cause of death. *Killed in action*
- h. Authority (C. C. No.) *227*
- i. Emergency address. *Warren S. Brown
1217 F Street
Sacramento, Cal.*
- j. Relationship. *Bro-in-law.*

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment. *28 yrs.*
- b. Color of eyes. *gray*
- c. Color of hair. *light Brown*
- d. Height. *5 7/8 feet.*
- e. Weight. *154*
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.) *none.*

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

- a. Strike out teeth missing:
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REVIEWED
OSP SS.

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

By

H. J. Conner

H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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W8-3 9/1/21.
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REC'D MAIL SECTION,
W. W. Div., A. G. O.
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Rest World War Division
SEP 1 1921

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION BRANCH
Inquiry & Correspondence Section
Registration Section
Overseas Project Section

AUG 27 1921
8-20-21

Date _____

TO *Miss Wheeler*
CAPTAIN WYNNE

MR. GRANT

CH
MR. HUGHITT

MISS BOLAND

MAIL & PREPARATION OF DATA
CONGRESSIONAL & SPECIAL REPLY
GENERAL REPLY
PHOTOGRAPH SECTION

✓ INVESTIGATION & ADJUSTMENT ✓
AUDIT
CARDS

COMPILATION OF DATA
STATISTICS

Return to *Audit*

From *CH*

Action
Adjustment
Approval
Copies
Correction
Draft of letter
Investigation & Report
Note (need not return)
Note and Return
Papers in Case
Personal Conference
Remark
Reply
Returned
Signature

Preparation of Reply for Signature of
Secretary of War
Quartermaster General
Colonel Penrose
Lt. Col. Davis, O.R.C.
Captain Wynne

(See other side)

S/1333/LML

1st ind. Par 2.

OCT 19 1920

Investigation & Adjustment Dept.,
Investigation Unit

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

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

File No. 108889 Registration.

Date Oct. 19, 1920

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

FILE

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

- a. Surname Bellows O.K.
- b. Christian name William H. O.K.
- c. Serial number 76342 O.K.
- d. Organization 23rd Inf., MG Co.
- e. Rank Pvt. 1/cl. O.K.
- f. Date of death 7-20-18 O.K.
- g. Cause of death K/A O.K.
- h. Authority (C.C.#) 572-6-16 O.K.
- i. Emergency address Walter S. Brown, 1217 F. Street, Sacramento, Calif. O.K.
- j. Relationship Brother-in-law O.K.

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at enlistment 28 yrs 0 mo.
- b. Color of eyes gray
- c. Color of hair l brown
- d. Height 5 ft. 7 in
- e. Weight 155 lbs.
- 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
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USP. SS.

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

BY:

H. J. Conner

H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q.M.C.

1st. Lieut

Donnelly - ass.
Ent Pers Sec. 8 310
10-20-20

Macauley

Rec'd World War Div.
Date 10 20 '20

FROM: C. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1135

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

October 4, 1920.

23.8-Cem. #108889 (Bellows, William H. Pvt.)

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To: Miss Josephine McAvoy, 1075 Lombard St., San Francisco, Calif.
Subject: Grave Location.

FILED

1. In reply to your letter of recent date, you are advised that the records of this office do not, at this time, show the grave location of the late Private William H. Bellows. It is, therefore, necessary to institute a detailed investigation of this case, the result of which may not be reached for quite some time. At least forty-five or sixty days will elapse before further reply can be made to you. This delay is due to the stress of work in this office and the detailed search of records involved in each case of this nature in order to determine grave location. It is often necessary to communicate with the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C. in Europe, before final action can be taken.

2. You will be advised immediately upon receipt of further information.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

MVB

W. C. JONES,
Lieut. Colonel, Q. M. C.

JEW

BPAC

mail
OCT 5 - 1920

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
INQUIRY SECTION.

File No.

108889

Date 10-2-20

Time 4 PM

TO REGISTRATION SECTION,
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION.

Attention of Mr. Hughitt

FOR VERIFICATION OF

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grave location	Spelling of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(a) original	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) first name
<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) reburial	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) last name
<input type="checkbox"/>	Serial number	Date of
<input type="checkbox"/>	File number	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) death
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) burial or reburial
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cause of death	<input type="checkbox"/> Condition of Body
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Burial of Body
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identification	<input type="checkbox"/> Other burials in same vicinity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rank	<u>Jaw</u>

OCT 5 - 1920
2:35 PM

Jaw

REGISTRATION SECTION
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION

Date _____

Time _____

TO INQUIRY SECTION:

Attention of: Supervisor

- No action to be taken by this office.
- REPLY and 109-a to be returned to Inv. & Adj.
- REPLY and return to Inv. & Adj. for investigation.

FILE

Examiner

Remarks:
See other side.

S-459?MB

INQUIRY ACKNOWLEDGED

forwarded for action.

Date 10-2-20 4 PM
Jaw

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 10-1-20

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Bellows, William H.*

Serial Number

RANK *Priv.*

ORGANIZATION

M. G. Co - 23rd Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	No. # 76342
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 7-20-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) KIA
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	(4) 572-6-16
5.	Date buried.	(5) no record
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) no record
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) } no record
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) Walter S. Brown ^(brother in-law) 1217 J. Street, Sacramento, Cal.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	(12) no record
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	(13) no record
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	(14) no record
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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-Cards 4x6

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N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY.

9/30/20

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| _____ Change of Address
G.R.S. Form 106) | _____ Instructions for Disposition of
Remains
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-F-W) |
| _____ Monument
(Par. #10, Bul. 10-F-W) | _____ Photographs
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-F-W) |
| _____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-F-W) | _____ Permanent Burial in
(a) France (G.R.S. Form 106) |
| _____ Personal Effects
(Par. #13 (a) Bul. 10-F-W)
(G.R.S. Form 111) | _____ (b) Other Countries |
| _____ Accrued Pay
(Par. #13 (b) Bul. 10-F-W)
(G.R.S. Form 111) | _____ Return of Bodies From
(a) France
(Par. #4, Bul. 10-F-W)
(G.R.S. Form 106) |
| _____ Maintenance
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-F-W) | _____ (b) Other countries |
| _____ Liberty Bonds
(Par. #13 (c) Bul. 10-F-W)
(G.R.S. Form 111) | _____ Expenses of Shipment
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-F-W) |
| _____ War Risk Insurance
(Par. #13 (d) Bul. 10-F-W)
(G.R.S. Form 111) | _____ Conveying Bodies from Hoboken
(Par. #8, Bul. 10-F-W) |
| _____ "Zone of the Interior"
(Par. #5, Bul. 10-F-W) | _____ Permanent Cemeteries
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-F-W) |

Remarks: 48

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11 and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.



[Signature]
Analysis Clerk.

B

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

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by:) (date.....)
Data sent Overseas
Operations to commence (approx.)
Operations to be completed (approx.)
Bodies shipped from European Port
Bodies arrived at Hoboken

II. CASE OF

The following information was abstracted (Date) from:

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE	Clk.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards				
A.G.O. Corresp.				
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.				

DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN			REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt.	Int.		
Widow					
Children (Name oldest first)					
Father					
Mother					
Brothers					
Sisters					

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

REMARKS *In Record* *MRS 9/26/20*

1075 Lombard Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Adjutant General,
U. S. Army,
Washington, D.D.

In re: Private William H. Bellows,
Machine Gun Company, 23rd Infantry,
2nd Division.

Attention: Graves Registration Bureau.

Sir:

Private William H. Bellows was killed at Verzey near Soissons July 20th, 1918. The Captain of his company was killed at the same time and according to reports the whole platoon was lost.

First Lieutenant Hildreth was made Captain of the Company and on July 4th, 1919 the Government notified the parents of Private Bellows, at Dutch Flat, California, that he was killed instead of missing in action as first reported. This sustained Captain Hildreth's report of October, 1918.

Mrs. Bellows, his mother, requested me to write and inquire if there is any record of her son's burial. From all she has learned the whole platoon was blown to pieces at the time her son was killed but she would like to know if what is found of their bodies is buried together, or if there is any record of her son's grave.

Any information you can send to the above address will be given to Mrs. Bellows and will be of great consolation to her.

Thanking you, I am

Josephine McAvoy,
1075 Lombard Street,
San Francisco.

CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



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RECEIVED

SEP 20

File # 293.8
168889

Bellows, Wm H

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

May 11, 1920.

No: 108889-(1/cl Private William H. Bellows)
From: Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Cemeterial Division)
To: Mr. W. H. Bellows, Box 103, Dutch Flat, Calif.
Subject: Non-Registration.

1. Pursuant to our letter of April 3rd in which we advised you that the grave of Private 1/cl William H. Bellows, #76342, 34rd Machine Gun Co., 2nd Division had not been registered in this office and that investigation was being made in an effort to locate this grave, a report under date of April 12th was received in this office from our office in France to the effect that there was still no record of this grave.

2. Investigation will continue in this case and upon receipt of any definite information, the same will be immediately communicated to you.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

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

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2 Encls.

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C. E. S. MAILED
MAY 12 1920

2nd Ind.

Hdqs., American G.R.S., C.M.C., in E., 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.
24th April. 1920. To The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D.C.

PK

1. The records of this office show the following information:

Name: Bellows, William H. 76342

Rank: Pvt 1/c.

108889

Organization: 23rd M. G. Co.

Grave No:

Section:

Plot No:

Cemetery:

Remarks: No grave location on record in this office.

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INQ. BRANCH

MAY 12 1920

CEMETERIAL
Div. G. M. C.

Final Search
5-13-20 - H.W.L.
No Grave Location

H. F. RETHERS,
Lieut. Colonel, Q.M.C.,
Chief.



Demolition



2nd Ind.

108989 R

Hqrs. American C. & S., Q.M.C., in E., 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris.
France, April 21st. 1920. To: The Quartermaster General of the
Army, Washington, D.C.

1. The records in this office show the following information:

Name: BELLOWS, William H. 76342.

Rank: Pvt 1cl.

Organisation: M.G.Co. 23rd Infantry.

Grave No.:

Section:

Plot No.:

Cemetery:

Remarks: No Grave location on record in this office.

RECEIVED
INQ. BRANCH

MAY 11 1920

CEMETERIAL
Div.-Q. M. C.

H. F. Reithers
H. F. REITHERS,
Lieut. Colonel. Q.M.C.
Chief.



Received at

Classification

Adjustment _____

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 4-17-20

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				Burial Information		
Rank				Nearest Relative		
Organization	4 x 6	✓		Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death	4 x 6	✓		Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death	4 x 6	✓		White Card set up 3 x 5		
Casualty Cablegram Number						

O.K. Alphabetical Files 70 B, 4-21-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~ _____

~~O.K. State Files.~~ _____

Cemetery Audit Department
✓ Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By V.B. Cohen

3 Cards attached.

2nd Ind.

Hdqs., American C.R.S., C. M.C., in E., 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.
12th April. 1920. To The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D.C.

NO 25 22
Received in Dept.

1. The records of this office show the following information:

Name: Bellows, William H. 76342.

Rank: Pvt 1/c.

Organization: M.G.Co. 23rd Inf.

Grave No:

Section:

Plot No:

Semotory:

Remarks: No grave location on record in this office.

Final Search
5-11-20 — H.W.L.
No Grave Location

R. F. Rethers
H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.,
Chief.

Sam



Completed at

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

April 5, 1920.

No : 108889 (Pvt 1/c William H. Bellows,)
From : The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To : Mr. Walter S. Brown 1217 F. St., Sacramento, Calif.
Subject: Report on Non-Registration.

1. In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the grave of :

Pvt. 1/c William H. Bellows, #76342,
23rd M. G. Co. 2nd Div.

has not been registered in this office, but investigations are being made, the result of which will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

2. Please do not be discouraged by the failure, thus far, to secure the information you desire. Each day witnesses the perfecting of records in cases not heretofore reported, and we have hope of sending you comforting assurances in due time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

1st Ind.

O.Q.M.G., Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C. April 5, 1920
To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. Copy referred for investigation and report by indorsement hereon as to what information is contained on records of your office as to grave location, together with report as to result of investigation upon completion.

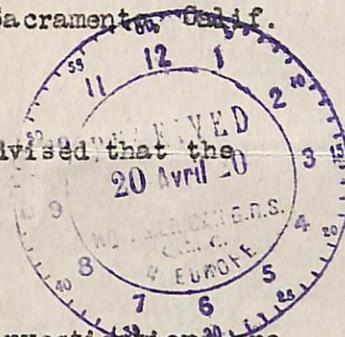
By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

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Recorded, AGRS QM in Europe
108889
Bellows, William, et



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

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by:) (date.....)

Data sent Overseas

Operations to commence (approx.)

Operations to be completed (approx.)

Bodies shipped from European Port

Bodies arrived at Hoboken

II. CASE OF Bellows, William H. Port. 1/c, M.G. Co. 23 Inf
#76342

The following information was abstracted (Date) from:

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards		<i>None</i>	Shppg. Inquiry (sent.....)		
A.G.O. Corresp			To.....		
G.R.S. corresp. relative to disp.			OSP.S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN.		REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.		
Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)				
Father				
Mother				
Brothers				
Sisters	<i>None</i>			

Body to be shipped to

..... was shipped (Date)

REMARKS

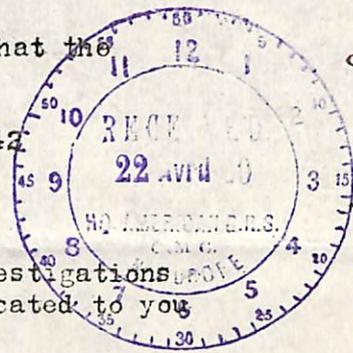
WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON.

March 18, 1920.

Recorded, AGRS OMC in Europe
File No 293 Bellows, Wm H.

1. In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the grave of:

Pvt. 1/c William H. Bellows, #76342
23rd M. G. Co.



has not yet been registered in this office, but investigations are being made, the result of which will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

2. Please do not be discouraged by the failure, thus far, to secure the information you desire. Each day witnesses the perfecting of records in cases not heretofore reported, and we have hope of sending you comforting assurances in due time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CCP/jad

1st Ind.

G.R.S., O.Q.M.G., 18th & Va. Ave., Washington, D.C. March 18, 1920.
To: Director of Mortuary Operations in Europe, 12 rue Boissy d'Anglas, Paris, France.

1. For investigation and report by indorsement hereon as to what information is contained on records of your office as to grave location, together with report as to result of investigation upon completion.

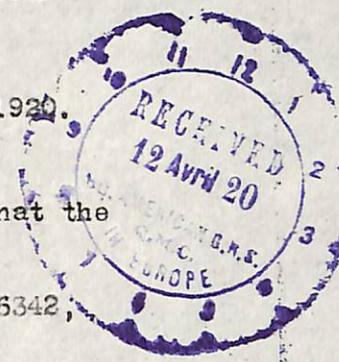
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File No 293 Bellows, Wm. H.

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

March 5, 1920.



1. In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the grave of:

1st cl Pvt. Wm. H. Bellows, #76342,
23rd M. G. Bn. 2nd Div.

has not yet been registered in this office, but investigations are being made, the result of which will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

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CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

#108889

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

2-201 AMS-MH

IN REPLY
REFER TO

201(Bellows, William H)WW

March 8, 1920.

*Adj. make 4/17/20
7/30.*

From: The Adjutant General of the Army
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington, D. C.
Subject: Notification of death.

1. Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private 1C1 William H. Bellows, 76,342, Machine Gun Co., 23rd Inf., who was previously reported missing in action since July 20, 1918, was killed in action July 20, 1918. A notation to that effect has been placed upon the official records. ✓

2. It appears from the records that the deceased was enlisted Nov.4, 1917, and gave the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency as : Walter S. Brown, (brother-in-law) 1217 - F St., Sacramento, Calif. ✓

By order of the Secretary of War:

P.C. Harris.
The Adjutant General.
per. *W.S.H.*

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April 3, 1920.

108889 (Inquiry) Bellows, William H., Pvt.1/cl.

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

Mr. W. H. Bellows, Box 103, Dutch Flat, Calif.

Pvt.1/cl. William H. Bellows.

1. In reply to your letter of March 20, 1920, we regret to advise that the grave of your son, Private 1/cl. William H. Bellows, serial No. 76342, 23 Mach. Gun Co., 2nd Division, has not yet been registered in this office. Continued search is being made and we have hope of sending you comforting assurances that this grave has been located, as each day witnesses the perfecting of records not heretofore reported. We will notify you immediately upon receipt of this information in our office.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

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

LKB:FKW

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Form # 109-a

DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

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April 5, 1920.

No : 108889 (Pvt 1/c William H. Bellows,)
From : The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To : Mr. Walter S. Brown 1217 F. St., Sacramento, Calif.
Subject: Report on Non-Registration.

1. In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the grave of :

Pvt. 1/c William H. Bellows, #76342,
23rd M. G. Co. 2nd Div.

has not been registered in this office, but investigations are being made, the result of which will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

2. Please do not be discouraged by the failure, thus far, to secure the information you desire. Each day witnesses the perfecting of records in cases not heretofore reported, and we have hope of sending you comforting assurances in due time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

1st Ind.

O.Q.M.G., Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C. April 5, 1920
To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G. in Europe.

1. Copy referred for investigation and report by indorsement hereon as to what information is contained on records of your office as to grave location, together with report as to result of investigation upon completion.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

G. S. B. MAILING
APR 5 1920

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

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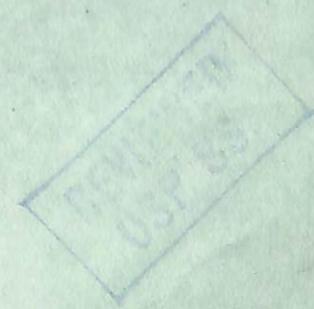
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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

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

/ers



MAR 26 '20

Received - - Inq. Dept.

1217 J St, Sacramento
Mar. 20, '20.

War Department,
Grave Registry Dept, Washington, D. C.,

Kindly inform me as to what
information you have concerning
William H. Bellows, 1st C Private, Co M,
23rd Inf. Has his grave been located?
Any information will be greatly appreciated.

Walter S. Brown,
1217 J St.
Sacramento.

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

Date 3-27-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Bellows, William H.

Serial Number _____

RANK Pvt 1/2 ORGANIZATION Co. M, 23rd Inf.

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes, except <u>23rd Inf, Co 2nd Div</u> Ser # 76342
2.	Date of Death.	(2) Missing since 7-20-18.
3.	Cause and place of death	(3) now presumed to be dead from all available information.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) CC # 572, -6-16.
5.	Date buried	(5) no record
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) no record
7.	Who reported burial?	(7) no other information in files M. G. C. 3-27-20
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10a) } no record (10b) }
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) Walter S. Brown, (brother-in-law) 1217 7th, Sacramento, Calif.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	(12) no record.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control Dept.

Directory no record
Cards 5 x 8 no record

✓ Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

no form 11
W. G. L. B.
Robin Hornsby H. H. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

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3/26/20

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
 (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks; *G. L.*

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.
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Analysis Clerk.

MAR 26 '20

Received - - Inq. Dept.

Dutch F Co - March 20th 1918

Colonel Charles C. Preme.

I am writing
 concerning the grave of Private William
 H. Bellows 2nd Div. 2nd Marine Gun Co
 A.C.F. No 7 Co. 3 42. was killed July 20th 1918.
 near Virginia Beach. If a hunting shell
 will you tell me if his body was found
 & if he was blown up will they ever what-
 tly find & mark with the grave of the dear
 boys. I have written many times but no answer
 now dear friend please do what you can
 for a heart-broken mother oh how I yearn
 for his return which I know will never
 be in this world if his grave has been
 found I wish his body to remain buried
with his comrades he would be well.

I hope you will answer this letter soon
 & release the anxious heart-ache of his

anxious parents

Mrs Mrs W H Bellows
 Dutch F Co

Bay 103.

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

Date 3-26-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Bellows, William H.*

Serial Number

RANK *Pvt.*

ORGANIZATION *23 Mach, Gun. Co. 2nd Div*

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) <i>Yes, Pvt. 1C & Serial # 76342</i>
2.	Date of Death.	(2) <i>Missing since 7-20-18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death	<i>Presumed to be dead from all available information</i>
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(3) <i>Not given</i>
5.	Date buried	(4) <i># 572</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(5) <i>not given</i> (6) <i>not given</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	(7) <i>No G. L. B. mother information - M# 13-29-20</i>
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) (a) <i>not given</i> (b) <i>not given (Brotterinlaw)</i>
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) <i>Walter S. Brown 1217 # Street Sacramento, Calif.</i>
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	(12) <i>not given</i>
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

*Unconfirmed
3/30/20 m.p.m.*

Released by Information Control Dept. Directory *no record*

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Cards 4 x 6

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*no G.S. info from 16.
not in Romagne.*

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

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March 18, 1920.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CCP/jad

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Colonel, U.S. Army,
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CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

G.R.S. Form No. 109,
Report of Non-Registration.

File No.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

March 18, 1920.

Mr. W. H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat,
Calif.

1.- In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the
grave of:

1st Class Sgt. William H. Bellows, 76342
23rd M.G. CO.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service,

CCP/jad

/ors

NS-3405-mr.

Dutch Flat March 5th 1920

Adjt General Graves Dept

Washington D. C.

Received -- Inq. Dept.

Dear Sir

I am writing concerning our son
First Class Private William W. Bellows who was in
Co M. 23rd Machine Gun Co. A.E.F. Serial number #76.342
he was reported killed in action on July 20th 1918 at Verzy
near Soissons France.

We wish to know if his body was found
and where he was buried. we have learned the ones
who lost their lives are to be buried in a National
Cemetery in France, and the Cemetery taken care of
by the French and U.S. Governments. except those whose
parents wish for the remains to be brought back to America
Now it's our request that our dear son be buried in the
National Cemetery along with his comrades that fell with
him. Please inform us upon these points so we can
more fully understand what our Government intends to
do. and what is expected for us to do.

By answering the above you will greatly oblige

Yours very Sincerely

Mr & Mrs W.W. Bellows Sr
Dutch Flat
Placer Co

Our son was formerly in
Co No. 161st U.S. Inf. A.E.F.

Received A. G. O. MAR 10 1920

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

Date 3-13-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Bellows, William H. Serial Number 76,342.

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. M, 23rd MG Co.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes. Pvt 1/c. (except Co M ^{not given})
2.	Date of Death	(2) Missing since 7-20-18.
3.	Cause and place of death	(3) Now presumed to be dead from all available information.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) CC 572-6-16
5.	Date buried	(5) no record
6.	Grave Location (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) no record
7.	Who reported burial?	(7) no record
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	L
9.	Report as to Grave Marker	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	(10a) } no record. b) (brother in law)
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	(11) Walter D. Brown, 1217 F. St. Sacramento, Calif.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	(12) no record
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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

March 5, 1920.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1920.

Mr. W. H. Bellows,
Duth Flats,
Calif.

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NS-3405-mr.

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

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ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
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(Par. #8, Bul. 10-C-W)

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(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

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(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

Permanent Burial In

_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

Return of Bodies From

_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ (b) Other countries

Remarks: CL

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NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

M.H.D.

Analysis Clerk.

AG 201 (Bellows, William H.) WW 1st Ind. MM
War Department, A.G.O., January 27th, 1920. To: The Quartermaster General 2-201
of the Army.

1. For reply regarding so much of the inquiry as pertains to place of burial in the case of Private William H. Bellows, 76,542, Machine Gun Company, 33rd Infantry. The correspondent has been advised of this reference and regarding that part of the letter which deals with details of death.

By order of the Secretary of War.

P. C. Harris

The Adjutant General.

Per *UB*

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F. O. Harris. Per

The Adjutant General.

Per



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12/1/18

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Dutch Nat. Dec 15 1918

Adjutant General.

R-2 MAIL SECTION

War Dept Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I am writing concerning the burial of 1st Class Private William H. Bellows of 23rd Machine Gun Co, 2nd Division who was killed in action July 20th 1918 at Vieux near Soissons France his serial number was 76342

The Red Cross informed us that the Co was going back from the front for a rest, when the enemy fired a heavy shell that exploded among the boys killing nearly the whole platoon our son being one of the killed. We have never been able to learn if our son was blown to pieces or not or if they found his body and gave it a Soldiers burial. We hope he was not blown to pieces.

If you can give us any definite ^{information} regarding his death if he was buried and where he was buried, it would certainly be a great relief to his parents to know the facts

Thanking you for any information you may give us. we are

Yours Sincerely
W. H. Bellows Sr
Mrs W. H. Bellows

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Jan 17 1919

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Received A. G. O. JAN 13 1919

REC'D RECORDS BR. A. G. O.
JAN 14 1919

Bellevue

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

Date 2/24/20.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME BELLOWS, Wm. H.

Serial Number

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION 23rd M. G. CO., 2nd Div.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1. Serial # 76542, Pvt lcl.
2.	Date of Death.	2. Missing since 7/20/18. Now presumed to be dead from all available information.
3.	Cause and place of death	3.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4. CC 572-6-16.
5.	Date buried	5. No record..
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. No record.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. No record.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11. Walter S. Brown (brother-in-law) 1217 F St., Sacramento, Calif.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	12. No record.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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AUDIT DEPT.

G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records
2/14/20 Liaison.

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

Surname: Bellows ✓
 Number: 76342 ✓
 First name: Wm H. ✓
 Rank: Pvt Police.
 Company: 23rd M.G. Co.
 Organization: 2nd Div.
 Date of death: *Missing since July 20/18*
 Cause: *now presumed dead from*
 Place: *all available info.*

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "

Emergency address, W.H. Bellows Sr.
Dutch Flat
 Relationship: Father (*over*)

Authority:

Cablegram No: #572 - 6-16.
 Telegram from:

dated:

Reported to Washington:
C.C.Nos.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

Remarks:

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

NS-3404/MB

 Rec'd World War Div.
 Date... 2/17/20...

Sailor

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

Date 1-30/20.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Bellows Wm H.*

Serial Number

RANK *Priv.*

ORGANIZATION *23rd M. G. Co - 2nd Div.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<i>No Record</i>
2.	Date of Death.	
3.	Cause and place of death	
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	
5.	Date buried	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

*Researched
Jm 8/11 sent 2/1/20*

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No Record

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*Not in any Directory
No Form 16
No G.S.B.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON
November 24, 1919

FILE.

Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Bellows,
Dutch Flat,
Placer Co., California.

1.- In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the
grave of:

Private 1st Cl. William H. Bellows,
Co. M., Machine Gun Co., 23rd Infantry.

has not yet been registered in this office, but investigations
are being made, the result of which will be communicated to
you as soon as possible.

2.- Please do not be discouraged by the failure, thus far,
to secure the information you desire, Each day witnesses the per-
fecting of records in cases not heretofore reported, and we have
hope of sending you comforting assurances in due time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CCP/jad

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WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

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ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #8, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
_____ (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: _____

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NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

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Analysis Clerk.

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

Date 1/27/19

FROM: - INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Bellows, William H.* Serial Number 76342

RANK *Priv. 1 cl.* ORGANIZATION *Co. M. Machine Gun Co. 23rd Inf.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<i>Yes</i>
2.	Date of Death.	<i>② 1/20/18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death.	<i>③ Presumed dead</i>
4.	Number of Casualty VCablegram.	<i>④ 5-72</i>
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<i>No record</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	<i>3rd research</i> <i>11/20/19 Mal</i>
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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Confirmed
2nd research 1/18/19
MSR

Dutch Flat April 25th 1919
Re: William H. Bellows. 1st Class Private
Co. M. Machine Gun Co. 23rd Inf. A. E. F.
No 76342

Chief of Graves Registration Service
Headqts. Service of Supplies
A. P. O. 717. A. E. F. France.

Dear Sir:

I am sending corrected information received from a Comrade of my Son, that was by his side when he was killed on July 20th 1918. he states that my Son was killed in action by a piece of Shell. it was about one half mile outside the town of Vierzy.

We have been advised to write to you, by the Sect of our Home Service, Auburn Chapter. A. R. C. requesting you to try and find our Sons Grave and send us a Photo of it. if it is possible for you to do so. we will be ever gratefull for any services rendered in our behalf.

Thanking you in advance for any favors. we are

Yours Sincerely
Mr & Mrs W. H. Bellows

Dutch Flat. Placer Co. Calif

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

Date. 1-26-20.

MEMORANDUM TO A.G.O.

Mrs. Lewis, Br. 1388.

Confirming telephonic conversation of 1-24-20.
re. case of Pvt. William H. Bellows, Machine Gun Co. 23rd Inf.
the records of this office show that Pvt. 1/cl. Wm. H. Bellows,
Machine Gun Co. 23rd Inf. has no reburial record.

Original burial	No record.
Date of original burial	No record.
Date of reburial	No record.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

E.R.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
By:

CHARLES J. WYNNIE,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Graves Registration Service.

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

Date 1-24-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Bellows, Wm. H.*

Serial Number 76342

RANK *Pvt*

ORGANIZATION *Machine Gun Co.
23rd Inf.*

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	① <i>yes Pat 1/4</i>
2.	Date of Death.	② <i>7-20-18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death	③ <i>Now presumed to be dead from all available information</i>
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	④ <i>572</i>
5.	Date buried	⑤ <i>None</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	⑥ <i>None</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave-Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	⑩ <i>a</i> <u>⑩</u> <i>None</i>
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	⑪ " "
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	⑫ " "
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

*Mrs Lewis - 1358
World War Div.
Corres. sec.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

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DECEMBER 20, 1919.

Mrs. Earl Lukens, Chairman,
Home Service, Auburn Chapter, A.R.C.
East Auburn, Calif.

1.- In reply to your inquiry, you are advised that the
grave of:

**First Class Private William H. Bellows,
Machine Gun Company, 23rd Infantry.**

has not yet been registered in this office, but investigations
are being made, the result of which will be communicated to
you as soon as possible.

2.- Please do not be discouraged by the failure, thus far,
to secure the information you desire. Each day witnesses the per-
fecting of records in cases not heretofore reported, and we have
hope of sending you comforting assurances in due time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CCP/jad

G.R.S. FORM #103.
DIRECTION TICKET

DATE 12/10/19

TO:

CHIEF G.R.S.
MAJOR LEMLY
CAPTAIN CONNER
CAPTAIN WYNNE
CAPTAIN SMITH
CAPTAIN ROBERTSON
LT. NOETZEL

Miss MacBride
PRINCIPAL CLERK - Mr. ROBB

SUPPLY-REQUISITIONS, PERSONNEL -
Mr. REYNOLDS

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Photograph Control Dept.
Preparation of Data Department
Report Department

FOR:

FILE
RECORD
CODING
CROSS REFERENCE

SUSPENSION

NECESSARY ADJUSTMENT
INVESTIGATION AND REPORT
COPY
PAPERS ON CASE
NOTE AND RETURN
INFORMATION
ACTION AS NOTED
NECESSARY REPLY
PERSONAL CONFERENCE
DRAFT OF LETTER ENDORSEMENT
SIGNATURE
TRANSLATION

RETURN TO _____

FROM *efw* _____
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WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

11.24.19

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #8, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

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(G.R.S. Form 111)

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_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
_____ (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: G.P.

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Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

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Analysis Clerk.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

BRANCHES:
APPLEGATE
BLUE CANYON
COLFAX



BRANCHES:
DUTCH FLAT
FOREST HILL
TAHOE CITY

AUBURN CHAPTER

AUBURN, CALIFORNIA

November 18, 1919.

RE: William H. Bellows (deceased) NO, 76342
1st Class Pvt. M.G.Co. 23rd INF.A.E.F.

Graves Registration Service,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.
Gentlemen:-

Under date of March 31st I directed a letter to the Graves Registration Service in France requesting information about the location of the above mentioned deceased soldier who was killed July 20, 1918 by an enemy shell near Villers-le-See, Soissons, France.

Up to the present date I have received no answer to the inquiry and I have been directed by the Pacific Division, A.R.C. to address your department concerning this matter. Will you kindly forward me any information you may have at the earliest possible date, and oblige

Yours sincerely y

Wm. Carl Rukens,

Chairman Home Service
Auburn Chapter A. R. C.
East Auburn, Calif.

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

Date 11-25-19.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Bellows William H.

Serial Number 76342

RANK 1/c Pvt.

ORGANIZATION U. S. Co "23rd Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1/ yes-
2.	Date of Death.	2/ 7-20-18
3.	Cause and place of death	
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4 - cc # 572
5.	Date buried	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6/ now presumed to be dead from all available information
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	No record MAC 2nd - 12/4/19
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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Romagne Div. No record
E.O.C.

Pvt. 1/cl. Wm.H. Bellows, 7634⁰
Co. M. 23rd In.

Present status MIA 7-20-18
Cablegram No 227
Nearest relative address
Walter Brown (Brother in law)
1217 F St. Sacramento, Calif.

✓
Couriergram #27

W.H. Bellows
7/30

McCoy

NAME
William H. Bellows
 RANK
Private 1st. Class.

FILE NUMBER
 SERIAL NUMBER
76342
Co. M, Machine Gun 23rd. Infantry A.E.F.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	<i>188889</i>
2.	Date of Death	
3.	Grave Location:	
4.	Who reported burial?	
5.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
6.	How is grave marked?	
7.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with Body? (b) Attached to grave Marker??	
8.	Emergency address:	
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Flowers, flags, etc. (Par. #5, Bul. 10-B)_____	_____ Effects (G.R.S. Form Nos. 7&7-A)_____
_____ Monuments (Par. #6, Bul. 10-B)_____	_____ Accrued pay (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 19&22)_____
_____ Disinterrments (Par. #8, Bul. 10-B)_____	_____ Liberty Bonds (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 21&22)_____
_____ Circumstances of death (G.R.S. Form No. 6)_____	_____ War Risk Insurance (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 20&22)_____
✓ _____ Photograph requested (File 004.5)_____	_____ Disposition of Remains (a) Return to U.S. (Form 23)_____
✓ _____ Grave Location_____	_____ (b) Remain in France (Form 24)_____
	_____ (c) Miscellaneous (Letter)_____

Remarks:

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

BRANCHES:
APPLEGATE
BLUE CANYON
COLFAX



BRANCHES:
DUTCH FLAT
FOREST HILL
TAHOE CITY

AUBURN CHAPTER

AUBURN, CALIFORNIA March 31, 1919.

Re: William H. Bellows First Class Pvt.
Co. M Machine Gun 25th Inf. A. E. F.
No. 76342

Chief of Graves Registration Service
Hqts. Service of Supply.
A. P. O. 717 A. E. F. France.
Dear Sir:-

Information received through creditable sources advises us that the above named soldier met his death July 20, 1918 at Villers-le-Sec near Soissons, when a bomb burst over his company killing twenty-seven men.

Can you furnish us with any data concerning the whereabouts of his grave or the possibility of securing a photograph of said grave.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Carl Lukens

Sec'y. Home Service, Auburn Chapter, A. R. C.
East Auburn Placer Co., Calif. U.S.A.

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