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To The A. G. C.

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Apr 27 1926

DATE 12/3/21.

1. NAME BENAPFL, Roscoe G SERIAL No. 2272617

RANK sgt ORGANIZATION Co. A. 316th Eng.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse Arg. Am. r. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 1232 Sec. 32

119 GRAVE Sec. 32 ROW 3 PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION BAC 10 Epinoville Meuse

COORDINATES 35SE 278.05N 306.55E

CONCENTRATED TO 4/28/19 119 Sec 32 3

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body Oct 2, 1918 data f-1/pfb

DATE OF DEATH

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Calif.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/3/21. 6 35 C.

DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

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

CEMETERY

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AUDITED BY
B.W. 3-27-23

APR 30 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.



Co. "A" 316. Engrs.
91st. Division.

BENAPFL, Roscoe G., Sgt. 2272617
Home: LOS ANGELES, Cal.,

- (a) Informant was an eye witness.
- (c) Ground was held.
- (d) Death was instantaneous.
- (e) Informant knew name and initials of man inquired about.
- (f) No other man in company or battalion with same name.
- (g) Nickname of man inquired about was "Benny".
- (h) Informant was with the man during mess when aerial bomb dropped.

INFORMANT: HEDBERG, George E. Corp. 2272719. Co. "A" 316th. Engrs.
HOME: 1206 W 36th. St. LOS ANGELES, Cal.,

SEARCHER: Chas H. Willeson, Captain Engineers

NEXT of KIN:
Mrs. Margaret Benapfl
3927 Budlong St. LOS ANGELES, Cal.,

/MJM/

Date 3rd, June 1919.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BENAPFL Roscoe G.
~~(BENAPFL Roscoe G.)~~

Number: 2272617

Rank: Unknown

Organization: Unknown

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit _____

Disinterred (Date) _____ From: (Give complete location) _____

28th, April 1919

Grave #10 BATTLE AREA CEMETERY

EPINONVILLE, MEUSE 35 SE 306.55E 278.05 N

Reburied (Date) _____ in: (Give complete location) _____

28th, April 1919

Grave #119 Sec. #32 Plot #3

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

1232

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

Burial good, buried in shelter half, body slightly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

11014

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Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. Caswell.

lat _____

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

WESTERN MILITARY BUFFALO

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

*Benapfl, Roscoe G.
Sgt.*

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY May 28, 1930

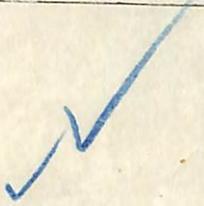
Los Angeles County, State of California

Name Benapfl, Mrs Margaret J

Address 4548 Kenwood Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.



Route going: So Pac, Santa Rosa, CRI&P, Chicago, NYC, New York



Return: New York Central, Chicago, C&NW, Omaha, Un Pac

(via Rochester and Mankato)



Desires stop-over in Mankato, Minn

	ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE	
Itinerary going	Lv Los Angeles	SoPac	4	6:00PM	May 22
	Ar Chicago	CRI&P	"	9:15AM	" 25
	Lv Chicago	NYC	10	10:35AM	" "
	Ar New York	"	142	3:45PM	" 26
	Lv (Gr Central Sta)				
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper Los Angeles to Chicago and Chicago to New York. ✓

Elapsed Time: 90 hrs. 45 min. *4*

Extra Fare:

E-2

BENAPFL, ROSCOE C.

May 12th, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl
4348 Kenwood Avenue
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For The Officer in Charge:

Arrived N.Y. 3:40 PM - May 26

Train 142 - NYCRR

Capt Frank

Enclosures
2 tags

2 bags

Quarters: Mrs. *Winsten* } east
 Quarters: Mrs. Alice Lewis }
 Mrs. Mary Hicks } West
 Mrs. Anna Hart }
 Mrs. J. R. *Winsten* }

George E. Taylor,
1st Lt. U.S. Army,
M. Corps
Assistant.

Party "E" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed May 28, 1930 on SS ROOSEVELT. Maj. K. M. Halpine in charge.

Arrived Cherbourg 4 a.m. June 5th. Met by Maj. Dailey, Capt. Ochs, Capt. Dalton, Capt. Mallett, Lt. Freeman, Capt. Kinderman, MC, five nurses and 3 civilian employees. Train left at 8.21 am for Paris. Arrived Gare des Invalides at 2.10 pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff and a detail of officers, interpreters and nurses. Escorted to hotel. Remainder of day devoted to rest.

June 6th. Morning devoted to personal business; exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Left hotel at 3 pm for Arc de Triomphe. Wreath placed on Tomb of Unknown Soldier by Mrs. R. M. Tiger, who was selected by party for this duty. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent after ceremony. Returned to hotel. Evening free.

June 7th. Shopping or resting in morning. Sightseeing in afternoon and evening.

June 8th. Those who desired attended Divine Services. Sightseeing in afternoon. Evening devoted to preparation for trip to cemetery next day.

June 9th. 7.15 am-Depart for Ambassador. 7.30 am.-Depart Montmirail, Chalons s/s, Marne, St. Menchould, Verdun.

June 10th, Visited Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery daily. Returned 11,12, 13. to Verdun each evening.

June 14th. Visited Cemetery, Suippes and Reims.

June 15th. Visited Reims Cathedral. Lunch at Reims. Chateau Thierry. Returned to Paris.

June 16th. Visited Fontainebleau.

June 17th. Morning free. Versailles in afternoon.

June 18th. Notre Dame - Napoleon's Tomb. Prepared for return trip.

June 19th. Left hotel between 9 and 9.30 am for Invalides Railway Station. Train left at 10.30 am. Accompanied by 5 officers, 6 nurses, 1 doctor and 2 civilian employees. Arrived Cherbourg 4.10pm. Left dock 5.11 pm. Sailed at 6.45pm on SS AMERICAN. Capt. Ross in charge. Arrived Hoboken 1.00pm. June 28th.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl

WAR DEPARTMENT
 "PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
 -- ROOM 901 --
 225 West 34th St., New York, N. Y.

BENAPFL, ROSCOE G. M.A.

PARTY E
 NUMBER 854

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl
 Name of Traveler

Actual cost of through Pullman

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County
 Home Address

New York, to Los Angeles, Cal.

\$ 32.63

Cal.

New York, to Los Angeles, Cal.
 Destination

Via N Y C to Chicago - C & NW to Rochester, Minn. - C & NW to Council Bluffs -

H.P. to dest.

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June 27, 1930
 Date of Departure

Ticket expires - Oct. 31, 1930

	Road	Train Number	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U.S.G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	WV	7	6/28	2140	Co. 5	210		9.00
AR	Chicago		6/28	418P				
LV	WV	583		1015P	Co.			4.10
AR	Wankato			1245P			WD-1, 021, 202	
LV	WV	701		1045P	Co.			3.00
AR	Omaha			732A				
LV	WV	7		840A	Co.			19.88
AR	Chicago			830A			WD-1, 021, 206	
LV								
AR								
LV								
AR								

TOTAL 37.13
32.43

Remarks: STOP OVER - Wankato, Minn.

Capt. Herberth

4.50

3.75

19.00

1 T/R to Wankato
1 T/R Wankato to Los Angeles 3.63

Name BENAPFL , Mrs Margaret J.,
HOTEL AMBASSADOR
Paris Hôtel BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN
Home address 4348 Kenwood Ave., Los Angeles, California
Party E Group I Unit ROOSEVELT
Date of arrival JUNE 5- 1930 Date of departure JUNE 19. 1930 S/S AMERICA
Relationship Mother
Name of deceased BENAPFL, Roscoe G.
Rank Sgt Organization Co. A, 316th Engrs
Cemetery Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS

Stop over Mankato, Minn.



Pilgrimage, War Mothers & Widows
Room 901, 225 W. 34th St.
N.Y. N.Y.

VIA WESTERN UNION

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

June 29, 1930

Mrs. E. Meurer
431 N. 5th St.
Mankato, Minn.

MRS BENAPEL ARRIVES TUESDAY TEN TWENTY FIVE P M NORTHWESTERN DEPOT

COLONEL WILLIAMS

The above message sent from Hotel Astor for Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl, Party E

Pilgrimage, War Mothers & Widow
Room 901, 225 W. 34th St.
New York, N.Y.

VIA WESTERN UNION

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

June 29, 1930

Mr. A. J. Benapfl
4265 Brighton Ave.
Los Angeles, Cal.

YOUR MOTHER ARRIVED SAFELY NEW YORK HOTEL ASTOR ARRIVES MANKATO TUESDAY TEN
TWENTY FIVE P M IS FEELING FINE

COLONEL WILLIAMS

The above message sent from Hotel Astor for Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl, Party E

VALIDATE

604

Stopover in Mankato, Minn.

NAME BENAPFL, MRS. MARGARET J.

S.S. AMERICA

JUN 27 1930

HOME LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CAL.

R.R. NYC To Chic. G.M. to Rochester Minn.
C.M. Rochester Minn. to Council Bluffs
STATION W.P. Council Bluffs to Boston

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct 31 - 1930.

North Benapfl
3704 West 6th St
Los Angeles
Calif
Ibner Shop

10/31

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Benapfl</i>	<i>B67</i>	3	<i>259</i>
<i>Gascoe G.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>6</i>	2	<i>06</i>
	ROW <i>35</i>	2	<i>35</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>Calif</i>	2	<i>04</i>
RANK	<i>Sgt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>91</i>	2	<i>91</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>316</i>	3	<i>316</i>
ARM	<i>Engns.</i>	1	<i>4</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Benapfl</i>	<i>B67</i>	3	<i>259</i>
<i>Ma. Margaret J.</i>	STATE <i>Calif</i>	2	<i>04</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Los Angeles</i>	2	<i>19</i>
	CITY <i>Los Angeles</i>	3	<i>036</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	
<i>29/514/PJ</i>	<i>Age</i>		

Failed

10 Oct 30

61 Audited OCT 9 1931 MB

QM 293 A-4
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232

March 13, 1931

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

In the final settlement of accounts the Finance Officer advises that you are entitled to a refund in the amount of \$1.50 due to overcollection of pullman charges for stopovers on your return from the pilgrimage, sailing on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, May 28, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

1 Encl.
Check.

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QM 293 A-M
Benapfl, Roscoe G. - 1252

July 18, 1950.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4548 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the testimonial expressing your appreciation to the United States Government, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America, were so kind as to send me regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory and that the officers and other personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every energy that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

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

Sincerely yours,

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

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WRG

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note change of

address

WSS

QM 293 A-M

Benapl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

July 19, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

In connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe, sailing on the S.S. Roosevelt, May 28, 1930, there was collected from you an amount of \$12.39 covering stop-over at Mankato, Minnesota. The final settlement of the account developed the exact amount to be \$8.14 and there is enclosed check of the Finance Officer for the difference of \$4.25.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
(Check)

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

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NAME

Benaff, Mrs. Margaret J.

ADDRESS

4348 Kenwood Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.

DATE

July 1st / 36

TO:

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

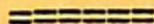
I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED)

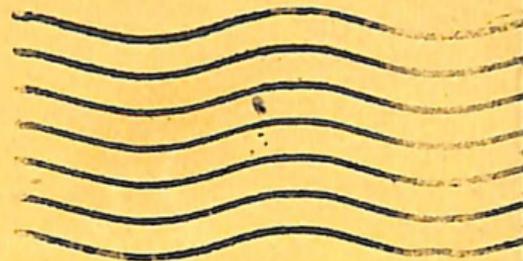
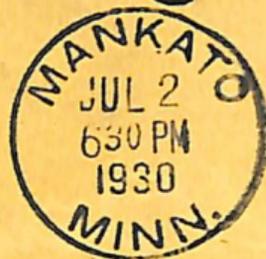
Margaret J. Benaff S.S.M.
431 N. Fifth St. Madras
Missouri

WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

RETURN NEW YORK

Benapfl
Benapfl, Roscoe G.

DATE JUN 28 1930

NAME *Benapfl, Mrs. Margaret* ADDRESS *4348 Kenwood Ave. Los Angeles, Cal.*

RETURN ON S. S. **S/S AMERICA** HOTEL **ASTOR** ROOM NO. *554-6*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE JUN 29 1930

ROAD *ny* TRAIN *7* CAR *210* BERTH or SEAT *L5*

REMARKS *Stop over Wankato, Minn*

STATE

CALIFORNIA

Mother
 NAME ... Benapfl, Mrs. Margaret J. ... HOME ADDRESS ... 4348 Kenwood Ave.
 Los Angeles
 Los Angeles County

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Norb J. Benapfl*
3904 West 6th Ave
Los Angeles Cal

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE ... *5/26/30* ... HOTEL **COMMODORE** ROOM NO. *604*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE ... *May 28, 1930* ... VESSEL ... *S. S. ROOSEVELT* ... CABIN NO. ... *109C*

DESTINATION *CHERBOURG, FRANCE* ... CEMETERY ... *MEUSE-ARGONNE*

797 *Postnet*
RETURN

5/28/30 RECEIVED *1232*

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

Mrs Margaret J. Benapp

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to addressee only.

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *5-21-30*, 19*2*

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92754

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY.

Return to _____

Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, _____

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

797-M Pursuet 6/28/30
RETURN RECEIPT 1232

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

Mrs Margaret J. Purdy

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *5-29*

1930

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



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

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AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Q. M. GENERAL

Return to _____

(NAME OF SENDER)
MUNITIONS BUILDING

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, _____

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

RETURN RECEIPT

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

Margaret J. Benaff

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 3-17-31, 192

Form 3811

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Roscoe

Benaff
1232



Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 926120

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

Return to _____

Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, _____

(NAME OF SENDER)
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.



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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232-M

May 12, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 314251 in the amount of \$ 40.00, to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

May 12, 1930.

Benapfl, Roscoe G. - 1232

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California

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

Leave Los Angeles	So. Pac.	Train #4	6:00 PM	May 22
Arrive Chicago	CRISP	4	9:15 AM	May 25
Leave Chicago	NYC	10	10:35 AM	May 25
Arrive New York	NYC	142	3:45 PM	May 26

(Gr. Central Sta)

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours

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

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QM 293 A-C
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 H

April 30, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the return of office letter of April 17 in which you enclosed money order in the amount of \$12.39 to cover stop-over at Mankato, Minnesota on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe sailing on the S.S. Roosevelt May 28, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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April 18, 1930

QM 203 A-C
× Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M
Miller, Oscar F. 1232 M

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 30 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Anna M. Miller when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C

② Unsted, Rolla P. 1232 M
X Benapfl, Rescoe G. 1232 M

for file in
April 18, 1930

Mrs. J. R. Unsted,
3036 So. Hoover St.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 8 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 - M

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
~~4456 Lockwood Street,~~ *4348 Kenwood Ave.*
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter dated April 4, 1930, addressed to the Department of State, relative to a stop-over at Mankato, Minnesota on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, sailing on the S. S. Roosevelt, May 23, 1930.

In connection therewith, you are advised there will be an additional charge for rail transportation in the amount of \$12.39, to cover the indirect route due to this stop-over. It is requested that you mail this office a money order in the amount of \$12.39, in favor of the Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., to cover this charge. There will also be an additional charge for Pullman of \$3.75, which must be paid by you at the time you receive your return transportation in New York City.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. Shannon

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



Stopovers noted on card lists a card

Delayed on acct of wrong address

Change of address ok -

QM 293
Benapfl - Roscoe G.

Captain Shannon: -

Additional rail transportation
charge \$12.39 to cover indirect
route charge via Chicago thence
St. Paul which will permit ticket
be routed via Mankato.

Pullman

Ny. - St. Paul - \$12.75

St. Paul - Los Angeles - 23.63

\$ 36.38

Ny. - Los Angeles - 32.63

Difference - - - - \$ 3.75

Rail \$12.39

Pullman 3.75

Total \$16.14

War Dept

Los Angeles, Calif.,
April 4, 1930

Passport Division,
Department of State,
Washington, D.C.

Sirs:

Please arrange for stopover for me on return trip
at

MANKATO, MINN.

Very truly yours,

*St. Louis
noted*

*Mrs. Margaret J. Benaffle
Roscoe B. Benaffle*

1232

4456 Lockwood St.

*accepts
Roscoe B.
5/25/30*

Los Angeles Calif. 3/30/30

The Quartermaster General
Wash. D.C.

Dear Sir:-

In regard to the Gold Star Mothers trip would you kindly arrange for myself & my friend to be quartered together in one state room, both leaving New York on May 28th on the Steamer Roosevelt, friends name is

Mrs. Anna M. Miller (Address ^{ascart Miller}
1729 W. 51 St. Los Angeles Calif. 1232
Los Angeles Co

and for

Mrs. Margaret J. Benaffl - Roscoe G. Benaffl
B. & acct 4348 Kenwood Ave. Los Angeles Calif. 1232
Both eligible? Los Angeles Co.

Roosevelt May 28th Most Gratefully Yours

Mrs. Margaret J. Benaffl

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Benaffl Roscoe G. 1232-M

Mrs. J. P. Limited 1932
Los Angeles Calif
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Mrs. Broughl writes she
desires quarters with
Mrs. Anna M. Miller 1932
Los Angeles Co. Calif.

Notations made —

all accept Roosevelt May 28

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

March 27, 1930.

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kerwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, California.

Sailed
MAY 28 1930

Dear Madam:

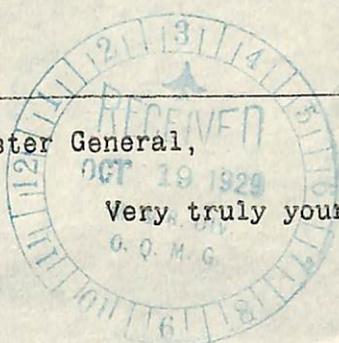
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries,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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) (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) (Yes) (No) <i>NO</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>6</i> / Health (Years) (Good) <i>yes</i> (Poor) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) (No) Other language <i>German & Luxembourgish</i> (Specify language spoken) <i>English</i>

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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Envelope

Roosevelt ✓

5-28-30

1232

Benapfl Roscoe B.

I Very Gratefully accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl

(Name)

4348 Kenwood Ave., Los Angeles, California

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



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AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

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VALUABLE MAIL

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CALIF.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benapfl, Roscoe G.

August 20, 1929

Mrs. Margaret Josephine Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, 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 Sgt. Roscoe G. Benapfl, Co. A. 316th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

No widow

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

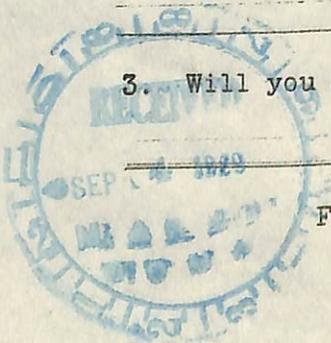
Yes

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Benapfl, Roscoe G.

Mrs. Margaret Benapfl,
3987 Budlong Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

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Mrs. Margaret Josephine
Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles,
Calif.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Sergeant Roscoe G. Benapfl, Co. A, 316th Engineers, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried 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,

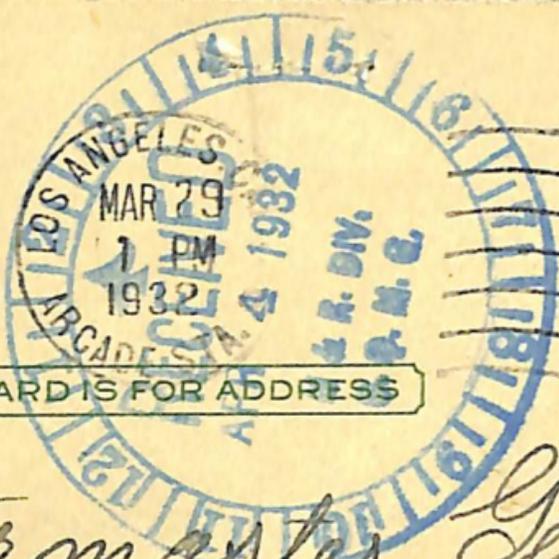
John T. Harris

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

As Mother of Roscoe George
Benaffl deceased of 316th (Co. A) En-
gineers (Sgt) I respectfully request
a Memorial flag to commemorate
his service, was much as he died
leaving neither widow nor child - I
here state I have not heretofore received one.

Mrs. Margaret Josephine Benaffl
4348 Kenwood Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Quartermaster General U.S.A.
Washington
D.C.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Benapfl, Roscoe G., S.N. 2272617
Sgt., Co. A, 316th Engrs.
Son

April 6, 1932.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

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

For The Quartermaster General, .

Very truly yours,

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

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APR 5 - PM 4:40
OQMG M&R BR
~~Copy to QM Wash. QM. xxxxxxxx~~

Copy to Commanding Officer, Wash. QM Depot.

With instructions to furnish flag.

ESM:CC

Q4 293 A-M
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232

March 13, 1931

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

In the final settlement of accounts the Finance Officer advises that you are entitled to a refund in the amount of \$1.50 due to overcollection of pullman charges for stopovers on your return from the pilgrimage, sailing on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, May 28, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

Benapl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

July 19, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

In connection with your pilgrimage to the American Ceme-
teries in Europe, sailing on the S.S. Roosevelt, May 28, 1930, there
was collected from you an amount of \$12.39 covering stop-over at
Mankato, Minnesota. The final settlement of the account developed
the exact amount to be \$8.14 and there is enclosed check of the
Finance Officer for the difference of \$4.25.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
(check)
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R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.



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QM 293 A-M
Benapfl, Roscoe G. - 1232

July 18, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the testimonial expressing your appreciation to the United States Government, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America, were so kind as to send me regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory and that the officers and other personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every energy that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

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

Sincerely yours,

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

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X \$90.13 PILGRIMAGE, GOLD STAR

STATEMENT OF EXCESS COST OF TRANSPORTATION

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Chargeable to Bunapfl

Officer _____
 Wife _____
 Sons, ages _____
 Daughters, ages _____

Warrant Officer Mrs Margaret J
 Enlisted Man _____
 Civilian _____
 Nurse _____

May 8 1930
 (Date of Travel)

JUN 26 1937

Gold Star

T/R Number	Class Tpn.	Travel Status	From	To	Number Persons	Fare Coml. Net	Cost
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35	P			New York	15		
Total							159.84

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TRANSPORTATION TO WHICH ENTITLED

Coach-Officer	<u>Los Angeles New York</u>	1		151.70
Coach-Family				
Pull'n.-Family				
Pull'n.-Officer				

Disbursing Officer's R. R. No. 7893 5/26 1930
 (Date)

Total 151.70
 Collectible 8.14
 Received 12.39
 Balance Due _____
 Refundable 4.25

Dr. Wells

Benapfl, Roscoe G. - 1232

May 12, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California

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

Leave Los Angeles	So. Pac.	Train #4	6:00 PM	May 22
Arrive Chicago	CRI&P	4	9:15 AM	May 25
Leave Chicago	NYC	10	10:35 AM	May 25
Arrive New York	NYC	142	3:45 PM	May 26

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours

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

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QM 293 A-C
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

April 30, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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Receipt is acknowledged of the return of office letter of April 17 in which you enclosed money order in the amount of \$12.39 to cover stop-over at Mankato, Minnesota on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe sailing on the S.S. Roosevelt May 28, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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QM 293 A-C
Umsted, Rolla P. 1232 M
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

April 18, 1930

Mrs. J. R. Umsted,
3036 So. Hoover Street,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 8 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Benapfl, Roscoe G.

QM 293
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1932 - M

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4456 Lockwood Street,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter dated April 4, 1930, addressed to the Department of State, relative to a stop-over at Mankato, Minnesota on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, sailing on the S. S. Roosevelt, May 28, 1930.

In connection therewith, you are advised there will be an additional charge for rail transportation in the amount of \$12.39, to cover the indirect route due to this stop-over. It is requested that you mail this office a money order in the amount of \$12.39, in favor of the Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., to cover this charge. There will also be an additional charge for Pullman of \$3.75, which must be paid by you at the time you receive your return transportation in New York City.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M
Miller, Oscar F. 1232 M

April 16, 1930

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

The Civil War

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 30 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Anna M. Miller when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

March 27, 1930.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232-M

March 20, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Benapfl, Roscoe G. 1232 M

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, California.

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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

*080 - America's Legions
Calif*

Mother: Mrs. Hallie Lucia
94 W. Peoria Street, Pasadena, Cal.

Son: Raymond Poore, Corp. Co. C. 103 Infantry
Cemetery: Mouse Argonne - American.

1232

Mother: Ella S. Noel
2019 Norwalk Avenue, Eagle Rock, Cal.

Son: Paul T. Noel, Private 1st cl. Co. H. 168th Inf.

Cemetery: Aisne - Harne - American
Belleau - Cusin, Grave No. 13, Row 10, Blk. A.

1764

Mother: Mary O'Leary,
1515 E. 101st Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

Son: Thomas G. O'Leary, Co. C. 33rd Eng.

Cemetery: Oise - Aisne, Row 5, Blk. D.
Location: Seringes et Nesles - Aisne, France

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Mother: Mrs. Elizabeth T. Gutekeuast

Son: Fred C. Shultz, Private Co. T. 361st Inf.

Cemetery: Oise Aisne - American
Location: Seringes et Nesles - Aisne, France

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Mother: Venna Pyno
2512 1/2 Trinity Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

Son: Alden Bush, Corp. Co. C., 125th Inf.

Cemetery: American Battle Area, Brasles Aisne, France

1764

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Mother: Benapfls.

1232

Son: Roscoe George Benapfls, Sarg. Co. A, 316 Eng.

Cemetery: Meuse Argonne, Grave 6, Row 55, Blk. 6.

Mother: Grace Kitt,
1527 Orange Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Son: Don H. Kitt, Corp. Co. T, 117 Eng.
Div. Rainbow

608

Cemetery: Oise Aisne

Mother: Lena J. Stine,
3512 Madera Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Son: George Clarence Stine, Sarg. U. S. Marine Corps
Co. 6, 79th reg.

1764

Cemetery: Aisne Marne - Grave 1764

Mother: Mrs. Mary Bean,
2409 Carmona Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

608

Son: Harry Bean - Waggoner Co. D. 52nd Ammunition train

Cemetery: Aisne - American - Grave 5, row 8, blk. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benapfl, Roscoe G.

August 20, 1929

**Mrs. Margaret Josephine Benapfl,
4348 Kenwood Ave.,
Los Angeles, 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 **Sgt. Roscoe G. Benapfl, Co. A, 316th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Benapfl, Roscoe G.

Mrs. Margaret Benapfl,
3987 Budlong Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

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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.

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.

In reply refer to:
293 C-R

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

July 5, 1923.

Mrs. Margaret Benapfl,
3987 Budlong Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of **Sergeant Roscoe G. Benapfl, Company A, 316th Engineers, is Grave 6, Row 35, Block C, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.**

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner
H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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O.Q.M.G.
D
293 Benapfl, Roscoe G

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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 O. Q. M. G.

Mrs. Margaret Benapfl,

Mohd - ~~2987 Budlong Ave.,~~

Los Angeles,

Calif.

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LOS ANGELES CALIF.
 JUL 16
 3:20 AM
 1923
 ARCADE STA.

RETURN TO
 WRITER
 UNCLAIMED

Benapfl,

(Surname)

Roscoe G

(Christian name in full.)

2,272,617

(Army serial number.)

Sgt

Co A 316th Engrs

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remain's.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Margaret J. Benapfl

3987 Budlong Ave Los Angeles Calif.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Noted by Es. C.

Date 4-27-21

1232 Sec. 32 - 13
checked by J
4-27-21

In reply refer to:
293 C-R

July 5, 1923.

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H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 3, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BENAPFL, Roscoe G
- 2. No. 2272617
- 3. Rank Sgt.
- 4. Org. Co. 316th Engrs.
- 5. D.D. Oct. 2 - 19
- 6. C.D. KIA

- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org. _____
- 14. (a) D.D. _____
- (b) D.B. NO discrepancies.



Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 119 Sec. 32
- 8. Plot 3 Row _____
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. No discrepancies.

- 18. Cemetery Meuse Arg. Amer
- 20. Dept. or County. Meuse
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 - Sec. 32

- 19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucou
- 21. Country France

- 23. Disinterred (Date) Dec. 3, 1921.

By H. E. Strong.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Roscoe G. Benapfl
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No. 2272617
 Organization Co A, 316th Engrs.

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

H. B. Ayers
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
H. B. Ayers.

PREPARATION

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

None.

- 27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

- 28. Nature of burial Pine box and uniform.

- 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 Dec. 3, 1921. By H. E. Strong.

- 31. Casket sealed by H. E. Strong.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H. E. Strong.
H. E. Strong.

AUDITED BY

Place agne 1232.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Dec 3, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BENAPFL ROSCOE G SERIAL NUMBER 2272617
RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 316th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec 3, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 119, sec 32, plot 3. Cty. 1232.

By: Group 5 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Dec. 3rd, 1921. Grave 6, Row 35, Block C, Cemetery 1232. In (give complete location):

By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial Unlined Casket

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

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: none.



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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) none visible.

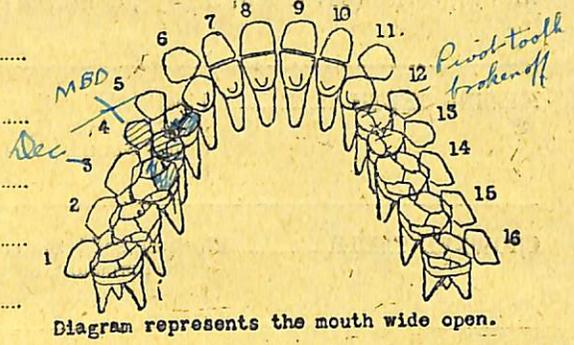
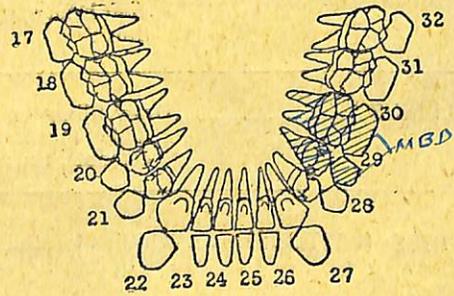


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by H.E. Strong
H.E. Strong

Approved: H.S. Harpole
H.S. Harpole, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Dufault
A.U. Dufault

Approved: James W. Younger
James W. Younger, Captain Q.M.C.
(Title)

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17919

32. Designation of body:

Name Roscoe G. BENAPFL Serial No. 2272617

Rank Sgt Organization Co.A.316th Eng.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Arg. Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Dec. 3, 1921. By H.E. Strong.

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector H. S. Harpole, 1st Lieut. QMC.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Dec. 3, 1921. d

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne.

Convoyer W. J. Royed. Signature Shipping Officer J. Gerald Cole
(Name J. GERALD COLE
Captain, C. A. C.)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____
(Name _____)

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232, Dec. 3rd, 1931.

(Date _____)

42. Grave No. 6 Section _____

43. ~~Plot~~ Block C Row 35

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

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

FR

JEL

12486

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Paris,.....March.14..1919

Graves Registration Service:

Name of Soldier: Benapfl, Ross G.

Rank: Sergeant

Company: Co. A,

Regiment: 316th Engineers

Forward Burial Report to
"Bureau of Communication" for
Mrs. M. J. Benapfl, 3989 Budlong Ave.
Los Angeles, California.

Burial report required for Paris.

G.R.S.

32572

2272617...

Name.....BENAPFL.....ROSCOE..G.....

Rank.....

Date of Death.....

Date of Burial.....

Town..EPINONVILLE.....Dept..MEUSE.....

Grave No..10.....Plot No..1.....

Cemetery..A.E.F. Cem. no. 15 McClure

972

Tag on Marker?..Yes.....

Sketch No..174 McClure.....

Map..35 S.E. 278.7 N. X 307. E.

1/2 Kilo. S.of Epinonville.

50 M.S.E.of Epinonville-Very road.

N. side of valley.

2089

Corp. Seldom Bennett.

Group..5.. Unit..506..

G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records
Cards Sec. #3. Liaison.

Jan. 28, 1920.

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

Surname: Benapfl ~~Benapel~~
 Number: 2272617
 First name: Roscoe G.
 Rank: Sgt.
 Company: A
 Organization: 316th Engrs.
 Date of death: Killed in action
 Cause: 10/2/18
 Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "

Emergency address Mrs. Margaret Benapfl (mother)
 Relationship: 3987 Budlong Ave
Los Angeles, Cal.
 Authority:
 Cablegram No: 288
 Telegram from: _____

dated:

Reported to Washington;
 C.C.Nos. 288

(Underscore the "official" C.O.)

Remarks: Cemetery # 972
GRS. 342 Sh. 10
 CHARLES C. PIERCE,
 Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

NS-3404/MB

HM hmc
Beers 8-318
1/29/20

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ACL/HWA.

BND IND.

Chief, Graves Registration Service, Hq. S.O.S., A.E.F., March 31, 1919 -
To: Captain E.B. Merriman, A.R.C., A.P.O. 932, St. Mihiel.

Burial information given in the foregoing indorsement is correct.
According to records of this office Sgt. ROSCOE G. BERNAPFL, 2272617, Co. A.,
316th Engineers, was killed in action October 2nd 1918.

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



1st ind.

GWB/mm

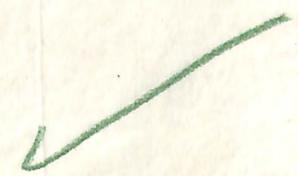
Graves Registration Officer, Neufchateau Area #1, A. E. F., Feb. 4th 1919-To:
Chief, Graves Registration Service, A. P. O. 717, A. E. F.

1. Forwarded for necessary action.

2. Information on file in this office gives: Roscoe G. Benapfl, No. 2272617, buried in A. E. F. Cemetery, ~~Ha. 15~~, Commune of Epinonville, Dept. Meuse, Grave No. 10. Map reference 35 S.E., E. 307., N. 278.7, $\frac{1}{2}$ kilometres south of Epinonville, 50 metres S.E. of Epinonville-Very road, N. side of valley.

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

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O.C.C.M.
8 - EEA 1919
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Reference #32572

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

February 27, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO: Captain E. B. Merriman, American Red Cross, A.P.O. #932
SUBJECT: Sergeant Roscoe G. Benapf, Co. A., 316th Eng.

In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the
regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these head-
quarters he is buried in grave 10, Plot #1, in the AMERICAN BATTLE AREA
CEMETERY at BRIDGEMANVILLE, in the DEPARTMENT of the MEUSE.

By direction

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

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

MBD/im.



ON ACTIVE SERVICE

WITH THE

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

AMERICAN RED CROSS



NAME

E. B. Merriam
A. P. O. 932
St. Mihiel

Jan 29 1919

G. R. I.

2/5/19

Pours -
Gentlemen

I have rec'd a request from
W. S. A. to locate the grave of
Sergeant Ross G. Benapff Co. A.
316 Eng. Reg no. 2272617 killed
in action Oct 2/18 presumably
in St. Mihiel Sectn. Any
information you can give, and
will be greatly appreciated
Yours sincerely
E. B. Merriam
Capt. A. R. C.

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 32572

FROM: A.R.C.

DATE: 2/21/19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME **Benapel, Ross G.**

NUMBER 2272617

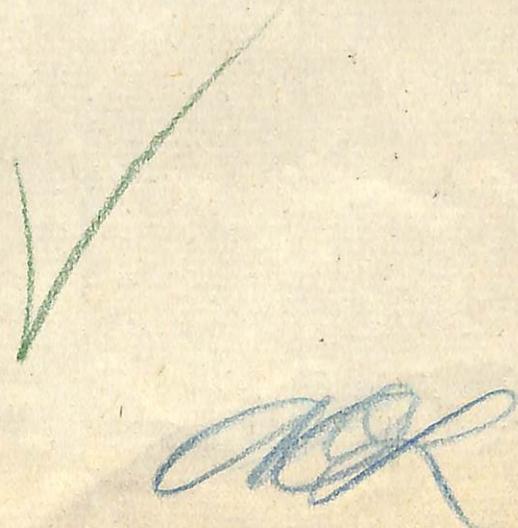
RANK **Sgt.**

ORGANIZATION

Co. A, 316th Engrs.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	(1) Benapel, Roseoe G. 2272617 Sgt. Co. A 316th Engrs.
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 10/2/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K/A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	(4) C.C. #288
5.	Date buried.	(6) Cty. #972 - Grave #10, Plot 1,
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	American B/A Cemetery, Epinonvill (Meuse)
7.	Who reported burial.	(8) Yes
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	(9) Not shown
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	(10) 1 attached to grave marker
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	(11) None given
11.	Who is nearest relative?	(12) No
12.	Has N/R 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.?	

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



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On active Service
with the
American Expeditionary Force.

American Red Cross.

Jan. 29th 1919.

Name - E. B. Merriman,
A.P.O. 932,
St. Mihiel.

G.R.S.,
Neufchateau.

Gentlemen,

I have received a request from U.S.A., to locate the grave of Sergeant
ROSS G. BENAPFL, Co. A., 316th Eng., Tag No. 2272617, killed in action Oct. 2/18
presumably in St. Mihiel Sector. Any information you can give me will be
greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

E.B.MERRIMAN, Capt. A.R.C.

St. Michael
Dec. 15, 1918

Grave Registration Dept.
G. H. L. A. E. F. Chamant
Gentlemen

I have received a request
from Los Angeles Cal. to locate
the grave of Sergeant Ross G.

Benapfl Co. A 316 Engineers A. E. F.
Tag no. 2272617. Killed in action
Oct 2, 1918, presumably in the
St. Michael sector. Can you assist
me in locating the grave so
that I can visit same & write
his widowed Mother.

E-1

4/10/19

Any information you can
give me will be greatly
appreciated

Yours respectfully
E. B. Merriman 1st Lt. A. P. C.

Address
c/o 9th Army Corps.
A. P. O. 932 St. Michael



From
E. B. Merriam 125 St.
American Red Cross
A. E. F.

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