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G.R.S. Form #114 B

To The A. G. O.

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DEC 18 1925

DATE

1. NAME BENHART, Edwin A.

SERIAL No. 2213798

RANK Wagoner

ORGANIZATION Supply Co. 4th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION American E. F. Cty., Langres, Haute-Marne

13

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

98

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

98

LANGRES (Haute-Marne)

cty #13

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES E. 320.26 N.121.82

CONCENTRATED TO Not of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH

Oct. 7, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

hebr

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

none

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

Not of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

Walter F. Brown

WALTER F. BROWN, CAPT. QMC., Supervisor Area N°. 4

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION August 16th, 1922.

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18

D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

St. Mihiel American Cemetery, THIAUCOURT, (M.-et-M.)

CEMETERY

#1233

AUDITED BY WAR DIV. Lat 5-21-23



INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Benhart *243798* *Edwin A.*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Wag *Sup.* *4 Inf.*
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *B. H. 53*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 29, 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Cemetery 13*

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

U. S. Army Schools A. P. O. 714

GRAVE NUMBER: *98*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *Yes* Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *Yes*

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Peter Benhart*

ADDRESS: *Taylor, Neb.*

RELATIONSHIP: *father*

REPORTED BY: *J. A. Nestill Chaplain*

B. H. 53

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

*Benhart, Edwin A.
Wagoner*

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU
ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY JUNE 4, 1930

SAN DIEGO County, State of CALIFORNIA

Name BONHART, MRS ANNA J (F-14)

Address 3375 GRIM AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CALIF

Route going: SD&A-El Centro, Sou Pac-Santa Rosa, CRI&P-Chicago, NYC-New York.

Return: Same route.

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE	
Itinerary going	✓ Lv	San Diego	SD&A	150	5:15PM	May 29
	✓ Ar	Chicago	CRI&P	4	9:15AM	June 1
	✓ Lv	Chicago	NYC	10	10:35AM	June 1
	✓ Ar	New York	NYC	142	3:45PM	June 2
	Lv	(Grand Central)				
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper San Diego to Chicago and Chicago to New York.

Elapsed Time: 91 hours - 30 minutes. 4

Extra Fare:

Ms. L. Reed

Benhart, Edwin A.
MEDICAL RECORD

F. 3.

Wag., Sup Co 4 Inf.

Station: St. M.

Date: June 15-

Name ^{Ben} Mrs. Benhart, Anna.

Home address 3375 Grim Ave. San Diego, California.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mr. Peter Benhart (Husband)
same.

Religion Sutherland

Age 74

History of Present complaint: Feet sore - ^{June 15-} rheumatish - ^{June 21-} Constipation

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

(over)

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates) Arthritis Chr Feet, Bilat mod Sev. Cause undetd. 2 Pes Planus, . . . Degree, with symptoms.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates) June 15 - Using Chloroform liniment on feet.

June 6. Boric. Boraxalamin on feet - June 18 Feet soaked in hot Salts sol. & rubbed
w/ Borated Vaseline. June 19 - Same treatment for feet continued. 9. h -
Spec. Ap. June 20 Veg pills ¹⁰⁰⁰/₁₁₁ @ 10 P.M. June 22 Epsom Salts 3 ss @ 6 P.M. June 23 Veg pills
† - Corn plasters applied - June 28 - Calceol pill;

Disposition: (include dates) Resumed Tour

Ben T. Sharpton
Ben T. Sharpton
Capt. M. C.

Remarks:

6/27/30
To L. Harbauer.
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ITINERARY FOR THE ST. MIKEL GROUP

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Benhart, Edwin

Left New York June 4th on the SS AMERICA in charge of Captain Merrill Boss. Arrived Cherbourg about 4 a.m. June 13th. A special tender arrived alongside the boat at 6:20 a.m. The following personnel met the ship: Major G.J.M. Bailey, Captains J.M. Reynolds, H. Kinderman, H.L. Earnest T. H. Stark, Lt. L. E. Freeman, Miss Helen F. nurses and 3 civilians. Train left at 8:45 a.m. and arrived at 2:25 p.m. at the Gare des Invalides. Col. Ellis and others met the train and the pilgrims were escorted to the hotel.

June 14th - A.M. free - conference with conducting officer - explanation of points of general information. Departed 3 p.m. for Arc de Triomphe Ceremony followed by tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel and night sightseeing trip.

June 15th - A. M. free or church - sightseeing trip to Sacre Coeur.

June 16th - Depart for Nancy via Rezo-y-en-Brie, Ezanno, Vitry-le-Francois Bar-le-Duc (stayed the night at Bar-le-Duc at the Hotel de Metz).

June 17th - To Thiaucourt where lunch was served and visited the cemetery. ~~Stopped for the night at the Grand Hotel.~~ On to Nancy where stopped at the Grand Hotel.

June 18th - 19th - 20th - visited cemetery daily and sightseeing in vicinity.

June 21st - Left Nancy via Toul, Neufchateau, Bar-sur-Aube and Troyes where stopped for the night at the Grand Hotel.

June 22nd - Left Troyes at 8:30 a.m. and stopped at Sens and Fontainebleau. Arrived Paris 6 p.m.

June 23rd - Free and in p.m. visited Napoleon's tomb.

June 24th - A. M. free and visited Versailles in p.m. also Belle Cyliste - Suresnes.

June 25th - Visited Notre Dame in a.m. and had p.m. free.

June 26th - Visited Louvre in a.m. and had p.m. free.

June 27th - Left Gare des Invalides at 10:50 a.m. in charge of the following: Captains Mitchell, Halsey, Dalton, Lt. Gregory, Moroney, Dinns, Captain Kinderman, 4 nurses and 3 civilian employees. Arrived Cherbourg at 4:15 p.m. and sailed at 8:05 on the PRESIDENT HARRING. Captain A.J. Funk as Liaison officer.

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart

Arrived June 2, 1930 on N.Y.C Railroad, train No. 142 at 3:45 P.M.

Met by Capt. Joseph A. Cistero and taken to Hotel New Weston.

Quarters with Mrs Minnie Peterson and Mrs Henrietta Green - 2 days.

On return from pilgrimage quartered with Mrs C. A. Donnelly and Mrs E. Deming at Hotel Pennsylvania
1 day

May 17th, 1920.

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3575 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, Calif.

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 "Philippines". This officer will escort you
and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

George P. H. Taylor
1st. Lieut., U.S. Corps
Assistant.

Enclosure
F 1000

Name *BENHART, Mrs. Anna J.*

Paris Hôtel **HOTEL DE PARIS**

BOULEVARD DE LA MADELEINE

Home address *3375 Grim Ave., San Diego, San Diego Co. California.*

Party *F* Group *3* Unit *S/S AMERICA*

Date of arrival *JUNE 13. 1930* Date of departure *JUNE 27. 1930 S/S HARDING*

Relationship *Mother*

Name of deceased *BENHART, Edwin A.*

Rank *Wag* Organization *Supply Co. 14th Inf.*

Cemetery *St. Mihiel* Gr: *31, Row 18, Bl: D.*

REMARKS



Validate

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NAME BENHART, MRS. ANNA J.

S.S. HARDING JUL 4 1930

HOME San Diego, Calif.
San Diego County

R.R. NYC to Chicago - CRIP
STATION to Santa Rosa, San Pac
to dest -

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct 31-30

P. Benhart
3375 Grinn Ave
San Diego
Cal

GOLD STAR ROUTING

Pilgrimage sailing from New York City June 4, 1930

Consolidated schedules

Schedule No. 2

<u>State</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
California	Ventura	Davis, Mrs. Miriam G.	Santa Paula
"	Santa Barbara	Harter, Mrs. Jay F.	Santa Barbara
"	Los Angeles	Applegate, Mrs. Esther L.	Los Angeles
"	"	Bean, Mrs. Mary	"
"	"	Bisbee, Mrs. Mattie B.	"
"	"	Burns, Mrs. Francis V.	"
"	"	Snyder, Mrs. Kate C.	"
"	"	Nelson, Mrs. N. T.	"
"	"	Wolport, Mrs. Marie M.	"
"	San Bernardino	Wood, Mrs. Hannah G.	Ontario
"	Riverside	Barber, Mrs. Carrie M.	Riverside
"	"	Tomson, Mrs. John J.	"
"	San Diego	Dealing, Mrs. Elizabeth	Mesa Grande (St. Sta-San N. Diego)
"	"	Robert, Mrs. Anna J.	San Diego
"	"	Dennelly, Mrs. Catherine A.	"
"	"	Mattimore, Mrs. Margaret K.	"
"	"	Goff, Mrs. Lizzie	Campo

Lv. Santa Paula	9:34 AM	Sou Pac Train 23-77	May 29
Ar. Santa Barbara	11:25 AM	" " "	"
Lv. "	2:10 PM	" " 32	"
Ar. Los Angeles	5:25 PM	" " "	"
Lv. Los Angeles	6:00 PM	" " 4	"
Lv. Ontario	7:31 PM	" " "	"
Ar. Colton	7:52 PM	" " "	"
Lv. Riverside	8:55 PM	" " 110	"
Ar. Colton	7:17 PM	" " "	"
Lv. Colton	7:02 PM	" " 4	"
Ar. Yuma	12:55 AM	" " "	30
Lv. San Diego	6:15 PM	S D & A " 180	29
Lv. Campo	7:37 PM	" " "	"
Ar. Yuma	12:45 AM	" " "	30
Lv. Yuma	2:05 AM	Sou Pac " 4	"
Ar. Chicago	9:15 AM	OrIAF " "	June 1
Lv. Chicago	10:55 AM	NYC " 10	"
Ar. New York	3:45 PM	" " 142	2

(Grand Central Station)

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 Mrs. Davis
 Mrs. Wood
 Mrs. Barber
 Mrs. Tomson
 Mrs. Dealing
 Mrs. Robert
 Mrs. Dennelly
 Mrs. Mattimore
 Mrs. Goff

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE		
NAME	Benhart	BEN	3	2504	
BURIED	Edwin A	CEMETERY	1233	1	3
		GRAVE	31	2	31
		ROW	18	2	18
		BLOCK	D	1	4
STATE	Nebr		2	32	
RANK	Wagn		1	2	
DIVISION	3		2	03	
ORGANIZATION	4		3	004	
ARM	Inf		1	1	
MARITAL	no		1	2	
NAME	Benhart	BEN	3	2504	
RESIDENCE	Mrs. Anna J.	STATE	CALIFORNIA	2	04
		COUNTY	SAN DIEGO	2	37
		CITY	SAN DIEGO	3	073
RELATION			1	1	
OTHER			1		
ELIGIBILITY	Yes		1	1	
NATIVITY			1		
RACE			1		
ENGLISH	Yes		1		
ATTENDANT			1		
HEALTH	Not very good		1	2	
NO. OF SONS			1		
DATE OF		MO.	1		
TRIP		YR.	1	1	
ACCEPTANCE			1	1	
	29/514/		1	74	

1930

AUDITED
OCT 5 1931
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Age 74

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Benhart, Edwin A. Wagoner, Supply Co. 4th Inf Nebr.

Mother sailed

C 77989

Widow?

Single

RS

July 14, 1930.

QM 293 A-M

Barnhart, Edwin A. 1233-M ✓

BARNHART
Mrs. Anna J. Barnhart,
3375 Grin Avenue,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the testimonial which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS PRESIDENT HARDING 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 of the Army and the nurses rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every 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 wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

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

Sincerely yours,

L E F

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

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STATE*Benhart, Edwin A.*..... CALIFORNIA**Mother**

NAME *Benhart, Mrs. Anna J.* HOME ADDRESS *3375 Grim Ave.
San Diego, Cali.*

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Mr. P. Benhart* *3375 Grim Ave.*
San Diego, Cali.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *June 3, 1930* HOTEL *New Weston* ROOM NO. *1423*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *June 4, 1930* VESSEL *America* CABIN NO. *246-A*

DESTINATION *Cherbourg, France* CEMETERY *S. Michel*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUL...5.1930

Mother

NAME ... Benhart, Mrs. Anna J. HOME ADDRESS . 3375 Grim Ave. San Diego, Calif...

RETURN ON S. S. **S/S HARDING** HOTEL **PENNSYLVANIA** ROOM NO. **1109**

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE **7/6**

ROAD **ny c** TRAIN **7** CAR **182** BERTH or SEAT **29**

REMARKS
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NAME

Bonhart, Mrs. Anna

ADDRESS

3375 Kim Ave., San Diego, Cal.

DATE

July 10 1930

TO:

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

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

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED)

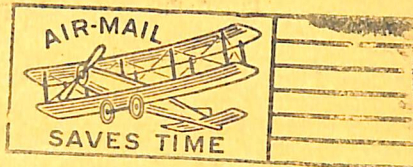
Mrs. Anna J. Bonhart

WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.



Diagnosis and complications: (include dates). 1927. 1928. 1929. 1930.

Arthritis, chr. feet, bilat. mod sev. cause unde. 2 pes palnus,
3rd degree, with symptoms.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

June 15th using chloroform liniment on feet. June 16th, B. Vaseline on
feet, June 18th, feet soaked in hot salts sol and rubbed c borated
vaseline. June 19th, same treatment. Spec Rx.

June 21st veg. pills iii. June 22, epsom salts $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
23rd, corn plasters, June 24th cascara i.

Disposition: (include dates)

Remarks: 6/27/30 to Cherbourg, HWK

S. S. HARDING

JUL 5 1930

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Thomas Ballard M.D.

MEDICAL RECORD

PARTY F

Station: St. M.

Date: June 15, 1930

Name Bernhardt, Mrs. AN na

Home address 3375 Grim Ave., San Diego, Calif.

Address of Nearest friend or relative husband, Mr. Peter Benhardt
same address

Religion Lutheran Age 74

History of Present complaint: June 15th, feet sore, rheumatism,
21st, constipation.

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RECEIVED JUN 15 1930

(over)

Washington, D. C. May 27, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3575 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, California

YOUR PASSPORT RECEIVED WILL BE DELIVERED ABOARD SHIP

OSM 894

Dewitt
Quartermaster General

OSM 295 A-C
Benhart, Edwin A. 1233
MM

1094 America 6/4/30 ~~3436+~~ 1233
RETURN RECEIPT.

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

Anna Z Bonhart

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

5-22
Date of delivery, -----, 192*30*

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92776

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

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



POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to _____

War Dept.

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, }

Office of G. M. General

NAME OF SENDER

Post Office at _____

Washington

Rev. 3-24

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State _____

D. C.

1094-c

America 6/4/30

RETURN RECEIPT

1233

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

Mrs Anna J Bankart

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

5 - 24, 1923

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 9260

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

Return to _____

Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, _____

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benhart, Edwin A. 1233-M

May 21, 1930.

Mrs. Anna J. Bonhart,
3375 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 316644 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.

Bonhart, Edwin A. 1233 M

May 20, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Bonhart
3375 Grim Avenue
San Diego, California.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. San Diego	SD&A	No. 150	5:15 PM	May 29	
Ar. Chicago	CR&P	" 4	9:15 AM	June 1	
Lv. Chicago	NYC	" 10	10:35 AM		1
Ar. New York	"	" 142	3:45 PM		2

(Gr. Cent.)

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.

OM 293 A-C
Benhart, Edwin A. 1233

May 13, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, California.

Dear Madam:

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

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip. Advise if name on passport application was in any way different from that shown above.

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

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

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk of Superior Court at San Diego, San Diego County, California.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, U.S. Corps,
Assistant.

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Form Let.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benhard, Edwin A. 1233 M

April 1, 1930.

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

America

6-4-30

1233

Benhart, Edwin A

I Accept ----- the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart

(Name)

3375 Grim Ave., San Diego, San Diego Co., Calif.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

February 10, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benhart, Edwin A. 1233

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
Box 27,
Taylor, Nebr.

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 Edwin A. Benhart, Wag. Sup. Co., 4th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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:

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For The Quartermaster General,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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Benhart, Edwin A. - 1233 M.

February 7, 1930

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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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 74 Health <i>not very good</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other language <i>Swedish</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
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Benhart, Edwin A.

February 7, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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3375 grim av
San Diego, Calif.
Jan. 28 - 1930.

War Department

The Adjutant General's Office
Washington D.C.

Dear Sirs: - As I am a
eligible as a Gold Star mother
to make the pilgrimage ^{in 1930} to
France. I wish to get information
concerning location of my son's
grave. Conditions of the trip etc.

My son Edwin Alexander Benhart
Wagoner Supply Co 4th Infantry
Serial no 2213798. Died Oct
7 1918 at Langres, ^{France} and his
remains are left over there. I would
like to make the trip this year as
I may not be able to make the
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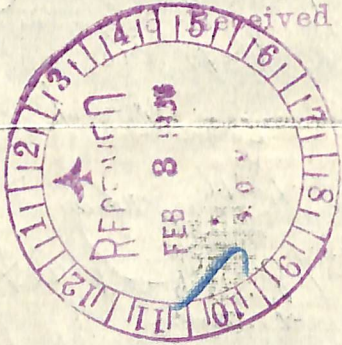
trip next year. so I would be very grateful if you could give me all information needed.

Thanking you in advance and hoping to hear from you soon I am yours sincerely

Mrs Anna Josephine Benkert

by Milton J Benkert

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ^{QM 293 A-C}
~~Bonhart~~, Edwin A. - 1233 M.

February 7, 1930

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3373 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 27, 1929.

Benhart, Edwin A.

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Box 27,
Taylor Nebr.

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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 re-married it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Washington, D. C. May 27, 1950

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, California

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Benhart, Edwin A. 1233

May 13, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, California.

Dear Madam:

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

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip. **Advise if name on passport application was in any way different from that shown above.**

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

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

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk of Superior Court at San Diego, San Diego County, California.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANTON,
Captain, U.S. Corps,
Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benhart, Edwin A. 1233

May 13, 1930

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Application mailed from San Diego, California on April 28, 1930. They have a receipt from

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Avenue,
San Diego, California.

the Department of State acknowledging the receipt of the application which they received about a week ago.

Yours truly,

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J. B. McLees, Clerk,
By B. S. Johnson Deputy

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For The Quartermaster General,

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R. E. Shannon

R. E. SHANNON,
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Benhart, Edwin A. 1233 M

May 20, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart
3375 Grim Avenue
San Diego, California.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. San Diego	SD&A	No. 150	5:15 PM	May 29	
Ar. Chicago	CR&P	" 4	9:15 AM	June 1	
Lv. Chicago	NYC	" 10	10:35 AM		1
Ar. New York	"	" 142	3:45 PM		2
(Gr. Cent.)					

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,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benhart, Edwin A. 1233 M

April 1, 1930.

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benhart, Edwin A. 1233-M

March 20, 1930

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
3375 Grim Ave.,
San Diego, 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

February 10, 1930

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Benhart, Edwin A.

February 7, 1930

Mrs. Ama J. Benhart,
5375 Grim Ave.,
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A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Benhart, Edwin A. - 1233 M.

February 7, 1930

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 28, 1929.

Benhart, Edwin A.
1233

Mrs. Anna J. Benhart,
Box 27,
Taylor, Nebr.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ^{May 27, 1929} making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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Bonhart, Edwin A.

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Edwin A. Bonhart, Wagoner, Supply Co., 4th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Michael American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-et-Moselle, 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,

2 incs.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

November 26, 1923.

Mr. Peter Benhart,
Box 185,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Wagoner Edwin A. Benhart, Supply Company, 4th Infantry, is Grave 31, Row 18, Block D, St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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. 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed 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,



R.L. FOSTER
Assistant.

293 Benhart Edwin A.
FILE
R 12/17

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, D. C.
NOV 26
7-PM
1923

ADDRESS
PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
YOUR PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300
TO
STREET AND
NUMBER

RECEIVED
DEC 11 1923
M. & R. BRANCH
O. O. M. G.

Mr. Peter Benhart,

Box 185,

San Diego,

Calif.

RETURN
TO WRITER
UNCLAIMED



SAN DIEGO
DEC 5 3 PM '23

In reply refer to:
QM 293 C-R

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

November 26, 1923.

Mr. Peter Benhart,
Box 185,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you be informed that the
Infantry is to be removed to a permanent grave in Row 16, Block D, St. Mihiel American Cemetery,
Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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,

R. L. FOSTER

RD

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Assistant.

Benhart,

Edwin Alexander

2,213,798

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Wagoner

Sup Co 4 Infantry

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes

(Yes or no.)

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

No

(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:

Trustees of Lutheran Church

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

Herdville Herdville

Herdville

Nebraska

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Peter Berberent

Sargent

Nebraska

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by *DM*

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11-23.

REVIEWED
OSP SS.
~~CH 29-20~~

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE JANUARY 27, 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 BENHART, Edwin A.
 2. No. 2213798
 3. Rank Wagoner
 4. Org. Supply Co. 4th Inf.
 5. D.D. Oct. 7th 1918
 6. C.D. Lobar Pneumonia

10. Name EDWIN A BERNHART
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 98 Sec. _____
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. _____ None

18. Cemetery Amer. E. F.
 20. Dept. or County Haute-Marne
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 13

19. Commune or town Langres
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Jan 27, 1922.

By J.E. BENSON

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name EDWIN A. BENHART
 Rank Wag.
 Gr. No. 98.

Serial No. _____
 Organization Sup. Co. 4th Inf.

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

J.C. Annabel
 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).

No effects found.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box, burlap and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Tag on body reads: EDWIN A. BERNHART

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan 27, 1922. By J.E. BENSON

31. Casket sealed by J.E. BENSON

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

J.E. Benson
 J.E. BENSON

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-26236

32. Designation of body:
Name Edwin A. BENHART Serial No. 2213798
Rank Wagoner Organization Supply Co, 4th Inf.

33. Consigned to:
Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. #1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 27, 1922. By J.E. BENSON

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 *Walter F. Brown*
WALTER F. BROWN, CAPT. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks
Disc on body reads: Edwin A. Bernhart, 2213798.
Disc on cross and tin plaque on face of cross read same as tag on body.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) January 27, 1922.
To point of Concentration Chaumont, (Hte. Marne)
Convoyer Clinton T. Rieley Signature Shipping Officer *Walter F. Brown*
(Name WALTER F. BROWN)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 19 FEB 1922
By G.R.S. Representative *G. J. Blake*
G. J. BLAKE
SECTION 4 AGRS
Captain, Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 23 FEB 1922
gbr
To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer Cty 1233, Thiaucourt, (M et M)
Convoyer Michael Plotkin Signature Shipping Officer *Walter F. Brown*
(Name WALTER F. BROWN)
Captain, Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

40. Received: Date 23 FEB 1922
G.R.S. Representative *G. D. Gamble*

41. Reinterred G. D. GAMBLE, Captain, Q. M. C.,
August 16, 1922
(Date)

42. Grave No. 31 Section

43. ~~Box~~ Bk D. Row 18

G.R.S. Representative *A. E. Dewey*
A. E. DEWEY, 1st Lieut, QMC

LANGRES. (HTE. MARNE)

Place

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date JANUARY 27, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BENHART, Edwin A. SERIAL NUMBER 2213798
RANK Wagoner ORGANIZATION Supply Co. 4th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan 27, 1922. From (give complete location): Grave No. 98, American E.F. Cemetery No. 13, Langres, (Hte. Marne)

By: Group 2 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date): August 16, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 31, Row 18, Bk. D Cemetery 1233, Thiaucourt, (MET M) In casket and shipping case

By: Group Reburial Unit Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Wooden box, burlap and uniform.

Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible.

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

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

No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine

Extracted-3-14. Decayed-15-16.

(b) Weight (estimated) Unable to determine

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity None

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None

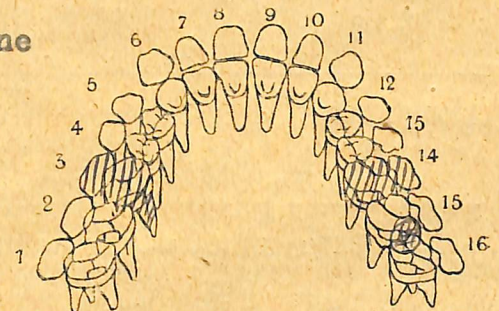
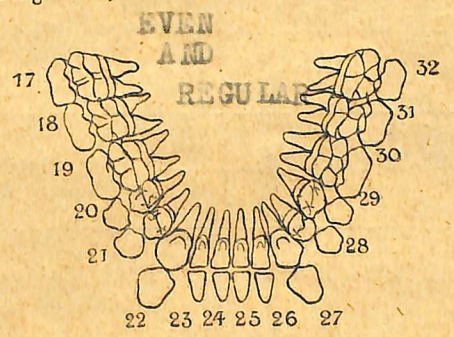


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



EVEN AND REGULAR

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None






7. Disinterment supervised by J.E. BENSON Approved: WALTER F. BROWN (Title) CAPT. Q.M.C.

8. Re-burial supervised by H.L. KRAMER Approved: A.E. EWY (Title) 1st. Lieut. QMC

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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:	
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

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G. R. S. Form No. 115

COUNTRY FRANCE

Cemetery No. 13

Sheet No. 8

File No. 30366

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Benhart, Edwin A. Ser. No. 2213798

TYP. ESW

(2) Rank Wagoner Organization Supply Co., 4th Inf.

CKR. MEH.

(3) Date of death 10-7-18

B. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(4) Cause of death Lobar Pneumonia

TYP. TW.

(5) Grave No. 98 Row -- Plot -- Sect. --

CKR. EP

*5/26/20
Examined for
concentration
St. Michael # 1233
maced - 6-16-22*

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; no card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship Father

(7) Name Peter Benhart

(8) Address Sargent, Nebr.

(9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? see yes

(10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at no

(11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? SEE SUSPENSION REMARK Trustees of Lutheran

Church, Hardville, Nebr.

(Ex. + Del.) Hardville, Nebr. 7/11 4-16-20

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A. G. O. card? If so, specify such information.

No correspondence

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by T.L. (Date) 4-16-20

D (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos? Yes Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? no (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

No request for disposition

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by me (Date) 5-11-20

FILED

(over)

1-19-21 T.L.

checked by CL 11-27-20

III. FINAL ACTION

JAN 24 1920



RECEIVED
M.H. 127
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) _____

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to _____

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed _____

(18) Typed by _____ Checked by _____ (Date) _____

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) 5/4/20

(19) Typed by EM Checked by J.M.S. (Date) 5/4/20

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120, 5/20/20, change address to Taylor Neb. 12/20
shipping instructions the same - CD 11-29-20
Father Peter Bernhart Taylor Neb. requests return
2-23-21 - Telegram from father, N.K. Peter Bernhart,
Box 185 San Diego Calif, requests body remain in
France unless already prepared for shipment.
JAN 5 1921 4-2-25-21-58*

D. Dispatched (Date) _____ (Let. Trans. No.) _____

PARAGRAPH 1 - TO BE RETURNED.

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Approved by _____

(Date) _____

MAR 5 1921. PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 222 TO EUROPE-BODY TO REMAIN 3/9/21 M.H. 9.

*4/26/21 Letter from Europe states return
cancelled as per cable. EP 5/27/21*

Jms.

G.R.S. Form #120
Shipping Inquiry.

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

MAY 11 1920

Trust Answer

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

TO: Peter Benhart, ^{*Taylor*} (Sargent,) Nebr.

SUBJECT: Remains of Wagoner Edwin A. Benhart

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be returned to United States

note address

Shipped to: Trustees of Lutheran Church

Hordville, Nebr.

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

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

MAR 5 1921

PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. *222* TO EUROPE BODY TO REMAIN

3/9/21

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

noted 3/11/21
7 115
12/2/20

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>none</i>		
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. <i>none</i> 2. 3.		
Father	<i>Peter Benhart</i>	<i>Taylor</i>	<i>Nebr</i>
Mother	<i>Anna Josephine Benhart</i>	<i>Taylor</i>	<i>Nebr</i>
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Chas V Benhart,raig nebr</i> 2. <i>Milton J Benhart Taylor nebr</i> 3. <i>Arthur W. Benhart New Castle Wyo</i>		<i>Elmer Benhart New Castle Wyo</i> <i>Ernest R. Benhart New Castle Wyo</i>
Sisters	<i>none</i>		
Date	<i>May 17, 1920</i>	Signature	<i>Peter Benhart</i>
Address	<i>Taylor Nebr.</i>	Relationship	<i>Father</i>

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

EM

(OVER)

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper **MUST** be signed by the person who is the **NEXT** of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the legally appointed guardian of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
4. If **YOU** are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If **YOU** are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper **AT ONCE** and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper **AT ONCE** in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

CRS FORM 129
Transmittal Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N.J.

February 25th - 1921.

From: Graves Registration Service Officer, Hoboken, N.J.
To: Cemeterial Division (Overseas Project Sub-Section)
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

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Name Benhart, Edwin A. Ser.No. 2213798
Rank Wagoner Organization Supply Co., 4th Infantry
Cemetery No. 13 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 8

Request shown below dated Feb. 23/1921 is latest in this case:

<u>Name of Relative</u>	<u>Return to</u>	<u>Remain in</u>	<u>Special</u>
Widow <u>None</u>		<u>France</u>	
Children _____			
Euardian _____			
Father <u>Peter Benhart, Box 185 San Diego, California.</u>			
Mother _____			
Brother _____			
Sister _____			
Others _____			

Body ~~to be shipped to~~, or for interment in: France in a permanent American Cemetery.

(16)

MMM

1 Inclosure.

R.E. SHANNON,
Graves Registration Officer,
Capt., Quartermaster Corps.

Cable Letter Mch. 5 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.
File # 193.8 # 30366

Benhart Edwin A.

GRS FORM 129
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Widow <u>None</u>		<u>France</u>	
Children _____			
Guardian _____			
Father <u>Peter Bonhart, Box 185 San Diego, California.</u>			
Mother _____			
Brother _____			
Sister _____			
Others _____			

Body to ~~be shipped to~~ or for interment in: France in a permanent American Cemetery.

~~(111)~~
R. E. SHANNON,
Graves Registration Officer,
Capt., Quartermaster Corps.


1 Inclosure.

Cable Letter Mar. 5, 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a telegram. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION



TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

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RECEIVED AT 227 HUDSON STREET, HOBOKEN, N. J.

152 NY AS 60 NL 5 EX

SAN DIEGO CALIF FEB 23 1921

CAR DEPT QUARTERMASTER CORRS 2

CEMETERIAL DIV GRAVES SERVICE REGISTRATION ROOM

350 PIER 2 HOBOKEN NJ

FILE NO 293.8 CEM DIV COR BR IF REMAINS OF MY SON EDWIN A BENHART
 WAGONER 2213798 SUP CO 4TH INFANTRY HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN PREPARED
 FOR SHIPMENT TO HORDVILLE NEBR KINDLY CANCEL AT ONCE LEAVE REMAINS
 IN FRANCE FORMER ADDRESS TAYLOR NEBR ANSWER

PETER BENHART BOX 185 SANDIEGO 407P

NOTED ON FORM 4115
 H-2-25-21-5

HOBOKEN, N.J.

FEB 24 1921 9 39 AM

GRAVES REGISTRATION
SERVICE

13-8

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G.R.S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body

1. Name BENHART, Edwin A.
 2. No. 2213798
 3. Rank Wagoner
 4. Org. Supply Co., 4th Inf.
 5. D.D. 10/7/18
 6. C.D. Lober Pneumonia

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 98 Sect. -----
 8. Plot ----- Row -----
 9. -----

15. Grave No. _____ Sect. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. _____

18. Cemetery American
 19. (Commune or Town) Langres
 20. (Dept. or County) Hte-Marne
 21. (Country) France
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 13
 23. Disinterred (Date) _____ By _____
 24. Inscription (Name) _____ SERIAL NO. _____
 on _____ ORGANIZATION _____
 Grave Marker (RANK) _____
 25. Was Identification Disc found on Grave Marker? _____ On Body? _____

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

Call Ref No. 8

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no Disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).....
.....
27. Condition of body.....
28. Nature of burial.....
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above
30. Body prepared and placed in casket (Date).....By.....
31. Casket sealed by.....

(Signature of Embalmer Supervisor).....

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

32. DESIGNATION (Name BENHART, Edwin A. Serial No. 2213798
OF (
BODY (Rank Wagoner Organization Supply Co. 4th Inf.
33. CONSIGNEE - Name Trustees of Lutheran Church (Ex. & Tel. Hordville, Nebr.)
Address Hordville, Nebr.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date).....By.....

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.....

36. Remarks.....
.....

37. Shipped from Cemetery (Date).....To.....
(Point of Concentration)

Convoyer.....Sign. Shpg. Officer.....

38. Received at Point of concentration (Date).....

Sign. Receiving Officer.....

39. Shipped from Point of Concentration (Date).....

To (Port).....Convoyer.....

Sign. Shipping Officer.....

40. Received European Port (Date).....

Signature of G.R.S. Representative.....

41. Shipped to (U.S. Port).....On (Boat).....

Date.....Convoyer.....(Sign. Shpg. Officer)

42. Received (Date).....By G.R.S. Rep.....

(Signature)

43. Shipped to destination (Date).....)B/L or Express Order No.

Convoyer.....)Shpg. Officer.....

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

February 3, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Br.
(BENHART, Ewin A.)

Mr. Peter Benhart,
Taylor, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:-

The records of this office indicate that your wishes with regard to the final disposition of the remains of the late soldier named below should be complied with and you are, therefore, informed that, pursuant to your request, the following instructions have been issued:

Remains of late Ewin A. Benhart, Wagoner, 2213798, Sup. Co.,
4th Infantry, to be returned to the United States and shipped
to the Trustees of the Lutheran Church, Hordville, Nebraska.

About ten days prior to the arrival of the body in the United States you will be notified by telegraph and requested to confirm the above shipping instructions. You should immediately reply to such telegram, to avoid delay in the shipment of the body.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.C.
Officer in Charge.

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By:

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P. C. PALMAS,
Executive Assistant.

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Feb. 25th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div., Cor. Br.
(Benhart, Edwin A.)

Mr. Peter Benhart,
Box 185, San Diego,
California.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt of telegram dated February 23rd, 1921, relative to disposition of remains of your son, the late Edwin A. Benhart, Wagoner, Serial No. 2213798, Supply Company 4th Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your wishes instructions have been issued to leave the remains of your late son in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By:

[Signature]
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. L. SHANNON,
Captain, U.S. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

Mailed - O.P.D.
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By:

F. C. DALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File--30366

See Form 115
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6-16-22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name	Benhart, Edwin A.	Ser. No.	2213798	} TYP	ESW
(b) Rank	Wagoner	Organization	Supply Co., 4th Infantry		MEH
(c) Date of death	10--7-18	Cause of death	Lobar Pneumonia		LM

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

(a) Grave No. 98 Row -- Plot -- Sect. -- TYP TW

(b) Emerg. Address -----

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases no card CKR EP

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

Form 120 ^{5/20/20} Peter Benhart (father) Taylor Nebr requests return of body ~~requests return of body~~ and shipment to him at Hordville Nebr acm 10/21 Lutheran Church.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
Letter of transmittal Jan 5 1921)
PARAGRAPH 1 - TO BE RETURNED. acm

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 22 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
Sept 25, 1921 Form 129	Father (2-23-21) Peter Benhart	Remain in France	MAR 5 1921 OVERSEAS ADVISED by proposed cable 272- body to remain. 3/9/21 III. 9.
4/26/21	Letter from Europe	states return cancelled as per cable	EP 5/27/21

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR 2 1921 192

COUNTRY France
G.R.S. FORM 115-A
August, 1920

CEMETERY NO. 13

SHEET NO. 8

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Benhart 2218798 *Edwin A.*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Waj. S. up. 4 *Infantry*
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *B. H. 53*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 9 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Cemetery 13*

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

U.S. Army School A.P.O. 714

GRAVE NUMBER: *98*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *yes* 3

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *yes*

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



NEAREST RELATIVE: *Peter Benhart*

ADDRESS: *Fay Taylor Nbr.*

RELATIONSHIP: *Father*

REPORTED BY: *J. A. Nesbitt Chaplain*
B. H. 53

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

28 OCT 1918

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2. Soldier's No.

221379

~~84512~~

3. Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

Bernhart Edwin

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

Mag. Supv. Cor. 4th. Inf.

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

Oct. 8, 1918.

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

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7. Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

Langres.

8. Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

98

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle? Check Method of Marking

X

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? Identification Tags

X

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

12. Map Reference, interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed

S. A. Brown

Group.....Unit.....303 G. R. S.

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G.R.S Form No. [redacted]; Central Records Liaison.

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Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- ✓ Surname: *Bernhart* **Bernhart**
- ✓ Number: **2213798**
- ✓ First name: **Edwin A.**
- ✓ Rank: **Wagoner**
- ✓ Company: **Sup.**
- ✓ Organization: **4th Inf.**
- ✓ Date of death: *Oct 7 - 1918*
- ✓ Cause: *pneumonia - lobar left*
- ✓ Place: *lung lower lobe*

Location of hospital:

Number " " *BH # 53-900*
Class " " *714*
Emergency address *label*

Relationship: *Father*
Peter Bernhart
Taylor Nebraska

Authority:
Cablegram No: ~~_____~~
Telegram from: *CC 280*

dated:
Reported to Washington:
C.C.Nos.

(Underscore the "official" name)
Remarks:

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

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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To Lieut. Noetzel, Graves Registration Service. Date January 27, 1920
From Hazel K. Proud, Chief A R C. G.R.S. Subject Photo of Grave or Edwin Bernhart.

FILE

Our records show D-5576 Edwin Bernhart, Wag. Sup. Co., 4th Inf., Grave #98, Langres Cemetery #13. We also have D-54724 Joseph Bernert, Pvt., Co. E, 4th Inf. buried in Grave #81, Senocourt Cemetery #607.

FILE

We find in your records a blue card #105477 showing Joseph Bernert, 2213795 as having been cancelled and referring to Edwin A. Bernhart, File #30366. File #30366 shows Edwin A. Benhart 2213798, Wagoner, Supply Co., 4th Inf. buried in Grave #98, Langres Cemetery #13. According to our pictures these are two different men.

Please advise regarding release.

H.K.P.
Hazel K. Proud, Chief,
A.R.C. Photo. Division,
Graves Registration Service.

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