

To The A. G. C.

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~~✓~~ FULL NAME ..... BENNETT, Webster S. ~~✓~~

~~✓~~ RANK. .... Wag. ~~✓~~ SERIAL. .... 1470020 ~~✓~~

~~✓~~ DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Hq. Det. 110th Trn. Hdqrs. AEF ~~✓~~ 35th Div

~~✓~~ DATE OF DEATH. .... Dec 30 1918

~~✓~~ STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Kan.

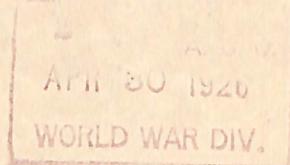
none of record

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. ....	Date	Grave	Row	Block
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Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery



Rec'd World War Div.  
AUG 9 1927

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bennett 1470020 Webster S.  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Wagoner Train Idq. 35 Division  
(Rank). (Division).

DEATH:

PLACE OF DEATH: ~~TEXAS~~ Base Hospital #118

CAUSE OF DEATH: Typhoid Fever

Jan. 2, 1918

DATE OF BURIAL: Am. E. F. Cemetery #6,

PLACE OF BURIAL: Bazoilles-sur-Meuse

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

Plan of August 29, 1918

GRAVE NUMBER: 450

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? No Bottle? Yes

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: Mr. Fred S. Bennett

ADDRESS: 520 So. Washington Ave., Topeka,  
Kansas

RELATIONSHIP: Father

REPORTED BY:

Chas. J. Bowles, 2nd Lt. Q.M.C.

(Signature and Hospital Reporting Order #731)

293.8 Bennett, Webster S.  
(Miss. Div.)

1st Ind.

LLM

War Dept., A.G.O., March 1, 1919 - To the Commanding General,  
American Expeditionary Forces.

1. The request contained in the foregoing letter from Mr. T. S. Bennett, President of the Allen County Investment Company, Iola, Kansas, that the body of his son, Webster S. Bennett, Headquarters Train, 35th Division, be allowed to remain in France for permanent burial, is approved, and the Commanding General is directed to take action accordingly.

2. Mr. Bennett, and the Quartermaster General's Office (Cemeterial Branch) have been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. C. Ashburn

Adjutant General.

(Synopsis made)

CEMETERIAL

COPY FOR:

Q.M.G.O. (CEMETERIAL BRANCH)



293.8  
X 293.8  
Bennett Webster S.  
France

## CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bennett	3	25 <sup>0</sup> 4
Webster S	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 26	2	26
	ROW 39	2	39
	BLOCK C	1	3
STATE	Kan.	2	18
RANK	Wagoner	1	2
DIVISION	35	2	35
ORGANIZATION	110	3	110
ARM	Line. Hgrs.	1	(2)
MARTIAL	W	1	2
NAME	Brown	5	28 <sup>0</sup> 5-
Mrs. Adella	STATE Oregon	2	43
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Marion	2	24
90 Supt., Oregon State Hosp.	CITY Salem	3	022
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	Father	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Insane	1	5
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	No	1	2
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bennett, Webster S. (MA) "

July 16, 1932

Mrs. Adella Brown,  
c/o Supt. Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

*Insane*

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

*No*  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

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July 23, 1932

Chas. W. Dietz  
Captain, Q.M.Corps, Asst.  
Office of the Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Referred to QM 293 A-M  
Bennett, Webster S. (MA) [Redacted]

In re Mrs. Adella Brown

Dear Sir:

The superintendent has instructed me to answer your letter regarding the possibility of Mrs. Brown's making a pilgrimage to France, and to state that Mrs. Brown is chronically insane and, obviously, could not make such a journey. She has been a patient of this institution since 1912.

Yours very truly,



Assistant Physician

VWM B



QM 293 A-M  
Bennett, Webster S. (MA)

July 16, 1932

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, Supt.,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous correspondence from this office to Mrs. Adella Brown, relative to her desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of her son, the late Wagoner Webster S. Bennett.

Every effort is being made to assure that each mother or widow who is eligible to make a pilgrimage, be given an opportunity to make the journey. It is noted that Mrs. Brown has been adjudged incompetent, however, in the hope that her health has improved and she is able to make a pilgrimage, an opportunity is being given her to make the journey during the summer months of 1933. It is requested therefore, the questionnaire enclosed herewith be completed and returned to this office.

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Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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Encl:

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

July 16, 1932

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(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bennett, Webster E. (M-A) M

September 14, 1931

Mrs. Adella Brown,  
c/o Superintendent,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Ore.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office several months in advance. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? No  
Write answer here

Encl:  
Env.

Sign here

*J. D. T.*

QM 293 A-II  
Bennett, Webster S. - 1259 M

October 1, 1930

Mr. R. E. Lee Steiner,  
Superintendent,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 23, 1930, informing this office of the name and rank of the late wagoner Webster Sterling Bennett, son of Mrs. Adella Brown, who lost his life during the World War.

Your prompt reply is very much appreciated, and the information contained in your letter was sufficient to assist in locating the files in connection with this case.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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SALEM, OREGON

Sept. 23, 1930

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A. D. Hughes,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
War Department,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

In re Mrs. Adella Brown  
QM 095 A-M

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of September 15, Mrs. Adella Brown was interviewed today and informs us that her son's full name is Webster Sterling Bennett, that his rank was "Private" but she was unable to tell the name of the organization in which he served.

Mrs. Brown further stated that her son is buried in "Grinolo Cemetery, Grave No. 640."

On account of her mental condition at this time she is not very certain of these facts, but we trust that you will find the information sufficient for your purpose.

Yours truly,

*R. E. Lee Steiner,*  
Superintendent

QM 095 A-M  
Brown, Adella (Mrs.)

September 15, 1930

R. E. Lee Steiner, M. D.,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a letter from Dr. P. W. Byrd, advising that Mrs. Adella Brown is unable to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is requested that you advise this office of the name, rank and organization of the deceased veteran in question, in order that previous correspondence with Mrs. Brown may be located.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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The Quartermaster General,  
Memorial Branch,  
Washington, D. C.

In re Mrs. Adella Brown

Dear Sir:

The superintendent has instructed me to say that Mrs. Adella Brown will not be eligible for a trip to the cemeteries in Europe on account of the fact that she is permanently impaired due to insanity.

Yours truly,

P. W. Byrd.

Second Asst. Physician

PWB B



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Webster S. 1232 M

August 19, 1930.

Mrs. Adella Brown,  
State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Webster S. 1232 M

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Adella Brown  
Salem, Marion County  
Oregon

*State Hospital*

Dear Madam:

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cording to the terms of Section 4(a)  
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If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope

Act

Amendment

*W. H. Hughes*  
A. S. HUGHES  
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Assistant.

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

Bennett, Webster S.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.  
Iola, Kans.

Dear Sir:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

No Widow, was never married

Mother Now Adelle Brown

Now inmate of the Insane asylum of Salem Oregon.

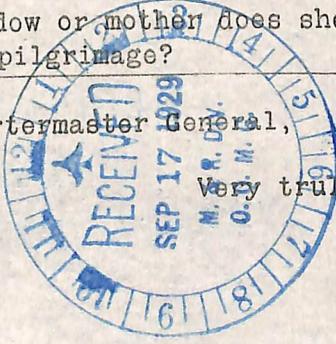
of course not able to go across the water.

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

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

Not able to go Mother in insane hospital.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

*Very truly Fred S. Bennett*

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bennett, Webster S.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Wagoner Webster S. Bennett, Hq. Det., 110th Tr. Hq. E.E.F., 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 mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

2 incls.

Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps.  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 16, 1932

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(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bennett, Webster E. (M-A) M

September 14, 1931

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

Encl:  
Env.

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Bennett, Webster S., Wag. (MA) M.

August 17, 1931

Mrs. Adella Brown,  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Bennett, Webster S. - 1233 M

October 1, 1930

Mr. R. E. Lee Steiner,  
Superintendent,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 23, 1930, informing this office of the name and rank of the late Wagoner Webster Sterling Bennett, son of Mrs. Adella Brown, who lost his life during the World War.

Your prompt reply is very much appreciated, and the information contained in your letter was sufficient to assist in locating the files in connection with this case.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Q. M. C. M. 2 R DIV.

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X 095- Brown, Adella M

295  
QM-098 A-M  
Brown, Adella (Mrs.)

September 15, 1930

R. E. Lee Steiner, M. D.,  
Oregon State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a letter from Dr. P. W. Byrd, advising that Mrs. Adella Brown is unable to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is requested that you advise this office of the name, rank and organization of the deceased veteran in question, in order that previous correspondence with Mrs. Brown may be located.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Q. M. C. & D. DIV.

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DISPATCHES

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bennett, Webster S. 1232 M

August 19, 1930.

Mrs. Adella Brown,  
State Hospital,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For the Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:

Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Webster S. 1232 M

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Adella Brown  
Salem, Marion County  
Oregon

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:

Envelope

Act

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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

Bennett, Webster S.  
1252

September 4, 1929.

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.  
Iola, Kans.

Dear Sir:

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

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:
2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.
3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Webster S.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.,  
Iola, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Wagoner Webster S. Bennett, Hq. Det. 110th Tr. Hq. E.E.F., 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 mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incs.

Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

Bennett

Webster S

1,470,020

(Surname.)

Wag

(Christian name in full.)

Co Tr 35th Div

(Army serial no.)

~~Ady. 2nd 110th Inf. A.F.T.~~

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? No

(Ye- or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you } No  
wish them interred in a national cemetery? } (Yes or no.)

If no desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Fred S Bennett*

*520 S. Washington Iola*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

*Kansas*

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Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

Brown, J. C.

6-39

10/18/20

checked  
9mm 10/21/20

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R # 78298

Dec. 4, 1922.

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.,  
Iola, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Webster S. Bennett, Wagoner Hdq. Det. 110th Tr. Bn. AEF, is Grave 26, Row 39, Block C, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of 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, 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,  
Assistant.

MAILED

DEC 6 1922

G.R.S.  
22/1281/ARK

DATE 11/22/21

1. NAME Bennett, Webster S SERIAL No. 1470020  
 RANK Wag. ORGANIZATION *Det. 110th Inf. Bn. 9. E. F.*  
*Hq. Tn. 35th Div.*

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Bazoilles-sur-Meuse - Vosges 6  
 CITY. NAME NUMBER  
 490

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 450. Bazoilles-sur-Meuse. Vosges.  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES E. 346-21. N. 170-12. Map: Mirecourt NW 84.

CONCENTRATED TO Feb. 1921. 490.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Bazoilles-sur-Meuse. 6.  
 CEMETERY CITY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *W.H. Quarterman*  
*Wm. H. QUARTERMAN, Capt. F.A. USA.*

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/22/21 26 39 C  
 DATE GRAVE ROW CEMETERY  
*AUDITED BY*  
*M. M. G. el*  
*10-21-22 ✓*

Meuse-Argonne American Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) 1232  
 CEMETERY

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Bazoilles, (Vosges) France.  
Date October 3rd 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BENNETT, WEBSTER G.

RANK WAG. ORGANIZATION SERIAL NUMBER 1470020  
Det. 118th Inf. Hq. A. S. F.  
Hq. Th. 35th Div.

2. Disinterred (date): October 3rd 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 490.  
American Military Cemetery, G.R.S. Code # 6, Bazoilles, (Vosges) France.

By: Group 1 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 22, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cem. 1232, Gr 26, Row 39, Block C

By: Group Re-burial S Unit Nature of reburial lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Buried in wooden box, uniform and blanket. Body 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.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) Unable to estimate.

(c) Hair—Color Dark brown.  
Quantity Normal.  
Characteristics Straight and long.

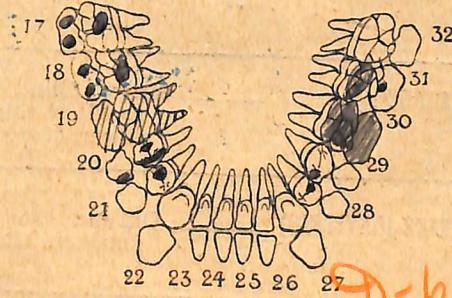
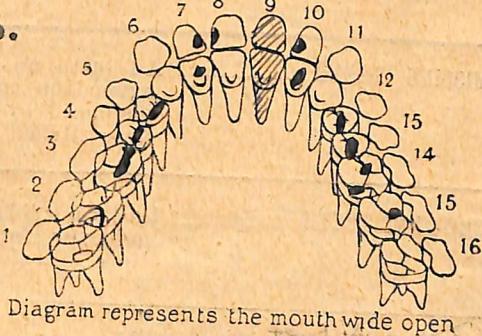
(d) Hair on face—Color None.  
Location  
Quantity

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Nos. 9 Missing after death.  
Nos. 19 Missing before death.  
Nos. 1, 16 Not cut.  
Nos. 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 28, 29, 31 Silver fillings.  
Nos. 7, 8, 10, 20 Gold fillings.

7. Disinterment supervised by *W. R. Tomlinson* Approved: *D. E. Lorry*  
W. R. TOMLINSON, Tap. (Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C. hem

8. Reburial Supervised by *A. U. Dufault* Approved: *James W. Younger*  
A. U. Dufault (Title) James W. Younger Captain, QMC



D-60403

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE October 3rd 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 Bennett, Webster S  
 2. No. 1470020  
 3. Rank Mag. *Not in 114th R. Hq. A. 6. J.*  
 4. Org. Hq. Tn. 35th Div.  
 5. D.D. 12-30  
 6. C.D. Typhoid Fever

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

7. Grave No. 490 Sec.  
 8. Plot Row  
 9.  
 15. Grave No. Sec.  
 16. Plot Row  
 17. No Discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Amer.  
 19. Commune or town Bazailles-sur-Meuse  
 20. Dept. or County Vosges  
 21. Country France  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 6  
 23. Disinterred (Date) October 3rd 1921. By W.R.TOMLINSON.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name WEBSTER S. BENNETT. Serial No. ---  
 Rank Mag. Organization Hq. Tn. 35th Div. Gr. 1 490

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

*Thos. A. Pace.*  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
 THOS. A. PACE.

## 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. Reburial record on body. Form 16a accomplished.*

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial In wooden box, uniform and blanket.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 3rd 1921. By W.R.TOMLINSON.

31. Casket sealed by W.R.TOMLINSON.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

*W. R. Tomlinson*  
 W. R. TOMLINSON.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-10679

32. Designation of body:

Name Bennett, Webster S Serial No. 1470020

Rank Wag. Organization Hq. Tn. 35th Div.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) October 3rd 1921. By W.R. TOMLINSON.

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

*J. E. Lowry*  
D.E. LOWRY,  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) October 3rd 1921.

To point of Concentration Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

*30 OCT 1921*

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, (Meuse) France.

Convoyer *C. L. RIELEY* Signature Shipping Officer *A. Buckley, Capt. Q.M.C.*

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse-Argonne Cemetery #1232 Nov. 22, 1921

(Date)

42. Grave No. 26

Section

43. Plot Block C

Row 39

G.R.S. Representative

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

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COMPILED OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 78298

(a) Name BENNETT, Webster S. Ser. No. 1470020 TYP. EK  
 (b) Rank Wagoner Organization Hdq. Train 35th Division Det. 110 Ju. 14q. AEF 10/19  
 (c) Date of death 12/30/18 (d) Cause of death Typhoid Fever. CKR. DRB

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

(a) Grave No. 450 Row — Plot — Sec. — TYP. EK  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Fred S. Bennett (father) 520 S. Washington Ave.,  
Iola, Kans.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. DRB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Fred S. Bennett (b) Relationship Father  
 (c) Address 520 S. Washington, Iola Kansas  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No  
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No  
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. —  
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. —

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10/12, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from F. S. Bennett

Iola, Kansas, dated Feb 25, 1919, confirming request in Par. IV., item d, above, or requesting that remains be  
permanently buried in France.

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10/12, 1920.

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

Iola, Kansas 2-25-19 requests remains left  
in France also a letter from his son saying  
 (a) Cancellation memos referred to? None

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY NO.

6

SHEET NO.

39

G. R. S. Form No. 115  
 Amended April 6, 1920

Make Form No. 114

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FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

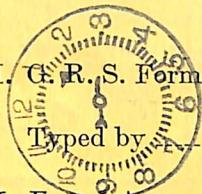
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transit to  
 Meuse Argonne 1232

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Received



DEC 22 1920

VII. G.R.S. Form No. 114 made

RECEIVED.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

, 1920.

MAR 15 1921

## VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by CEMETERIAL 1920 DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.  
 cable on \_\_\_\_\_ letter on NOV 17 1920, 1920

## PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (A.S.)

## IX.

## CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: F. #120-1/12/21 ~~████████~~ Fred S. Bennett, father n/k  
 520 S. Washington Ave., Iola, Kansas, ~~████~~ wishes body left in Europe.

mf-- 1/19/21--H

War Risk E.A. 2/9/21

Mrs. Malbe C. Murrin (sister)

101 Elm St., Ft. Worth, Texas.

*3/8/21 Hoboken advises Father his  
 wish will be complied with. 3/17/21  
 E.P.*

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY  
 TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.**

MAR 15 1921 ABR

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

March 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.8, Cem. Div. Cor. Branch.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemetery Division, O. Q. M. G.,  
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records- Cemetery #6.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 1869.

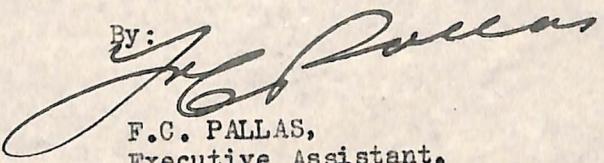
1. The records pertaining to the following case are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the body is to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO:

39. ✓ Bennett, Webster S., Wagoner, Serial Number 1470020,  
Headquarter Detachment, 110th Trench Headquarter.

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

By:

  
F.C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

Received 3-16-21  
C.M.

March 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.0, Cen. Div. Cor. Branch.

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By:

*SP*  
F.G. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

GLH/jw

March 8th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div. Gov. Branch.  
(BENNETT, Webster S.)

Mr. Fred S. Bennett,  
520 S. Washington Ave.,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated January 13th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Wagoner Webster S. Bennett, serial number 1470020, Headquarters Detachment, 119th Trench Headquarters, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left 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 wishes to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

(4) ( Mailed-Q.P.D.  
MAR 14 1921

R. J. CHANON,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

By:

R. G. VAILDRE,  
Executive Assistant.

3/17/21  
Date  
3/17/21  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON  
Hoboken, N.J.

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JAN 8 1921

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

To: Mr. Fred S. Bennett, 520 S. Washington Ave., Iola, Kansas.

SUBJECT: Remains of Wag. Webster S. Bennett, #1470020, Hdq. Det. 110 Tr. H.A.E.F.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in Europe.

It is the desire of myself as father, and as Guardian of

Myrtle A. Bennett, also the desire of Mable C. Bennett, sister  
that this body should remain in France.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, U. S. A.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER these relatives are STILL LIVING.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN	STATE.
Was soldier married? Soldier's widow	No.	noted 2/15/1921	
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1. None 2. 3.		
Father	Fred S. Bennett,		
Mother	Adella Brown, formerly Adella Bennett,		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1. none 2. 3.		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1. Mable C. Bennett, 2. Myrtle A. Bennett, 3.		

Date January 12, 1921

Signature

*Fred S. Bennett*

Address Iola, Kansas.

Relationship Father

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

3-7860

(OVER.)



JAN 15 1921

Iola, Kans. Jan. 12, 1921, 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the father  
(Relationship.) and nearest living relative of the within-named

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:

(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

~~XX As stated on first page of this sheet XX~~

~~XX To be returned to the U.S. and buried in XXXXXXXXX National Cemetery.~~

(Name.)

(R. R. station.)

(State.)

3. To ~~be returned to the U.S. and buried in XXXXXXXXX National Cemetery.~~
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

HOBOKEN, N.J.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEREMONIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB- SECTION

*Please Rush*

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

ARTILLERY NO.

DATE

BENNETT, Webster S.

SERIAL NUMBER

Wagoner

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Jan. 22, 1921

ORGANIZATION

Date of Death

1470020

Det. 110th Tr. Hq. A.E.F.

12/30/18

C-1316-94

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

*Noted on Form No. 118*

DATE

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

*Date*

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Malbe C. Murrin

Sister

Address

101 Elm St., Ft. Worth, Texas.

Cor. Sec.

*75*

## COMPILED OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 78298

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name **BENNETT, Webster S.** Ser. No. **1470020**  
 (b) Rank **Wagoner** Organization **Hdq. Train 35th Division** Det. 110 Tn. N.Y. A.E.F. 10% TYP **EK**  
 (c) Date of death **12/30/18** Cause of death **Typhoid Fever.** *DRB*

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

450 (a) Grave No. Row Plot Sect. TYP **EK**  
 (b) Emerg. Address **Mr. Fred S. Bennett (father) 520 S. Washington Ave., Iola, Kans.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases **NO CARD** CKR *AKB*

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

*A.G.O. Board: Father, Fred S. Bennett, 520 S. Washington Ave. Iola, Kansas, requests body be not returned to U.S. Is R.S. 2-25-18. Father confirms request (H.S. 11-29-29).*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on **NOV 17 1920** (Letter of transmittal on **NOV 17 1920**)PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED *(G.S.)*VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **DEC 18 1920** 192

## VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **MAR 15 1921** 192

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
August 1920

S-666/MB France

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MB 12-16-20

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF HERETTE, Webster S. SERIAL NUMBER 1470020

RANK. WAG.

ORGANIZATION Det. 110th Av. Sq. A.E. 3

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

Jan. 27, 1921

Gr. No. 450 Cem. No. 6

By : Group 5

Unit Sec. No. 8

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

Jan. 27, 1921

Gr. No. 490 Cem. No. 6

By : Group 5

Unit Sec. No. 8

Pine box &amp; blanket

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

Pine 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) Could not be determined

(b) Weight (estimated) 125 lbs

(c) Hair—Color Apparently L.B.

Quantity Very little

Characteristics Straight

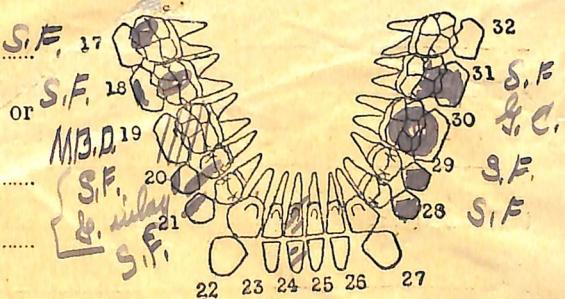
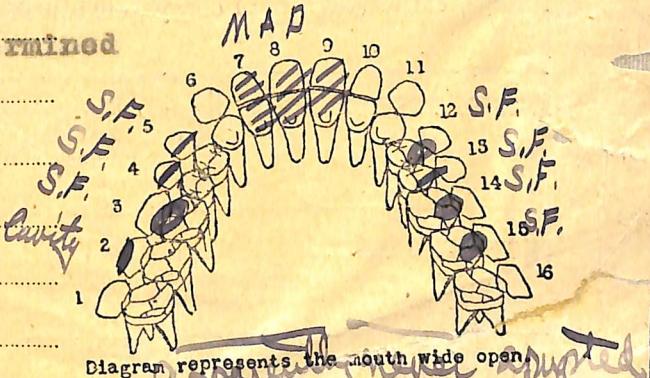
(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location

Quantity

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

missing parts) None



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

9#30264

G. D. Dabney  
Checker7. Disinterment  
Supervised byD. E. Lowry Jr.  
1st. Lt. C.M.C.

Approved : J. Gerald Cole

(Title) 1st Lt CAC

8. Reburial  
supervised byD. E. Lowry Jr.  
1st. Lt. C.M.C.

Approved : J. Gerald Cole

(Title) 1st Lt CAC

78798  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Bennett 1470020 Webster S.**

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

**Wagoner Train Hdq. 35 Division**

(Rank). (Organization).

**DEATH:**

PLACE OF ~~XXXXXX~~ **Base Hospital #116**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Typhoid Fever**

**Jan. 2, 1918**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Am. E. F. Cemetery #6,**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Bazoilles-sur-Meuse**

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

**Plan of August 29, 1918**

GRAVE NUMBER: **450**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **Yes** Cross? **Yes**

Headboard? **--** Bottle? **Yes**

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: **Mr. Fred S. Bennett**

ADDRESS: **520 So. Washington Ave., Topeka,  
Kansas**

RELATIONSHIP: **Father**

REPORTED BY:

*Chas J. Bowles*  
**Chas. J. Bowles, 2nd Lt. QMC  
Base Hospital #116, APO #731**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1. 1470020 Eq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No.

3.

BENNETT WEBSTER S.  
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4.

WAGNER TRAIN H.D. 36 DIV.  
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5.

DEC. 30-1918 Date of Death Cause, if known

6.

DEC. 2-19 AMER. MIL. #6 Date of Burial Cemetery

7.

BAZOILLES Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8.

450 Grave No. 78 Plot No. or Letter

9.

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

10.

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

11.

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

12.

Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13.

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed

Albert Burns

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

F. S. BENNETT,  
PRESIDENT

WEBSTER S. BENNETT.

VICE PRESIDENT

Form .004. Sent April 24th. 1919.

LIZZIE A. BENNETT,  
SECY AND TREAS.

*78298*

# Allen County Investment Co.

INCORPORATED  
UNDER THE LAWS OF KANSAS

FARM LANDS BOUGHT, SOLD AND EXCHANGED.

FARM LOANS AT CURRENT RATES. PROMPT SERVICE.

OUR SPECIALTY: HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS ON SMALL PAYMENTS.

February 25, 1919  
IOLA, KANSAS,

*Photograph*  
Chief,  
Graves Registration Service,  
Headquarters Service Supply,  
A. P. O. 717,  
American Expeditionary Forces,  
France.

Dear Sir:

I wish to make some inquiry relative to a photograph that I would like to have made of my son's grave. My son being Wagoner Webster S. Bennett, Headquarters Train, Thirty-fifth Division, American Expeditionary Forces, who died in France on December 30th, 1918.

We are advised that he is buried at Bazzilles, (Vosges), France. I trust you may have the photograph made and sent to me at earliest date possible.

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy shown, I am

Yours very truly,

*F. S. Bennett*

FSB:AG

293.8 Bennett, Webster S.  
(Misc. Div.)

1st Ind.

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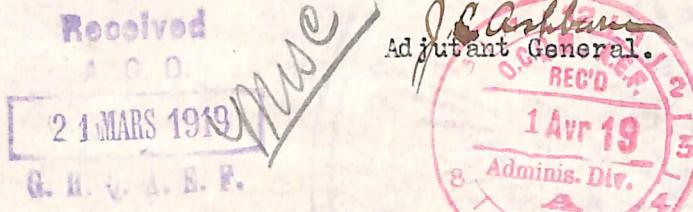
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Bennett, Headquarters Train, 35th Division, be allowed to  
remain in France for permanent burial, is approved, and the  
Commanding General is directed to take action accordingly.

2. Mr. Bennett, and the Quartermaster General's Office  
(Cemeterial Branch) have been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

(Synopsis made)



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2nd Ind.

weh  
J. C. Ashburn

G. H. Q., American E. F., France, March 26, 1919.- To the  
Commanding General, S.O.S.-G.R.S.

Approved. This request will be made of record  
by Graves' Registration Service.

By command of General Pershing:



J. M. Wooley  
Adjutant General.

F. S. BENNETT,  
PRESIDENT

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IOLA, KANSAS, February 25, 1919

Adjutant General,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In receiving due notice of the location of the burial place of my son, Wagoner Webster S. Bennett, Headquarters Train, Thirty-fifth Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France, who died on December 30, is buried in the American Cemetery at Bazilles (Vosges) France.

We notice according to the statement sent out, that you the removal of all the bodies to the United States would be made in due time unless request was made to the contrary. I desire to say that after due consideration of this matter, I have come to the conclusion that I think it would be better that the body of my son should remain in a National or Government Cemetery in France where he died for the cause of his country. I don't believe that it is policy that this body should be removed to America, believing that the French and United States Governments will see that the graves of the American soldiers are properly cared for all time to come, and I feel that his grave would be better cared for though in a foreign land than it might be in America because it is only a question of time until I must follow him.

Therefore, it is my request that his body remain in some Cemetery in France, properly marked as indicated by the printed statement and instructions sent to me.

Shall be pleased to hear from you further along this line, and await your pleasure.

Yours very truly,

FSB:AG

*W. S. Bennett*

RECEIVED MISCELL. DIV.  
FEB 28 1919

8 Received A.G.O. FEB 28 1919

OCT 14 1920

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington.

FROM: O. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 1128

Date Oct. 12, 1920

*Special*  
PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0  
Information requested of A.G.O.

File No. 1898 Registration

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

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

a. Surname Bennett ✓ f. Date of death 12/30/18 ✓

b. Christian name Webster S. ✓ g. Cause of death Typhoid Fever ✓

c. Serial Number 1470020 ✓ h. Authority (C.C. #) 411

✓ d. Organization Hdq. Tr. in 35th Div. i. Emergency address F. J. Bennett  
(Co. Tr. 35th Div.) 5205 Washington St., Topeka, Kansas

e. Rank Wagoner. ✓ j. Relationship Father

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

a. Age of enlistment

b. Color of eyes

c. Color of hair

d. Height

e. Weight

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Strike out teeth missing

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 3 3 4 5 6 7 8  
upper right upper left

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
lower right lower left

CEMETERY NO: 6

BY:

H. J. CONNER  
Captain Q.M.C.  
1st. Lt. Q. M. C.

SHEET NO: 39

TYPED BY: gab

S-713/MB

Hornell Am-See Sc-H343 10-14-20 14

France, March 26, 1919

Adjutant General

Mr. F. S. Bennett, President, Allen Co. Investment  
Company, Iola, Kansas.Disposition of remains of Webster S. Bennett,  
Hdqrs. Train, 35th Division.

1. The Commander-in-Chief directs that I  
acknowledge receipt of your letter, express-  
ing the desire that the body of your son,  
Webster S. Bennett, Hd. Train, 35th Division,  
should remain in France, and to inform you  
that your request will be complied with.



2. The Commander-in-Chief wishes me to con-  
vey to you his sympathy in the loss which you  
have sustained in the cause of our Country.

J. M. WOOLFOLK, Adjutant General.

293.8 Bennett  
Webster S. (Misc. Div.)

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

RECORD OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED

NR  
# 78298

From: Mr. F. S. Bennett, Allen Co. Invest Dated: Feb. 25, 1919  
ment Co., Iola, Kansas

To: Adjutant General. Rec'd A. G. O. Feb. 28, 1919

Subject: requesting that the body of his son, Webster S. Bennett,  
Headquarters of Train, 35th Div., be allowed to remain  
in France for permanent burial

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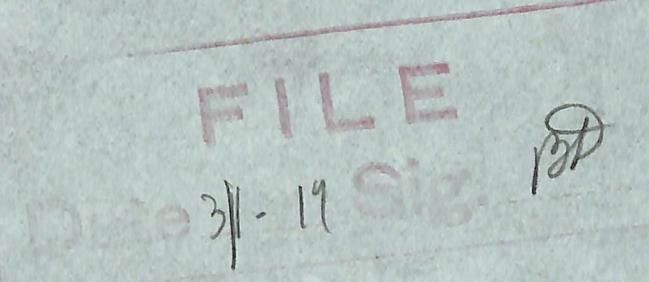
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Adjutant General.

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293.8 Bennett, Webster S.  
(Misc.Div.)-LIM

March 1, 1919.

Mr. F.S. Bennett,  
Allen County Investment Co.,  
Iola, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 25, 1919, relative to your desire that the body of your son, Webster S. Bennett, Headquarters Train, 35th Division, be allowed to remain in France for permanent burial, I beg to advise you that your request has been approved by the Secretary of War and the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, is being so notified.

A bill is now before Congress for the establishment of "Fields of Honor" abroad, which will insure future care by the United States Government as National Cemeteries are now cared for.

Permit me to take this opportunity to express to you the deep sympathy of the Department in the loss you have sustained and to commend you for the sacrifice and the contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.



P. C. Harris.

The Adjutant General.

J.C.