

DEC 23 1925

FULL NAME BISCHOFF, Elmer J. *Sol. rig*

RANK Sergeant SERIAL 244386

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company C, 5th Field ^{Signal} Battalion, Signal Corps *3*

DATE OF DEATH *July 15/18* ✓
7-75-14

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Ill* ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED, *none* ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....

Date Grave Row Block

608

Cemetery

*Widow
mother dead*

23/306/ARK

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DEC 23 1925
UNION DIV.

Rec'd War Dept
FEB 7 1926

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SFC
2-8-29*

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Co C 5th Fld Sig. Bn
3rd Division

BISCHOFF, Elmer, J. Sgt. 244386

On the morning of July 15, at regimental headquarters of the 30th Infantry, located in woods about one mile south of Crezancy Sgt BISCHOFF was severely wounded, while repairing telephone lines under heavy shell fire. He was conscious only a few minutes after he was wounded, he did not seem to suffer much and died in the telephone dugout at 9:30 a.m. July 15, 1918. He was buried near the signal dugout and his grave well marked by his comrades.

Informant: ANDERSON, Albert J. Sgt 1/cl. 244380
Co C 5th Fld Sig. Bn
Home Lucas, Iowa

Signed William E. HERT, Captain
Sign. Corps.



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Serines et Nesles

Date April 14, 1921

1. REMAINS OF Elmer J. Bischoff SERIAL NUMBER 244386

RANK Sgt ORGANIZATION Co. C. S.F.B. Pk S.C.

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

April 14, 1921 Grave # 72 Sec R Plot 2 Cem 608

By: Group 2 Unit 1

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

April 15, 1921 Gr. # 70 Sec R Plot 2 Cem 608

By: Group 2 Unit 1 Nature of reburial Wine box and burlap

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

Uniform and burlap. Entirely decomposed. Skeleton disarticulated.
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:

Disc on body reads Elmer J. Bischoff 244386 Sgt Co. C. S.F.B. S.C. U.S.A

body found in Grave # 72 under Grave Marker of James Le Roy Stauffer

Co. H. 30th Inf. Personal effects including Pocket knife, Pocket book cigarette lighter and a small ornament found and reburied with body.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

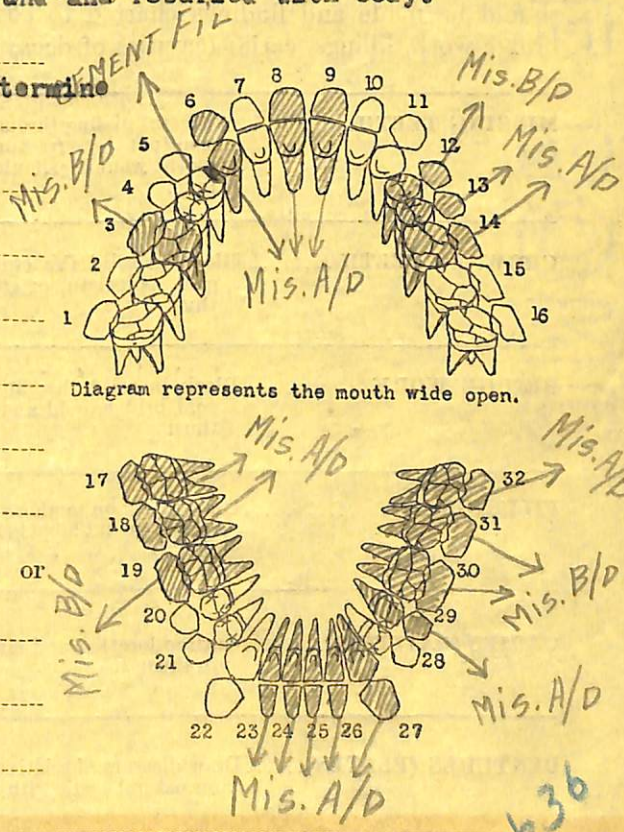
(d) Hair on face—Color "

Location "

Quantity "

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by J. A. Lee

Approved: R. Richards 1st Lt. QMC

8. Reburial supervised by J. A. Lee

Approved: R. Richards 1st Lt. QMC

D-30636

Date June 7, 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Elmer J BischoffNumber: 244386.Rank: Pvt 1st Cl Organization: Co C 5 Fld Bn Sig Corps.Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit 304.Disinterred (Date) June 7, 1919. From (Give complete location)Cemetery Sk # 46 Carr Grave 21 Map 49 N.E. N. 255.1 E. 191.2Reburied (Date) June 7, 1919. in: (Give complete location)Cemetery # 608 Seringes-et-Nesles(Aisne) Map 53 S.E. N. 275.4 E. 195.25*found in 72 - dummy*
Grave 70 Plot 2 Section R.

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

Buried 4 feet deep. Body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? No. One on cr.What other means of identification were found upon the body? None.

Note:

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

Supervised by: Cpl. C.E. Wise1st Lt O W Forsberg.C.O. Group _____ Unit 304.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bischoff</i>	<i>Bis</i>	3	<i>299</i>
<i>ELMER J.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	ROW <i>23</i>	2	<i>23</i>
	BLOCK <i>A</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Ill.</i>	2	<i>13</i>
BANK	<i>Sgt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>3</i>	2	<i>03</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>5</i>	3	<i>005</i>
ARM	<i>3rd Sq. Bus</i>	1	<i>5</i>
MARTIAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	<i>3</i>
NAME <i>Graham</i>		3	<i>731</i>
<i>Mrs. George Linnell</i>	STATE	2	
<i>(Remarried with)</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>227 N. Oak Park</i>	CITY	3	
<i>Oak Park, Ill.</i>			
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>no coco</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>fm</i>	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY <i>No</i>		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

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Bischoff, Elmer J. OA
Sgt., Co. C, 5th Field Sig. Bn.

Widow remarried

No loco

SM?

C-33402
227 North Oak Park
Oak Park - Ill

Address? (Remarried widow's mail returned unclaimed from
~~2478 Estes Ave., Chicago, Ill.~~)

Date of mother's death? 1916

Rose

father " 1910

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 AM

Bischoff, Elmer J. (OA)

August 8, 1932.

Mrs. Gladys L. Graham,
~~2478 Estes Ave.,~~
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who may be eligible 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 therefore requested that you advise whether or not the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff is survived by a step-mother, and if so, her name and address and the date of her marriage to his father. It will be appreciated if you will also furnish the date of death of his father.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

Enclosure:
Envelope.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bischoff, Elmer J. - 608 W

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Gladys L. Graham
2478 Estes Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

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:

No

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

If so, give her name and address:

Widow has
remarried.

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?

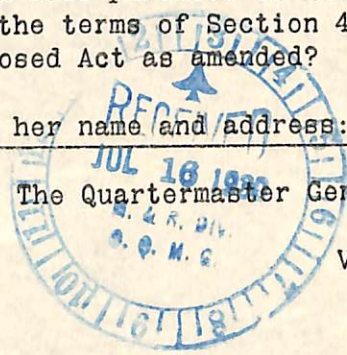
If so, give her name and address:

No

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment



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

QM 293 A-6
Bischoff, Elmer J.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
2478 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of June 26, 1929, it is regretted to advise you that you are ineligible to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your former husband, the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, Co. C, 5th Field Signal Battalion, in view of your remarriage subsequent to his death.

Notation was made on the records of this office in 1926 of the fact that you had remarried, but the letter of June 21, 1929, was sent to you for information as to whether the late Sergeant Bischoff was survived by a mother who would be eligible to make the pilgrimage, as you were designated as his emergency addressee.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

MDH/vp

MRS. C. DARWIN GRAHAM
PARK GABLES
2478 ESTES AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

June 26, 1929

#608
6-21-29

War Department,
Office of The Quartermaster General,
Washington, D.C.

Refer: QM 293 A*C
Bischoff, Elmer, J.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of June 21st, addressed to me at my old address of 1337 $\frac{1}{2}$ Estes Ave., in regard to pilgrimage to graves of deceased soldiers who are interred in France.

Your letter, or rather the fourth paragraph of same, does not coincide with Sec. 4 (b), as shown on page 2 of printed Act of Congress, March 2, 1929, regarding what is meant by the word "widow". The printed Act states that "widow" is one who has not remarried since the death of member of the military or naval forces, yet the last sentence of above mentioned paragraph in your letter, asks that if remarriage has occurred, a statement to that effect be sent.

I would like an explanation of what is meant.

I, of course, have remarried, or else I would still be "Bischoff" and not Graham. Upon my remarriage, four years ago, I advised your office of this, as your records will verify that I am not receiving monthly compensation which is not due me because of remarriage. Either I am not entitled to the privileges of this pilgrimage, and letter should not have been sent me, or else I am entitled to same and your letter and printed Act do not agree as to what is meant by "widow".

Mr. Bischoff has no mother, she having passed away many years before the war.

If I am entitled to this pilgrimage, would it be possible for someone from my family to accompany me, they to take care of their own expenses entirely, of course.

Yours very truly,

Gladysh. Graham
Glady Lucille Graham
2478 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.



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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 21, 1929.

Bischoff, Elmer J.

**Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
1837 1/2 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.**

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 widow of the late **Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, Co. C, 5th Field Signal Bn., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

QM 293 AM
Bischoff, Elmer J. (QA)

August 8, 1932.

Mrs. Gladys L. Graham,
2478 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who may be eligible 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 therefore requested that you advise whether or not the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff is survived by a step-mother, and if so, her name and address and the date of her marriage to his father. It will be appreciated if you will also furnish the date of death of his father.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:
Envelope.

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QM 293 A-C
Bischoff, Elmer J.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
2478 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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Notation was made on the records of this office in 1926 of the fact that you had remarried, but the letter of June 21, 1929, was sent to you for information as to whether the late Sergeant Bischoff was survived by a mother who would be eligible to make the pilgrimage, as you were designated as his emergency addressee.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bischoff, Elmer J. - 608 W

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Gladys L. Graham
2478 Estes Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bischoff, Elmer J.

June 21, 1929.

**Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
1337 $\frac{1}{2}$ Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.**

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 widow of the late **Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, Co. C, 5th Field Signal Bn.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother 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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293 A-C
Bischoff, Elmer J.

July 29, 1929.

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
2478 Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of June 26, 1929, it is regretted to advise you that you are ineligible to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your former husband, the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, Co. C, 5th Field Signal Battalion, in view of your remarriage subsequent to his death.

Notation was made on the records of this office in 1926 of the fact that you had remarried, but the letter of June 21, 1929, was sent to you for ~~the~~ information requested therein, as you were designated as ~~the~~ emergency addressee of ~~Sergeant Bischoff.~~

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

D. Hughes,
Capt., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

substant
as to whether the
late Sgt Bischoff was
survived by a mother
eligible to make the pilgrimage
who would be
as you

QM 293 A-C

Bischoff, Elmer, J. Sgt.

May 15, 1926.

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham,
1337½ Estes Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

In reply to your letter of the 12th instant, The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the remains of your former husband, the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, Company C, 5th Field Battalion, Signal Corps, repose in Grave 37, Row 23, Block A, Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Department of Aisne, France.

It is noted that you are contemplating a visit to the grave, and it is suggested that upon your arrival in France, that you call at the office of the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C., in Europe, 20 Rue Molitor, Paris, (16ème) where detailed information will be gladly furnished to you concerning all matters pertaining to traveling in France and the visiting of the graves of our soldier dead. An information service is maintained there for the purpose of assisting visitors to the graves of relatives or friends.

Inclosed herewith is another gold star card giving the permanent grave location of Sergeant Bischoff.

Please know that it is no trouble to the Department to answer the many inquiries of the relatives of our soldier dead. It is only too glad to be of service to them. If there is any further information that you desire, it is hoped that you will not hesitate writing.

Very truly yours,

F. H. POPE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.,
Assistant.

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Record Card.



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Chicago, Ill.
May 12, 1926

Graves Registration Bureau,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

The writer, Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham, 1337½ Estes Ave., Chicago, Illinois, formerly Mrs. Gladys Lucille Bischoff, 307 N. Cuyler Ave., Oak Park, Illinois, expects to go to Europe this season and wishes the exact location of grave of her former husband, Elmer Joy Bischoff, Co.C. 5th.Fld.Bt.killed July 18th, 1918, near Crezancy, France.

The writer is especially sorry to trouble you for this information, as you have been so kind in advising grave location during the several transfers of the body, but the last notification which I understand, came in the form of a gold-starred card, was lost in forwarding from my Oak Park address to my present one.

I shall appreciate it greatly, if you can give me the information above mentioned.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham

Mrs. Gladys Lucille Graham
1337½ Estes Ave.
Chicago, Ill.



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QM 293 A-C

BISCHOFF, Elmer J. - Sgt.

October 28, 1925

Mrs. E.J. Bischoff,
307 North Ogyley Ave.,
Oak Park, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the 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.

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

Very truly yours,

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

1-Incl.
Record card.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE January 16, 1928

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BISCHOFF, Elmer J. *Ill* 10. Name _____
- 2. No. 244386 11. No. _____
- 3. Rank Sgt. 12. Rank _____
- 4. Org. Co. C. 5th F. Bn. S.C. *Sgt. 3rd Div* 13. Org. _____
- 5. D.D. July 15, 1918 14. (a) D.D. _____
- 6. C.D. Killed in action (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 37 Sec. _____ 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 8. Plot Block A Row 23 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 9. _____ 17. _____
- 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles
- 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608
- 23. Disinterred (Date) January 16, 1918 By P. N. McCabe
- 24. Inscription on grave marker:
 Name BISCHOFF, Elmer J. Serial No. 244386
 Rank Sgt. Organization Co. C. 5th F. Bn. S.C.
- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? yes

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

- 26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).
Briquet and knife badly corroded - buried.
- 27. Condition of body _____
- 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap
- 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____
- 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date January 16, 1928 By P. N. McCabe
- 31. Casket sealed by P. N. McCabe

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

P. N. McCabe
P. N. McCabe

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

32. Designation of body:

Name BISCHOFF, Elmer J. Serial No. 244386

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. C. 5th F. Bn. S.C.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 16, 1928 By C. E. Spahr

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 C. E. Spahr

36. Remarks _____

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

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____ (Name)

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

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

To Permanent Cemetery _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____ (Name)

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred: January 16, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty. (Date)

42. Grave No.: 37 Section _____

43. Plot Block A. Row 23

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 16, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BISCHOFF, Elmer J. SERIAL NUMBER 244386

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 5th F. Bn. S. C.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 16, 1928. From (give complete location): Grave 37 Block A Row 23

By: Group Cty. Unit

3. Reburied (date): Jan. 16, 1928. In (give complete location): Grave 37 Block A Row 23

By: Group Cty. Unit Nature of reburial Metal Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Pine box & burlap

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

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

Briquet and knife badly corroded - buried.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated)

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

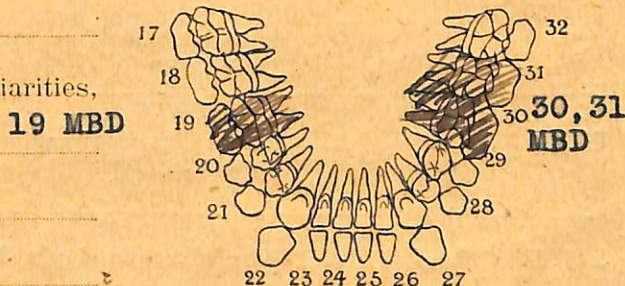
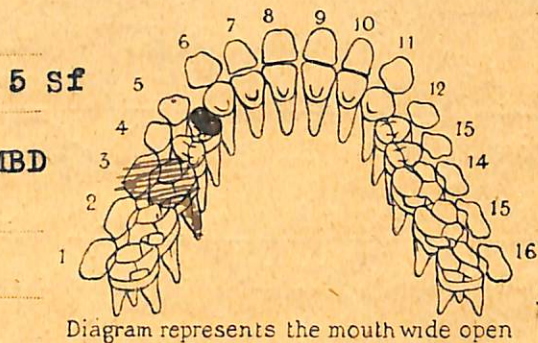
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by P. J. McCall

Approved: W. E. Moore

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spakey

Approved:

(Title)

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 10859

(a) Name BISCHOFF, Elmer J. Ser. No. 244386
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. C. 5th F.S. Bn. Sig. Corps. (2-19) TYP. EK
(c) Date of death 7/15/18 (d) Cause of death K/A CKR. 2/B

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

(a) Grave No. 70 72 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. R TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. E. L. Bischoff (wife) 307 North Cuyler Ave. Oak Park, Ills.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. 2/B

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name Mrs. Gladys Luella Bischoff (b) Relationship wife
(c) Address 307 N. Cuyler Ave - Oak Park - Ill
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. ---
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. ---

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

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

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

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

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes att

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

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 247

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920
FORM 115 - A COMPLETED
JAN 24 1921 ap

Make Form No. 114
CARDEY
checked - m
12-16

Reviewed 2/25/21-EP

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920

letter on Jan-15-, 1920

Par. 2 - Not to be returned (9841-17-21)

RECEIVED.
MAR 17 1921
GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT

GENERAL DIVISION
COMM. PUB. BR.
HOBOKEN, N. J.
JAN 27 1921

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*28-21 Form 120 - Gladys K. Bischoff wife
next of kin 307 - North Cuyler Avenue, Oak Park Ill. wishes
body to remain in Europe. H-2-28-21 m m c.*

MAR 17 1921

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

C.M.

*Investigation made by this office and grave location as
shown on Form 115 is correct. 2/7/21.*

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks :

.....

A. G. O. Card & Corr. *Stevens*

..... Discrepancies *12-11-20*

Name *✓*

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks : *Ed*

.....

G. R. S. Corr.

..... Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks :

.....

Checkers

..... Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org. *12/18/20*

Remarks : *F. W. Lunt*

.....

*checked
all 12/18/20*

March 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.
(BISCHOFF, Elmer J.)

Mrs. Gladys L. Bischoff,
307 North Cuyler Ave.,
Oak Park, Illinois.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 8th, 1921, relative to the remains of your husband, the late Sergeant Elmer J. Bischoff, serial number 244386, Company C, 5th Field Battalion, Signal Corps, 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:

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

BY:

MAILED

MAR 16 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

137.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 2 1921

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

To: Mrs. Gladys L. Bischoff, 307 North Cuyler Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.

SUBJECT: Remains of Sgt. Elmer J. Bischoff, Ser. # 244386, Co. C, 5th Fld. Bn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

g.f.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? -----

NAME OF-	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	Gladys Louise Bischoff	307-N-Cuyler Ave	Oak Park Ill.
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 None 2 None 3 None	Noted 4/15 2-28-21 m m c c.	
Father	Deceased		
Mother	Deceased		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 Conrad Bischoff	5487 Higgins Ave	Jepsum Pk. Ill.
	2 Henry Bischoff	837 Emerson Ave	Salt Lake City Utah
	3 Harold Bischoff	306 N. Cuyler	Oak Park Ill.
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 Louise B. Hoffmann	Geneva	Switzerland
	2 Verma Bischoff	743 Tomlin St.	Chicago, Ill.
	3		

Date 2/8/21

Signature Gladys L. Bischoff

Address 307-N-Cuyler Ave
Oak Park, Ill.

Relationship Wife

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

February 5, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Wife (Relationship.) and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
- 2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.)

(R. R. station.) _____ (State.)
- 3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.
- 4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

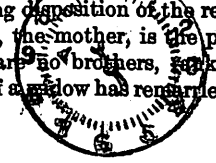
Signature Mary T. Binschoff

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

- 1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin 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 next of kin 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 next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
- 7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin 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.

**GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH**

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.



FEB 11 1921

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 10859

(a) Name... *BISCHOFF, Elmer J.* ^{ok} Ser. No. ... *244386* } TYP *BK*
 (b) Rank... *Sgt.* Organization... *Co. C, 5th P. S. Bn.* ^{Fld. Sig. Corps (12-16)} } *MB*
 (c) Date of death... *7/15/18* Cause of death... *K/A*

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

(a) Grave No. *70-72* Row ... Plot *2* Sect. *R* TYP *BK*
 (b) Emerg. Address... *Mrs. E. L. Bischoff (wife) 307 North Cuyler Ave. Oak Park, Ills.*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases... CKR *MB*

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

Also card - Mrs. Gladys Lucille Bischoff wife, 307 N. Cuyler Ave. Oak Park, Ill. desires body to remain in Europe (JEN-17-21)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on... 192 (letter of transmittal on *1/15* 1921)

Can 2 - Not to be returned (JEN)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *JAN 26 1921* 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *MAR 17 1921* 192

JAN 24 1921 - ap

Bischoff

Elmer Joy

244,386

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Sgt

Co C. 5th FldBn . S.C.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

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?

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remain's.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Gladys Luella Bischoff

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by MFS

608-247

12-11-20

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

12-11-20

244386

Name Pischoff, Elmer J

Rank Pvt Co. C {Corps} 57 B.S.C
{Regt.}

Date of Death July 15, 1918

Place 10859

Cause ✓

Date of Burial Disinterred and reburied 9/18/18

Grave No. 16

Cemetery Bois de la Fete, (Aisne)
Plot #48 ~~2559 N 1912E~~

Identified by {Tag Papers Clothing} Sketch #1

List of Effects 929

Field Record Made by Can. Lt Eugene (Aisne)
Sketch #1

Group #2
Company 303 Graves Registration Service
REVIEWED
OSP SS.
6 OCT 1960

For additional data use reverse side

Name *Bashoff, Elmer J.* #244386
Rank *Sgt* Co. *C. 5th 28th Regt.*

Date of Death *7/17/18* **851**

Place *(Hisne)*
Cause *CMME Creasancy - 49ME*
E 190.46 N 257.4

Date of Burial *7/18/18* **C-84**

Grave No. *Isolated*
Cemetery *Bois de la Cote and Bois de Regremont (Aune) Hills N.E. and E of Breese, Penn.*

Identified by Tag Papers Clothing **C-84**
Approx Coordinates 40+00 257+00

List of Effects

CMME
(C-84) SIF. COORD

Field Record Made by

REVIEWED
OSP Group #2
503

Company *503* Graves Registration Service

Edwin Hodge

For additional data use reverse side

29 JUL 1918

CENTRAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

FILE

1/23/

1922

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. C, 5th Fld. Bn. S.C.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

Bischoff, Elmer J.

(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.	6/7/19	Cty. 608	D-11726 & 20571
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Ethel C. Cawley

Inv. & Adj.

(Department)5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By B
S/3824/LML

FILE

FILE UNDER NO. 10859, Bischoff, Elmer J.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

See Board of Review Proceedings for Cty. 608, Sec. R, Plot 2, and also Board of Review letter to Europe under Cty. Corr. Cty. 608.

FILE

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

ECC

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

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7-10859

Co C 5th Fld Sig. Bn
3rd Division

BISCHOFF, Elmer, J. Sgt. 244386

On the morning of July 15, at regimental headquarters of the 30th Infantry, located in woods about one mile south of Crezancy Sgt BISCHOFF was severely wounded, while repairing telephone lines under heavy shell fire. He was conscious only a few minutes after he was wounded, he did not seem to suffer much and died in the telephone dugout at 9:30 a.m. July 15, 1918. He was buried near the signal dugout and his grave well marked by his comrades.

Informant: ANDERSON, Albert. J. Sgt 1/cl. 244380
Co C 5th Fld Sig. Bn
Home Lucas, Iowa

Signed William E. HERT. Captain
Sign. Corps.

FILE

WAR. DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of
Washington

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

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

File No. *10859* Requisition.

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 *Bischoff*
- b. Christian name *Elmer J. (Elmer Joy)*
- c. Serial Number *244386*
- d. Organization *Co. C, 5th F.S. Bn. Co. C, 5th Fld Bn. S.C.*
- e. Rank *Sgt.*
- f. Date of death *7/15/18*
- g. Cause of death *K/A.*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

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
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FILE

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

CEMETERY NO: 608.

SHEET NO: 247.

TYPED BY: rln.

8/713/LML

Donnelly M7 BY:
E P Sec 181
12-14-20

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

Rec'd World War Div
Date.....12-14-20.....

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

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

Date 12/13/20.

File No. 10859 Requisition.

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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 Bischoff, *OK*
- b. Christian name Elmer J. (Elmer Joy) *OK*
- c. Serial Number 244386. *OK*
- d. Organization Co. C, 5th F.S. Bn. *OK*
Co. C, 5th Fld Bn. S.C.
- e. Rank Sgt. *OK*
- f. Date of death 7/15/18. *OK*
- g. Cause of death K/A. *OK*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

FILE

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

CEMETERY NO: 608.

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6/713/LML

Rec'd World War Div
Date12-14-20.....

10859

FROM: G. R. S. Officer, Paris.

FILE NO. 10859

TO: Chief, G. R. S., (Registration Branch), Tours,

DATE June 7, 1919.

SUBJECT: Location, grave of:

NAME **BISCHOFF, Elmer.**

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK **Sgt.**

ORGANIZATION **Signal Corps.**

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. Sgt. Elmer J. Bischoff, 244386, Co. C, 5th F.S.M.
2.	Date of death:	2. 7/15/18
3.	Grave location:	3. Grave #16, American Battle Area Cemetery, St. Eugene (Aisne). Map reference: Map 49 NE Co-ordinates: E.191.8; N.255.7.
4.	Who reported burial?	4. Group #2, Unit 303, G.R.S.
5.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	5. Yes
6.	How is grave marked?	6. No record
7.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with Body? (b) Attached to grave Marker?	7. No record
8.	Emergency address:	8. Mrs. E. L. Bischoff (Wife) 307 North Cuyler Ave., Oak Park, Ill.
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	9. 1/30/19

FILE

REMARKS:

Forwarded to Chief, G.R.S., June 7th. 1919.

Requested by... **CRABB, Mr. J.N.**

European address... **Hqrs. Y.M.C.A., 12, Rue d'Aguesseau, Paris.**

Relationship to deceased... **Friend.**

REVIEWED
USP SS.

Checked by

Inquirer reports: K/A near Crezancy about July 15th. 1918.
Mr. Henry S. Bischoff, (Brother)
321 N. Lombard St.
Oak Park, Ill.

Classification
Adjustment _____

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 5-28-20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.
Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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

FILE

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

O.K. Alphabetical Files 718.7 6-3-20
~~O.K. Organization Files~~
~~O.K. State Files.~~

**REVIEWED
OSP SS.**

Cemetery Audit Department
 Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By H. Schaadt.

~~Cards attached.~~