

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bisset, John H</i>	<i>Bis</i>	3	299
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	3
	GRAVE <i>19</i>	2	19
	ROW <i>27</i>	2	27
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	2
STATE	<i>Ill.</i>	2	13
RANK	<i>1st Sgt.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>28th</i>	2	28
ORGANIZATION	<i>111th</i>	3	111
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>W</i>	1	2-
NAME <i>Bisset, Mrs. Maria</i>	<i>Bis</i>	3	2-9-09
<i>James F Bisset</i>	STATE	2	
RESIDENCE <i>Chicago, Ill.</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>(Bro.)</i>	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>Brother</i>	1	3
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Foreign</i>	1	4
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR.	1	
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<i>country</i>	<i>Scotland</i>	2	06

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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FULL NAME *BISSET, John H.*

RANK *1st Sgt.* SERIAL *2059473*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Company C, 11th Infantry* *28* *St. Mihiel Div.*

DATE OF DEATH *Nov. 4, 1918.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Illinois*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *no record.*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.	8-15-22	19	27	B
	Date	Grave	Row	Block

St. Mihiel American Cemetery # 1233.
Cemetery

WORLD WAR DIV.
 OCT 27 1925
 A. G. O.

RECEIVED
 OCT 29 1925
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15 Received A. G. O. OCT 27 1925

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ST M

Bisset, John H. ILLINOIS
1st Sgt.
Co. C, 111th Inf.

C 26043f

Died 11-4-17

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m - camp and his
maria Bisset
Scottland

Single - no record of any loss

1-20-33

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Aug 22, 1931

9 m 293 AM
Bisset, John H. (St M)

A. D. Hughes;

Dear Sir.

In reply to your letter of the
19th wish to advise you that my Bro
John H Bisset was unmarried.

Very truly yours

James F. Bisset.



OM 293 A-M
Bisset, John H. (StM)

August 19, 1951.

Mr. James P. Bisset,
1055 Wilson Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not your brother, the late First Sergeant John H. Bisset, was married and is survived by a widow. If so, please furnish her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.
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G M 293 A-C
Bisset John H.

Answered

Dear Sir;

In reply to your letter of May 27th regarding relationship of John H. Bisset Late First Sgt Co C, 111th Inf I wish to advise you that I am his Brother, and I would greatly appreciate your informing me if you have positive proof that his grave is identified as we have never received any other information except that he was missing in action and supposed to be killed your letter states that he is buried at St Mihiel American Cemetery Thiaucourt Meurthe-et-Moselle, France if you will send me information that his grave

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is identified there I will appreciate
this greatly as I intend to go to
Europe next summer, and for your
information his Mother resides
at 80 Great Western Road

Aberdeen

Scotland

(Mrs M. Bisset)

Your Very Truly

James F. Bisset

No Letter 77

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blisset, John H.

May 27, 1929.

Mr. James F. Blisset,
1055 Wilson Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

*Reply state mother
resides Scotland
gr. 19 Rev 27 CC. B*

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 brother of the late First Sergeant John H. Blisset, Co. C, 111th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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QM 293 A-M
Bisset, John H. (StM)

August 19, 1951.

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1056 Wilson Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C
Bisset, John H.

June 10, 1929.

Mr. James F. Bisset,
1048-1055 Wilson Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 31st, 1929, it is regretted to advise you that your mother is ineligible to make the pilgrimage, to your brother's grave under the provisions of the law recently enacted by Congress, due to the fact that she does not reside in the United States.

There is enclosed herewith a card showing the permanent location of your brother's grave in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery in France. For your information the body interred in this grave was positively identified as that of your brother and your mother notified of such identification in September 1925.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Record card.

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QM 293 A-C Bissett, John H.
1st Sergeant Co C, 11th Inf.

Reply from brother James F. Bissett connection pilgrimage
Gold Star Mothers states that Mother resides in Scotland and that he
would like information concerning the exact location of the brother's
grave.

~~James F. Bissett~~
1049-1055 Wilson Avenue,

James F. Bissett,
1049-1055 Wilson Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

C° C. IIIth Inf.
28th Div.

BISSETT, John H. Sgt 2059473
Home ?..

On Nov. 4th, at Xammes, Sgt Bissett was getting over a small bridge when hit by machine gun bullets, through the stomach. He told me to get out as quick as I could. I did not see him again. It was impossible to get to him at the time.

There is a grave located at co-ordinates 363.25 - 245.7 (Approx. Hoyeville-Chambley Map among other graves of men of C) "C" killed on Nov. 4th, which is marked unknown sergeant, no tags. Sgt Bissett is the only Sgt not accounted for after that attack.

Informant : Strommen, Ludolph, Pvt 2833279
C° C. IIIth Inf.
Home : 385 - 20th Ave. Millwaukee, Wis.
Searcher : Simendinger, T.J.F. 2nd Lt. IIIth Inf.

2/19/19

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papers
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~~Name Unknown~~

Bisset, John H - 205 473
Sgt. Co. C - 111 Inf.

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293 Bisset, John H.

1st Ind.

Hqrs. American G.R.S., Q.M.C., in E., 20 rue Molitor, Paris, France, Oct. 2, 1925. To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. With reference to paragraphs 3 and 4 of basic letter, a communication was addressed to the mother, who states that she desires that the body remain where now buried. Copy of letter to her and original reply are herewith enclosed. As to her request for assistance in visiting the grave, reply was sent as per copy herewith dated September 23, 1925.

2. Inscription on marker and all records have been changed in compliance with paragraph 1 above.

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encl.2-Letter 9/21/25.

encl.3-c/Let.9/23/25.



[Handwritten signature]
Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,
Chief. 16



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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bisset, John, H. 1st Sgt.

August 20, 1925.

SUBJECT: Identification.

TO: Chief, AGRS, QMC., in Europe.

1. Unknown U. S. Soldier, U-3253, now buried in Grave 19, Row 27, Block B, St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France, has been identified as the late 1st Sergeant John H. Bisset, 2059473, Co. C, 111th Inf.

2. There is on file a request made by the brother of the soldier, Mr. James F. Bisset, 1055 Wilson Ave., Chicago, Illinois, that the body be shipped to the mother, Mrs. William Bisset, Pinewood Cottage, Lumphanan, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, for final burial.

3. You will communicate with the mother and advise her regarding the identification and present location of her son's remains. Also, ascertain whether she still desires the body to be shipped to her, at government expense. The inclosed paragraph will be incorporated in your letter to her.

4. Should she still desire the body shipped to Scotland, this office will be so advised, in order that an allotment for this purpose may be furnished you, when funds become available.

5. Early action will be taken.

By order of The Quartermaster General:



D. K. Mitchell
D. K. MITCHELL,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

1 incl.

Extract.

293 Bisset, John H.

September 10, 1925.

Mrs. William Bisset,
Pinewood Cottage,
Lumphanan, Aberdeenshire,
Scotland.

Dear Madam:

With reference to the case of your son, the late 1st Sergeant John H. Bisset, 2059473, Company C, 111th Infantry, who gave his life while serving in the United States Army, constant efforts have been made by this Service to locate his grave. From information recently brought to light, it has been established that due to the confusion of war his body was buried under another name. It is now interred in Grave 19, Row 27, Block B, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, (Meurthe-et-Moselle), France.

There is on file in the office of The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington, D.C., U.S.A., a request made by Mr. James F. Bisset, 1055 Wilson Ave., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A., whose relationship is shown as that of brother, that the remains be shipped to you for final burial in Scotland. As some time has elapsed since this request was filed, this letter is to inquire as to whether it is still your wish that this action be taken at the expense of the U.S. Government.

Please understand, it is not the policy of the Department to attempt to influence relatives as to the disposition of their dead, but to endeavor to carry out their wishes so far as it is humanly possible. On the other hand, the Department is honored when relatives entrust the remains to its care and intends to administer that trust in a manner befitting the service the soldier rendered his country and humanity. If agreeable to you, this office will be glad to receive your permission to leave the body of your son undisturbed in Grave 19, Row 27, Block B, St. Mihiel American Cemetery, in which cemetery repose the bodies of hundreds of his comrades whose graves will be tenderly cared for by a grateful Nation.

Kindly advise this office as soon as possible with reference to your final wishes.

Yours very truly,

Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Colonel, Q.M. Corps,
Chief.

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encl 1

80 Great-Western Road

Aberdeen

Sept 21st .. 25.

File No. 293 Bisset John H.

Dear Sir

Thanks so much for kind letter

I feel very grateful to you for all the trouble
you have taken, to find my Sons Grave.

And to know now where his body lies.
At first I thought it would be best to have
his body home, to our own Cemetery.

I now give my permission to leave the body
of my dear boy undisturbed in Grave 19
amongst his comrades. I know his grave will
be tenderly cared for.

If it is possible for you to assist me to visit
his Grave. I would dearly love to see it.
Kindly let me hear from you again.

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Yours Faithfully

Mrs William Bisset -

80 Great Western Road

Aberdeen Scotland

Pinewood

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293.Bisset, John H.

September 23, 1923.

Mrs. William Bisset,
80 Great Western Road,
Aberdeen,
Scotland.

My dear Mrs. Bisset:

In acknowledging receipt of your letter of September 21st, and in further reference to our letter of September 10th regarding the final resting place of your late son, 1st Sergeant John H. Bisset, 2039473, Company C, 11th Infantry, whose remains permanently repose in Grave 19, Row 27, Block B, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, at Thiécourt (Marthe-et-Joselle), and your consent to allow the body to remain buried amongst his comrades in that cemetery, wherein the grave will receive perpetual care and attention by a grateful government as a repayment in a very small way for the supreme sacrifice which he made that his country might live in peace, I am sure that in years to come you will be happy for having taken this decision, as each and every American military cemetery in Europe is now very beautiful and will be further beautified within the next two years.

I am enclosing herewith an information sheet pertaining to the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, as well as a copy of our Cemetery Rules. In this connection, I regret very much to advise you that this Service has no facilities or funds available to assist members of the families of our heroic dead in visiting the different cemeteries, except in the furnishing of all possible information as is contained in the circulars herewith enclosed, together with the help of our caretaker upon arrival at the cemetery in which they are interested.

Yours very truly,

Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Colonel, U.S. Corps,
Chief.

2 Encls.
Cemetery Rules.
Information sheet.

Copy for: Registration Branch.

*Enclosure to 2 mls
encl 3.*

293 Bisset, John H.

1st Inf.

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Lieut. Col., Col. Corps,
Chief.

QM 293 A-C

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By order of The Quartermaster General:

Noted by Statistical Clerk:

Date

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Extract.



D. K. MITCHELL,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

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GR
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Miss Nicholson

August 5, 1925

Bisset, John H.

There is a request by the brother for the body to be shipped to the mother in Scotland. Recommend letter to Europe advising of the identification and request that they communicate with the mother for her desire as to the disposition of the body.

Sut
S.W. Sechrest.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # - 119286

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Bisset, John H.
~~UNKNOWN AMERICAN~~ Ser. No. 2059473
 (b) Rank 1st. Sgt. Organization Co. C, 543 Inf. TYP. evs. _____
 (c) Date of death 11/4/18 (d) Cause of death X/a CKR. B.J.

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

(a) Grave No. 152 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 16 TYP. evs. _____
 (b) Emerg. Address Forest Park (Friend) 1055 Wilson ave.,

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases Chicago, Ill. CKR. B.J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name James J. Bisset (b) Relationship Brother
 (c) Address 1055 Wilson ave., Chicago, 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. Scotland

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from Mother Mrs. Mrs. Bisset -
80 Great Western Rd. Aberdeen, Scotland, dated Sept. 21-1925
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that son's body
remain in France

Examiner's Initials RD Date 8/18/25, 1920.

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1233 SHEET No. 4300

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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..., 192
letter of transmittal on FEB 18 1921, 192
Par. # 4 Unknown Dead EW

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source. Relationship and name. Desires. Action taken.

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

COUNTRY CEMETERY No. SHEET No.

FRANCE

1233

4500

PRIORITY 104

MAR 1 1921

Bisset,

(Surname.)

John H

(Christian name in full.)

2,059,473

(Army serial number.)

1st Sgt

Co C 343rd Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Brother.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Scotland.

(Yes or no.)

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

No

(Yes or no.)

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

Mrs Wm Bisset Lumphanan

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

Lumphanan

(Telegraph office.)

Pinewood Cottage, Lumphanan Aberdenshire Scotland.

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

James F. Bisset.

1055 Wilson Ave

(Number and street or rural route.)

Chicago

(City, town, or post office.)

Illinois.

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

no card 7-21-21-K.B.

no city record

no 317-8.78 9-14-21



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Thiaucourt

Date Apr. 26, 1921

^{SWS}
8-5-25

2059473

1. REMAINS OF Unknown U.S. Soldier // Bisset, John H SERIAL NUMBER U. // 5255

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 111 Inf

2. Disinterred (date): Apr. 26, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. No. 152, Sec. 16, plot 3, Cem. 1233

By: Group 5 Unit 8 Sec. 8

3. Reburied (date): Apr. 26, 1921 In (give complete location): Gr. No. 152, Sec. 16, plot 3, Cem. 1233

By: Group 5 Unit 8 Nature of reburial Pine box & burlap.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Pine box, uniform, skeleton disarticulated.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? no

(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) Unable to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color None

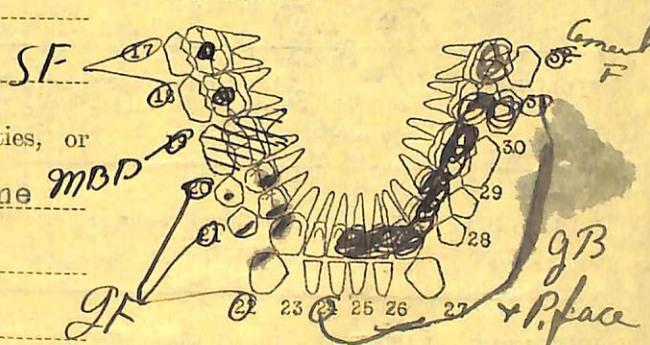
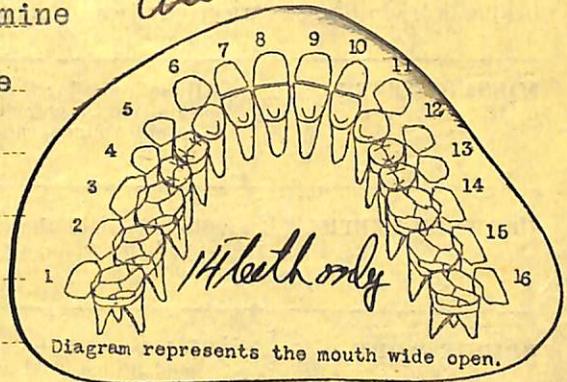
Location

Quantity

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

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

Aluminum Plate



W.N. Tucker
Checker

7. Disinterment supervised by

Approved:

8. Reburial supervised by

(Title)

W.N. Tucker
W.K. Tabler
Sup. Emb.

Approved:

Frederic R. Whipple
Frederic R. Whipple

(Title)

1st. Lt. G.M.C.

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

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

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

MISSING TEETHAll teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
CROWNED TEETHBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
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FILLINGSDraw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
CARIES (CAVITIES)Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	

DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

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

Place Thiaucourt France

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date August 15, 1922.

SWS 8-5-25

Bisset, Hohm H.

2059473

1. REMAINS OF UNIDENTIFIED / U-3253

SERIAL NUMBER U-3253

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION C, 111 Inf

2. Disinterred (date): August 15, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 152 Sec 16 Pl 2 Cem 1233

By: Group 1 Unit 1

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 15 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 19 RR. B Row 27

Cty. 1233

By: Group Reburial Unit Casket & shipping case Nature of Reburial

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

Wooden box and burlap badly decomposed, features
unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? no On grave marker? no

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

Bottle record agrees with 114-A Gravemarker reads "Unknown U.S. Soldier 3253"

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) -do

(c) Hair—Color -do

Quantity -do

Characteristics -do

(d) Hair on face—Color -do

Location -do

Quantity -do

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

or missing parts) upper jaw false plate.

combination of gutta percha and silver. 17 18

32 silver fillings 19 missing before death 20 21

22 gold fillings 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

gold porcelain bridge

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

left femur fractured

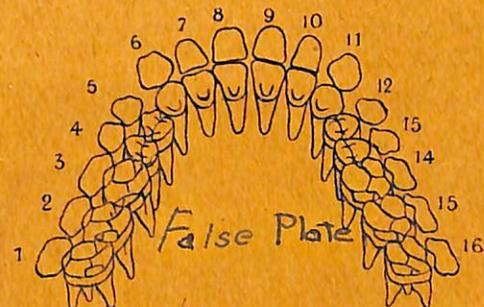
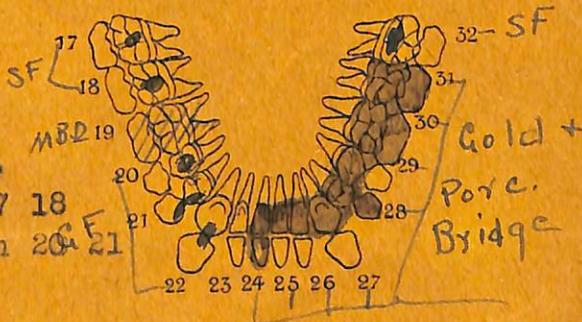


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell
C V Russell

Approved: J J Powers
J J Powers
(Title) 1st Lt QMC

8. Reburial supervised by H. L. Kramer
H L Kramer

concentration

Approved: A. J. Dwyer
A J Dwyer 1st Lt. QMC
(Title)

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.

2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

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DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 15, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

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DISINTERMENT **SWS 8-5-25** COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name UNIDENTIFIED/U-3253 Bisset, John HLO. Name
- 2. No. 2059473 11. No.
- 3. Rank Sgt. 12. Rank
- 4. Org. Co. C, 111 Inf 13. Org.
- 5. D.D. 11-4-18 14. (a) D.D.
- 6. C.D. K.A. (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 152 Sec. 16 15. Grave No. Sec.
- 8. Plot 5 Row 16. Plot None Row
- 9. 17.

18. Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. 19. Commune or town Thiaucourt

20. Dept. or County M-et-M 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1233

23. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 15, 1922 By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name UNKNOWN U.S. SOLDIER U-3253 Serial No.

Rank Organization

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? No

J.T. White
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

J.T. White

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).

Bottel record agrees with 114-A

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Aug. 15, 1922 By C.V. Russell

31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

C.V. Russell
C.V. Russell

ADDED TO
10-29-22

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-31030**

32. Designation of body:

Name **UNIDENTIFIED U-3253** Serial No.

Rank Organization

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. #1233 Thiaucourt M-et-M.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Aug. 15, 1922** By **C.V. Russell**

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.J. Powers*
J.J. Powers, 1st Lt., G.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Aug. 15, 1922**

To point of Concentration

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery **St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thiaucourt, France.**

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer *J.J. Powers*
J.J. Powers, 1st Lt., G.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **Aug. 15 1922** (Date)

42. Grave No. **19** Section

43. ~~Block~~ **Bk. B** Row **27**

G.R.S. Representative *A E Dewey*
A E Dewey 1st Lt. QMC

SWS 8-5-25

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

S.W. Sechrest

~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~
3 25-3
~~XXXXXX~~

Remains of: Bisset, John H.

Name: ~~UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER~~

Number Unkn. 2059473

Rank: Sgt.

Organization Co. C. 343 Inf.
transferred to Co. C, 111 Inf.
Unit

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

6 6/10/1919.

Grave No. 78 B/A Cemetery

CHARBY M et M 52NE. E363.5 N 246.1

19-9156

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

6/10/1919.

Grave No. 152 Sect. 16. Plot 3

ST. MICHAEL AMERICAN CEMETERY 1937

THIACOURT M et M

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

Burial good; buried in overcoat.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No.

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

Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. Glos.

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. Q.M.G.U.S.A

G.O. Group Unit

lrk

DATE _____

1. NAME UNIDENTIFIED U-3253/ Bisset, John H. SERIAL No. 2059473

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 111 Infantry

SWS

8-5-25 GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. Thiaucourt M-et-M 1233

CTY. NAME NUMBER

152 GRAVE Sec. 16 ROW 3 PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION B/a cty. #18 Chancy - (M-et-M)

19 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES No record

CONCENTRATED TO 6/10/19 152 Sec. 16 3

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel Cemetery, Thiaucourt (M.et M.) 1233

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Collar ornament, 343rd Inf. Co.C. Form #1 States Sgt.Co.C, 343rd Inf.

False upper teeth. Large Jackknife with spoon attachment.

Data FORM #1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

A. E. Dewey
A. E. DEWEY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR 1st Lieut. Q. M. G.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION August 15, 1922 19 27 Block B

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel 1233, Thiaucourt, (M&M)

CEMETERY

Duplicate

AUDITED BY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

J. H. B. 9156
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK 92-19

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF **SWS**
8-5-25

Bisset, John H. 2059473
 (Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Sgt. Co. C, 111 Inf.
 (Rank). **formerly Co. C, 343 Inf.** (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *As line in front of Kammes*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Killed in action*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Nov 13, 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Left of R.R. about 1/2 K from Charney*
 (Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Coordinates 363.4 - 245.95

map Chaubly 5-6 Scale 1-20,000

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: *Charney (M-ot-M)* Name Peg? Cross?

152 Headboard: *53 NE* Bottle: *363.4E 245.95N*

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *no.*

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *no.*

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

no tags. no marks.

INITIALS: *J. H. B. on coat*

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Body exhumed*

ADDRESS: *from shell hole and*

RELATIONSHIP: *reburied.*

REPORTED BY: *E. Fetreau 1st Lt & Chaplain*
 (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

CASE OF Bisset, John H. 1st Sgt. Co. C. 343. Infantry. (transferred before death to C, 111 Inf)
GRAVE # 152, Section 16, Plot 3, Cty 1233 (Concentrated ~~into~~ Gr 19, Row 27, Block B)

DECISION Unknown U 3253 in above grave is that of Sgt. Bisset.

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O.		Emergency Address		Miss A.D.	
Missing	Dental Work	Dental Work	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
U.R.	Full upper			Full upper	
U.L.	Plate			Plate	
L.R.			19	17, 18 Sil Flgs 20, 21, 22 Gold flgs. 24 through 31 gold and porcelean	
L.L.				bridge (. 25, 26, 27 and 29 porcelean teeth)	

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:

A.G.O. does not indicate the bridge as shown on the body but it is believed in view of the information as stated on reverse side of this sheet that the identification is positive.

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height		
Weight		
Hair		
Fractures		

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

Found on Cross

No

No

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

SEE Over.

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Grave 19, 363.5 N246.1
This man reported buried originally SEE Over
Organizations of other men buried around original location See Over.

S. W. Sechrest
Investigator

Concurred

APPROVED:

E. E. Davis

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

In the American B/A cemetery # 1023, Charey, there were 19 graves. Graves 1 thru' 18 contained bodies of Co. C, 111 Infantry men who were killed Nov. 4, 1918. These bodies were all taken from a shell hole, as shown by the grave location blanks, by Chaplain Tetreau and reburied as is shown by the GRS form 1-A attached (D-9156). Sgt. Bisset was killed Nov. 4, 1918.

The grave location blank for the unknown body U-3253 carries exactly the same information regarding location and time of burial as do the G.L.Bs for the other cases shown by 1-A. Additional data on this G.L.B. " No tags. No marks. Initials J.H.B. on coat. Sgt." (Sgt. Bisset's initials are "J.H.B.")

The Red Cross Searchers reports for the other cases mentioned above as shown by Form 1-A report as follows: " Grave is located at co-ordinates 363.25 - 245.7". This same report is given by the Searcher for Sgt. Bisset.

There are very few other burials in this immediate vicinity. None of the other members of Co. C, 111 Infantry who were killed 11/4/18 were ~~known~~ found ever to have been members of Co. C, 343 Infantry. Collar ornament of C, 343 Inf on body.

Dental charts of all Co. C, 111 Infantry men killed 11-4-18 were secured and checked against this unknown.

The investigator feels positive of this identification, in spite of the discrepancy in the dental charts of the lower jaw.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Date _____

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D.C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname _____
- b. Christian name _____
- c. Serial number _____
- d. Organization _____
- e. Rank _____
- f. Emergency Address _____
- g. Date of death _____
- h. Authority _____
- i. Cause of death _____
- j. Place of death _____
- k. Place of burial _____
- l. Date of discharge _____

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Date of enlistment Inducted - 9-19-17 at Chicago
- b. Age at enlistment in CO C - 343 Inf.
- c. Color of hair _____
- d. Height _____
- e. Weight* _____
- f. Fractures or breaks _____

DENTAL CHARTS

At Camp
Plate

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 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

By Local Board
Plate

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 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

Per phone received 8/4/25
24/552/EYS

For The Quartermaster General:

Risatt. John H

~~777~~
205-9473

ind 9-19-17 Chgo

@ 343 inf via 11/4 Post

@ 343

LB

UP plat

LR OK

UL plat

LL OK

not

UR + 1 plate

LR 6

LL UR

Bisset 2059473 John H.
1st Sgt Co. C, 343rd Inf.,
H. A. 11-4-18,

113286

E. A. Forest Pratt
1055 Wilcox Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

11 3286
C° C. IIIth Inf.
28th Div.

BISSETT, John H. Sgt 2059473
Home ?..

On Nov. 4th, at Xammes, Sgt Bissett was getting over a small bridge when hit by machine gun bullets, through the stomach. He told me to get out as quick as I could. I did not see him again. It was impossible to get to him at the time.

There is a grave located at co-ordinates 363.25 - 245.7 (Approx.) Hoyeville-Chambley Map among other graves of men of C) "C" killed on Nov. 4th, which is marked unknown sergeant, no tags. Sgt Bisset is the only Sgt not accounted for after that attack.

Informant : Strommen, Ludolph, Pvt 2833279
C° C. IIIth Inf.
Home : 385 - 20th Ave. Millwaukee, Wis.
Searcher : Simendinger, T.J.F. 2nd Lt. IIIth Inf.

2/19/19

HC

FROM: INVESTIGATION AND ADJUSTMENT DEPARTMENT

September 16, 1921

Memorandum to A. G. O.

We are herewith returning the attached 8 W-A dated 6-4-21
for Confirmation of death, kindly return to us with the Cable
Adjustment authority for the report on this man

SEP 22 1921

113286

File No.....

REC'D MAIL SECTION,

W: W: BIV: A: G: O:

SEP 17 1921 3

Daniel T. Dedson

Daniel T. Dedson
Adjustment Section
Cemeterial Division

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

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

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 6-24-21

File No. 113286 SEP 23 1921 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 **BISSET,** *OK*

b. Christian name **John H.** *OK*

c. Serial Number **2059473** *OK*

d. Organization **Co.C, 343rd Inf.** *OK*

e. Rank **1st Sgt.** *OK*

~~f.~~ Date of death *Nov. 4/18*

~~g.~~ Cause of death *K.I.A.*

~~h.~~ Authority (C.O.#) *572-60*

~~i.~~ Emergency address *Forest Park*

~~j.~~ Relationship *1055 Wilson Ave, Chicago, Ill. Friend.*

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 2 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

FILE

Rec'd World War Division

SEP 19 1921

CEMETERY NO:

SHEET NO:

TYPED BY:

S/713/LML

We have on file in this Office a disposition card signed by James F. Bisset, Brother, 1055 Wilson Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Can you confirm information given above and furnish date & cause of death, also Emerg. Address.

VH

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

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

Donnelly - M.F.
P. Dec. 16-29-21
JUN 29 1921

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