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SERIAL No. ^{5 auth. add.} 2716138

1. NAME BLAIR, James W.

RANK Pvt; ORGANIZATION 19th Ser. Co. 20th Eng.
& DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION American. Dijon, Cote d'Or # 14

CTY. NAME NUMBER

189 Enlisted

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 189 (Enl.pl.) DIJON (Côte d'Or)

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES E. 298.5 N.59.5 (Lambert Zone Nord)

CONCENTRATED TO Not of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Feb 23, 1919

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME France

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR W. H. L...
W.P. QUARTERMAN, CAPT., F.A., Supervisor Area No 4

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION June 22, 1922 28 20 Block A.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St-Mihiel Amer. #1233, Thiaucourt (Meet-M)

CEMETERY

REC'D
MAY 12 1922
M. & R. E. ...
87 Received A. G. O. MAY 14 1922

REC'D
MAY 19 1922
M. & R. E. ...

MAY 16 1922
MAY 9 1922

Rec'd World War Div.
Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General
By M. E. ...
AUDITORY

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Blair.....**2715138**.....**James W.**.....
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt......**19th Engrs. Serv. Co., Fy.**.....
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Base Hospital No. 103.**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Lobar pneumonia.**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Feb. 24th, 1919**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Dijon Cote d'Or Fr. nec.**

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

Municipale Cemetire Annexe

Polygone AA.

GRAVE NUMBER: **189**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?.....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. Jack Blair**

ADDRESS: **Greenback, Tenn.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Brother.**

REPORTED BY:

H. H. Van Kirk

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

H. H. Van Kirk, Major M. C.

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

LOCO PARENTS

CODE SHEET



HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME Blair	Bla	3	2 21
JAMES W.	CEMETERY 1233	1	3
BURIED	GRAVE 28	2	28
	ROW 20	2	20
	BLOCK R	1	1
STATE	Tenn.	2	48
RANK	Priv.	1	2
DIVISION	Engns.	2	49
ORGANIZATION	20th	3	020
ARM	Engns Regt	1	4
MARITAL	W	1	2
NAME Blair	Bla	3	2 21
Mrs. Fannie	STATE Tenn	2	48
RESIDENCE Route 4 Box 15	COUNTY Loudon	2	53
Mother Road	CITY Greenback	3	XXX
RELATION	Loco Parents (Sister-in-law)		4
OTHER	Member	1	3
ELIGIBILITY	NO	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	BLACK	1	2
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	NO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR.	1	
29/514/EAB		1	

No affidavits
 No one elig.

AUDITED
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QM 293 A-M

September 14, 1932.

Blair, James W. (StM) x

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 7, 1932, furnishing information requested by this office relative to your brother-in-law, the late Private James W. Blair.

In view of the data submitted by you, it appears that you may be eligible under the provisions of the loco parentis clause of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, to make a pilgrimage to the grave of Private Blair. However, in order to satisfy the legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship in loco parentis, the affidavits of two persons not related to you. It is therefore requested that you have the enclosed form completed and returned to this office at the earliest practicable date.

The enclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is for your convenience in returning the form.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Aff. Forms
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Route 4. Box 15.

Greenback

Tennessee

Sept. 7. 1932.

Blair, James Jr.
1233

Dear Sir:-

Your letter at hand
asking for the Dates of
My Brother in Law's
Parents Death my
mother in law Died
May 13. 1897.

My
father in law Died
Nov. 17. 1900.

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provided my Brother
in law with food clothing
and shelter for 10 year
until he was 18 year
old.

Very truly yours

~~Mrs Blair~~
Mrs Fannil Blair

QM 293 AM
Blair, James W. (St M) x

September 1, 1932

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your brother-in-law, the late Private James W. Blair, under the loco parentis clause of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It will be appreciated if you would furnish the following information in order to assist this office in determining whether or not you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage:

1. Dates of death of your brother-in-law's parents.
2. Did you provide your brother-in-law with food, clothing and shelter for a period of five years at any time prior to his reaching eighteen years of age?

A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience in replying and does not require postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Blair, James W. Pvt. 19th Service Co. 20th Eng. Tenn.

Born 8-9-92 and 4-29-18

date of Mothers death

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date of Fathers death

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Is Mrs Jack Blair (Fannie) RFD #4 Greenback, Tenn a proven loco?

Parents died before 1918 - no claim made
for comp or loco. Was to be John Blair
born 1880

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QM 895 A-M

August 3, 1931.

Blair, James W. Pvt. (St.M) x

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 30, 1931, relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private James W. Blair at some time during the summer months of 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you have the affidavit forms which were forwarded you completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility under the Act may be determined.

Your inquiry relative to the bonus has been referred to the Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., for reply as this is a matter pertaining to his office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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August 3, 1931.

QM 293 A-M
Blair, James W. Pvt. (StM) M

SUBJECT: Bonus

TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

1. The enclosed copy of a letter from Mrs. Fannie Blair, Route 4, Box 15, Greenback, Tennessee, is referred herewith for reply to so much thereof as pertains to your office.

2. Mrs. Blair has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

Enclosure:
Copy of letter

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Box 1

Route 4, Box 18
Greensboro,
Tenn.

Blair, James - AM

July 30, 1931

Dear Sir:-

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Your letter at hand
was glad to know that
you honored me as
James's mother would
be delighted in taking
the trip but I am not
no condition to take
that longer trip but
would be glad if
you would give me
his Bouns I have had
mother I will with
him to raise him if
you dont any thing to
do with the Bouns

would be glad if
you would help me
by sending this on
to the right place
please

hoping to hear from
you soon

yours Truly
Fannie Blair



QM 293 A-M 1233

Blair, James W. 1764 LP X

July 22, 1931.

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to office letter of July 18, 1930, wherein you were requested to furnish affidavits in the event you considered yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private James W. Blair under the provisions of section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended, which reads in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming 18 years of age."

To date the affidavits have not been received and in order that the records may be completed, it is requested you advise whether or not you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage under this provision of the law. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

In the event you consider yourself eligible and desire to make a pilgrimage, it is requested the affidavit forms sent you be completed by two persons not related to you and returned to this office. If you have misplaced the forms mentioned, another set will be mailed you upon request.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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July 18, 1930.

QM 293 A-M

Blair, James W. 1764 LP

Mr. Jack Blair,
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date, together with the form letter recently forwarded to you from this office relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is assumed that you desire your wife, Mrs. Fannie Blair, to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your brother, the late James W. Blair. The only provision of the Act under which she could be considered for this privilege is contained in Section 4 (a) which reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In the event she considers herself eligible under the terms of Section 4 (a), it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that her eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

There is no provision of the Act mentioned above which would permit the Government to make a money allowance. Your inquiry relative to a bonus has been referred to The Adjutant General.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Forms - Env.

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QM 293 A-M
Blair, James W. 1764

July 18, 1930.

SUBJECT: Bonus.

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Jack Blair, Route 4, Greenback, Tennessee, brother of the late James W. Blair, for your attention.

2. Mr. Blair has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

Enclosure:
Copy of letter

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Will they Be any Bonuses
to come from him to
us i ~~thought~~ thought i
would ask and see if i
am in title to any i will be
glad for i have bought one
a home and like a little
having it paid for

Yours truly
from
Jack Blair

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blair, James W. - ¹²³³~~1784~~ B

July 7, 1930

Mr. Jack Blair
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

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,

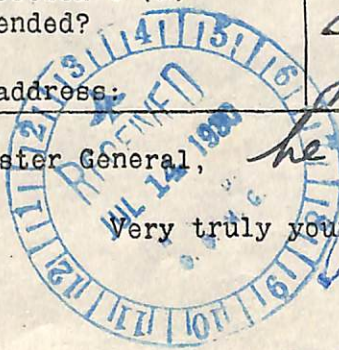
Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
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*his mother is dead
he had no widow
after father
and mother
died well
lived to gether
then I married
and he lived with
me and my wife
he was 6 years old
then
her name
is Fannie
Blair*

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
Blair, James W.

May 27, 1929.

Mr. Jack Blair,
R.F.D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

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 Private James W. Blair, 19th Service Co., 20th Engineers, 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,

This soldier's mother died when he was 2 yrs. old, had no stepmother, and was not married. Very truly yours,

Very respectfully,

Jack Blair.


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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.



VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

UNITED STATES VETERANS BUREAU

WASHINGTON

August 8, 1931 ⁵ QM 293 A-M
Blair, James W. Pvt.

THIS LETTER REFERS TO
YOUR FILE NUMBER: ~~(SOM) X~~

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

IN REPLY REFER TO: FABF

BLAIR, James W.
XC-174 219

Gentlemen:

Your letter of August 3, 1931, together with inclosure,
has been received.

You are informed that Mrs. Blair is being communicated
with this date.

Respectfully,

H. L. McCoy
H. L. McCOY,
Director of Insurance.



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QM 293 A-M

September 14, 1932.

Blair, James W. (StM) X

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 7, 1932, furnishing information requested by this office relative to your brother-in-law, the late Private James W. Blair.

In view of the data submitted by you, it appears that you may be eligible under the provisions of the loco parentis clause of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, to make a pilgrimage to the grave of Private Blair. However, in order to satisfy the legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship in loco parentis, the affidavits of two persons not related to you. It is therefore requested that you have the enclosed form completed and returned to this office at the earliest practicable date.

The enclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is for your convenience in returning the form.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 AM
Blair, James W. (St M) x

September 1, 1952

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your brother-in-law, the late Private James W. Blair, under the loco parentis clause of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It will be appreciated if you would furnish the following information in order to assist this office in determining whether or not you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage:

1. Dates of death of your brother-in-law's parents.
2. Did you provide your brother-in-law with food, clothing and shelter for a period of five years at any time prior to his reaching eighteen years of age?

A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience in replying and does not require postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 893 A-M

August 3, 1931.

Blair, James W. Pvt. (St.M) x

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
Route 4, Box 15,
Greenback, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 30, 1931, relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private James W. Blair at some time during the summer months of 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you have the affidavit forms which were forwarded you completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility under the Act may be determined.

Your inquiry relative to the bonus has been referred to the Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., for reply as this is a matter pertaining to his office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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August 3, 1931.

QM 293 A-M
Blair, James W. Pvt. (StM) M

SUBJECT: Bonus

TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

1. The enclosed copy of a letter from Mrs. Fannie Blair, Route 4, Box 15, Greenback, Tennessee, is referred herewith for reply to so much thereof as pertains to your office.
2. Mrs. Blair has been advised of this reference.
For The Quartermaster General.

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Enclosure:
Copy of letter

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

QM 295 A-M

Blair, James W. 1233 IP X

July 22, 1931.

Mrs. Fannie Blair,
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to office letter of July 18, 1930, wherein you were requested to furnish affidavits in the event you considered yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private James W. Blair under the provisions of section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended, which reads in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming 18 years of age."

To date the affidavits have not been received and in order that the records may be completed, it is requested you advise whether or not you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage under this provision of the law. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

In the event you consider yourself eligible and desire to make a pilgrimage, it is requested the affidavits forms sent you be completed by two persons not related to you and returned to this office. If you have misplaced the forms mentioned, another set will be mailed you upon request.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Blair, James W. 1764

July 18, 1930.

SUBJECT: Bonus.

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Jack Blair, Route 4, Greenback, Tennessee, brother of the late James W. Blair, for your attention.

2. Mr. Blair has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

Enclosure:
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July 18, 1930.

QM 293 A-M

Blair, James W. 1764 LP

Mr. Jack Blair,
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date, together with the form letter recently forwarded to you from this office relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is assumed that you desire your wife, Mrs. Fannie Blair, to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your brother, the late James W. Blair. The only provision of the Act under which she could be considered for this privilege is contained in Section 4 (a) which reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In the event she considers herself eligible under the terms of Section 4 (a), it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that her eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

There is no provision of the Act mentioned above which would permit the Government to make a money allowance. Your inquiry relative to a bonus has been referred to The Adjutant General.

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

Blair, James W. - 1764 B

July 7, 1930

Mr. Jack Blair
R. F. D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

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:
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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
Blair, James W.

May 27, 1929.

Mr. Jack Blair,
R.F.D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

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 Private James W. Blair, 15th Service Co., 20th Engineers, 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.

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QM 293 A-C

Blair, James, W.

May 14, 1925.

SUBJECT: Verification.

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C.

1. The inclosed G.R.S. Forms 114-B, are returned with request that all data checked in red be verified and the Forms returned to this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

R. P. HAROLD,
Major, Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

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32 Forms.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.
BASE HOSPITAL NO. 103.
A.P.O. NO. 721.

Report

February 26th, 1919.

From: Commanding Officer.
To: Adjutant General, American E.F.
Subject: Report of Burial.

- Open 723-468*
1. Name: Blair (2715138) James W.
 2. Rank: Pvt.
 3. Company: Service (fy)
 4. Regiment or Corps: 19th Engrs.
 5. Date of Death: Feb. 23rd, 1919 - 5:55 P.M.
 6. Cause of Death: Lobar pneumonia.
 7. Place of Death: Base Hospital No. 103. AEF.
 8. Date of Burial: Feb. 24th, 1919 - 1:30 P.M.
 9. Name of Cemetery: Municipal Cemetery Annexe, Polygone AA.
 10. In what town and department: Dijon, Cote d'Or, France.
 11. Number of Grave: 189.
 12. Marking of Grave: By bottle containing data. Peg on side of which was placed identification Tag.
 13. Was original tag buried with body? Yes. Placed between undershirt and O.D. Shirt.
 14. Disposition of Duplicate Tag? Duplicate tag fastened to side of burial peg, as per Art. (5), Par. 4, G.O. #30, G.H.Q., A.E.F., February 15th, 1919.
 15. Nearest Relative of Deceased: Mr. Jack Blair.
 16. Relationship and Address: Brother, Green back, Tenn.

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Major M.C.

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293 Blair, James W.

QM 293 A-C

BLAIR, James W., Pvt.

February 18, 1924

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Mr. Jack Blair,
R.F.D. #4,
Greenback, Tenn.

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the enclosed 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,

1-Incl.
Record card.

Assistant,

R. L. FOSTER



CORRECTION

NAME _____

RANK _____

SERIAL NO. _____

ORGANIZATION _____

REMARKS:

~~Agencies serial~~
~~as 2715138~~

7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100

~~Form 120 not noted~~

3-910/MB

pm 12-18

Blair

James W

2,715,138

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

19 Service Co

20 Engrs

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Brother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Jack Blair

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Letter sent to Mr. Jack Blair,
R.F.D. 4,
Greenback, Tenn.

REVIEWED
OSP SS.
8m 12-18

Drawn by PM
14-31
12-14

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 97098

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLAIR, James W. Ser. No. 2716138 TYP. EML
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization 19th Service Co. 20th Engrs. (d) Cause
(c) Date of death 2-23-19 of death Pneumonia

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

(a) Grave No. 189 Row American Extension Plot Enlisted Sect. TYP. EML
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Jack Blair (brother), Greenback, Tenn.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card) CKR. J J H

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Jack Blair (b) Relationship Brother
(c) Address R.F.D. #4, Greenback, Tenn.
(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 AB Date 5-12-1920

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials a-a Date 5-12-1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes MM

Examiner's Initials MM Date 5/12/1920

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY NO. 14 SHEET NO. 31
G.R.S. Form #115
Amended April 6, 1920.

Make Form #114

Rechecked PM
per mail
12-18-20

Form 115 not noted
No change in S.I.

3/21/22
222
for
St. Michael
att 7/8/22

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 *Dec 4*....., 1920

Par. # 2 not to be returned yet

CORRECTIONS

IX.	Change of advice	Action taken
	Desires body be.....	
	Body to be shipped to.....	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form 120, 12/1/20, Jack Blair (brother, n. of K. Greenback, Tenn., requests body remain in France. 1-6-21, J.L.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 25, 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

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1. Name BLAIR, James W.
 2. No. 2716138 *Auth also*
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. 19th Ser Co 20th Eng.
 5. D.D. Feb. 23rd. 1919
 6. C.D. Pneum.

10. Name _____
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 189 Sec. _____
 8. Plot Enl. Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Dijon

20. Dept. or County Cote d'Or

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 14

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 25, 1921 By W. C. Rapine.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BLAIR, James W.
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. _____
 Organization 19th Ser. Co. 20th Engrs.
Gr. 189

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

Ray Brown
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

RAY BROWN.

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. Form 16a accomplished. Head posted.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Buried in uniform and in wooden box.

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 Nov. 25, 1921 By W.C. Rapine.

31. Casket sealed by W. C. Rapine.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor *W.C. Rapine*
W. C. RAPINE.

AUDITED BY
New 8-15-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17609

32. Designation of body:

Name James W. BLAIR Serial No. 2716138

Rank Pvt. Organization 19th Ser Co. 20th Eng.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 25, 1921. By W. C. Rapine.

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 *R. L. Fain*
R. L. FAIN, CAPT. QMC. bjm

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 25, 1921.

To point of Concentration Dijon (Cote d'Or) France.
(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 30 NOV 1921

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel (1233) Thiaucourt (M et M)

Convoyer Clinton I. Fieten Signature Shipping Officer *W. R. Buckley*
W. R. BUCKLEY, CAPT. QMC.

40. Received: Date 5 DEC 1921

G.R.S. Representative *F. B. Daniel, Capt, 2MC*

41. Reinterred, June 22 1922 (Date)

42. Grave No. 28 Section _____

43. Plot Bk. A Row 20

G.R.S. Representative *A E Dewey*
A E Dewey Ist. Lt. QMC

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 25, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BLAIR, James W. SERIAL NUMBER 2716138⁵

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 19th Ser.Co. 20 Engrs.

*and
MSD*

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 25, 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. 189

Amer. Mil. Cem. # 14, Dijon (Cote d'Or)

By: Group 4. Unit 4.

3. Reburied (date): June 22 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 28 Bk. A Row 20

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

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

Buried in uniform and in wooden box. 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:

Head posted. No effects found.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) Unable to determine.

(c) Hair—Color U to D.

Quantity U to D.

Characteristics U to D.

(d) Hair on face—Color U to D.

Location U to D.

Quantity U to D.

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) U to D.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) No. 13,15, Comp. F.
No. 18,19,30, MAD.

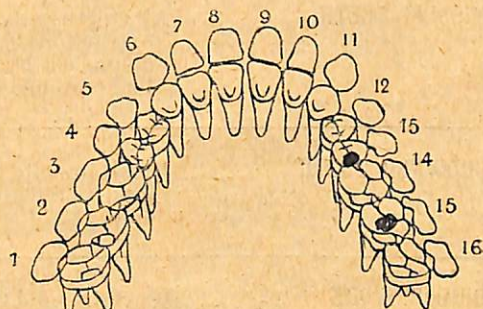
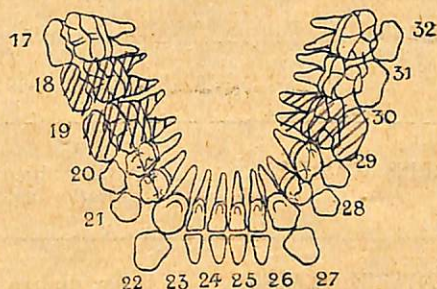


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



None.

7. Disinterment supervised by W. C. RAPINE.

Approved: R. L. FAIN,
RB. (Title) Capt. Q.M.C. bjm

8. Reburial supervised by H L Kramer

Approved: A E Dewey
(Title) Ist. Lt. QMC

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

MAY 25 1920

14-31

8/10/20

Rush Answer

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Mr. Jack Blair, R.F.D. #4, Greenback, Tenn.
SUBJECT: Remains of Private James W. Blair

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body ~~be~~ remain in France.

no change

The records show correct, I have requested that the remains of my Brother James W. Blair remain in France

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

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

1-6-21 J.L. Date Noted on Form No. 115

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>Not married</i>		
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. 2. 3. <i>no children</i>		
Father	<i>Wiley Blair (Deceased)</i>		
Mother	<i>Delphi Blair (Deceased)</i>		
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Jack Blair</i> 2. <i>Richard Blair</i>		
Sisters	<i>Laura Blair</i>		

Date *May 27 1920*

Signature *Jack Blair*

Address *Greenback Tenn*

Relationship *Brother*

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

(OVER) esm

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

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Blair **2715138** **James W.**
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. **19th Engrs. Serv. Co., Fy.**
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Base Hospital No. 103.**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Lobar pneumonia.**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Feb. 24th, 1919**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Dijon Cote d'Or France**

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

Municipla Cemetire Annexe

Polygone AA.

GRAVE NUMBER: **189**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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:

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NEAREST RELATIVE: **Mr. Jack Blair**

ADDRESS: **Greenback, Tenn.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Brother.**

REPORTED BY:

H. H. Van Kirk

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

H. H. Van Kirk, Major M. C.

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

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

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

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

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

Date 12/21/20.

File No. *97098*
Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cometarial 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 *OK* Blair,
- b. Christian name *OK* James W.
- c. Serial Number ~~2715138~~ *OK* 2715138.
- d. Organization *OK* 19 Serv. Co., 20th Eng.
- e. Rank *OK* Pvt.
- f. Date of death *OK* 2/25/19.
- g. Cause of death *OK* Pneumonia.
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address *John Blair P.O. #4, Greerback, Tenn.*
- j. Relationship *Brother*

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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Donnelly - M.V. Encl. Per. Sec. 10-8-3. 12-23-20

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

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

CEMETERY NO: 14.

SHEET NO: 51.

TYPED BY: I.W.

Rec'd World War Div.
Date..... 12. 23. 20

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.
BASE HOSPITAL NO. 103.
A.P.O. NO. 721.

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February 26th, 1919.

From: Commanding Officer.
To: Graves Registration Section., Hqrs., SOS.AEF
Subject: Report of Burial.

1. Name: Blair (2715138) James W.
2. Rank: Pvt.
3. Company: Service (fy)
4. Regiment or Corps: 19th Engrs.
5. Date of Death: Feb. 23rd, 1919 - 5:55 P.M.
6. Cause of Death: Lobar pneumonia.
7. Place of Death: Base Hospital No. 103.AEF.
8. Date of Burial: Feb. 24th, 1919 - 1:30 P.M.
9. Name of Cemetery: Municipal Cemetery Annexe, Polygone AA.
10. In what town and department: Dijon, Cote d'Or, France.
11. Number of Grave: 189.
12. Marking of Grave: By bottle containing data. Peg on side of which was placed identification Tag.
13. Was original tag buried with body? Yes. Placed between undershirt and O.D. Shirt.
14. Disposition of Duplicate Tag? Duplicate tag fastened to side of burial peg, as per Art. (5), Par. 4, G.O. #30, G.H.Q., A.E.F., February 15th, 1918.
15. Nearest Relative of Deceased: Mrs. Jack Blair.
16. Relationship and Address: Brother, Green back, Tenn.

H. H. Van Kirk,
H.H. Van Kirk,
Major M.C.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.
BASE HOSPITAL NO.103.
A.P.O.NO. 721.

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February 26th, 1919.

From: Commanding Officer.
To: Graves Registration Bureau, American E.F.
Subject: Report of Death:

1. Name: Blair (2715138) James W.
2. Rank: Pvt.
3. Company: Service (fy)
4. Regiment or Corps: 19th Engrs.
5. Date of Death: Feb. 23rd, 1919 - 5:55 P.M.
6. Cause of Death: Lobar pneumonia.
7. Autopsy Findings: Pneumonia lobar, right complete left lower, Empuema-left, Pericarditis, fibrinous, acute. Fibrous pleurisy-bilateral. Multiple abscess, lungs bilateral, Tuberculosis of spleen and liver.
8. Place of Burial: Dijon, Cote d'Or, France.
9. Cemetery: Municipal Cemetire Annexe, Polygone AA.
10. Grave Number: 189.
11. Age: 26 Years.
12. Address of Nearest Relative: Greenback, Tenn.
13. Nearest Relative: Brother, Mr. Jack Blair.

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H H, Blair
Major M.C.

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