

MMB

DATE

1. NAME BLANCHARD, Jean B. SERIAL No. 373103

RANK Evt ORGANIZATION Co. A 109th MG Bn
& DIVISION 28

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Mil. Cty. Mesves, Nièvre 86
CTY. NAME NUMBER

547

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 547 Mesves (Nièvre)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES

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 Nov 4, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mass

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. Quarterman

W.H. QUARTERMAN, CAPT. F.A., Supervisor Area No. 4

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION June 28, 1922 23 13 Block A

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel American No. 1233, Thieucourt

CEMETERY

Major General,

The Adjutant General

By meu

AUDITED BY
MAY 12 1922
M. A. R. S.
O. G. M.

RECEIVED
MAY 19 1922
M. A. R. S.
O. G. M.

MAY 16 1925

Rec'd World War Div.
MAY 9 1925

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Blanchard 373103 Jean
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Pvt. Co. A 109 M.G.B.
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: Base Hospital 86

CAUSE OF DEATH: Broncho pneumonia

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov. 7, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: American Military Cemetery
mesvres Meuse
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map references must specify clearly what map is used.

GRAVE NUMBER: 547

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. Reginald Blanchard

ADDRESS: 25 Vile St. New Bedford Mass

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY:

St. Cleveland
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

Chaplain Ben Stief # 86
This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves-Registration Service.

Blanchard, Jean B.
Pot.

Gold Star Pilgrimages,
Party J, July 2, 1930

MASSACHUSETTS

Blanchard, Mrs. Regina (J-9)
115 Ruth St., New Bedford

Route Going and Returning: NESS Co.

Itinerary:

June 30	Leave New Bedford Wharf	6.45 P.M. EST	Boat
July 1	Arrive New York (Pier 14, NYC)	6.00 A.M. EST	"

Stateroom, New Bedford to New York

Elapsed time, 11 hrs. 15 min. $\frac{1}{2}$

Minalic, Mrs. Mary A. P. (J-9)
26 Temple St., Newburyport

Route Going and Returning: B&M, Boston; NYNH&H RR

Itinerary:

July 1	Leave Newburyport	8.50 A.M. EST	Train No. 224
	Arrive Boston (No. Sta.)	9.58 A.M. EST	" " 224
	Transfer by Street Railway		
	Leave Boston (So. Sta.)	10.45 A.M. EST	" " 11
	Arrive New York (GCT)	4.15 P.M. EST	" " 11

Coach, Newburyport to Boston
Parlor Car, Boston to New York

Elapsed time, 7 hrs. 25 min. $\frac{1}{2}$

McVety, Mrs. Josephine (J-9)
922 S. State St., N. Adams

Route Going and Returning: B&A, Chatham; NYC

Itinerary:

July 1	Leave North Adams	11.50 A.M. EST	Train No. 911
	Arrive New York (GCT)	4.53 P.M. EST	" " 22

Parlor Car, North Adams to New York

Elapsed time, 6 hrs. 3 min. $\frac{1}{2}$

Name..... BLANCHARD, Mrs. Regina
Paris Hôtel..... HOTEL DE PARIS HOTEL LUTETIA
Home address..... BOULEVARD DE LA MADEIRA BOULEVARD RASPAIL
115 Ruth St., New Bedford, Bristol County, Massachusetts
Party..... J Group 3 Unit ~~SS~~. AMERICA
Date of arrival..... July II-1930 Date of departure ~~SS~~. HARDING
Relationship..... Mother
Name of deceased..... BLANCHARD, Jean B.
Rank..... Pvt Organization Co. A, 109th M.G. Bn.
Cemetery..... St. Mihiel

REMARKS



Party "J" - Itinerary - St. Mihiel Group.

Sailed July 2, 1930 on the AMERICA. Major Rolland Walsh in charge. Arrived Cherbourg 5.30am July 11th. Tender arrived 5.40am bearing Maj. Dailey and Kinderman; Capt. Saulnier; Lts. Freeman, Gregory, Yarborough and Moroney; 3 nurses; 2 civilian employees. Train left 8.22am. Arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, at 2.15pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff; a detail of interpreters; nurses.

July 12th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Left hotel by bus at 3pm for Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. J. M. Frosthalm for party. Other wreathes laid by Mrs. Comeau and Mrs. Greane. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Returned to hotel for dinner. Evening free.

July 13th. Morning free. Sightseeing in afternoon. Dinner at hotel.

July 14th. Left 8.30am for Bar-le-Duc via Rozoy-en-Brie- Sezanne, Lunch at Hotel de France, Vitry-le-Francois. Arrived 6.30pm. Hotel de Metz.

July 15th. Left 9.30am for Nancy via Thiaucourt, lunch Hotel de Metz. St. Mihiel Cemetery. Arrived Nancy 6.15pm. Grand Hotel.

July 16th, 17th, 18th. Made daily trips from Nancy to the St. Mihiel American Cemetery. Also visited Monument on Mont Sec and Metz.

July 19th. Left Nancy 7.45am for Troyes via Toul, Neufchateau, lunch Hotel du Commerce at Bar-sur-Aube. Arrived 4.45pm. Grand Hotel.

July 20th. Left Troyes 8.30am for Paris via Sens, Lunch Hotel Legris at Fontainebleau (visited Chateau.) Arrived Paris 6.00pm. Dinner at hotel.

July 21st. Sightseeing trip Paris Notre Dame. Lunch at hotel. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel. Nite sightseeing trip.

July 22nd. Free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Versailles-Belle Cycliste-Suresnes. Dinner at hotel.

July 23rd. Louvre. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.

July 24th. Boat train for Cherbourg. Lunch on train. left 11.44am. Arrived Cherbourg 4pm. PRESIDENT HARDING sailed 5.40pm. Arrived New York August 1st.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard

June 12th, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

quarters last above of J.E. Breiden
met; Mrs
Arrived NY 6:00 am July 1
New England Sd. Co. - Riv 14-
North River
Capt Hesketh

WAR DEPARTMENT
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
 ROOM 901
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

BLANCHARD, JEAN B. - ST.M.

Party
 Number 1925

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. REGINA BLANCHARD Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler
 NEW BEDFORD, BRISTOL COUNTY, New York, to NEW BEDFORD, MASS.
 Home Address
 MASS. Room 106 \$ 3.00
 New York, to Destination
 NEW BEDFORD, MASS. Ste Providence
 Via NEW ENGLAND S.S. CO. TO DEST.

LIMIT - AUG 31-30

AUGUST 2, 1930

Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
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TOTAL

Remarks:

Capt Merrill

(2) NAME BLANCHARD, MRS. REGINA 704

S.S. HARDING AUG 1 1930 1925

HOME NEW BEDFORD, BRISTOL COUNTY, MASS

R.R. *New England S. S. Co. - to*
STATION *dest*

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH SEAT

TIME

DATE *Aug-31-30*

Miss V. Blanchard
115 Ruth Ave

New Bedford
Bristol County
Mass

Capt. Darrell

WAR DEPARTMENT
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.
ROOM 901

RAIL SCHEDULE OF DEPARTURE OF PILGRIMS FROM HOTEL **PENNSYLVANIA**

PARTY **"J"**

PILGRIMS LEAVE HOTEL **3:30PM (E.S.T.)**

~~BOAT~~ ~~TRAIN~~ LEAVES **5:00PM (E.S.T.)**

AUGUST 2, 1930 **106**

Date ~~Y.P.C.~~ Number **STATE ROOM - S.S. PROVIDENCE**

NEW ENGLAND STEAMSHIP COMPANY **PIER #14-NORTH RIVER-FOOT FULTON ST.**
Name of Railroad Point of Departure **NEW YORK**

NAME	DESTINATION	ROOM NO.	PIECES OF BAGGAGE
MRS. REGINA BLANCHARD	NEW BEDFORD MASS.		3

Capt. Darrell
H. S. M.
Aug-2-30

Capt. Sample

WAR DEPARTMENT
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.
ROOM 901

RAIL SCHEDULE OF DEPARTURE OF PILGRIMS FROM HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA

PARTY "J"

PILGRIMS LEAVE HOTEL 3:30PM (E.S.T.)

BOAT ~~TRAIN~~ LEAVES 5:00PM (E.S.T.)

AUGUST 2, 1930 1106

Date

Train Number

STATEROOM - S.S. PROVIDENCE

NEW ENGLAND STEAMSHIP COMPANY

PIER #14-NORTH RIVER-FOOT FULTON ST.

Name of Railroad

Point of Departure

NEW YORK

NAME	DESTINATION	ROOM NO.	PIECES OF BAGGAGE
MRS. REGINA BLANCHARD	NEW BEDFORD MASS.	803-A	3

Bags out 4:00 PM Daylight

Out at 4:05 PM

Capt. Daniel

WAR DEPARTMENT
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.
ROOM 901

RAIL SCHEDULE OF DEPARTURE OF PILGRIMS FROM HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA

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PILGRIMS LEAVE HOTEL 3:30PM (E.S.T.)

BOAT TRAIN LEAVES 5:00PM (E.S.T.)

AUGUST 2, 1930 106

Date

Train Number

STATEROOM - S.S. PROVIDENCE

NEW ENGLAND STEAMSHIP COMPANY

PIER #14-NORTH RIVER-FOOT FULTON ST.

Name of Railroad

Point of Departure

NEW YORK

NAME

DESTINATION

ROOM NO.

PIECES OF BAGGAGE

MRS. REGINA

BLANCHARD

NEW BEDFORD MASS.

803

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4:00 P.M. D.S.T.

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Blanchard</i>	<i>B L A</i>	3	<i>2 2 1</i>
			<i>0</i>
			<i>1</i>
<i>Jean B</i>	<i>CEMETERY 1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
BURIED	<i>GRAVE 23</i>	2	<i>23</i>
	<i>ROW 13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	<i>BLOCK A</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
PANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>28</i>	2	<i>28</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>109</i>	3	<i>109</i>
ARM	<i>M G. Bn.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
<i>Mrs. Blanchard</i>	<i>B L A</i>	3	<i>2 2 1</i>
NAME <i>Regina</i>			<i>0</i>
			<i>1</i>
			<i>1930</i>
RESIDENCE	<i>STATE Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	<i>COUNTY Bristol</i>	2	<i>03</i>
	<i>CITY Bedford</i>	3	<i>102</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	<i>MO. YR. 1930</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
	<i>Age 67</i>		<i>67</i>

AUDITED
 OCT 5 1931
RS

Blanchard, Jean B. Pvt. Co. A. 109th M.G. Bn. Mass.

C137-154

Mother sailed

Widow

Single

ORGANIZATION

FILE NO.

SURNAME	SERIAL NO.	FIRST NAME AND INITIALS	RANK
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DIED—(DATE)

(CAUSE)

BURIED AND REBURIED

DATE	PLACE	FORM #1-A NO.
ORIG.		D—
REB.		D—
REB.		D—
REB.		D—

3—7596

QM 293 A-M
Blanchard, Jean B. M 1233

August 7, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the testimonial expressing your appreciation to the United States Government, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS Harding were so kind as to send me regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory and that the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that these making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

STATE

MASSACHUSETTS.

BLANCHARD, JEAN B.

115 Ruth St.,
New BedfordNAME ^{M.} Blanchard, Mrs. Regina HOME ADDRESS .. Bristol County

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Miss J. Blanchard, same

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORKDATE *July 1* HOTEL *Lycoln* ROOM NO. *704*DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE *JUL 2 1930* VESSEL *S/S AMERICA* CABIN NO. *277-C*DESTINATION *Cherbourg, France* CEMETERY *St. Miheil*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE AUG 1 1930

M.
 NAME Blanchard, Mrs. Regina HOME ADDRESS 115 Ruth St., New Bedford
Bristol Co., Mass,
 RETURN ON S. S. S/S HARDING HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA ROOM NO. 839

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE AUG 2 1930

ROAD ~~X~~ TRAIN CAR BERTH or SEAT

REMARKS
Pier # 14 Fulton St. S.S. Providence
Room 106

MEDICAL RECORD

Party: "JM"

S. S. HARDING

Eastbound
* Westbound

Name *Stanchard*
~~STANCHARD~~, Mrs.

Home Address

Name and address of nearest relative or friend

Religion

Age

History of present complaint:

July 29, 1930--Mal De Mer- Cabin

(OVER)

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

J
NAME Blenchard, Mrs. Regina

ADDRESS 115 Ruth St., New Bedford, Mass.

DATE

8/3/80

TO:

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

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

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs Regina Blenford

2003

1233

RETURN RECEIPT

America 7/2/30

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

Mrs. Regina B. Blanchard

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Blanchard

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *6/4/*-----, 192*30*

Form 3811

5-6116

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927164

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

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



POSTMARK OF DISTRICT
OFFICE



AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,

7222

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

2003-c

1233

RETURN RECEIPT

Amica 7/2/30

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

~~DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE ONLY~~
(Sign in full or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____

6/12/30, 19230

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927536

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

JUN 12

4 PM

AND DATE OF DELIVERY 1930

Return to Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

8266

D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233-M

June 10, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 339126 in the amount of \$ 5.00, to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

Blanchard, Jean B. - 1233

June 9, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. New Bedford Wharf	NESS Co.	6:45 PM (EST)	June 30	BOAT
Ar. New York (Pier 14NR)	" "	6:00 AM "	July 1	"

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 13, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, Jean B. -1233 M
America 7-2

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Mrs. Valentine Blanchard

Address

115 Ruth St. New Bedford Mass.

Noted

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Env.



New Bedford
Mass
115 Ruth Ave

Mother- Eugenia Blanchard

Son-

Name- Jean B. Blanchard

Organization-Co. A. 109th M.G. Bn.

Cemetery- St. Mihiel American Cemetery

Thraucourt Meurthe Meurthe et

Moselle France

Letter from Mrs. Gooding

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 8, 1930.

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233 M

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

America
7/2/30
b233

Blanchard Jean B

I Accept, the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)
me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the
Government of the United States under the provisions of
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard

(Name)

115 Ruth St., New Bedford, Bristol Co., Mass.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 8, 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233 M.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

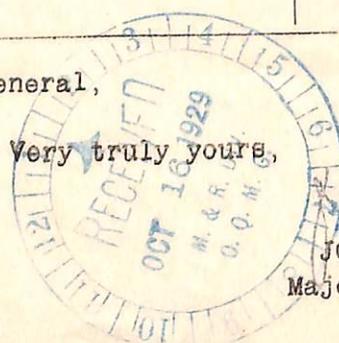
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <u>yes</u> (No) (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <u>yes</u> (No) <u> </u>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	<u>no</u> (Yes) (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>67</u> Health <u>Good</u> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	<u>English and French</u> English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)

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

August 28, 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B.
1233

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
~~St.~~, 115 Ruth St
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

Regina Blanchard
115 Ruth St
New Bedford Mass

Mother

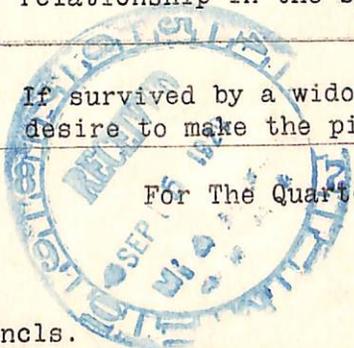
Yes.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John Harris
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

May 27 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
~~25 Viall St.,~~ 115 Ruth St.
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Jean B. Blanchard, Co. A, 109th M. G. Bn., 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

Blanchard, Jean B. M 1233

August 7, 1950.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the testimonial expressing your appreciation to the United States Government, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS Harding were so kind as to send me regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe.

It is gratifying to know that your trip was entirely satisfactory and that the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233-M

June 12, 1930.

M

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Blanchard, Jean B. - 1233

June 9, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. New Bedford Wharf	NBS Co.	6:45 PM (EST)	June 30	BOAT
Ar. New York(Pier 14NR)	" "	6:00 AM "	July 1	"

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 13, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C 3
Blanchard, Jean B. -1234 M
America 7-2

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233M
America 7-2

May 6 1930

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 8, 1930.

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233 M

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233-M

March 25, 1930.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 8, 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B. 1233 M.

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
115 Ruth St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 28, 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B.
1233

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
25 Viall St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May , 1929.

Blanchard, Jean B.

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Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
25 Viall St.,
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late **Private Jean B. Blanchard, Co. A, 109th M. G. Bn., 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Blanchard,

(Surname.)

Jean B

(Christian name in full.)

373,103

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co A 109th MG Bn

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes
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:

Mrs Regina Blanchard New Bedford New Bedford

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

Willis St New Bedford Massachusetts

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Regina Blanchard
25 Dial St New Bedford Mass

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

drawn by PF

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QM 293 A-C

BLANCHARD, Jean B., Pvt.

February 16, 1924

Mrs. Regina Blanchard,
25 Viall Street,
New Bedford, Mass.

~~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,

1-Incl.
Record card.



L. FOSTER

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FEB 16 1924
R. O. C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Blanchard, Jean B. Ser. No. 373103)
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A 109th M. G. Bn.) TYP. ILH
 (c) Date of death 11-4-18 (d) Cause of death Pneumonia) CKR. 28

*3/24/22 Exhumed
 for Concentration
 S. L. Mitchell #1283
 at 4/13/22*

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

(a) Grave No. 547 Row ---- Plot ---- Sect. ----) TYP. HDP
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Regina Blanchard (Mother) 25 Viall St., New Bedford, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card) CKR. 28

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Regina Blanchard (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address 25 Viall St., New Bedford, Mass.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S. Mrs. Regina Blanchard
 Willis St., New Bedford, Mass -
 Exp. & Teleg. New Bedford, Mass.
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. -

Examiner's Initials at Date 5-22-1920

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

dated _____, confirmed request in Par. IV. item _____, above, or requesting that
No Correspondence

Examiner's Initials m Date 5-22-1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows: (Mother) Mrs Regina Blanchard,

#25 Viall St, New Bedford, Mass. (e-18-19) Requests
 photo of grave, personal effects and asks if the Gov't
 will bring home the soldier dead.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes - MHS

Examiner's Initials MHS Date 5/24/1920

*Refused
 Over 12-23*

VISION
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VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made 5-29-20, 1920

Typed by

EPP

Checked by

P. J.

5-29-20 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by-

(cable on _____ 1920
(letter on 8/14 1920

HOBOKEN, N. J.
DEC 10 1920

Par. # 2. Not to be returned. (MacB)

AP. 12/6/20

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE	ACTION TAKEN
Desires body be	RECEIVED:
Body to be shipped to	DEC 29 1920
	CEMETERY DIVISION OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 6/29/20 (Lawyer) Chas F. Archambault Cummings Bldg, Corner Purchase & William Sts, New Bedford, Mass. States mother of deceased now deceased remains left in France at his present burial place - Form 120, Rec'd 7/1/20, Mother, Mrs. Regina Blanchard (nearest of kin) requests body left in Europe 9.20-20. Fid.

FORM 114 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - 830Y

TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

DEC 29 1920

Place Mesvres, (Nievre)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Dec, 12, 1921

1. REMAINS OF BLANCHARD, Jean B. SERIAL NUMBER 373103

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. A. 109th M.G. BN

2. Disinterred (date) : Dec, 12, 1921. From (give complete location) :

Grave 547, Amr Cty 86, Mesvres

By : Group 5 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date) June 28 1922 In (give complete location) Gr. 23 Bk. A Row 13

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

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

Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible

Uniform and wooden box.

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

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

Grave No. 547 is the end of row. The bodies in graves Nos. 542, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 556, 557 and 558 were previously exhumed and shipped. The body in grave 559 was identified under proper cross. No irregularities were found in this row.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color none visible

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color none visible

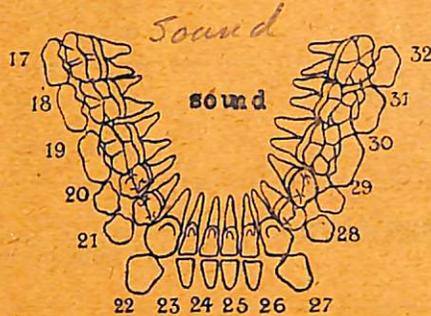
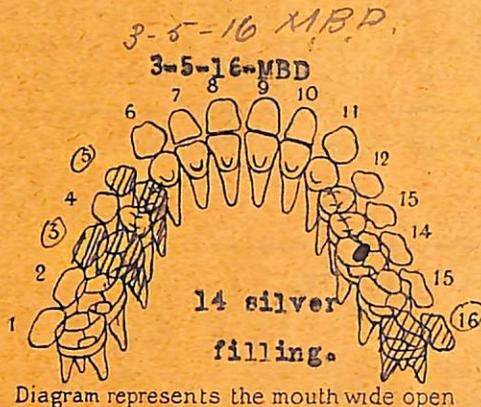
Location do

Quantity do

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

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

none



7. Disinterment supervised by E. G. Scott
gvt E. G. SCOTT RWS.

Approved: R. L. Fain
R. L. FAIN
(Title) CAPT. OMC

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

Approved: A. E. Dewey
A. E. DEWEY
(Title) 1st. Lt. OMC

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 12, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name	<u>BLANCHARD, Jean B.</u>	10. Name	
2. No.	<u>373103</u>	11. No.	
3. Rank	<u>Pvt</u>	12. Rank	
4. Org.	<u>Co. A 109th MG Bn</u>	13. Org.	
5. D.D.	<u>11-4-18</u>	14. (a) D.D.	
6. C.D.	<u>Pneumonia</u>	(b) D.B.	<u>none</u>

		Discrepancy found upon disinterment	
7. Grave No.	<u>547</u>	15. Grave No.	
	<u>Sec.</u>		<u>Sec.</u>
8. Plot	<u>Row</u>	16. Plot	<u>Row</u>
9.		17.	<u>none</u>

18. Cemetery	<u>Amer. Mil.</u>	19. Commune or town	<u>Mesves</u>
20. Dept. or County	<u>Nievre</u>	21. Country	<u>France</u>
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No.	<u>66</u>		
23. Disinterred (Date)	<u>Dec, 12, 1921</u>	By	<u>E.G. SCOTT</u>

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name	<u>JEAN B. BLANCHARD</u>	Serial No.	<u>---</u>
Rank	<u>Pvt.</u>	Organization	<u>Co. A. 109th M.G. Bn</u>

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

Signature R. W. Saylor

R.W. SAYLOR

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 found27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible28. Nature of burial Uniform and wooden box29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? none30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Dec, 12, 1921 By E.G. SCOTT31. Casket sealed by E.G. SCOTT

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

E.G. SCOTT

MMB

AUDITED
EGR 8/21/23

SHIPMENT: (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 23952

32. Designation of body:
Name Jean B. BLANCHARD Serial No. 373103
Rank Pvt Organization Co. A 109th MG Bn

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Dec, 12, 1921 By E.G. SCOTT

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

36. Remarks Grave No. 547 is the end of row. The bodies in graves Nos. 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 556, 557 and 558 were previously exhumed. and shipped. The body in grave No. 559 was identified under proper cross. No irregularities were found in this row.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Dec, 12, 1921
To point of Concentration Nevers, (Nièvre)
(Name)
Convoyer _____ 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 22 DEC 1921
To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. Cty 1233, Thiaucourt, (M et M) gbt
Raymond C. Hall (Name)
Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]

40. Received: Date 26 DEC 1921
G.R.S. Representative F. B. Daniel, Capt, 2MC
June 28 1922

41. Reinterred: 23 (Date)

42. Grave No. XXXX BK. A Section 13

43. Plot _____ Row _____

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

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

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Rush answer

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

To: Mrs. Regina Blanchard, 25 Viall St., New Bedford, Mass.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Jean B. Blanchard, Co. A., 109th M.G. Bn., (373103)

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

*no change
entire*

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<i>not married</i>		
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1	<i>no children</i>	
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother	<i>Mrs. Regina Blanchard, mother</i>		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

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OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



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Date _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

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

*Noted for 115-
9-20-20-916*

Cemeterial

July 16, 1920.

293.8 Cem. #56301 (Blanchard, Jean B., Pvt.)

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

Mr. Charles F. Archambault, Attorney at Law, Cummings Bldg., Corner
Purchase and William Streets, New Bedford, Mass.
Permanent burial in France.

1. In reply to your letter of June 29th, 1920, you are advised that in order that we may have sufficient basis for action, it will be necessary for Mrs. Blanchard to write direct to this office, requesting that the body of her son, Pvt. Jean B. Blanchard, be permanently interred in France.

2. It is the policy of the government to concentrate the bodies of our soldier dead, which are to remain in France, into several permanent American Cemeteries, in order that their graves may receive the proper care and attention which would not be possible if they were scattered over the entire battle area. In compliance with this policy, the body of Private Jean B. Blanchard, will at some future date, be disinterred and reburied in a permanent American Cemetery. When this has been effected, Mrs. Blanchard will be notified of the new location of the grave. If, in view of this information, Mrs. Blanchard does not desire the body to remain in France, a letter to that effect, should be forwarded to this office.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES G. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.
By:

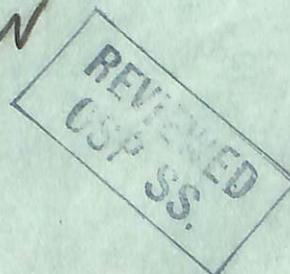
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CHARLES J. WINGS,
Captain, Q. M. G.

G. B. S. MAILED

JUL 16 1920



TO: Inquiry Section .
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by: DS) (date 7-10-20)
Data sent Overseas None
Operations to commence (approx.) Have not been advised yet
Operations to be completed (approx.) -
Bodies shipped from European Port -
Bodies arrived at Hoboken -

II. CASE OF Blanchard, Jean B., Pvt. Co. A., 109 M. G. Bn., #373103

The following information was abstracted (Date) 7-10-20 from: Form 115

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	AH	Yes	Shppg. Inquiry (sent <u>6/7/20</u>)		
A.G.O. Corresp.	NN	None	To <u>Mother</u>	DS	na
G.R.S. corresp. relative to disp.	MHS	Yes	OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

DESIRES as to Disposition.

ago card:

Name of Relative	RETURN.			SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.	REMAIN	
Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)				
Father				
✓ Mother <u>Regina Blanchard</u> <u>25 Viall St</u>		✓		
Brothers <u>New Bedford, Mass.</u>				
Sisters				

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DS 7-10-20

Body to be shipped to Mrs. Regina Blanchard, Willis St.,
New Bedford, Mass. was shipped (Date)

REMARKS City 86 forms 120 Dispatched
Corresp. dated 6/29/20 noted on #115 BdB 7/4-20
MHS 7/1/20

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 5-2-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Blanchard, Jean B. Serial Number _____RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION _____

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes, Co. A, 109th M.I. Bn. # 373103.
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 11-4-18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) Pneumonia.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	(4) #323,
5.	Date buried.	(5) 11-7-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Grave #542 Amer. Cty. #86, Melrose, Mass. ✓
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) a. yes b. yes.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) Mrs. Regina Blanchard (mother) 25 Viall St., New Bedford, Mass.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	(12) 12-20-18.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	(13) A-5547.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control Dept.
 _____ Directory
 Cards 5x8
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N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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CHARLES F. ARCHAMBAULT
ATTORNEY AT LAW
CUMMINGS BUILDING
CORNER PURCHASE AND WILLIAM STREETS

Ann

NEW BEDFORD, MASS..
June 29, 1920.

Office of Quarter Master General of the Army,
Graves' Registration Service,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: in re Pvt. Jean B. Blanchard.

Mrs. Blanchard now desires that the remains of
her son be left in France at his present burial place.

Yours very truly,

Charles F. Archambault.

A/B

293.8 Cum 5-6301 Blanchard, Jean B.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

JUNE 16th, 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO Mrs Regina Blanchard, 25, Viall Street, New Bedford, Mass.
SUBJECT Private Jean B. Blanchard, Co. A., 109th M.G. Batn., American E.F.
Serial # 373103.

With an assurance of very deep sympathy, and in reply to your letter of enquiry, you are advised that information has been filed in this office by the burial officer concerned, to the effect that the above named soldier is buried in grave number 547, American Cemetery at MESVES, department of the NIEVRE.

The grave is marked with the regulation cross with identification tags attached.

I am to-day requesting the chaplain of Private Blanchard's Organization to communicate with you, giving, if possible, full particulars of death.

(Enclosures - G.R.S.:)
(10 - B, G, .004.5.)

GCP/GVG.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

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JUN 1919

NAME Blanchard, Jean B.

FILE NUMBER 56301

RANK

ORGANIZATION Co.A. 109th M. G. Batt.
SERIAL NUMBER

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1- BLANCHARD, 373103, Jean B. Pvt. CoA, 109th M. G. Bn.
2.	Date of death?	2- 11-4-18
3.	Cause and place of death?	3- Pneumonia
4.	Has this been reported on Casualty Cablegram, if so, give reference.	4-- CC#552 323
5.	Date of burial?	5- 11-7-18
6.	Grave Location:	6- Grave 547, Amer. Cty. 86 Amer. Cty. Mesves, Nievre.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	8- Yes
9.	How is grave marked?	9- Cross.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	Yes Yes
11.	Emergency address:	Mrs. Regina Blanchard (mother) 25 Viall St., New Bedford, Mass.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	12- Yes. 12-20-18

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

<u>Flowers, flags, etc.</u> (Par. #5, Bul. 10-B)	<u>Effects (G.R.S. Form No. 7&7-A)</u>
<u>Monuments (Par. #6, Bul. 10-B)</u>	<u>Accrued Pay (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 14 & 22)</u>
<u>Disinterments (Par. #8, Bul. 10-B)</u>	<u>Liberty Bonds (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 21 & 22)</u>
<u>Circumstances of death (G.R.S. Form No. 6)</u>	<u>War Risk Insurance (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 20 & 22)</u>
<u>Photographs requested (File 004.5)</u>	<u>Disposition of Remains (a) Return to U.S. (Form 25)</u>
<u>Grave Location</u>	<u>(b) Remain in France (Form 24)</u>
	<u>(c) Miscellaneous (Letter)</u>

Remarks:

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CIVILIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE
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To the Chaplain:

Co. A. 109th Machine Gun Bn.

Mesves, Nievre.

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Private Jean B. Blanchard
Co. A. 109th Machine Gun Battalion
Buried at American Cemetary, at
Mesves, Nievre.

To the Chaplain:

I am the mother of the said Jean B. Blanchard, and any information you could forward me regarding the circumstances of my son's death would be greatly appreciated by me.

Thanking you for such information I am

Yours truly,

Mrs Regina Blanchard

25 Viall St.,

New Bedford, Mass.

U. S. A.



Letter written at Civilian Relief Committe, American Red Cross,

222 Union St.,

New Bedford, Mass.

May 21, 1919.

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New Bedford, Mass.
Feb 18 1919

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To Mr Charles C. Pierce
Lieut. Colonel U. S. A.

Sir

I will be very pleased if you could send me some information about my son Jean B. Blanchard Co A. 109th Inf. Bn. who died in France the fourth of November 1918

I would like to know if he ever goes in the trenches and for how long, and where he is buried in France I like to know the name of the town or village where



he is buried, and after the war if the United States Government will bring home the body of his dead soldier or if every family have to go and get one of their member.

I would like that you send me his own property, he had a diamond ring a fountain pen and a belt that he use to wear under his underwear in that belt there was his money and his papers.

About the photograph that you mention in your letter I like to know what kind of photograph it is what size it is and if we have to pay for it, if so what is the price.

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Thanking you in advance for your good informations

that will soothe the heart of
a mother who give his son for
her country

Your truly

Mrs Regina Blanchard
25 Viall St

New Bedford

Massachusetts

W. S. St.

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If ~~it~~ delivered return to
Mrs Regina Blanchard
25 Viall St
New Bedford Mass U.S.A.

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Chief Graves Registration Service
Headquarters Service of Supply
A. P. O. 717
American Expeditionary Force
France

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GRAVE LOCATION **ANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Blanchard 373103 Jean
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt Co. A. 109 M. G. B.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Base Hospital 86

CAUSE OF DEATH: Broncho pneumonia

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov. 7, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: American Military Cemetery
Meves Trier
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map references must specify clearly what map is used.

GRAVE NUMBER: 547

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. Reginald Blanchard
ADDRESS: 25 Vile St. New Bedford Mass.

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY: *Shu Cleveland*
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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is portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service. 86

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY,
OFFICE OF THE Q.M., A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

FROM: The Chief, G.R.S. June 16th, 1919.

TO: Chaplain 109th M.G. Bn.,
Sub-inspector, G.R.S.,

C/o, Sr. Chaplain, G.H.Q., Amer. E.F.
SUBJECT: Information for relatives.

1. Information as to the circumstances connected with the death of Private Jean B. Blanchard, Co. A., 109th M.G. Bn. #373103. which are not of record in this office, is desired by Mrs Regina Blanchard, 25, Viall Street, New Bedford, Mass.

2. I am sure it will be your pleasure to give what comfort you can in writing directly to the above address, and I deeply regret that the desired information is not available for me to use, without the delay involved in this request for your aid.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.S.,
U.S.A.

Copy furnished for the information of the family of the deceased.

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C. G. Cartwright
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