

DATE 10/15/21.

1. NAME Block, Albert

SERIAL No. 2787423

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Co. D 110th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Argonne Amer. Cem. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse 1232 - Sec. 88

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

176 - Sec. 88

4

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

Montblainville,

Meuse

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT. C-170

COORDINATES Verdun 35 SE 275.1 N 302.3 E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/19/19

176

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Meuse Argonne Cemetery

1232

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Two tags on body,

DATE OF DEATH Sept. 26, 1918 ✓ ok

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME U.S. ✓

data F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

M. B. BIRDSEYE

1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/15/21.

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16

F.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block 120

el Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon. (Meuse)

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

101 4-26-23

100 4-11-28

A. G. O.
AUG 11 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

Block, Albert
Pvt.

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU
ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY May 28, 1930

Los Angeles County, State of California

Name Block, Mrs Balbina

Address 95 East Villa, Pasadena, Calif

Route going: AT&SF Chicago, Wab Buffalo, DL&W New York

Return: Same route

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE
Itinerary going	✓ Lv Pasadena	AT&SF	4	6:28PM	May 22
	✓ Ar Chicago	"	"	9:15AM	" 25
	✓ Lv Chicago	Wab	6	10:30AM	" "
	✓ Ar New York	DL&W	2	3:30PM	" 26
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper Pasadena to Chicago and Chicago to New York

Elapsed Time: 90 hrs:2 min. *4*

Extra Fare:

8-3

Date June 28th 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name BLOCK, AlbertNumber: 2787423Rank PvtOrganization: Unkn. Co. 18, 110th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

19 June 1919.Isolated grave MONTBLAINVILLE MEUSE35SE 302.5 E 275.1 N

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

19 June 1919.Grave No 176 See 88 Plot 4ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232ROMAGNE MEUSE

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

Burial good Buried in uniform Badly decomposedWas one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.What other means of identification were found upon the body? None.CONFIRMED No. D 12169

Note:

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

Supervised by Capt EdwardsR. H. ROSENTHAL

dc

C.O. Group

2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

Unit

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME BLOCK	Blo	3	2 2 5
BURIED Albert	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 11	2	11
	ROW 16	2	16
	BLOCK 7	1	6
STATE	N. Dak	2	40
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	28	2	28
ORGANIZATION	110	3	110
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	W	1	2
NAME Block	Blo	3	2 2 5
Mrs. Balbina	STATE Calif	2	04
RESIDENCE	COUNTY L. A	2	19
4234 National Ave.	CITY Burbank	3	008
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Poor	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
	age		65

NOV 20 1931
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Block, Albert (MA)*

Sept. 8, 1932.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Ave.,
Burbank, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

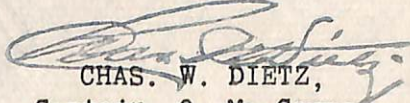
1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<u>no</u>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <u>65-</u> Health: <u>poor</u>
3. Do you speak English?	<u>yes</u>
4. What other language do you speak?	<u>German, polish</u>

Mrs Balbina Block
Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Block, Albert (M.A)*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Ave.,
Burbank, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Leviathan

6-28-32

M-A ✓

Block, Albert Pvt.

I decline 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. Balbina Block

(Name)

4234 National Ave., Burbank, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

(Town or city)

(State)

QM 293 A-M
Block, Albert -Pvt. 1232 M

January 27, 1931.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Avenue,
Burbank, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date declining the invitation to make the pilgrimage to the European cemeteries as provided in the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929. Accordingly, the reservation made for you on the REPUBLIC, June 3, 1931 has been cancelled.

It is regretted that you are not able to make the pilgrimage at this time. Your name has been placed on the list of mothers and widows eligible to make the pilgrimage in 1932 and you will be further communicated with relative thereto.

Notation has been made of your change of address to 4234 National Ave., Burbank, California, and the records of this office have been corrected accordingly.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

MM
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Republic
6-3-31
1232

Block, Albert

1932

I decline 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 pro-
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Balbina Block

(Name)

95 East Villa, Pasadena, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

(Town or City)

(State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1930

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New address

4234 National Ave Burbank Calif.

Block, Albert - 1232
Pnt, Co. D, 110th Inf.

Declined invit
Republic, 6-3-31
Listed to go in 1932

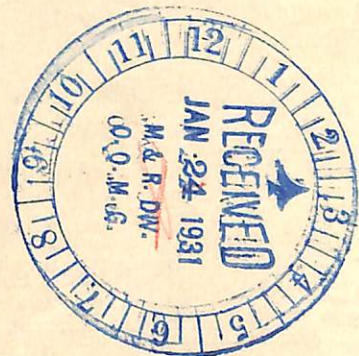
Old address: 95 E. Villa Pasadena
Los Angeles 3, Los Angeles Calif
New Address: Burbank Calif.
County of Los Angeles -
4234 National Ave -

War Department
The Quartermaster General
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Due to serious illness I am unable
to take part in the pilgrimage to Europe - this
coming year Thanking you very kindly
for the interest shown in my welfare
I hope to be able sometime in the future
to visit my son's grave - Thank you.
(Got about Block 1232^{5m})

Very truly yours
Mrs Balbina Block (M)



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert 1232 M

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block
95 East Villa
Pasadena, California

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

799 Roosevelt 5/28/30

1232

RETURN RECEIPT

cancelled, but going in July.

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

X *Balcham Black*

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to addressee only

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(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

5/20/30, 192

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Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box, _____

(NAME OF SENDER)
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

799

Postnet 5-28-30 1232

RETURN RECEIPT

canceled + check at 5/23/30

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

X Ballins Block

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to Addressee Only

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 5/19/30, 192

Form 3811

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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. _____

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



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

**POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE**

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

*Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,*

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

59508

Republic

7/26/30

1232

Block, Albert

I declines by wire 5/27/30 the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the ^{ans 5/28/30} expense of the
Government of the United States under the provisions of
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Balbina Block

(Name)

95 E Villa, Pasadena Calif.

(Town or City)

(State)

Roosevelt ✓

5-28-30

1232

Block, Albert

Declines by letter May 6-30

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.

Balbina Block

Mrs. Balbina Block

(Name)

*to go
July 26-
Republic*

95 E. Villa, Pasadena, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

(Town or City)

(State)

QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 1232-M

June 5, 1930.

Mrs. Salbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of May 21, 1930, addressed to
Lieut. George F. R. Taylor, relative to the pilgrimage
authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929,
has been referred to this office for reply.

In this connection you are advised you should
return the identification badge forwarded you by this
office. This badge will be returned to you when you are
again scheduled to make the pilgrimage. However, it will
not be necessary for you to return the baggage tags.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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what is
Balbino doing
according to your
records?

Ask Judge
Declined Mr. Republican
7/26/30 - stated
for 1931 -
(you wrote him
that off
5/29

ROUTING SLIP

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PASADENA CALIF 1103A MAY 27 1930

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON DC

ONE ONE EIGHT EIGHT G S M DECLINES INVITATION THIS SUMMER ILL

MRS BALBINA BLOCK

225P

*Declined Inv. Republic 7/26/30
Listed for 1431*



1 282

Standard Attache

293 Block - A. Block

201. 1st Ind. GFRT*BF
File 60-101 (Cancellation - Block, Mrs. Balbina) - May 26th, 1930.
Officer In Charge Pilgrimage, War Mothers and Widows, 225 West 34th
Street, New York, N.Y.
To: The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

1. The records of this office indicate that Mrs. Balbina Block has been cancelled. However, the communication is forwarded for such action as you may desire.

For Officer In Charge:



George F. R. Taylor
GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL)

Block
Block

1st Ind.

GFRT*BF

File 004.041 (Cancellation - Block, Mrs. Balbina) - May 26th, 1930.
Officer In Charge Pilgrimage, War Mothers and Widows, 225 West 34th
Street, New York, N.Y.

To: The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

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For Officer In Charge:



GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
1st Lieut. Q.M.G. (DOL)

Night Letter

Washington, D. C. May 26, 1930

MRS. BALBINA BLOCK,
95 EAST VILLA,
PASADENA, CALIF.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TWENTY SIXTH NOT RECEIVED STOP
DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 1188GSM

DeWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-C Block, Albert 12321



Signal Corps, United States Army

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CHICAGO ILLS. 1012A MAY 21 1930

Block

THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

WAR DEPT WASHN DC.

GSM ELEVEN FORTY SEVEN WIRE SHOULD HAVE READ MRS BALBINA BLOCK
E THREE B HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE

H W SIDDALL

1145A

Transmitted Attached

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293 - Block - H. Block

May 21, 1950, Washington, D. C.

MR H W SIDDALL
ROOM 428 NEW UNION STATION
516 W JACKSON BLVD
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

RETEL TWENTY TELEGRAPH COLLECT WHETHER YOU REFER TO MRS MARY
E BROCK OR MRS BALBINA BLOCK ON E - THREE.

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

✓ 1147 GSM
QN 293 A-C
Block, Albert

1232
~~Brock, Albert~~ *1232*

Hare

Washington, D. C. May 20, 1930

MR. H. W. Siddall
Room 428, New Union Station
516 W. Jackson Blvd
Chicago, Illinois

ROOSEVELT MAY TWENTY EIGHTH BALBINA BLOCK PASADENA CALIFORNIA

PAGE E THREE CANCELLED RETURN TRANSPORTATION REQUEST

GSM 800

DeWitt
Quartermaster General

QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 1232

Signal Corps, United States Army

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22 W BR (23) CAK

CHICAGO ILL 903A MAY 20 1930

QM GENERAL
WASHINGTON DC

Block

MRS BROOK E THREE ILL AND UNABLE MAKE TRIP STOP HAVE REQUESTED
SANTAFE RETURN TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS AND WILL FORWARD UPON RECEIPT
B HUNDRED SIXTY THREE

H W SIDDALL

1031A

Chgd Cam



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*293
Brooks - John K.*

Pasadena Calif.
May 21st 30

George F. R. Taylor
1st. Lieut. Q. M. Corps Art
225 West 34 St N. Y

Dear Sir:

I rec'd tag for my baggage and
also Gold Star Mothers Badge. I was taken
suddenly ill and will not be able to make
the Pilgrimage to France until Aug. ¹⁹³⁰ ~~1931~~
and if I am not able to make the journey
in Aug. I would like to go some time
next year. If you wish the tags ^(and badge)
for my baggage returned kindly let me know.
Yours truly

Balberia Block

5437 Raymond St.
Pasadena
Calif.

AFTER 5 DAYS, RETURN TO

Balbina Block
543 N. Raymond St
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA



Mr. A. D. Hughes Capt Q. M. Corps. Asst
War Dept
Washington
D. C.



Office of Quartermaster General.

165484

Pasadena Calif

May 17 - 30

Mr A. D. Hughes Capt I M. Corps asst
War Dept

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir, I rec'd check for \$40 (No 314253)
to pay my expenses to N.Y. from my home
on pilgrimage authorized by act of Mar 2, 1929
I was taken suddenly ill and I have
notified the War Dept thru the Red Cross
on May 6. that I would not be able to
make the pilgrimage until Aug. of this year.
or if I am not able to make the
pilgrimage in Aug would like to go
some time next year. so I am returning the
check to you.

Yours truly
Ballina Block

Inv. mailed for Republish
7/26/30 -

QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert - 1232 M

May 17, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa Street,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Roby Hankerson of the Pasadena Chapter of the American Red Cross, addressed to Mr. John W. Childress of the United States Lines, relative to the pilgrimage which you expect to make to the grave of your son, the late Albert Block, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In accordance with your desire to postpone your trip until later in the summer, the invitation previously sent you to sail on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930, has been cancelled and an invitation was issued you under date of May 15, to sail on the SS "Republic" July 26, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

May 20, 1930

To all Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger
list for:

S. S. ROOSEVELT, May 28, 1930

Change #14

Party E

RESTORE -

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

CALIFORNIA

Page E - 3

M Brock, Mrs. Mary
615-21st St., Santa Monica

Pvt. John K. Brock
Grave 37. Row 37, Block A

DELETE - Block, Mrs. Balbina
95 E. Villa, Pasadena

CALIFORNIA

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For the Quartermaster General:

CC: to: Lt. Moore
Chief Clerk
Rail
Water

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

201 Block May 13

C O P Y

Pasadena, Calif.
May 21st, 1930.

George F. R. Taylor,
1st Lieut. Q.M. Coprs Asst.
225 West 34th St., N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I received tag for my baggage and also Gold Star Mother's badge. I was taken suddenly ill and will not be able to make the Pilgrimage to France until Aug. 1930., and if I am not able to make the journey in August, I would like to go some time next year. If you wish the tags (and badge) for my baggage returned, kindly let me know.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Balbina Block

543 N. Raymond St.,
Pasadena, Calif.

201 Block Mrs. B.

1st Ind.

GFRT*BF

File 004.041 (Cancellation - Block, Mrs. Balbina) - May 26th, 1930.
Officer In Charge Pilgrimage, War Mothers and Widows, 225 West 34th
Street, New York, N.Y.

To: The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

1. The records of this office indicate that Mrs. Balbina Block has been cancelled. However, the communication is forwarded for such action as you may desire.

For Officer In Charge:

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL)

NAME BLOCK, MRS. BALBINA

S.S. AMERICA JUN 27 1930

HOME PASADENA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
CAL.

R.R.

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

*Cancelled
5/20/25*

Block, Albert - M.A.

May 12th, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block
95 E. Villa
Pasadena, Cal.

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. E. Taylor,
1st. Lieut. U.S. Corps
Assistant.

Enclosures:
3 tags

QM 295 A-C
Block, Albert - 1232 M

May 17, 1930

Mrs. Roby Hankerson,
Executive Secretary,
Pasadena Chapter,
American Red Cross,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of May 6, addressed to Mr. John W. Childress of the United States Lines, relative to the pilgrimage which Mrs. Balbina Block expects to make to the grave of her son, has been referred to this office for reply.

There is attached hereto, a copy of the letter written to Mrs. Block under even date, advising her of the arrangements that have been made for her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure:
copy lt. 5-17-30
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A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps.
Assistant.

Did Balbina
get a check?

~~W~~
check returned
5/23/30

ck 314 253 - \$40⁰⁰
rec'd withdrawn
Eas 7/22/30
N.W.H.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 1232-M

May 12, 1930.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 314253 in the amount of \$40.00, 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.

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Check No.

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May 6th, 1930

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Mr. John W. Childress,
General Agent,
United States Lines,
Passenger Department,
1027 Connecticut Avenue,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Balbina Block, 95 East Villa Street,
Pasadena, California has been informed she
was to sail with the Gold Star Mothers on
May 28th, 1930 on the Roosevelt.

Mrs. Block has been ill and is not yet able
to be up, so she would like to ask if it
will be possible for her to decline this in-
vitation and ask for reservations later in
the summer, perhaps in July or August.

Yours very truly,

Roby Hankerson

(Mrs.) Roby Hankerson,
Executive Secretary,
Pasadena Chapter,
American Red Cross.

*Los Angeles Co.
Albert Block
1232 M*

*Declined Inv. 5/18/30 - Roosevelt
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mailed 5/15/30*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

March 27, 1930.

Block, Albert 1232 M

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

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.

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"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
Block, Albert 1232 -M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (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)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 62 Health Poor (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak? Speaks, English, German, Polish and Bohemian	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General, 25 1929

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

Block, Albert

August 12, 1929

Mrs. Balbina Block,
~~161 Chestnut Street,~~
Pasadena, Calif.

95 East Villa

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 Pvt. Albert Block, Co. D, 110th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty., Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

No

2. If so, give her complete address.

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3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

yes.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
~~c/o Capt. Sumner,~~
~~Bismarck, N. Dak.~~

161 Chestnut St.,
Pasadena, Calif.

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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 Pvt. Albert Block, Co. D, 110th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

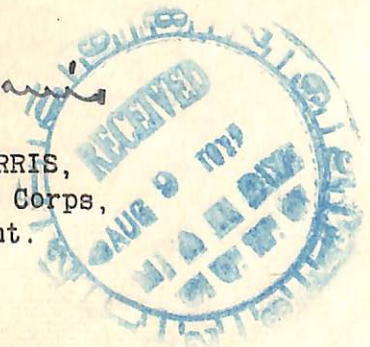
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope.

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Block, Albert (MA)*

Sept. 8, 1932.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Ave.,
Burbank, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 18, 1932

Block, Albert (M A)*

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Ave.,
Burbank, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

QM 293 A-M
Block, Albert -Pvt. 1232 M

January 27, 1931.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
4234 National Avenue,
Burbank, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date declining the invitation to make the pilgrimage to the European cemeteries as provided in the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929. Accordingly, the reservation made for you on the REPUBLIC, June 3, 1931 has been cancelled.

It is regretted that you are not able to make the pilgrimage at this time. Your name has been placed on the list of mothers and widows eligible to make the pilgrimage in 1932 and you will be further communicated with relative thereto.

Notation has been made of your change of address to 4234 National Ave., Burbank, California, and the records of this office have been corrected accordingly.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert 1232 M

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block
95 East Villa
Pasadena, California

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

FILE UNDER NO. 293. - Block, Albert

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To - Mt. H.W. Siddall, Chicago, Ill.

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QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 1232-M

June 5, 1930.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Mr. C. W. Hill
Your letter of May 21, 1930, addressed to
Lieut. George F. R. Taylor, relative to the pilgrimage
authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929,
has been referred to this office for reply.

In this connection you are advised you should
return the identification badge forwarded you by this
office. This badge will be returned to you when you are
again scheduled to make the pilgrimage. However, it will
not be necessary for you to return the baggage tags.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 121232-M

May 29, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of May 27, 1930, declining the invitation to sail on the SS "Republic" July 26, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Albert Block, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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May 21, 1930, Washington, D. C.

MR H W SIDDALL
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516 W JACKSON BLVD
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QM 295 A-C
Block, Albert - 1232 M

May 17, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa Street,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Roby Hankerson of the Pasadena Chapter of the American Red Cross, addressed to Mr. John W. Childress of the United States Lines, relative to the pilgrimage which you expect to make to the grave of your son, the late Albert Block, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

In accordance with your desire to postpone your trip until later in the summer, the invitation previously sent you to sail on the SS "Roosevelt" May 28, 1930, has been cancelled and an invitation was issued you under date of May 16, to sail on the SS "Republic" July 26, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert - 1232 M

May 17, 1930

Mrs. Roby Hankerson,
Executive Secretary,
Pasadena Chapter,
American Red Cross,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of May 6, addressed to Mr. John W. Childress of the United States Lines, relative to the pilgrimage which Mrs. Balbina Block expects to make to the grave of her son, has been referred to this office for reply.

There is attached hereto, a copy of the letter written to Mrs. Block under even date, advising her of the arrangements that have been made for her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Block, Albert 1232

May 5, 1930

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cometeries in Europe.

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip.

Please comply as early as possible with the instructions shown in form letter attached, or if you have heretofore taken this action advise this office to that effect.

Should the clerk of the court not have been furnished with "Special Pilgrimage Passport" applications, please request him to take the matter up at once with the Passport Bureau, Room 170, State, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C., and he will be furnished with these forms.

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk

of Superior Court at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, County, California.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, U.S. Corps,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Block, Albert 1232 E

March 27, 1930.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
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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

Block, Albert 1232-M

March 20, 1930.

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert 1232 -M

Mrs. Balbina Block,
95 East Villa,
Pasadena, Calif.

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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert 1232

September 9, 1929

Mrs. Balbina Block,
161 Chestnut Street,
Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated August 12, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Albert

August 12, 1929

Mrs. Balbina Block,
161 Chestnut Street,
Pasadena, Calif.

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 **Pvt. Albert Block, Co. D, 110th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty., Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.**

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Block, Albert

Mrs. Balbina Block,
c/o Geo. Gussner,
Bismark, N. Dak.

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 Pvt. Albert Block, Co. D, 110th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 2, 1923

Mrs. Balbina Block,
c/o Geo. Gussner,
Bismark, North Dakota.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Private Albert Block, Company D, 110th Infantry, is No. 11, Row 16, Block F, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Cheal
H. H. CHEAL,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, D. C.



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



Mrs. Balbina Block

c/o Geo. Gussner

Bismark, North Dakota

Unclaimed
From
Bismarck,
N. Dak.

1923

Do not remail in this enval

Block,

(Surname.)

Albert

(Christian name in full.)

2,787,423

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co D, 110 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Mother

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?

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(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)

Wm Bollenma Blak

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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M. J. J.

October 2, 1925

Mrs. Balbina Block,
c/o Geo. Gussner,
Bismark, North Dakota.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General's Office, Company D, 10th Infantry, is
No. 11, Block P, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-
Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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.

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Very truly yours,

H. H. CHEAL,

Assistant.

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O.Q.M.G.
Central Mail & Bn.



OCT 8 1925
H. B.

Place Remagne Sous Montfaucon

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 15, 1921.1. REMAINS OF BLOCK, ALBERT SERIAL NUMBER 2787423RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION C., D. 110 th Inf.2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 15, 1921. From (give complete location):Gr. 176 sec 88 pt 4, Meuse-Argonne Cem., #1232.By: Group Russsec. Unit Sec. 1

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

Oct. 15, 1921. Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232 Row 16 Bl. F. Gr. 11.By: Group Reburial Sec. Unit Nature of reburial Unlined casket

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

In pine box, Buflap and U.S. uniform badly decomposed features unrecognizable.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes

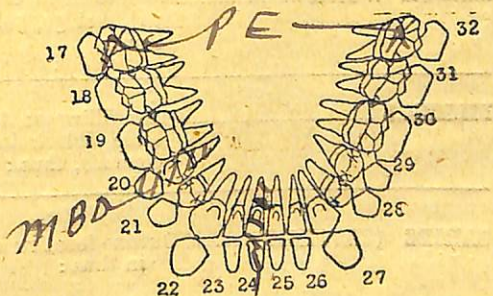
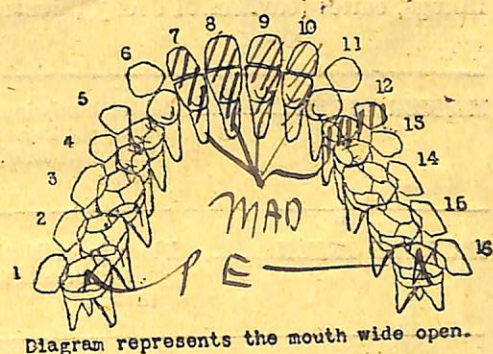
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

GRS. plaque giving, name, rank, and sl. No. found nailed in coffin.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det.(b) Weight (estimated) Imp to det.(c) Hair—Color NoneQuantity NoneCharacteristics None(d) Hair on face—Color NoneLocation oneQuantity one(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Imp to det.

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

None visible7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell Approved: H. J. HarpoleC. V. Russell S. E.(Title) S. Harpole 1st Lt. QMV8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD Approved: James W. Youngerconcentration(Title) JAMES W. YOUNGERCAPT. QMC.ea.j.

To be prepared in triplicate. DUPLICATEDATE Oct. 15, 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 BLOCK Albert

10. Name

2. No. 2787423

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. D. 110th Infantry.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-26 27, 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. MIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 176 Sec. 88

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No desc.18. Cemetery Argonne Amer.19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon20. Dept. or County Meuse.21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 - Sec. 88/23. Disinterred (Date) 10-15-21By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Albert BlockSerial No. 2787423Rank Pvt.Organization Co. D. 110th Inf25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes (2)

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

G.R.S. plac giving name, rank and serial number found nailed to coffin27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable28. Nature of burial US Uniform, burlap and pine box.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 10-15-21 By C.V. Russell31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C- 7784

32. Designation of body:

Name BLOCK Albert

Serial No. 2787423

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. D. 110th Infantry.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 10-15-21 By C. V. Russell

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

H. S. Harpole, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) 10-15-21

To point of Concentration

Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232
(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

J. Gerald Cole
J. GERALD COLE
Captain, C. A. C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Oct. 15, 1921, Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232,

(Date)

42. Grave No. Row 16 Bl. F, Gr. 11.

Section

43. Plot

Row

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger
JAMES W. YOUNGER
CAPT. JMC.

caj.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 90196

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLOCK, Albert Ser. No. 2787423
 (b) Rank Pvt. m Organization Co. D, 110th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9-27-18 (d) Cause of death k/a
 TYP. B
 CKR. Go

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

(a) Grave No. 176 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 88 TYP. B
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Balbina Block (mother) Bismark, North Dakota.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / / / / / / / CKR. Go

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs. Balbina Block (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address c/o Geo. Kussner, Bismark, N.D.
 (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

Date

4-15-, 1920

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

, dated

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

Examiner's Initials

Date

, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials

Date

4-15-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232 Sec. 88 SHEET No. 13

checked
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4-30-21

Location Index

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

A.G.O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

S-1783/MB

*off no 8 - W sent 4/19/21
E.M.M.*

*checked
4/16/21
S.H.*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 90196

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLOCK, Albert Ser. No. 2787423
 (b) Rank Pvt.m Organization Co.D, 110th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9-27-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

TYP. B
270

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(a) Grave No. 176 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 88 TYP. B
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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / / / / / / CKR 270

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 letter of transmittal on 11/26/21, 192

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Par. 2 - Not to be returned
L.A.J.

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

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

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

COUNTRY

CEMETERY No.

SHEET No.

G. R. S. Form 115-A
 August, 1920

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FRANCE

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AP 4-30-21

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File No:.....

BLOCK, 2787423, Albert

Date of Death: _____

File No:.....

Date Buried: Sept 28, 1918

Cemetery: Montblainville Meuse

(C-170) SHIT 35 S E COORD E-302.6

Grave No: 1 Sect: N-275.02

Commune (NO: C-170.) Montblainville

Dep't: (Meuse) Map: 35 S E

Coordinates: E 302.6 N 275.02

Remarks Killed in action Sept 27 and buried
Sept 28, 1918 about 150 yds S. of LaForge Farm
and about 20 yds above the road that runs
between Varennes and Mountblainville and near
the entrance of a German-built dug-out.

NP Yes CROSS HD BD BTTL

Ident.Tag on Gr.Mkr: Yes b.w.b. Yes

Authority: _____

Mortising:

Thickness of board .01 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Upright and cross piece to be mortised together and faces to be flush.

Planing & Painting:

All faces and edges to be planed smooth. One coat of paint (olive drab) of the darker shade used for service uniform of troops.

PERMANENT CROSSES for use in more settled sections (or in the French "Zone of the Interior") are of the following standardized specifications::

Measurements:

Height 2.20 Metres.

Spread of cross piece .65 "

Width of board .12 "

Thickness of board .04 "

Mortising:

Upright and cross piece to be mortised together and faces to be flush.

Planing & Painting:

Faces and edges to be neatly planed and covered with three coats of white paint.

PERMANENT HEAD BOARD FOR HEBREW SOLDIERS should conform in shape and size to A.R. (4 feet long, 10 inches wide, 1-3/8 inches thick, and to stand two feet out of the ground), and to be neatly planed and painted with three coats of white paint.

Communist List No.

Daily Report No.

90196

Block Albert #2787423

K/a Sept. 27/18

DB Sept. 28/18

Cmme Montblainville (Meuse)

C 170 Sht 35 SE Coord(E302.5(Approx
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B 511

4/16/01
(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 80

FORM 115 Sheet No. 13

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