

Marker to show rank as *Corpl.*

To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

DEC 23 1925

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FULL NAME *BLOCK, Frank A.* *sol sig*

*Pd. fr. Sp. same org.*

RANK *Private, First Class* SERIAL *274123*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Company F, 127th Infantry* *32d Div*

DATE OF DEATH *Aug 1/18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Wisconsin*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none of record*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

*37* *12*  
*14* *21*

Date Grave Row Block

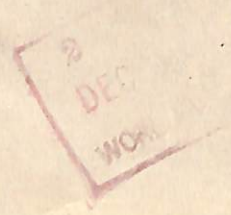
*608*  
Cemetery



Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By *RD*

23/306/ARK

DEC 28 1925



AUDITED BY  
*7-26-24*

Co. F, 127th Infantry  
32nd Division

Block, Frank - Pvt. 274123  
Home: 1381 - 30th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

We were lying in the woods on the right of Reddy Farm, near Cierges, France, when the shells started to fall in our vicinity. One of these fell near Pvt. Block, killing him instantly. He was buried at the Reddy Farm, near Cierges, France.

Informant: Stuckrad, Arthur L. - Cpl. 274269  
Co. F, 127th Inf.  
Home: 633 Scott St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.  
Signed: E. Embletan, 2nd Lt. Inf.

Emergency address:  
Otto Block - father  
1381 - 30th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Block,</i>	<i>BLO</i>	3	<i>2 0 0</i>
<i>Frank A.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	ROW <i>12</i>	2	<i>12</i>
	BLOCK <i>A</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Wisconsin</i>	2	<i>58</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt-1st. Cl.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>32</i>	2	<i>32</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>127</i>	3	<i>127</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Block,</i>		3	
<i>Otto (Father)</i>	STATE <i>Wisconsin</i>	2	
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Milwaukee</i>	2	
<i>1700 26<sup>th</sup> St.</i>	CITY <i>Milwaukee</i>	3	
<i>Milwaukee, Wis.</i>			
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>(No Soc</i>		1	
<i>to S.M.)</i>			
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY	<i>June 12, 1931</i>	1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR.		
ACCEPTANCE		1	

**AUDITED**  
 AUG 8 1932  
*RSB*

29/514/PJ mb

*Bm*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Block, Frank A. PFC (OA) M

June 20, 1931

Mrs. Bertha Block,  
1700 26th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

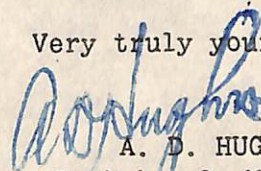
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This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

*Mrs Bertha Block died on June 12, 1931.*



Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Frank A. 608 M

June 7, 1930

Mrs. Bertha Block  
~~1303 29th Street~~  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

~~2400 2~~ 1700-26th St.

Dear Madam:

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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*

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, U. S. Army,  
Assistant.

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

no  
(Write answer here)

Mrs Bertha Block  
(Sign here) 1700-26 St

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Block, Frank A 608

March 12, 1930.

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1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>66</u> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) Other language <u>German</u> (Specify language spoken)	

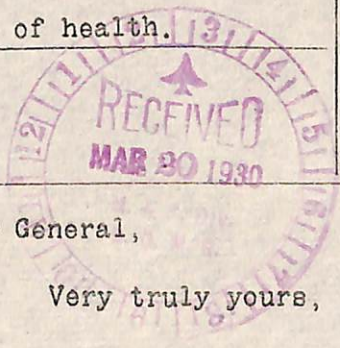
For The Quartermaster General,

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*John T. Harris*

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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DATE February 10 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Block Frank A	Pvt 1 cl	274123	Co F 127th Inf	Aug 1 1918

STATE	Wisconsin	CTY. NO.	608	GRAVE	37	ROW	12	BLOCK	A
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	<u>Check relationship</u>		<u>Living</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
NAME	MOTHER	:	✓	:	:
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	:
	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	:
AND		:	:	:	(M)
ADDRESS		:	:	:	Mrs. Bertha Block
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	<u>1303-29th St</u>
		:	:	:	<u>Milwaukee</u>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	:	Wisc-
	<i>Single man</i>	:	:	:	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

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4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 66	Health <i>But not strong enough to make such a long trip.</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Good) <input type="checkbox"/> (Poor)
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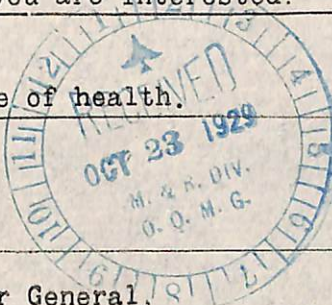
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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Block, Frank A.  
606

Aug. 28, 1929.

Mr. Otto Block,  
1303-29th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:

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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:

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

*Mrs Bertha Block*  
*1303-29th Street*  
*Milwaukee, Wisconsin*  
*Mother*

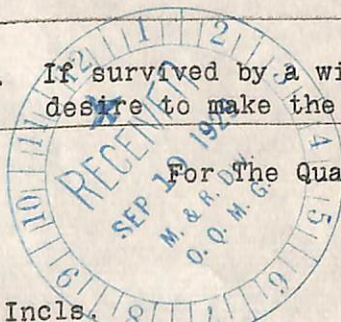
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Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
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3 QM 293 A-C

Block, Frank A.

February 11, 1929.

Mr. Otto Block,  
1303 - 29th Street,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of <sup>your son,</sup> the late Frank A. Block, Private, first class, Company F, 127th Infantry.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

1 Incl.  
Record card.

Q.M.G.-M.C.R. DIV.

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DISPATCHED

MB

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 3, 1928

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

## DISINTERMENT

## COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BLOCK, Frank A. *Misc.* 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. No. 274123 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Rank Pvt., 1/cl. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Org. Co. F, 127th Inf. 32nd Div. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. D.D. August 1, 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. C.D. KIA. (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 14 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot Block A Row 21 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. \_\_\_\_\_  
 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles  
 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608  
 23. Disinterred (Date) February 3, 1928 By P.D. Woodman  
 24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name BLOCK, Frank A. Serial No. 274123  
 Rank Pvt., 1/cl. Organization Co. F, 127th Inf.  
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? \_\_\_\_\_ On body? \_\_\_\_\_

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).  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 27. Condition of body \_\_\_\_\_  
 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap  
 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? \_\_\_\_\_  
 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 3, 1928 By P.D. Woodman  
 31. Casket sealed by P.D. Woodman

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

P.D. Woodman

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body:

Name BLOCK, Frank A. Serial No. 274123

Rank Pvt., 1/cl. Organization Co. F, 127th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 3, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn

Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred February 19, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 37 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block A Row 12

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date February 3, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BLOCK, Frank A. SERIAL NUMBER 274123  
RANK Private 1/cl. ORGANIZATION Co. F. 127th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): February 3, 1928. From (give complete location):  
Grave 14, Block A. Row 21  
By: Group Cty. Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): February 19, 1928 In (give complete location):  
Morgue Grave 37, Block A, Row 12  
By: Group Cty. Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial casket

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

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? \_\_\_\_\_ On grave marker? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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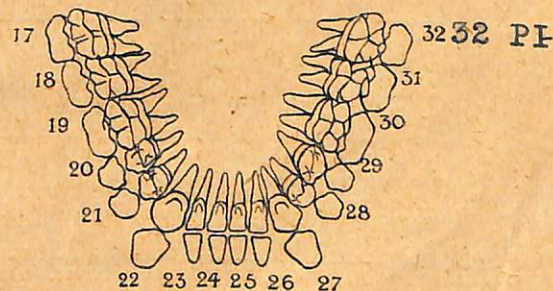
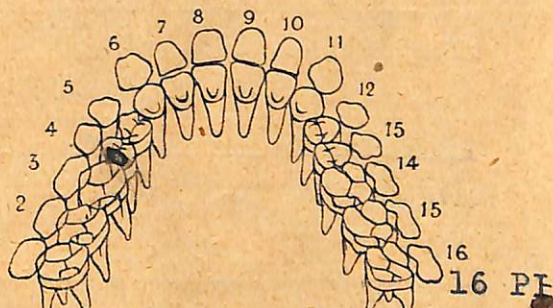
(b) Weight (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_ **4 CAV**  
Quantity \_\_\_\_\_  
Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_ **1 MAD**  
Location \_\_\_\_\_  
Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

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



**Both pelvis bones fractured. Right femur fractured upper third. Right tibia fractured lower third. Bullet hole tope center of skull.**

7. Disinterment supervised by Woodman Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahr Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

*W. E. Woodman*  
(Title)  
(Title)

*mc*  
QM 293 A-C

BLOCK, Frank A. - Pvt. 1c1

November 15, 1925

Mr. Otto Block,  
1303 29th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

Dear Sir:

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 overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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Very truly yours,

1 Incl.  
Record card.

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

RD  
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Mr. Otto Block,

1381 30th St.,

*Not there 873*

Milwaukee,

Wisconsin.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
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October 28, 1925

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Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

RD

YDL

1-Incl.  
Record card.



C O P Y

*orig filed*

293 C-R  
Holmes, Floyd D. Cpl.  
Block-Frank A. Pvt.

April 9, 1923.

SUBJECT: Pvt. Block and Cpl Holmes

To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service,  
Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. With reference to your 1st indorsement dated January 12th 1923, attention is invited to letter dated December 27, 1922 from this office, to the effect that the records show grave 144, Plot 3, Section R, Cty. 608, as containing the remains of Pvt. Frank A. Block, Co. F. 127th Inf., and the body found between graves 170 and 171, Sec. G, Plot 4 Cty. 608, is that of Corporal Floyd D. Holmes, Co. D, 125th Inf.

2. As previously stated the body of Cpl. Holmes is to be returned to this country and Pvt. Block is to remain buried in France.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

H. J. CONNOR,  
Assistant.

1 incl.  
c/let. Dec. 27/22

*Connor*

7706 COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLOCK, Frank A. Ser. No. 274123  
 (b) Rank Private Organization Co. F, 127th Infantry  
 (c) Date of death 8-1-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. vbb  
 CKR. EM

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

(a) Grave No. 171 Row 144 Plot 3 Sec. R TYP. vbb  
 (b) Emerg. Address Otto Block (father) 1381 - 30th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- CKR. L

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt no card in file 12-11 PF

(a) Name ----- (b) Relationship -----  
 (c) Address -----  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? -----  
 (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 -----, 1920.

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

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

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

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? You mom

Examiner's Initials On mom Date 12-13-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 269

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

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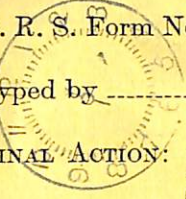
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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

CEMETERY DIVISION  
CORRESPONDENT DR.



HOBOKEN, N. J.  
JAN 31 1921

RECEIVED  
OVERSEAS PHILADELPHIA

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on Jan-15-, 1920

*Part 2 - Not to be returned (JAN 1-17-21)*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Investigation made by this office and  
grave location shown on our records  
correct. Mett 3/31/22*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name..... **BLOCK, Frank A.** Ser. No. .... **274123** } TYP **vbb**  
 (b) Rank..... **Private** Organization..... **Co. F, 127th Infantry** } **21**  
 Cause of death..... **K/A**  
 (c) Date of death..... **8-1-18** death.....

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

(a) Grave No. .... <sup>144</sup> **271** Row **11922** Plot **3** Sect. **19** TYP **vbb**  
 (b) Emerg. Address..... **Otto Block (father) 1381 - 30th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.**  
 CKR **J**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases.....

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

*No a 150 card in file.  
 No request for disposition (J&V 11-17-21)*

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

*Par 2 - Not to be returned (J&V)*

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **5/3** 192 **1.**

COUNTRY **FRANCE** CEMETERY NO. **608** SHEET NO. **269**  
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A August 1920  
 S-666/MB

*10-1-1921 - act*



Place Seaboard & Nesles

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 3 1921

1. REMAINS OF Block Frank A SERIAL NUMBER 274125

RANK Pvt 1/51 ORGANIZATION Co. F / 127th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): May 3rd 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. #171 Sec G Plot 4 Cem 608

By: Group 2 Unit 1

3. Reburied (date): May 4th 1921 In (give complete location): Gr. 117 Sec A Plot 3 Cem 608

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Uniform and burlap Entirely decomposed Skeleton disarticulated  
Features not recognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Body found under grave marker of Floyd D Holmes Cpl. Co. D. 125th Inf  
Grave 144 Sec R Plot 3 Cem 608

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color none visible

Quantity ---

Characteristics ---

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

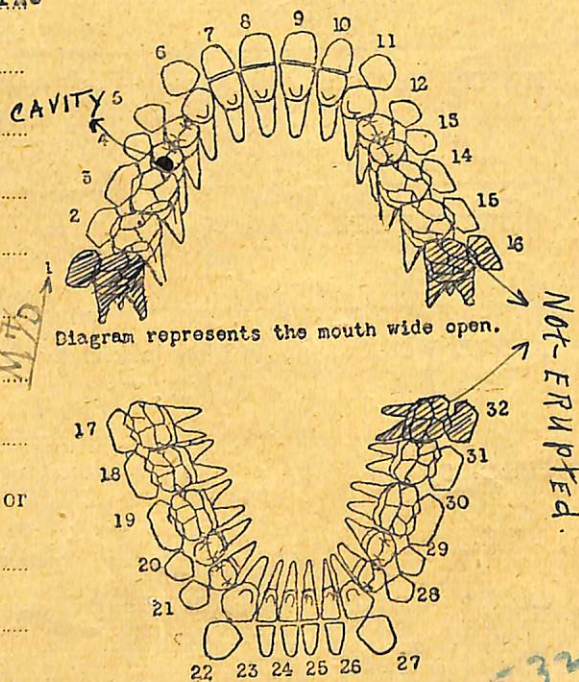
Location ---

Quantity ---

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

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

Both hip bones, right femur fractured. Left leg fractured 2" above the ankle.



7. Disinterment supervised by John A. Lee

Approved: R. Richards, 1st Lt QMC  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by John A. Lee

Approved: R. Richards, 1st Lt. QMC  
(Title)

10-30532

*FILE UNDER NO.* 8788, Block, Frank A.

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

See Board of Review Proceedings for Cty. 608, Plot 3, Sec. R, and Plot 4, Sec. G, and also Ind., to Europe under Cty. Corr. Cty. 608.

*DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.*

ECC

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

3-6642

Co. F. 127th Inf.

3  
27412BLOCK Frank A. Pvt. 1st Cl. 8788

32  
Killed Aug. 1st 1918.

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Informant : Acterbert Gustave Pvt  
275795 Co. F. 127 Inf  
Camp Pontan ezen  
Home address : Athens Wis  
Leaving for States  
Feb. 21st 1919

V.M.

Helen Deane, Searcher.

Co. F. 127 Inf.

32  
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274123.

Killed in action Aug. 1st, 18.

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Informant: Beindicke Henry W. Capt.  
B.H.65.  
Co. F. 127 Inf.  
Home Address : Beaver Dam. Wis. 116, Mary St.  
Jan. 12th, 1919.

Josephine Sherzer, Searcher.

B.2

8788

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Block, 274123 Frank A.

(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

August 2d, 1918.

DATE OF BURIAL.....

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

Edge of woods near stone quarry  
near Bellevue Ferme 1 kilometer  
northeast of Cierges, Aisne.

H

GRAVE NUMBER..... 17

MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross?

Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

One buried with body? yes

One fastened to name peg or  
like used as a grave marker? yes

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

0  
Cierges - 335E  
E199 v5 - N27 v.3 C-56  
William F Hood

REPORTED BY: William F. Hood  
Chaplain, 128th Inf.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

8788

Name... **Block 274123** ... **Frank A.** .....

Rank, ..... Co. .... (Corps)  
(Regt) .....

Date of Death **Approx. Aug. 1/18.** ✓ .....

Place **Approx. 1 km north of Cierges.** .....

Cause **Killed in action.** .....

Date of Burial, ..... ✓

**Reburied Battlefield Cemetery 9/23/18.**

Grave No. **255** .. **Row J.** .....

Cemetery **Battlefield #6 Wynne Soissons**

**SE map at coordinates 272.30-198.**

Identified by { <sup>Tag</sup> Papers } .. **Tags** ..  
(Clothing)

List of Effects, ..... **621** ✓

Field Record Made by **Charles J. Wynne.** ..

**2nd Lt. Inf. U.S.A., Comd'g.**

Company **304** Graves Registration Service

**GROUP NO. 1.**

For additional data use reverse side

C° F. 127 Inf.

39  
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274125.

Killed in action Aug. 1st. 18.

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Informant: MetzKus HERBERT Cpl. 274234.

E.K.I.

C° F. 127 Inf.

Home Address : 765 Forty eightieth Ave. Milwaukee  
Wis.

Jan. 20th, 1919.

Harriet Whittier, Searcher.

RS

C° F. 127th inf)

39  
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gun bullet in the chest on the morning of July 30th at Chateau Thier-  
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Informant Dulrow Chas Pvt 274192

Base Hospital N° 106

Home China Wis.

C° F. 127th inf.

January 9th 1918

S. Bunons searcher

L.M.d.V.

32  
Co. F. 127th INFANTRY.

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Informant: Martin, Leslie J., Sgt. 274 274074.  
Camp Pontanezen.  
Co. F. 127th Infantry,  
Home: Shawano, Wis.  
February 9, 1919.

FR.

Helen Deane. Searcher.

8988  
Co. F. 127th Inf.

BLOCK Frank A Pvt. 1/c 274123

Killed in action August 1st 1918.

"Block came from Wisconsin at McArthur. Was 28 years old, single, 5 ft. 6 or 7 in. tall, with light hair and was very clumsy. He was killed by a shell from our own guns near the Ourcq River, towards Fismes. I saw his body on the ground."

Informant: McHaffie Arthur Y Pvt. 274231  
Co F 127th Inf.  
Home: Grand Forks, ND  
May 24, 1919.

c/c.

Mary Dulany Searcher

Co. F, 127th Infantry  
2nd Division

47882-B-140  
Block, Frank - Pvt. 274123  
Home: 1381 - 30th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

We were lying in the woods on the right of Reddy Farm, near Cierges, France, when the shells started to fall in our vicinity. One of these fell near Pvt. Block, killing him instantly. He was buried at the Reddy Farm, near Cierges, France.

Informant: Stuckrad, Arthur L. - Cpl. 274269  
Co. F, 127th Inf.  
Home: 633 Scott St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.  
Signed: E. Embletan, 2nd Lt. Inf.

Emergency address:  
Otto Block - father  
1381 - 30th St.,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HG

AMERICAN RED CROSS (PARIS)

Co. F, 127th Inf.

Block Frank A. Pvt 1 cl. 274123

4788  
Killed on August 1st.

Pvt Frank Block came from Milwaukee Wis. He was killed by machine gun about ten o'clock in the morning of August 1st. just beyond Chateau Thierry He was bringing water up to the lines; had a bunch of ~~water~~ canteens with him. I was not an eye witness, but I saw his body just after he was killed He was wounded all over his chest; died instantly I do not know the details of his burial. He was short, fleshy fellow with brown hair.

Informant: Papelka James Pvt 274247  
Co. F, 127th Inf.  
B.H. 65  
Home: Shawano Wis.  
3-22-1919

Boulah Whitney searcher.

M/R.

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FR.

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C<sup>o</sup>. F. 127

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C<sup>o</sup>. F. 127 Inf.

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C° F. 127th inf.  
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Surname Block Number Pt. 274123  
 Christian name Frank A.  
 Regiment Co. F. 12th Inf. 127 Inf  
C.C. 218  
Killed in action August L/18  
Request of photo of grave  
Washington-Inquirer.  
*3/11/19*  
*File*

PLANTIN, PARIS 12-17

8788

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

File Number

From:- A.R.C. SE C.

Date: 12/19/18.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:-

NAME BLOCK, Frank A.

NUMBER 274123

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Co. F. 12th Inf.

No.	Question	Reply
✓ 1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS
✓ 2	Date of Death	(1) Frank A. Block 274123 Pvt.1/c Co. F. 127th Inf.
3	Cause and place of death	(2) 8-1-18
✓ 4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) C.C.# 218
5	Date buried	
✓ 6	Grave location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required	(6) No. 255 Row J. (Amer) Cierges B/A (Aisne) <i>cty. 621</i>
7	Who reported burial?	
8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	
9	Report as to grave marker	
10	Report as to identification tags	
11	Who is nearest relative?	
12	Has N/R been notified? (Give date)	
13	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14	What is the photograph No.?	