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JUN 1 - 1926

DATE 2/15/22

1. NAME BLYTHE, Foster M.

SERIAL No. 1487508

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION & DIVISION Co. E. 141st Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. ROMAGNE-ss- MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232
CTY. NAME NUMBER Sec. 17

167

Sec. 17

4

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

5 Bac,

St. Etienne
Senide,

Ardennes ety #1710

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdin 35 NW

283.6 N

207.8 E

CONCENTRATED TO

4/12/19

167

Sec 17

4

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Meuse Argonne

1232

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross and body.

DATE OF DEATH

Oct 14, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Texas

data F-1.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

ccg.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

M. B. BIRDSEYE
1st Lt., U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

2/15/22

2

8

Block E.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

XXXX

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon. Meuse.

CEMETERY

Robert G. Davis,

Major General,

The Adjutant General

By: A

JUN 10 1926

AUDITED BY
L.O.L. 3-19-23

WS 4-6-28

JUN 9 1926
WORLD WAR DIV

Rec'd World War Div.
2 APR 2 1928

Date 12th May 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BLYTHE Foster M. Number: 1487508
 Rank: Unknown Organization: Unknown

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit _____

Disinterred (Date) _____ From: (Give complete location) _____

12th April 1919Grave #5 Battle Area CemeteryST ETIENNE, ARDENNES 35 NW 267.8 E 283.6 N

Reburied (Date) _____ in: (Give complete location) _____

12th April 1919Grave #167 Sec #17 Plot #4ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232ROMAGNE, MEUSE 35 NE 308.16 E 284.87 N

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

Burial good, buried in uniform, body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? YesWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt Armitage.wws.

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.
 C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

11004CO. IRMED R11004

2933 Blythe Foster Mack

Electra 93 2/8/1919

The Quarter Master General.

Dear Sir

I have been told by the Red Cross
 if I wished my husband's body
 brought home to make my request
 known to this address so I certainly
 do request it if it be possible
 May I ask if it be sure that I
 would get my husband's body or make
 some one else or a substitute please
 be frank with me I don't want to
 be demanding but please tell me
 the whole truth & the real facts.
 My husband Corporal Foster Mack Blythe
 his serial No. 1487.508. Co E 141st Infantry
 please write I am so grieved over his
 being across the sea knowing I can
 never even see his grave he was
 killed in action Oct-14 1918.
 Oh I pray for his remains to be
 sent to me. Thanking you sincerely
 a broken hearted wife Mrs Myrtle Blythe
 Electra 93 Box 282

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON.

In answer refer to file No. 293.3-Cemeterial.

February 13, 1919.

FROM: **Office, Quartermaster General of the Army.**

TO: **Mrs. Myrtle Blythe, Elcestra, Texas. Box 562.**

SUBJECT: Shipment home of remains of **Corporal Foster Mack Blythe, Co. E, 141st Infantry.**

1. This office is in receipt of your **letter of the 5th instant,** requesting shipment to **you at the above address - - - - -** of the remains of **your husband, Corporal Foster Mack Blythe, Co. E, 141st Inf.** who died **October 14, 1918, in France.**

2. In reply I regret to inform you that it will be impracticable to comply with your request in view of the difficulties in transportation in France and overseas. **at the present time.**

3. You are advised, however, that whenever it is found to be practicable to ship the remains home in accordance with your request, it will be done. If your address as indicated above is not correct, or you should desire that your request for shipment home of the remains be canceled, this office should be advised accordingly.

4. Under existing regulations the necessary steps will be taken by the military authorities in France to mark the grave of each soldier who dies or is killed in battle, and to register the number and location of the grave and to establish beyond a doubt their identity when it becomes practicable to disinter the remains for removal to the United States, **which will be done at Government expense.**

Copy to Zone S.O.,
New York City.

R. E. Wood,
Acting Quartermaster General,

By:

H. R. Leary,
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

MAILED
FEB 13 1919

S-5402/H

PCF

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Blythe	3	2 ⁰ 2 ¹² 5
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	1
	GRAVE	2	02
	ROW	2	08
	BLOCK	1	5
STATE	Tex	2	49
RANK	Cpl	1	2
DIVISION	36	2	36
ORGANIZATION	141	3	141
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	Remarried	1	3
NAME	Creel	3	
Mrs. Myrtle B.	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RESIDENCE	314 W. Kaufman St Paris Texas		
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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Audited
APR 11 1939
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blythe, Foster M. - 1232 W

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Myrtle B. Creel
314 W. Kaufman Street
Paris, Texas

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

no

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

no

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

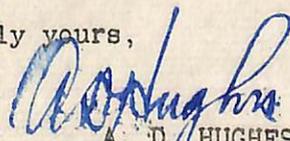
no

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment


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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blythe, Foster M.

August 9, 1929

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314 W. Kaufman Street,
Paris, Tex.

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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. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?

Yes

2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?

3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

No

4. If so, give her name and complete address.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
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-C

June 29, 1929.

Blythe, Foster M.

Mrs. O. F. Lawson,
3600 Houston Ave.,
Houston, Texas.

wife (re-married)
Mrs. Myrtle B. Creel
314 W. Kaufman St.
Paris, Tex
XC-138 275
7-29-BM

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Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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Assistant.

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Blythe, Foster M.
June 8, 1923.

In reply refer to:
297 C-R

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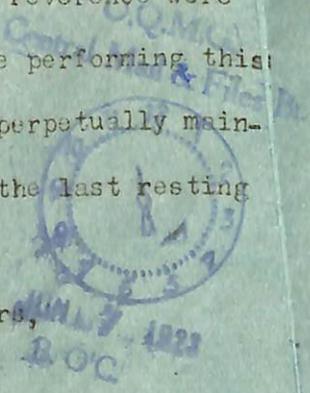
Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of **Corporal Foster M. Blythe, Company E, 141st Infantry, is Grave 2, Row 8, Block E, 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. The 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.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing 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. J. Conner,
Assistant.

RD
Ld2

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BLYTHE, Foster M. SERIAL NUMBER 1487508.
 RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 141st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb 15, 1922 From (give complete location): gr 167, sec 17, plot 4. Cty. 1232.

By: Group Haky. Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Feb. 15th 1922 In (give complete location): Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Gr. 2 block E row 8

By: Group Re-burial S Unit _____ Nature of reburial unlined casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform. body decomposed, unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Ext. tag on body reads: Foster, M. Blythe 1487508. Copr. Chevron on uniform.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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

skull fractured.

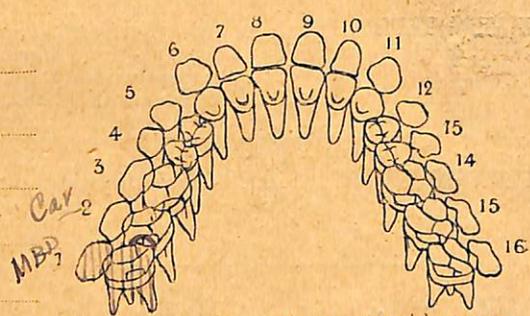
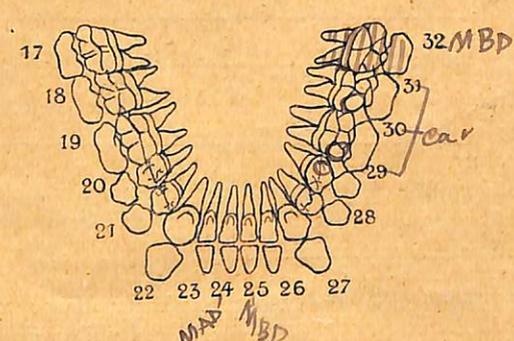


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by J. L. Haky Approved: Geo. C. Bland
J. L. Haky. (Title) Geo. C. Bland 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. Sheild Approved: A. E. Dewey
W. B. Sheild (Title) A. E. Dewey, 1st. Lt. Q.M.C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Feb 15 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT jc.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BLYTHE, Foster M.

10. Name _____

2. No. 1487508

11. No. _____

3. Rank Cpl.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. E. 141st Inf.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. Oct. 14th

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 167 Sec. 17

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot. 4 Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. None

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty.

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE ss-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1252--Sec. 17

23. Disinterred (Date) Feb 15 1922

By J L Haky

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Foster M Blythe

Serial No. 1487508

Rank Cpl

Organization Co E 141 Inf

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

C T Brown
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

C T Brown

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).

Corporal chevrons on uniform

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Pine box burlap and US Uniform

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Feb 15 1922 By J L Haky

31. Casket sealed by J L Haky

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) J L Haky

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-22276



Serial No. 1487508

32. Designation of body:

Name Foster M. BLYTHE

Rank Cpl.

Organization

Co. E. 141st Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Feb 15 1922

By J L Haky

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

Geo C Bland

Geo C Bland 1st Lt OMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Feb 15 1922

cc

To point of Concentration

Morgue Romagne

(Name)

Convoyer W J Royed

Signature Shipping Officer

G F Spann
G F Spann, Capt. OMC

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, Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232 Feb. 15th 1922.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 2

Section

43. ~~Block~~ Block E

Row 8

G.R.S. Representative

A E Dewey
A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. OMC

jt.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 71205 ✓

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLYTHE, Foster M. Ser. No. 1487508 } TYP. B
 (b) Rank Corp. Organization Co. B, 141st Inf. } CKR. 30
 (c) Date of death 10-14-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 167 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 17 TYP. B
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. O. F. Lawson (sister) 1203 S. Walnut St., Sherman, Texas.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / / / / / / + CKR. 30

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

^{OK (3/29/21) 836}
 (a) Name Mrs. Myrtle Blythe (b) Relationship wife Date of receipt none
 (c) Address Electra, Texas
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Mrs. Myrtle Blythe
Electra, Texas
Gt + Del. - Electra, Texas
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. none

Examiner's Initials HR Date 3-26, 1920

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

_____, dated _____, confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____
no correspondence

Examiner's Initials HR Date 3-26, 1920

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes HR

Examiner's Initials HR Date 3-26, 1920

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-sec. 17 SHEET No. 16

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920

3-7729

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARDED

H-5-4-11-21

Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom right corner.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920. RECEIVED
Typed by _____, Checked by *JOR*, 1920. *4-6-21*
JUL 23 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on *4/5/21*, 1920

Section # 17

Par # 1 - To be returned - H.D.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

5/13/21

Europe advised by proposed cablegram # 296 - "Do not Return"

*(H.D. - H.D.)
6/30/21.*

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

4-28-21 - Telegram from sister, Mrs. C.F. Lawson requests body left in France - H-4-29-21-8 Form 179 to hold body, Fred Wash 5/4/21 B.F.

7/6/21 Rec'd letter from Mrs. Myrtle (Blythe) Coel, widow concurring in sister's request. H. 7/8/21 B.F.

Let from Europe 6/20/21 states return cancelled as per cable ^{att} 11/3/21

Location Index

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Rosenbusch

A. G. O. Card & Corr. *3-26-21*

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks *Eslo*

G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Ok - No 810 sent 3/29/21 JCS

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

*checked
3/26/21
AH*

July 21st, 1921.

File No. 293,8 Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BLYTHE, Foster M.)

Mrs. O. F. Lanson,
5600 Houston Ave.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of Shipping Inquiry dated April 27th, 1921, requesting that the remains of your late brother, Foster M. Blythe, Corporal, Serial Number 1487508, Company B, 141st Infantry, be left in France in the permanent American Cemetery, is acknowledged. Same has been forwarded to the Chief, Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

It is requested that any further communications concerning the disposition of remains be addressed to the above named office for reply.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

MAILED
JUL 22 1921
COR. BR. G. R. S.

BY:
F.M.

ff/len

Office of the Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

JUL 23 1921

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July 21st, 1921.

File No. 293.C Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BLYTHE, Foster H.)

Mrs. Myrtle Blythe Creel,
Box 604,
Electra, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your communication dated July 2nd, 1921, in which you state your desire to have the remains of the late Foster H. Blythe, Corporal, Serial Number 1487508, Company E, 141st Infantry, left in the permanent American Cemetery in France, is acknowledged. This communication, together with correspondence received from Mrs. O. F. Lawson, sister of the deceased, who made a similar request, was forwarded to the Chief, Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

F. C. BALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

MAILED
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COR. BR. G. R. S.

BY:
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Capt R. E. Shannon

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Dear Sir.

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Replying to yours of 6th of 21
beg to advise that is my wish
that my former husband
Foster m Blythe be left in
France. I forward your
previous correspondence to
Mrs Lawson stating that as
there was no Family Cemetery
I would rather his remains

be lost in France
and expected her to forward
mine with her own

Yours Very Resp^t

Mrs Myrtle Blythe, Care
Box 604 Electro 9
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June 20th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BLYTHE, Foster H.)

Mrs. Myrtle Blythe,
Electra, Texas.

Dear Madam:

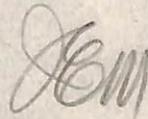
This office is in receipt of a telegram from Mrs. O. F. Lawson, sister of your late husband, Foster H. Blythe, Corporal, Serial Number 1487508, Company E, 141st Infantry, requesting that the remains be left in France.

Kindly inform this office if you concur in her request. Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:



H. M. ELMER,
1st Lieut., Q.M.G.

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Address reply to
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Washington, D. C.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON.

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In Answer Refer to File No.

No: 293, 8 (Hoboken) Reg. Sec., Cem. Div. June 16, 1921. 579-B
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).
To: Officer in Charge, Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, N. J.
Subject: Transmittal Letter No. 2595. - Form 120.

1. Form 120 pertaining to the deceased soldier indicated below is returned herewith for reply by your office. The Form 115 was forwarded your office in letter of transmittal No. 1735, dated April 12, 1921,

Cty. 1232, Sec. 17, Sheet 16, BLYTHE, Foster M. Cpl. Co. E., 141st Inf.

2. Form 129 pertaining to this case was forwarded this office May 3rd, 1921, with notation in the upper left hand corner, stating, "O.S.P. records and Form 115 held in Hoboken pending information re: widow - Receipt of Form 120".

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

Thos. G. Hanson Jr.
THOS. G. HANSON, JR.,
Captain, C. E. Corps.

OSP:SS
C & C Dept.
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

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J. G. Blawie
APR 20 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mrs. Myrtle Blythe, Electra, Texas.

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl. Foster M. Blythe, Ser. No. 1487508 Co. E, 141st Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named
soldier be returned to the United States and shipped to you at Electra, Texas.

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

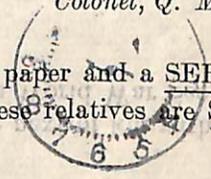
The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

*5/13/21 - Europe advised by proposed cable 296,
To Remain, LPW-7/26/21*

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

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



Was soldier married? _____

MAY 2 1921

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <i>Myrtle Creech</i>	<i>Box 4/2</i>	<i>Cleburne</i>	<i>Texas</i>
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2 <i>none</i>			
3			
Father <i>Dead</i>			
Mother <i>Dead</i>			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1 <i>Mrs. O. F. Lawson</i>	<i>3600 Houston Ave</i>	<i>Houston</i>	<i>Texas</i>
2			
3			

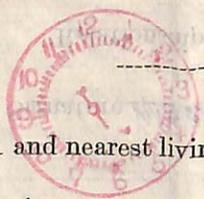
Date *April 27th 1921*

Signature *Mrs O F Lawson*

Address *Houston Texas*

Relationship *Sister*

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I, the undersigned, am the Sister (Relationship.) and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. ~~As stated on first page of this sheet.~~
2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ _____
(R. R. station.) _____
~~Cemeterial Division~~ _____
(Name.) ~~Overseas Project~~ _____
Sub-Section _____
(State.) _____
3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in~~ _____ National Cemetery.
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Mrs C F Lawson

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

ARMY DEPARTMENT

7/10/21

June 20th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BLYTHE, Foster M.)

Mrs. Myrtle Blythe,
Electra, Texas.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a telegram from Mrs. O. F. Lawson, sister of your late husband, Foster M. Blythe, Corporal, Serial Number 1487508, Company E, 141st Infantry, requesting that the remains be left in France.

Kindly inform this office if you concur in her request. Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

Mailed - O.P.D. BY:

JUN 23 1921

[Handwritten Signature]

H. H. ELLER,
1st Lieut., Q.M.G.

[Handwritten Initials]

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body.

- 1. Name **BLYTHE, Foster M.**
- 2. No. **1487508.**
- 3. Rank **Cpl.**
- 4. Org **Co. B, 141st Inf.**
- 5. D. D. **10-14-18.**
- 6. C. D. **K-A.**

- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org _____
- 14. (a) D. D. _____
- 15. (b) D. B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

- 7. Grave No. **167.** Sec. **17.**
- 8. Plot **4** Row **-**
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. _____

- 18. Cemetery **Argonne Amer.**
- 19. Commune or town **NOUACHE-sons-MONTAUCON.**
- 20. Department or county **Meuse.**
- 21. Country **France.**

22. G. R. S. Headquarters Code No. **1232-Sec. 17**

23. Disinterred _____ (Date.)

By _____

24. Inscription on grave marker { Name _____ Serial No. _____
 Rank _____ Organization _____

25. Was identification disk found on grave marker? _____ On body? _____

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

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Sec. 17. Cable Ref. No. 16.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

1232 Sec. 17-16 01

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

APR 2 9 1921

To: Mrs. Myrtle Blythe, Electra, Texas.

SUBJECT: Remains of ~~Cpl. Foster M. Blythe, Ser. No. 1487508 Co. E, 141st Inf.~~

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named

~~soldier be returned to the United States and shipped to you at Electra, Texas.~~

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

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

Was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

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PREPARATION

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

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27. Condition of body

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28. Nature of burial

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G. R. S. records quoted above?

Cemetery Division
Project Sub-Section

30. Body prepared and placed in casket (Date) By

31. Casket sealed by

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor)

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

32. Designation of body { Name BLYTHE, Foster M. Serial No. 1487508.
Rank Cpl. Organization Co. B, 141st Inf.

33. CONSIGNEE—Name Mrs. Myrtle Blythe.
Address Electra, Texas. (Expr. & Tel.)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) By

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

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from cemetery (Date) To (Point of concentration.)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at point of concentration (Date.)

Signature Receiving Officer

39. Shipped from point of concentration (Date.)

To (Port.) Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received European port (Date.)

Signature of G. R. S. Representative

41. Shipped to (U. S. port.) On (Boat.)

Date Convoyer (Signature of Shipping Officer.)

42. Received (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative (Signature.)

43. Shipped to destination (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No.

Convoyer Shipping Officer

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Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a telegram. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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LEAVE BODY OF CORPL FOSTER M BLYTHE IN FRANCE

MRS O F LAWSON SISTER OF DECEASED

1138A
CEMETERY DIVISION
CORRESPONDENCE BR.HOBOKEN, N. J.
APR 28 1921NOTED ON FORM #115
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5/18/21 - Corp advised by proposed cable 296 -
To Remain, LRU-7/26/21

Blythe
(Surname.)

Foster M.
(Christian name in full.)

1,487,508
(Army serial number.)

Corp

Co E 141st Inf
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes - yes
(Yes or no.)

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

No
(Yes or no.)

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

Mrs Myrtle Blythe
(Name of person to receive remains.)

Electra
(Express office.)

Electra
(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

Electra
(City or town.)

Texas
(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Myrtle Blythe

(Number and street or rural route.)

Electra
(City, town, or post office.)

Texas
(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 71205

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLYTHE, Foster M. Ser. No. 1487508
 (b) Rank Corp. Organization Co. B, 141st Inf. } TYP. B
 (c) Date of death 10-14-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } 30

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

(a) Grave No. 167 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 17 TYP. B
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. O. F. Lawson (sister) 1203 S. Walnut St.,
Sherman, Texas. *ck (2/29/21) 20*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / / / / CKR. 30

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

Wife
 Allobard - Mrs. Myrtle Blythe, Electra, Texas,
 requests body returned to U.S. to her at
 Electra, Texas. - acf. 4/8/21.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 letter of transmittal on 4/5/21, 192
Section # 17
par # 1 - To be returned - RD

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., APR 12 1921, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
<u>May 3, 1921</u>	<u>Wife (4/28/21)</u>	<u>To remain</u>	<u>5/13/21 Europe advised</u>
<u>Form 129</u>	<u>Mrs. Myrtle Blythe</u>	<u>in France by proposed cable</u>	<u>296 - To remain.</u>
			<u>5/14/21 228</u>

Ltr from Europe 6/20/21 states return cancelled
as per cable 4/3/21

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

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

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~~O.S.P. records & Form 115
held in Hoboken pending
inf. re. widow - Receipt of
Form 120.~~

May 3, 1921.

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name Blythe, Foster M. Ser. No. 1467508
Rank Corporal Organization Co. E, 141st Infantry
Cemetery No. 1232-Sec.17 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 16

(telegram)
Request shown below dated April 28, 1921. is latest in this case:

Name of Relative	<u>Return</u>	<u>Remain</u>	<u>Special</u>
	to	in	
Widow <u>(Mrs. Myrtle Blythe - Electra, Texas)</u>		<u>France</u>	
Children	<u>Form 120 sent to widow - returned telegraphic reply by sister below.</u>		
Guardian			
Father			
Mother			
Brother			
Sister <u>Mrs. O. F. Lawson - (1203 S. Walnut St., Sherman, Texas) e/s</u>			
Others			

Mailed
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Body to be shipped to, or for interment in: a permanent Amer. city.

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SUSPEND UNTIL
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Cable Letter 5/13 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

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G.R.S. FORM 129
Transmittal Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington

1232-Sec.17 16

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

HOBOKEN, N. J.

O.S.P. records & Form 115
held in Hoboken pending
inf. re. widow - Receipt of
Form 120.

May 3, 1921.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div. O. O. M. G.
File # 2438 # 71205

Blythe, Foster M.

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To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
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Others	_____		

Body ~~to be shipped to~~ or for interment in: a permanent Amer. cty.

(glb)

Letter May 13 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

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GRAVE LOCATION BOOK

LOCATION OF GRAVE OF

Blythe 1487508 Foster M
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Capt Co E, 141st Inf
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH: action

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct 14, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: 267.8-283.6

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

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Systeme Lambert 12000

GRAVE NUMBER: 3

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? (unknown) Cross? yes

Headboard? (unknown) Bottle? (unknown)

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: (217) SH (35) NW COORIS

Was one buried with body? yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mr. O. F. Fenson

ADDRESS: 1203 S. Walnut St. Sherman, Tex

RELATIONSHIP: Sister

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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

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OSPSS Cty. No. 1252

Sec. 17 case no 16
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