

G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH - *K.V.A.*

*✓*  
FULL NAME..... *BONER, Henry R. O.K.*

*✓*  
RANK..... *Pvt. O.K.* SERIAL..... *97705 O.K.*

*✓*  
DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *Co.M. 28th Infantry O.K. 1st Div.*

*✓*  
DATE OF DEATH..... *5-28-18 O.K.*

*✓*  
STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *La.*

*✓*  
MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *cited in g.O. 1, 1st Div. dated Jan. 1, 1920*

*✓*  
FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... *8-11-1924 17 13 B*  
Date Grave Row Block

*✓*  
A.G.O.  
MAY 9 1927  
WORLD WAR DIV.

27/86/-

*✓*  
Cemetery..... *1764*  
*c.e.c. 5/11/27* *2190*  
*2190*

PARTY R, S. S. WASHINGTON  
SCHEDULES FOR GOLD STAR PILGRIMS, LEAVING NEW YORK  
AUG. 19, 1930

LOUISIANA

Orleans Parish

Boner, Mrs. Allison, (R-15)  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Lv. New Orleans	L&N	#134	5:00 PM (CT) Aug. 15
Ar. New York	PennRR	#108	6:40 AM (ET) Aug. 17

Route Going: L&N Montgomery, WRyof A-A&WP Atlanta, SoRy  
Washington, PennRR ~~New York~~.

Return: ~~PennRR Washington, SoRy Atlanta, A&WP-WRyofA  
Montgomery, L&N New Orleans.~~

→ Same  
Sleeper New Orleans to New York.

Elapsed time 36 hours, 40 minutes.  $1\frac{3}{4}$

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Party "E" - Itinerary - Aisne-Marne Group

Sailed August 18th, 1930 on GEORGE WASHINGTON. Capt. Arnold J. Funk in Charge. Arrived Cherbourg August 27th. Special tender arrived 11:57 am, bearing Maj. Dailey and Kinderman; Capts. Ochs, Haley, Earnest, Lambert and Stark; Lts. Yarborough, Freeman and Binns; five nurses and three civilian employees. Train left 1:37 pm; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 8:00 pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- August 28th: Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe, Wreaths laid by Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Cassels. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- August 29th: Morning free. Lunch at hotels. Sightseeing trip Paris - Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotels.
- August 30th: Visited Notre Dame in morning, Lunch at hotels. Sightseeing trip Paris - Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotels.
- August 31st: Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Left for Chateau Thierry via Porte de Pantin to La Ferte s/s Jouarre (rest stop Hotel de la Terrasse.) Quarters in Chateau Thierry - Hostellerie du Bonhomme.
- September 1st & 2nd: Daily visits to Aisne-Marne Cemetery.
- September 3rd: Last visit to Aisne-Marne Cemetery. Left 2:30 pm for Reims. Quarters Hotel Crystal.
- September 4th: Visit Cathedral and Reims. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Left for Compiègne via Berry-au-Bac, Corbeny, Craonne, Chemin des Dames, Vaurains Vorme to Soissons (rest stop Hotel Lion Rouge) and arrive Compiègne 4:45 pm. Dinner at hotel. Quarters Hotel Rond Royal.
- September 5th: Visited Carefour De L'Armistice. Lunch at hotel. Left for Paris via La Croix St. Ouen, Senlis to Chantilly (rest stop Hotel du Parc). Dinner at hotel in Paris.
- September 6th: Morning free. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip Paris - Louvre. Dinner at hotel.
- September 7th: Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing night trip.
- September 8th: Left 9:45 am for Fontainebleau via Barbizon. Lunch at Hotel Legris. Returned to Paris via Melun. Dinner at hotel.
- September 9th: Visit Versailles in morning. Return to Paris for lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.
- September 10th: Boat train left for Cherbourg 9:44 am, arrived 3:56 pm. AMERICA sailed 5:40 pm. Arrived New York September 19th.

Mrs Allison Boner

BONER, HENRY R

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

BONER, HENRY R. — A.M.

Party ..... "R"  
 Number ..... 3196

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Boner, Mrs. Allison ..... Actual cost of through Pullman.  
 Name of Traveler

New Orleans, Orleans County ..... New York, to ..... New Orleans, La.  
 Home Address  
 Louisiana ..... \$ .....

New York, to New Orleans, La. ....  
 Destination

Via Penn. to Washington, D.C. - So. to Atlanta - West Point to Montgomery -  
 L & N to dest. ....

Ticket Expires: Oct. 15, 1930 ..... Sept. 20, 1930 .....  
 Date of Departure

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

Remarks:

X THRU CAR .....  
 Escorted to train by Lt. H. R. Emery .....



BOMER, HENRY R

Arrived August 17, 1930, 6:40 am, Penna. R.R. Met by Capt. Wm. Hesketh and escorted to Hotel McAlpin. Occupied room with Mrs. Laura Neight - two days.

Two pieces baggage.

Cabin 62-C. Quarters on GEO. WASHINGTON with Mrs. Carrie L. Hudson and Mrs. Emily C. Coate.

On return from pilgrimage quartered at Hotel McAlpin with Mrs. Laura Neight.

REMARKS



NAME BONER, MRS. ALSON

S.S. AMERICA SEP 19 1930 3196

HOME NEW ORLEANS, ORLEANS COUNTY  
LOUISIANA

R.R. Pen to Wash D.C.

STATION So to Atlanta

TRAIN # West Point to Montgomery

CAR # 1st to New Orleans

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct. 15 - '30

WAR DEPARTMENT  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS  
225 WEST 84TH ST., N.Y., N.Y., ROOM 1211

VIA WESTERN UNION

F. D. CARLOCK,  
Major, Inf. (DOL).

September 19, 1930.

Mr. Sidney Boner,  
837 State Street,  
New Orleans, La.

YOUR MOTHER ARRIVES NEW ORLEANS VIA L&N TRAIN NUMBER ONE THIRTY THREE  
AT SEVEN TWENTY A M MONDAY PLEASE MEET HER

MAJOR COTRELL

Mrs. Allison Boner - Party "R" - Hotel McAlpin

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August 1st, 1930

Mrs. Allison Boner  
837 State Street  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

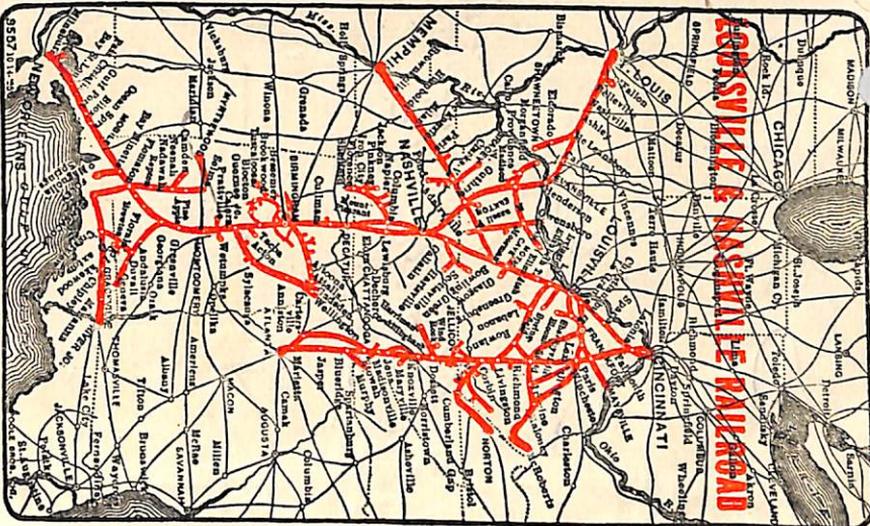
Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army ~~Officer~~, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York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

For The Officer in Charge:

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

Enclosures:  
2 tags.

Train leaves ..... (Station)  
Stop-over desired at .....



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FORM 3918

*Mrs. Allison Boner*

500

Friday

Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE	
NAME	Boner, Henry R	Bon	3	2 5 4
	CEMETERY	1764	1	4
BURIED	GRAVE	17	2	17
	ROW	13	2	13
	BLOCK	B	1	2
STATE	La		2	2 2
RANK	Priv		1	2
DIVISION	1		2	0 1
ORGANIZATION	28		3	0 2 8
ARM	Inf		1	1
MARTIAL	No		1	2
NAME	Mrs Allison Boner	Bon	3	2 3 4
RESIDENCE	837 State St -	STATE	2	2 2
		COUNTY	2	3 6
		CITY	3	0 2 8
RELATION	Mother		1	1
OTHER			1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes		1	1
NATIVITY			1	
RACE			1	
ENGLISH	yes		1	1
ATTENDANT			1	
HEALTH	Good		1	
NO. OF SONS			1	
DATE OF TRIP		MO.	1	
		YR.	1	1930
ACCEPTANCE	Yes		1	68
	Age			

1930  
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Boner

**AUDITED**  
 SEP 25 1931  
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R

NAME Boner, Mrs. Allison

ADDRESS 837 State St., New Orleans, La.

DATE 22 Sept 1950

TO: Officer-In-Charge,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my home safely and in good health. *and a heart full of Gratitude*

Sincerely,

(Signed) *Mrs. Allison Boner*

STATE

LOUISIANA

*Boner, Henry R.*

837 State St.,  
New Orleans

M

NAME *BONER, MRS. ALLISON* HOME ADDRESS *Orleans County*

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Miss E Boner same*

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *Aug* HOTEL *McAlpin* ROOM NO. *879*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *AUGUST 19, 1930* VESSEL *WASHINGTON* CABIN NO. *62c*

DESTINATION *CHERBOURG, FRANCE* CEMETERY *A M*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE SEP 19 1930

M  
 NAME **Boner, Mrs. Allison** ..... HOME ADDRESS **837 State St. New Orleans Orleans County, Louisiana**  
 RETURN ON S. S. **S/S AMERICA** ..... HOTEL **MCALPIN** ROOM NO. **620**

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE 9/30

ROAD *Fun* ..... TRAIN *139* ..... CAR *K9* ..... BERTH or SEAT *L5* .....

REMARKS .....

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# MEDICAL RECORD

\**Eastbound*  
*Westbound*

Party: ..... "R" .....

S. S. WASHINGTON .....

Name ..... BONER, Mrs. Allison .....

Home Address ..... New Orleans, Louisiana .....

Name and address of nearest relative or friend .....

Religion .....

Age .....

History of present complaint:

(OVER)

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

3415

1764

RETURN RECEIPT

Washington 8-19-30

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

Mrs Allison Bover

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery

8-1-30

Form 3811

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1929

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*Diagnosis and complications: (include dates) 9-10-30 - Hemorrhage from ruptured  
varicosity on left leg.*

*Treatment and Progress: (include dates) 9-11-30  
Compression bandage applied. - no further evidence of  
bleeding. comp. bandage removed.*

*Disposition: (include dates)*

*Remarks:*

Post Office Department

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REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 9250

INSURED PARCEL

No.



Return to Q. M. GENERAL

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 ~~A-C~~ A-M

Boner, Henry R. 1764

July 25, 1930.

Mrs. Allison M. Boner,  
837 State Street,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Madam:

With reference to previous correspondence on this subject, you are informed that your passport has been received and will be delivered to you aboard ship.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

837 State St.  
New Orleans, La.  
July 17, 1930.

Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

*in  
R-15*

Q. M. 293 A-M.

Dear Sir:-

We wish to advise you that the passport of Mrs Allison Boner has been mailed from the office of The Passport Agent of this city on the date of May 28th, 1930.



Respectfully,

*Allison M. Boner*  
Allison M. Boner

*Boner*  
*F*  
*R*  
*-1764*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 14, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry R. -1764 M  
Washington 8-19

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State Street,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Miss Mary Ella Boner  
Name are Mr S. W. Boner same address  
837 State New Orleans La  
Address

*noted*

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 12, 1930.

Boner, Henry R. 1764 M

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Washington

8-19-30

1764

Boner, Henry R.

I Accept the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the Government of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

*Mrs Allison Boner*

Mrs. Allison Boner,

(Name)

*807 State St New Orleans La.*

837 State St., New Orleans, Orleans Co., La.

(Town or City)

(State)

*oh so happy to go*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Boner, Henry R. 1764-M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Paid

AUG 19 1930

Dear Madam:

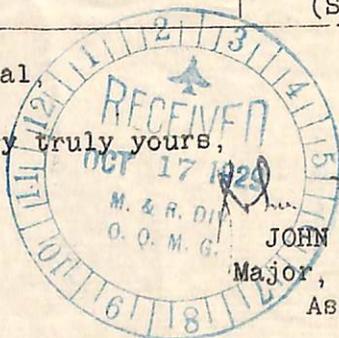
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, 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) <i>yes</i>	(No) <i>X</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No) <i>X</i>
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) <i>X</i>	(No) <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>85</i> (Years)	Health <i>very good</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No) <i>X</i>
Other language (Specify language spoken)		

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry R.  
1764

Aug. 22, 1929.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 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:

No.

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.

Mrs. Allison Boner  
837 State St  
New Orleans, La

Mother

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

Yes

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Boner, Henry R.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late **Private Henry R. Boner, Co. M, 28th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293-~~100~~ A-M

July 25, 1930.

Boner, Henry R. 1764

Mrs. Allison M. Boner,  
837 State Street,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Madam:

With reference to previous correspondence on this subject, you are informed that your passport has been received and will be delivered to you aboard ship.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1930 JUL 25 PM 2 19

DISPATCHED

II

Boner, Henry R. 1764

July 15, 1950

Mrs. Allison Boner  
837 State St.  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. New Orleans	L&N	No. 134	5.00 PM	August 15	
Ar. New York	Fenn	" 108	6.40 AM		17

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C ~~A-M~~

Boner, Henry R. - 1764

July 12, 1930.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries 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. *Also advise if name on passport application was in any way different from that shown above.*

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  
Passport Agent, 215 Post Office Building, New Orleans, La.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Encl.  
Form Let

U.S.M.C. & R. DIV.

1930 JUL 14 AM 10 06

DISPATCHED

10 05

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Read carefully the suggestion **June 18, 1930.**  
Bonor, Henry R. 1764-It will add greatly to your comfort through-  
out the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out success-  
fully the expedition. Mrs. Allison Bonor, conducting the expedition. This letter is being  
sent to you and widow who has accepted the invitation sent  
837 State St., New Orleans, La. to visit the grave of her son or husband.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 14, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry E. -1764 M  
Washington 8-19

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State Street,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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Name

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Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry R. 1764 M  
Washington 8-19

May 15, 1930

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 12, 1930.

Boner, Henry R. 1764 M

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry R. ~~341~~ 1764-17

April 30, 1930

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

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  
Boner, Henry R. 1764-M

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

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,

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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boner, Henry R.  
1764

Aug. 22, 1929.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
637 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 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

June 12, 1929.

Boner, Henry R.

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late **Private Henry R. Boner, Co. M, 28th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.**

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FULL NAME. **BONER, Henry R.**.....

RANK..... **Pvt.**..... SERIAL..... **97705**.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION. **Company M, 28th Infantry**.....

DATE OF DEATH..... **5-28-18**.....

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME.....

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.....

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. **8-11-24**..... **17**..... **13**..... **B**.....  
Date Grave Row Block

..... **Aisne-Marne American Cemetery # 1764**.....  
Cemetery

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE August 11th, 1924.

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 BONER, Henry R.

10. Name   

2. No. 97705

11. No.   

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank   

4. Org. Co.M, 28th Inf.

13. Org.   

5. D.D. 5-28-18

14. (a) D.D.   

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.   

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. -- Sec. --

15. Grave No.    Sec.   

8. Plot -- Row --

16. Plot    Row   

9.   

17.   

18. Cemetery St. Aignan French Military

19. Commune or town near Montdidier

20. Dept. or County Somme

21. Country France.

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

23. Disinterred (Date) May 19th, 1924.

By Arthur F. Revoir

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name   

Serial No.   

Rank   

Organization   

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? (3)

Arthur F. Revoir  
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).  
Tags on body read: (1) H.R. Boner 241-- (2) H.R. Boner --1861 (3) Entirely corroded.  
Left shoe size 10 ?

27. Condition of body Decomposed, (Skeleton only)

28. Nature of burial Buried in U.S. Uniform and pine box.

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 Aug. 11th, 1924. By Adolph G. Kaess.

31. Casket sealed by Adolph G. Kaess

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Arthur F. Revoir

AUDITED BY  
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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-32873

32. Designation of body:

Name BONER, Henry R. Serial No. 97705

Rank Pvt. Organization Co.M, 28th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne American #1764, Belleau (Aisne).

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) August 11th, 1924. By Adolph G. Kaess

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

*Adolph G. Kaess*  
Adolph G. Kaess  
Caretaker.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred: August 11th, 1924, Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, (Aisne)

(Date)

42. Grave No. #17 Section Block B

43. Plot Row 13

G.R.S. Representative

*Adolph G. Kaess*  
Adolph G. Kaess  
Caretaker.

Place Aisne-Marne American Cemetery  
Belleau, (Aisne)

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date August 11th, 1924.

1. REMAINS OF BONER, H.R. SERIAL NUMBER 97705  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. M. 28th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : May 19th, 1924. From (give complete location) : From St. Aignan French Military Cemetery, Near Montdidier, Somme.  
By : Group 1 Unit Aisne-Marne Amer. Cem. #1764

3. Reburied (date) : August 11th, 1924. In (give complete location) : Grave #17, Row #15, Block B., Aisne-Marne Amer. Cem. #1764  
By : Group 1 Unit Aisne-Marne Cem. Nature of Reburial Blanket & Metallic Casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Decomposed, Skeleton only. Buried in U.S. Uniform and pine box.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? (3) On grave marker ? No

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

Tags on body read: (1) H.R. Boner 241-- (2) H.R. Boner --1661 (3) Entirely corroded  
Left shoe size No. 10 ?

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Estimated 6 ft. 2 in.

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp. to Det.

(c) Hair—Color " "

Quantity " "

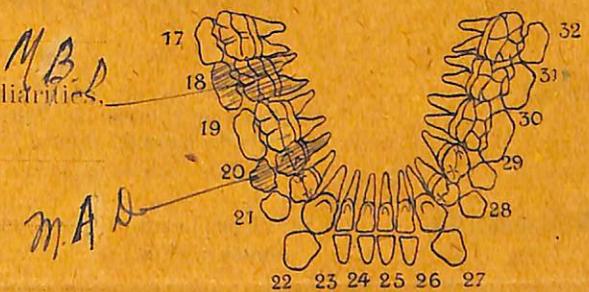
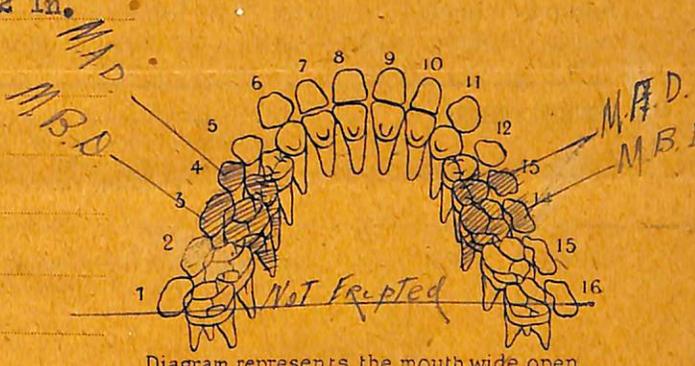
Characteristics " "

(d) Hair on face—Color " "

Location " "

Quantity " "

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



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

Skull fractured at left ear. Left scapula, left humerus, radius and ulna, left pelvic bone, left femur, perone, tibia and right foot missing.

7. Disinterment supervised by Arthur F. Revoir

Approved :

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Adolph G. Kaess  
Caretaker.

Approved :

(Title)

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C. IN EUROPE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE  
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File No. 293 Boner, Henry R.

PARIS. FRANCE. August 18, 1924.

Subject: Permanent Burial.

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

1. Forwarded herewith are G.R.S. Forms 114-A and 16-A covering permanent burial in Cemetery 1764 of Private Henry R. Boner, 97705, Company M, 28th Infantry. This in compliance with your 1st indorsement dated July 17, 1924 (QM 293 AC, Boner, Henry R.) on letter of this office dated May 26, 1924, subject: "Recovery of Pvt. Boner."

2. The extra parts found in box with the remains of Pvt. Boner are being held in the mortuary at Belleau pending receipt of instructions from your office. These parts are now designated as Unknown U.S. Soldier U-1650.

2 encls.



Wm. O. Smith,  
Chief.

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QM 293 AC

Boner, Henry, R.

Sept. 6, 1924.

Mrs. Henry Boner,  
837 State St.,  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General is pleased to inform you that the investigation which has been conducted with a view towards identifying the remains of your son, the late Private Henry R. Boner, Company M, 28th Infantry, has proved successful. The body has been permanently buried in Grave 17, Row 13, Block B, Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau Wood, Aisne, France.

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. The grave of Private Boner will be appropriately marked and maintained by the Government, in a manner befitting the supreme sacrifice made by this hero.

Kindly accept the inclosed card, giving the burial location, in slight token of the soldier's service to his country.

The Department trusts that your knowledge of the identification of your son's body will afford you some measure of comfort and lessen the sorrow incident to his death.

Very truly yours,

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card.

R.P. HARBOLD,  
Assistant.

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9-5-24

Case of  
Pvt. Henry R. Boner-- 97705- Co. M. 28th Infantry KIA 5/28/18

ACTION REQUESTED.

Request letter to mother- Mrs. Henry R. Boner , 837  
State St., New Orleans, La. advising her the remains of her son Pvt.  
Henry R. Boner- 97705- Company M, 28th Inf. killed in action May, 28th,  
1918 have been permanently centered in grave 17, row 13, Block B,  
Aisne-Marne- American Cemetery # 1764, Belleau, Aisne.

*E. Kensett Vail*  
E. Kensett Vail

Investigator.

QM 293 AC  
Boner, Henry, R.

1st Ind.

War Dept, OQMG, Washington, D.C., July 17, 1924--To the Chief, AGRS, QMC.,  
in Europe.

1. The body of Private Henry R. Boner, 97705, Company M, 28th  
Infantry, (formerly of Company I, 167th Infantry) now in the mortuary at  
the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery #1764, will be permanently buried therein.

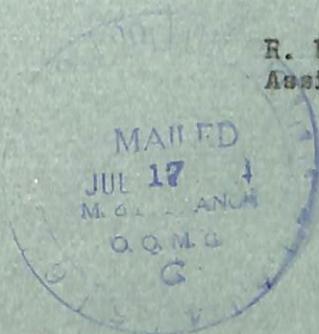
2. Daily Report of Change dated May 30th, 1918, shows the  
serial number 241861 for this soldier, at which time he was Corporal 5th  
Co. 2nd Bn. 1st Training Reg. Dep. Div. The correct serial number at time  
of death was 97705.

3. Disposition of parts referred to in paragraph 2 of basic  
letter, will be furnished at a later date.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Assistant.

LN  
EKV  
CS  
WPR



Noted by Statistical Clerk.

Date

7/17/24

SDG/jrm

May 26, 1924.

File No. 293. Boner, H.R.

Subject: Recovery of Boner, H.R., 241861, Pvt., Co.M, 28th Inf.

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

1. Attached hereto find Form 16-A covering Boner, H.R., 241861, Private, Company M, 28th Infantry. Personal effects found on body are being held in this office.

2. In the box containing the remains of Private Boner were found certain extra parts as follows:

- Right humerus
- Right radius and ulna
- 24 rib bones
- Left ulna
- 5 neck bones
- 18 vertebra
- Coccyx
- Left pelvic
- Left femur
- Left tibia
- Femone
- Right foot
- Left scapula (fractured).

3. Under the circumstance that this body was concentrated by the French in 1918 and that no note was made by them of the point from which body was exhumed, it is impossible for us to even suggest as to what body these extra parts belong, although it is evident that they belong to some certain soldier and it is even possible that they are not the bones of an American body. These extra parts have not been given an Unknown number but are being held in the Aisne-Marne mortuary subject to your disposition.

4. The address of the family of Private Boner is as follows:

Mrs. Allison Boner,  
557 Octavia Street,  
New Orleans, La.

Robt. Sterrett,  
Chief.

1 encl. - Form 16-A



*This sheet to be att. to papers at War*

*293 Boner H.R. Forward R.*

104115

7/12/24

Case of

Pvt Henry R. Boner- 97705- Co. M, 28th Inf. KIA 5/28/18

ACTION REQUESTED.

*Handwritten signature*

Request letter to Mrs. Allison Boner-557 Octavia St. New Orleans, La. advising her the remains of her son Pvt. Henry R. Boner 97705- Co. M, 28th Inf. (formerly Co. I 167th Inf.) are now in the Mortuary at the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery #1764, Belleau Woods, Dept. Aisne. It is the desire of this office to know if you still wish the body returned to the U.S.

*Handwritten signature: E. Kensett Vail*  
E. Kensett Vail  
Investigator.

?  
NOTE: The above action requested is cancelled, since I located an AGO card which states for the body to remain.

*Handwritten signature: SV*

Europe will be advised of identification and body to REMAIN

LN

Dup.

Boner *Boner* Henry R. *Henry R* 241 361  
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number)

Pvt. *Pvt.* 28th 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? *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:

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) *Mrs Alison Boner*

*557 Octavia St New Orleans La*  
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

104115

to Chicago

ms 291-809-15-21

Mrs. Allison Barnes,

557 Octavia St.,

New Orleans, La.

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

**I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:**

(a) Name BONER, Henry R. Ser. No. 97705 } TYP. P.D.  
 (b) Rank Private Organization Co. M, 28th Infantry }  
 (c) Date of death 5-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. \_\_\_\_\_

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

(a) Grave No. Morgue 1764 Row \_\_\_\_\_ Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ TYP. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Allison Boner (Mother), 557 Octavia St., New Orleans, La.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases \_\_\_\_\_ CKR. \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:**

Date of receipt \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Name Mrs. Alison Boner (b) Relationship mother  
 (c) Address ~~No record of a HQ card~~ 557 Octavia St.  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No New Orleans, La.  
 (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 \_\_\_\_\_, 192

**V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_**

\_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_

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

Examiner's Initials P.D. Date 7-14-24, 192

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 192

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY No. Morgue 1764 SHEET No. 2867

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BONER, Henry R. Ser. No. 97705  
(b) Rank Private Organization Co. M, 28th Infantry } TYP. PD  
(c) Date of death 5-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. \_\_\_\_\_

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

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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases \_\_\_\_\_ CKR. \_\_\_\_\_

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Name Mrs. Allison Boner (b) Relationship Mother  
(c) Address No record of a D/O card 557 Octavia St. New Orleans, La.  
(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 \_\_\_\_\_, 192

## V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_

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

Examiner's Initials PD Date 7-14-24, 192

## VI. G. R. S. FILES; CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 192

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY No. Morgue 1764 SHEET No. 2867

OPINION

7-10-24

1922

CASE OF BONER: HENRY R. - 97705 - Pvt Co. M, 28th Inf. KIA 5/28/18  
From St. Aignan Fr. Mil. Cty. near Montdidier, Somme. Held in Morgue at  
GRAVE Cty 1764

It is my opinion that the body exhumed from the Fr. Mil. Cty.  
near Montdidier, Somme, 5/19/24 now held in Morgue at Cty. 1764  
IS THAT of Pvt. Henry Russell Boner - 97705 - Co. M, 28th Inf.

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O.	Emergency Address	Dental Work		Missing B.D.	Miss A.D.
Missing	Dental Work	Dental Work	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
U.R.	<del>no dental</del>				
none	No trouble with teeth that they know of. He had one front tooth knocked out when a small boy.		3	1 not erupted	4
U.L.					
14			14	16 not erupted	15
L.R.					
18;19;20			18		20
L.L.					
none					

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows: 23 yrs of age when enlisted 6/16/17. ~~aver.~~

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height: 5' 9 3/4"		est. 6' 2"
Weight 120 lbs.		impossible to determine
Hair Brown		" " "
Fractures		

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

Found on Cross

YES (3) ..... NO  
#1--H.R.BONER 241--- #2 H.R.BONER --1861  
#3-entirely corroded.

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body  
Buried in U.S. Uniform. Skull fractured at left ear. Left Scapula, left humerus, radius, and Ulna, left pelvic bone, left femur, tibia and right foot missing.

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from  
This man reported buried originally int. adj. Cil. Cty Griverns 9/18/18  
Organizations of other men buried around original location

*E. Kensett Vail*  
E. Kensett Vail  
Investigator

Concur:

*[Signature]*

APPROVED:

*[Signature]*

No GIB. The French buried this soldier adjoining. Civ. Cty of Grivenne, Somme,  
8/9/18 per Fr. report.

No R.C. Searchers report located for this soldier.

Note- The AGO reports 18.19.20 as having been extracted, where as the body found shows 18 missing before death and 20 missing after death, whereas 19 is listed as being present. Also the mother reports that her son had his front tooth knocked out when a small boy, whether this was before the eruption of the 2nd setion of teeth or not is not stated, however the F-18-A does not show any front teeth being missing,

The 1st Division was in the Somme, and in what is listed as the Cantigny defensive in May 1918, and quite a few of the men of this Div. were buried by the French in Grivenne Cty. It was reported sometime ago that all the American bodies had been removed from this Cty and reburied in Cty 176, however no record can be found of many of the bodies listed as buried by the French in this Cty. in Cty 176- Villers-Tournelle, Somme, and no F-18 can be located for exhumation from this Fr. Cty. and Reburial in Cty 176, The only way it was traced was by the reports, of bodies ( some ) reported by the French as being buried in their Cty. by them, later found in Cty 176, ( Many of the French reports have the date of Sept. 1918 for burial in this Cty. whether burials were actually made that date or whether affirmation was taken that date of the burial of the soldier's the investigator has not yet been able to discover, as these men were killwd in May 1918, it is hardly probably that they lay out in the Field ( Battle) until Sept .

However

The Investigator not withstanding the discrepancy in the Dental chart is of the opinion that the body exhumed in May 1924 from St. Aignan Fr. Mil. Cty. near Montdidier, Somme is that of Pvt. Henry R. Boner- 95505- Co. M 28th Inf. ( for explanation of serial as appearing on tag see memo of 7-10-24 attached hereto)

*E. Kensett Vail*  
E. Kensett Vail

Investigator.

Former investigator has listed Body to be returned.  
AGO card ~~not~~ located.

7-10 -24

Case of

Pvt. Henry R. Boner- 97705- Co. M, 28th Inf. KIA 5/28/18

- a Henry R. Boner enlisted June 16, 1917 at Mobile Ala. was a member of Co. I, 167th Inf.
- b On Feb. 28th, 1918 when serial numbers were assigned to the men, this soldier was in the hospital. Base Hospital # 15 from Jan 6, to March 23, 1918, however he was assigned while in hospital on the Co, serial # 97705, on this Company roster ( Co. I, 167th Inf.
- c Serial 241861 was assigned in Feb. to George Hutson, since discharged, while Hutson was a member of Q.M. det. Gen'l Hqrs. A.E.F. Chaumont, A.P.O. 708 ( all numbers in this series appear as assigned to this detachment.
- d Serial 241860 was assigned to Roy L. Hupp in Feb. ( since discharged)- and again re-enlisted, now stationed at Fairfield, Ohio, Pvt 1/c 88 Observation Sq. Personell Hq. F.A.I.D. ( Fairfield Aviation Intermediate Depot).
- e Neither serial #241860 or 241861 appear in the personal records of Pvt Henry R. Boner.
- f however Daily report of change of 5/20/1918 serial 241861 does appear for this soldier, at which time he was Cpl. 5th Co. 2nd Bn. 1st Training Reg. Dep. Div.
- g Henry R. Boner was transferred 5/24/18 to Co. M, 28th Inf. and KIA 5/28/18 while a member of Co. M 26th Inf., altho he was still carried on the records of Co. I 167th Inf. as still a member of that organization and Company, evidently transferred directly from the Training ( see f). to Co. M, 28th Inf. on 5/24/18 and Co. I, 167th Inf. did not receive notice of the transfer until after the soldier's death.

Only one dental chart shown for this soldier.

U.L /6 L.R. 8;6;5 , at first 8 appeared but this was afterwards corrected.

per phone adv. 6/13 & 14, 1924.

from the AGO

EKV

*E. Kensett Vail*  
E. Kensett Vail

Investigator.

Place

May 21st, 1924.

Date

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BONER, H.R. SERIAL NUMBER 241861  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. M, 28th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): May 19th, 1924 From (give complete location): From St. Aignan French Military Cemetery, near Montdidier, Somme.

By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location):  
HELD IN ALSNE-MARNE CEMETERY MORTUARY PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of Reburial \_\_\_\_\_

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Decomposed, skeleton only. Buried in U.S. Uniform. and pine box.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? (3) On grave marker? no

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Tags on body read: (1) H.R. Boner 241--(2) H.R. Boner --1861 (3) Entirely corroded.  
Left shoe size No. 10? Personal effects consisting of: one (1) wrist watch and  
Found on body. one (1) pearl handle pocket knife.

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

(a) Height <sup>Estimated</sup> (actual measurement) 6' 2" ?

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color " "

Quantity " "

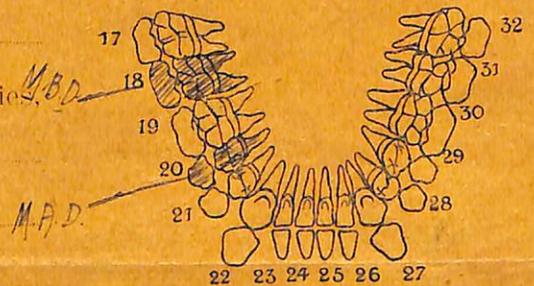
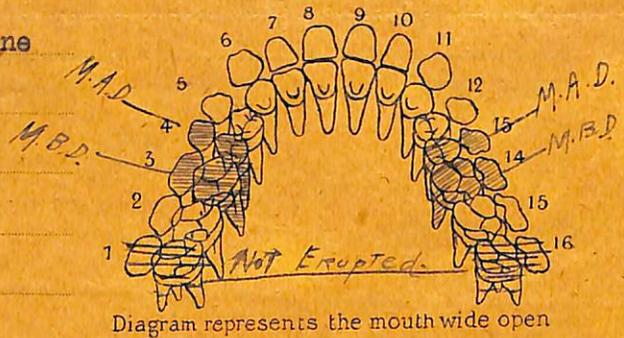
Characteristics " "

(d) Hair on face—Color " "

Location " "

Quantity " "

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



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

Skull fractured at left ear, Left scapula, left humerus, radius and ulna, left pelvic bone, left femur, perone, tibia and right foot missing.

7. Disinterment supervised by Arthur P. Lewis Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Reburial supervised by \_\_\_\_\_ Approved: Capt. [Signature]  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

21825

By J.H. X. S. '21

Model No 19

VOUCHER

Circular for verifying records of vital statistics in the armies

Divisional Group of Stretcher-bearers  
126. Infantry Division

REPORT of confirmation of death of a soldier

1st ARMY

whose body has been found on the battle-field

31st Army Corps

No 93 of the files of records of vital statistics (Report of confirmation of death)

In the year nineteen hundred eighteen, the ninth September, we, Georges Bouchard, administrative officer 1. Class in charge of the 126. D.G.S. (?) fulfilling, as such, the duties of officer of vital statistics

- (1) Designate unit.
- (2) Date written in full
- (3) Name, Chr. name, rank and duties.
- (4) Name, Christian names & rank and Corps of witnesses
- (5) Name, Chr. name and rank
- (6) Name of officer of vital statistics

Have, in the presence of Daniel Lafondeix and of Etienne Pradier, both Corporals of the 15. Section of Army Stretcher-bearers, (verified the death, on the battle-field of Grivesnes (Somme), of the soldier named below, according to the information found on the identification tag and on other effects which he possessed.

Name and Christian names	Designation of Corps	Register of dead sick and wounded	Cause of death	Remarks
		Letter	No	
Private Hervey R. Boner	American soldier	L	144	"P.v.b": Interred adjoining civilian cemetery of Grivesnes 9/19/17
No 241860 taken from the tag	no number (?)			

In consideration whereof, we have drawn up this report, which has been signed by us and the witnesses, after reading

1st witness                      2nd witness                      Officer vital statistics

(signed: Lagondeix                      signed: E. Pradier                      Signed: G. Bouchard)

AD

*97 French report sent to Plot*

5/21/22.

FILE

MEMORANDUM.

Case of  
File 104115  
BONER, 97705 Henry R.  
Pvt. Co M, 28th Inf.

Grave Unlocated.

~~Body to be returned.~~  
~~No notification letter sent.~~  
*No authority for above statement. S.E.B. 7/16/24*

Report from AGO \* Phone call 3/23/22.

Henry R. Boner 97795 was formerly of Co. I, 167 Inf. and was carried on the rosters of that organization until after his death, May 28th 1918. May 24. 1918 he was transferred to Co. M, 28th Inf.

The cable gram gives serial 241861 which is in error  
Serial 241861 belongs to Geog. H. Hutson discharged.

Serial 241860, which appears on the French report, belongs to Roy L. Hupp- discharged.

AGO reports that files of this soldier show the two serials, 241861, and 97705- the latter being Boner's serial. AGO reports that Boner is the only man by that name on the rosters of that organization. This same report showing burial in Grivesnes, Somme.

Paris office were informed that the bodies in Grivesnes - all Americans- were removed to Villers Tournelle Cty. # 176. by Negro troops. Information came from the Etat-Civil

The above soldier was reported on French Form stating that Henry R. Boner 241860, Pvt. Co M 28th Inf. was buried in Grave 35. It seems that when the grave were rearranged by the French grave 35 became grave 187 and occupied by an Unknown Frenchman. See letter in GRS dated July 27, 1921.

All the Unknown from Cty. 176, Villers Tournelle are supposed to be on record in this office. and none of them check with ~~that~~ Dental Chart of Pvt. Boner.

Letter in Cty. Corresp. for Villers Tournelle, 176. give letter from the French Mayor. containing all the transfers - Known and Unknown- from St. Agnon (Grivesnes) to Cty. 176.

All the Unknowns in Cty. 176 have been checked with that of ~~the~~ Boner. ~~xxxxxxx that is the only thing~~

There seems nothing to be done further at the present time on this case.

When this Cty. is concentrated some further means of identification may be found. Case is therefore to be suspended for two months.

From:

Investigator

B. Wilbourn.

*B. Wilbourn*

No.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE CONSTRUCTION DIVISION OF THE ARMY

WAR DEPARTMENT

CEMETERY DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

May 12, 1922. 192

MEMO FOR:  
Cards Department.

1.  
CASE OF:

Co. M, 28th Inf.  
ORGANIZATION (Old)

BONER, 241861, Henry R. Pvt.  
(Name)

**FILE**

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER 97705

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st. Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

BY: M. K. McCarthy

Adjustment Branch

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By A.B.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

April 22, 1922.

FILE NO. 293.8 C-R #104115 (BONER, Pvt. Henry R.)  
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Graves Registration Service.)  
To: Mrs. Henry R. Boner, 557 Octavia Street, New Orleans, La.  
Subject: Dental Chart.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. #113  
File 293.8-104115

1. It is requested that you secure from your local dentist and forward to this office a chart of all dental treatment performed for your son, the late Private Henry R. Boner, prior to his entry into the Service -- the chart to include crowns, bridges, fillings, missing teeth, etc. It is also requested that you furnish information relative to fractures of bones this soldier may have sustained, which you recall.

2. The information requested is to be used in matters of identification and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

*Charles J. Wynne*  
CHARLES J. WYNNE  
Captain, Q. M. Corps.

1 Incl.  
1 penalty envelope.

*N. O. La Brea*

*Kind sir my son had no trouble with his teeth that I know of he had one front tooth knocked out when a small boy had no hind broke he was in perfect condition when he left home Yours Respect Mrs. Henry R. Boner 557 State*

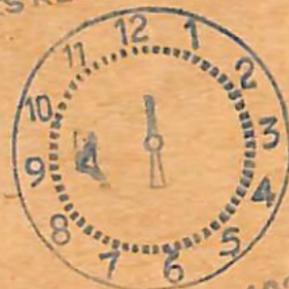
*Boner, Henry R*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



RECEIVED  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SER.



APR 29 1922

#104115  
Adj. Br.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON D. C.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Investigation

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 4-6-22

File No. 104115 Registration.

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname Banner <sup>Boner</sup>
- b. Christian name Henry R
- c. Serial Number 977057
- d. Organization Co. I. 167 Inf.
- e. Rank Priv. 014
- f. Date of death May 28/18
- g. Cause of death K.I.A.
- h. Authority (C.O.#) 5311
- i. Emergency address Mrs. Albison Boner
- j. Relationship mother

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment Born
- b. Color of eyes Gray
- c. Color of hair Brown
- d. Height 5ft. 9 3/4 in.
- e. Weight 120 lbs.
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks) none

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
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Served with Co. I 167 Inf.

acc-4-8-22

H. L. ROGER  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

CEMETERY NO:

BY: Charles J. Wynne  
Captain, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

SHEET NO:  
TYPED BY:

REC'D  
Archives Branch,

S/3310/LML

APR 7 1922

D.S. attached (over)

B. G.

B.W.

April 22, 1922.

FILE

FILE NO. 293.8 C-R #104115 (BONER, Pvt. Henry R.)  
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To: Mrs. Henry R. Boner, 557 Octavia Street, New Orleans, La.  
Subject: Dental Chart.

FILE

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2. The information requested is to be used in matters of identification and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

CHARLES J. WYNN, Captain, Q. M. Corps.

CS  
FVW:BG

Adj Br

MAILED

APR 22 1922

G.R.S.

1 Incl.  
1 penalty envelope.

TTN  


Suspend for ~~5-22-22~~

4/15/22.

Case of;  
File 104115  
BONER, 241661 Henry R.  
Pvt. Co. M, 26th Inf.

Grave unlocated.

It is recommended that a letter be sent to the mother of this soldier- Mrs. Hry. R. Boner, 557 Octavia, St. New Orleans, La. requesting a dental chart from the local dentist of all fillings, extractions, and crowns made for this soldier.

*No notification letter has been sent,*

Investigator.

B. Wilbourn.

*B. Wilbourn*

*Miss*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 9/10/21.

File No. 104115 Registration.

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **BONER** *OK*
- b. Christian name *also. Hry.* **Henry R.** *OK*
- c. Serial number ~~241661~~ **97705**
- d. Organization **C. M., 28th. Inf.** *OK*
- e. Rank **Pvt.** *OK*
- f. Date of death **5/28/18.** *OK*
- g. Cause of death **K/A** *OK*
- h. Authority (C.C.#) **524.** *53/ Mrs Allison Boner*
- i. Emergency address **557 Octavia St New Orleans La**
- j. Relationship **mother**

**BODY DESCRIPTION**

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at enlistment **23 yrs 9 mos.**
- b. Color of eyes **gray**
- c. Color of hair **brown**
- d. Height **5 ft 9 3/4 inches**
- e. Weight **120, lbs.**
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks) **none.**

**DENTAL CHARTS**

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
lower right lower left

*all dental work - fillings - etc - no other record.*

REC'D MAIL SECTION,  
W. W. Div., A. G. O.  
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H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,

BY:

*H. J. Conner*  
H. J. CONNER,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

Rec'd World War Division

SEP 14 1921

*Normally - per 524 - eps - wgs 9/16/21*

*Conner.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date October 17-21

File No. 104115 Registration.

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

a. Surname Boner *OK*

b. Christian name Henry R. *OK*

c. Serial Number *97703*  
241861

d. Organization Co. M. 28th Inf. *OK*

e. Rank Pvt. *OK*

f. Date of death 5-28-18 *OK*

g. Cause of death K/A *OK*

h. Authority (C.O.#) CC 524 531

i. Emergency address *OK*  
Mrs. Alison Boner

j. Relationship *OK*  
557 Octave St  
New Orleans  
La  
mother

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

a. Age of enlistment

b. Color of eyes

c. Color of hair

d. Height

e. Weight

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

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W. W. Div., A. G. O.

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

CEMETERY NO:

BY: *H. J. Conner*

SHEET NO:

H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

TYPED BY:

Rec'd World War Division

S/3310/LML

OCT 19 1921

*Connelly per SDH-W 98 - 10/20/21*

Mr invest.  
fr grave loc.

B. Owen

ROUTING SLIP

Date 10-8-'21

From: Colonel Fitch,  
Chief, Translation Section  
M. I. 6

To:  
Chief, Positive Branch  
Chief, Negative Branch  
Chief, Geographic Branch  
Executive Assistant, M.I.D.  
Chief M.I. \_\_\_\_\_  
Record Section  
Mr. Martin  
Property Section

*> Q m g*

For: *(Cemeterial Div.)*

As per request  
Information  
Necessary Action  
Previous Correspondence  
Note  
File  
*>* Translation herewith

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Address reply to  
QUARTERMASTER GEN  
Washington, D. C.

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

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.  
File # *2438* # *104115*

In Answer Refer to File No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. 293.8-Cem.Div. #104115-Registration. Oct. 4, 1921.  
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S.Army (Cemeterial Division).  
To: Office of the Chief of Staff, Military Intelligence Div.,  
Translation Section.  
Subject: Case of Henry R. Bonner, #241861, Pvt. Co. M, 28th Inf.

1. Forwarded herewith is a French report  
presumably pertaining to the case of the above named  
soldier, which, it is requested, be translated and  
returned to this Office at the earliest possible date  
in order that our investigation in this case may be  
completed.

C. R. KRAUTHOFF,  
Brig. General, Q.M.C.,  
Acting Quartermaster General.

*Bonner, Henry R.*

*Charles J. Wynne*

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q.M.Corps.

1 encl. *attached* By: *RZ.*  
French Burial Report.

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A true voucher

The Officer of Vital Statistics

(signed) G.Bouchard

Passed by us J. Charbardes, 2<sup>d</sup> Assistant Surgeon Major  
Surgeon of the above medical unit, for the authentication of the  
the signature of the above-named Mr G. Bouchard.

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293.8-Cem.Div. #104115-Registration. Oct. 4, 1921.

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

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CHARLES J. WYBNE,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps. *[Signature]*

SUSPENDED FOR *Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> / 21*

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OCT - 5 1921

*[Handwritten mark]*

9/21/21.

Memo to Mr. Good.

Case of:  
BONER, 241861 Henry R.  
Pvt. Co.M, 28th. Inf.

File 104115.

A letter from Adj. Gen. gives Hy. R. Boner- Cpl. Co I,  
167th Inf. Serial 241861.

An 8-W-A (9/10/21) gives Henry R. Boner - Pvt. Co M,  
28th Inf. Serial 97705.

Numerical Files per Phone Call(9/16/21) gives:  
241861 - George H. Hilton - *Dischg. June 4, 1920.*  
97795 - Henry R. Boner.

Request letter to AGO. for correct serial of Hry. R. Boner,  
Co M, 28th Inf. and Co I, 167th Inf. *and identity of this man.*

Investigator.  
B.C.Owen.

*B.C. Owen*

*1495*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
PURCHASE, STORAGE, AND TRAFFIC DIVISION  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

*File #*

*104115*

Memorandum for

9/21/21.

Mr. Good. . Please send the attached French Report to  
Chief of Staff for Interpretation.

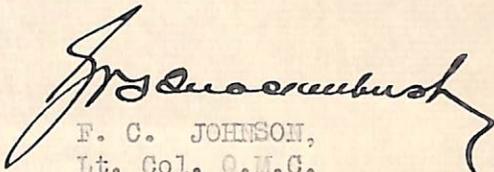
B.C.Owen.

*B.C.Owen*

Hqrs. American G.R.S., Q.M.C. in Europe, 8, Avenue d'Iena, PARIS. August 19th. 1921. - To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON, D.C.

1. Forwarded, inviting attention to basic communication, 1st., 2nd., and 3rd. Indorsements thereon, and to G.R.S. Forms #16-A. attached thereto.

4 Incls.

  
F. C. JOHNSON,  
Lt. Col. Q.M.C.  
Acting Chief.

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WASHINGTON

G.V.S. QUACKENBUSH.

Secretary #179. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11) (12) (13) (14) (15) (16) (17) (18) (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) (24) (25) (26) (27) (28) (29) (30) (31) (32) (33) (34) (35) (36) (37) (38) (39) (40) (41) (42) (43) (44) (45) (46) (47) (48) (49) (50) (51) (52) (53) (54) (55) (56) (57) (58) (59) (60) (61) (62) (63) (64) (65) (66) (67) (68) (69) (70) (71) (72) (73) (74) (75) (76) (77) (78) (79) (80) (81) (82) (83) (84) (85) (86) (87) (88) (89) (90) (91) (92) (93) (94) (95) (96) (97) (98) (99) (100)

F. C. JOHNSON,  
Lt. Col. Q.M.G.  
Acting Chief.

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By direction

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*G. V. S. Quackenbush*  
G. V. S. QUACKENBUSH,  
Lieut. Col. Q.M.G.  
Chief, Operations Division.

Valliers Tournelle.

3rd Ind.

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Hqrs., Area #3, American G.R.S., Q.M.G. in E., Amiens, Somme. August 15, 1921.  
To: Chief, American G.R.S., Q.M.G. in E., Paris.

1. Returned. Attached are forms 16-A covering disinterments and reburials of Unknown U.S. Soldier No. U-92, Grave 9, Plot C, Unknown U.S. Soldier No. U-93, Grave 26, Plot C, and Unknown U.S. Soldier No. U-94, Grave 31, Plot C.

2. No identifying articles or lead bullet discs could be found in the case of Unknown No. U-92 an aluminum identification tag was found in the earth about ten feet above the coffin. The inscription on tag is illegible except that it reads "28th Inf" or "18th Inf" and the letters "IN" can be read. Tag is forwarded herewith.



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Grave Location.

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Hqrs., Area #3, American GRS., QMC. in E., Amiens, Somme. July 27th, 1921.  
To: Chief, American GRS., QMC. in E., Paris.

1. Returned. After consulting the records of the Etat-Civil (Ailly-sur-Noye) and after a personal investigation of the French Military Cemetery, St.Aignan (Grivesnes), it was found that the body of BONER. Henry R. 241861, Co.M. 28th Inf. was buried by the French in Tombe 35, which after rearrangement by the French is now Tombe 187 occupied by an Unknown French Soldier. This office is informed by the Etat-Civil that all Americans buried in this Cemetery were removed to Villers Tournelle by an American detachment of Negro troops.

2. There are no records in this office that show the concentration of American soldiers into Villers Tournelle from French Military Cemetery St.Aignan (Grivesnes) although these records were requested Nov.29, 1920. However, some of the bodies originally at St.Aignan have been identified in Villers Tournelle.

3. It is the opinion of this office, after elimination, that Unknown U.S.Soldier No.U-99, buried Grave 105, Plot C, Cty.#176, Villers Tournelle, which has been exhumed by this office and no means of identification found, should be compared as to body description and dental chart with the description of BONER. Henry R. 241861. Co.M. 28th Inf. If this fails to locate Pvt.Boner, a comparison of his body description with the forms 16-A of Unknown U.S.Soldier U-92 buried Grave 9, Plot C, Unknown U.S.Soldier U-93 buried Grave 26, Plot C, and Unknown U.S.Soldier U-94 buried Grave 91, Plot C, Cty.#176 Villers Tournelle, may lead to identification. Unknown U.S.Soldiers Nos.U-92, U-93, U-94 and U-99 are the only unknowns in Villers Tournelle of which we have no record as to original burial.

4. If it is thought possible that lead battle discs might be found which were not discovered by the Field Section, it is recommended that Unknowns U-92, U-93 and U-94 be exhumed for that purpose.

RECORDED



*A. J. Davis*  
A. J. DAVIS  
Major, QMC.  
Supervisor.

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE  
8, AVENUE D'ENNA.

PARIS June 17, 1921.

293.9 Recovery (Area #3)

FROM: Chief.  
TO: Supervisor, Area #3, Amiens (Somme).  
SUBJECT: Grave location of an American Soldier.

1. Attached herewith is report from the French concerning grave location of Pvt. Henry R. BONER, 241861, Co. M., 28th Infantry.

2. You are directed to locate this grave and submit necessary G.R.S. data to this office with the least practicable delay.

By direction:

*E. A. Fry*  
EDGAR A. FRY  
Colonel, Infantry,  
Chief, Operations Division.

USA  
HW/mwa.  
1 Encl.

*Evreux 1144*

*4 K north of Villers Josselin*

*St. Leger*

*I searched on June 23. Somme  
Keris on " 24 St. Leger  
Letter written main*

*Gr A. 0266-*

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Copy

New Orleans  
June 2, 1919

Kind Sir:

I am writing to you for information concerning my son Corporal Hry. R. Boner, the notice of his death came like a shock after one year of watching waiting and praying. Oh I am proud that my first and oldest son died for his country but my heart is hungry for news where was my boy when killed. We never knew, only some where in France he never received one letter from his loved ones. Every one came back his Father served all through the Civil War and is now 79 years old. Oh you can know what we have given up. Now kind sir I pray you answer this and tell me something of my son .

From a sorrowing Mother.

Yours with all respects,

Mrs. Hry R. Boner.  
557 Octavia Street.

201 ( Boner, Hy. R. ) D.R.D.  
Burial Rec rds Section.

1st Ind.

PJ

War Dept., A.G.O., September 6, 1919.---To the Quartermaster General's  
Office, Cometerial Branch.

1. For exact location of grave in the case of Corporal Hy. R. Boner,  
Co. I. 167th Infantry, serial No. 241,861.
2. The records of this office show that this soldier was a private, and  
that he was killed in action on May 28, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:

K. Irwin

Adjutant General.

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2nd Ind.

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Synopsis made.

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G.R.S. 203.3  
Boner, Hry. R.

Graves Registration Service, Office of the Quartermaster General  
18th and Virginia Ave., Washington, D. C. November 21, 1919. To-  
Adjutant General's Office, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. The records of this office fail to show any grave location  
registered in the case of Corporal Hry. R. Boner.

By authority of the Quartermaster General, Director of Purchase  
and Storage:

CHARLES C PIERCE  
Colonel Q. M. C.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE  
Captain Q. M. C.  
Graves Registration Service

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

Date 10/27/19

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Boner Hoy. R.*

Serial Number

RANK *Corp.*

ORGANIZATION

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<p><i>No Record.</i></p>
2.	Date of Death.	
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty VCablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above 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.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control  
Dept.  
Directory  
Cards 5 x 8  
Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

*2nd Lt. Hoy R. Boner*  
*10/27/19*  
*M.R.*

No. 112.  
INQUIRY.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

Bones, Henry R. <sup>1915</sup>

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