

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 9 - 1928

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FULL NAME..... BOWLES, Whitney *Sol King*

RANK..... Sergeant ✓ SERIAL..... 1225334 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... Company L, 107th Infantry *27th Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... *Sept. 29/18.* ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *N.Y.* ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... ~~None~~ *Awarded D.S.C.*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... *20 15 20 25 B*

Date Grave Row Block

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Cemetery

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Robert O. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

By *hL*

SEP 2/27/28
AUDITED BY:
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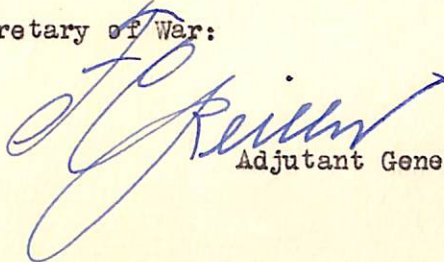
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War Department, A.G.O., March 27, 1928. To: The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that Whitney Bowles, A.S.#1225334, was posthumously awarded the Distinguished-Service Cross.

By order of the Secretary of War:


Adjutant General.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bowles, # 1225334 Whitney
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt. Co. L. 107th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 2 October 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Cemetery Battle Field

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

Sheet 62 B. A-13-b-0-1 West Grave.

Grave 33.

GRAVE NUMBER.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? *Yes*

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

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

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

REPORTED BY:

Peter E. Hoeg,

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q., A. E. F.

Co.L. 107th Inf.

Bowles Whitney Sgt.

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He was killed instantly by a machine Gun bullet in the head in the Hindenburg Line south of Cambrai at Roussey buried at Guillaumont Farm in a large cemetery where there is a number of 27 Division boys buried He had dark hair, dark eyes and complexion a very good looking fellow about 5'9". tall. We called him Whit. He enlisted in the 7th National Guard, New York. A cable came after he was killed saying that a child has been born on Oct. 10th. At this time his wife had not heard of his death. There was no other in the Company of the same name. I had known him about a year and a half.

"Killed in Informant; Russel Myron Sgt. 1211919. near Roussey, France

Buried in Guillaumont Farm Cemetery Le Mans AM. Emb. Center.

Co.L. 107th Inf.

Home Address. 99 Central Ave. White Plains N.Y.

3e Informant Mar. 7th 1919. given.

V/Coppinger. Searcher.

Enq. L.C. eny Address:-

Mrs Whitney Bowles (Wife)
Newfoundland N.J. A.R.C. Hdqs. New York City.

Enquirer: James Whigham C/o John Magee 42nd St. New York City.

Co. L., 107th Inf.

BOWLES Whitney Sgt.

"Killed in action September 29th 1918. near Rensoy, France
Buried in Guillaumont Farm Cemetery. Grave No B-I-33."

No Informant nor Searcher given.

Emergency Address:-
Mrs Whitney Bowles (Wife)
Newfoundland N.J.

Enquirer: James Whigham C/o John Magee A.R.C.Hqrs New York City.

E. F.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

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X 293.3 France

December 10, 1918.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.
To: The Quartermaster General, (Cemeterial Branch).
Subject: Request that remains of soldiers be not returned to America.

1. In a letter addressed to the Chief of Staff, dated December 5, 1918, Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles, 645 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y., requests that the body of her son, Sergeant Whiteley Bowles, said to have been killed in France on September 29, 1918, be allowed to rest in France where now buried.

2. This request of Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles is approved; she has been notified of this approval, and the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, has also been so advised and directed to take action accordingly.

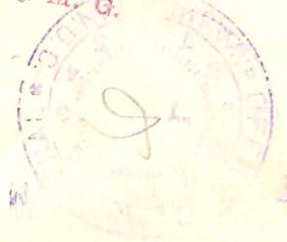
3. This is sent you for your information.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. B. C. Brown
Adjutant General.

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ASST TO Q. M. G.



Bowles, Whitney
Sgt.

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New Jersey

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, JULY 26, 1933

Morris County

Name: Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles (E-25)

Address: The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, N.J.

Route: Erie R.R. to New York

Lv. Newfoundland Train No. 720
Ar. Jersey City

7.59 A.M., July 25
9.41 A.M., July 25

Accommodations: Coach service from Newfoundland, N.J. to Jersey City, N.J.

Elapsed Time: 1 hour 42 minutes

~~John J. ...~~
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QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney

July 20, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of July 19th, advising that you now find it possible to sail on the President Roosevelt, July 26th, to visit the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, in the Some American Cemetery in France.

Accordingly, reservation is being made for you. The railroad company will furnish transportation to New York as set forth in office letter of July 10th, i.e., Erie Railroad, Train 720 at 7.59 AM, July 25th.

Per diem check in the amount of \$1.87 is returned herewith to cover incidental expenses enroute to New York.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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1933 JUL 21 - AM 11:05
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Check #295,169
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Washington

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Bowles, Whitney Sgt.

I decline the invitation extended

Accept or decline

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

Mrs. Josephine Bowles

Name

4 E. 62nd St., New York, New York Co., New York

Town or City

State

July 20, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland, New Jersey

RETEL NINETEENTH RESERVATION ON PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT JULY TWENTY SIXTH

RESTORED LETTER FOLLOWS GSM 4578

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Quartermaster General

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney



QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney

July 15, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 8th, returning the check for incidental expenses enroute to New York and advising that you will not be able to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is sincerely regretted you are not able to accept this last opportunity to visit the grave of your husband in the beautiful Somme American Cemetery in France.

The identification badge forwarded you to wear while on the pilgrimage may be retained by you if desired.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-M

June 13, 1933

Bowles, Whitney (SOM)

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Immediately following receipt of your acceptance of the invitation to make a pilgrimage to Europe, sailing July 26, 1933, a letter containing general information of importance was mailed to you. In this letter you were told how to proceed to obtain a passport which you must have before you can visit Europe. Your passport has not yet been received in this office.

If it is your intention to make the pilgrimage, you should go at once to the Clerk of the Common Pleas Court at Morristown, taking with you:

1. Four (4) photographs of yourself on thin paper (unmounted) not more than 3 x 3 inches or less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ x $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches in size;
2. Your invitation and any evidence of citizenship you may have;
3. Someone who has known you at least two years to identify you.

The Clerk will help you fill out the application and HE will forward it to the State Department. Your passport will be delivered to you aboard the boat. No charge will be made for the application or passport.

If you have changed your mind and do not intend to make the pilgrimage, please so inform this office at once. It is necessary to know at this time whether or not you intend to make the pilgrimage in order that reservations and other necessary arrangements may be made for you.

It is requested you advise whether you are making application for your passport or whether you have decided not to make a pilgrimage. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosure
Envelope.

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1933 JUN - 12 - PM 4:50
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QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Som)

February 13, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Stone House,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 1st accepting the invitation to sail July 26th on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT to visit the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is sincerely hoped that nothing will prevent you from taking advantage of this last offer of the Government to make a pilgrimage. However, in the event you find it impossible to make the journey please notify this office sixty days prior to your sailing date, in order that the reservations made for you may be cancelled.

The Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, provides for pilgrimages to be made by only the mothers and widows of deceased veterans, and under the law the privilege of making the journey is not transferable. It is therefore regretted to advise that your son could not be permitted to make the pilgrimage in the event you are unable to sail.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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1933 FEB - 13 - AM 11:06

QQMG M & R BR

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Som)

December 7, 1932

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
4 East 62nd St.,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of December 5th, relative to your desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles with the first group of mothers and widows making the journey.

It is regretted to advise that the first group of women scheduled to make the pilgrimage during the coming summer, does not contain a party which will visit the Somme American Cemetery, where the remains of your son are interred. A sailing in early June however, will include a group to visit this cemetery and, if desired, arrangements could be made for you to be included with this group. Under these arrangements you would return to the United States on or about July 7th.

It is requested you advise whether or not you desire to be included in this party.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

December 1, 1932.

Bowles, Whitney (Son)

Mrs. Josephine Bowles,
4 East 62nd Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

In reply to a questionnaire from this office you advised that you were undecided about making a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, during the summer months of 1933.

In order that the best available accommodations may be secured for the mothers and widows, it is necessary that hotel and steamship reservations be made several months in advance. It is therefore requested you advise at this time whether or not you believe you will make the trip next summer.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney Som

September 7, 1932.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney (Son)*

July 18, 1932.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
Hotel Fairfax,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 12, 1932

Bowles, Whitney (Som)

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N.J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

April 4, 1932.

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son) M

Mrs. Josephine Bowles,
Hotel Fairfax,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

*letter not received
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Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 28, 1932, advising that you cannot sail May 17th on the LEVIATHAN to visit the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles in the Somme American Cemetery in France, and requesting that you be permitted to go in September.

It is regretted to advise that it will not be possible to arrange for you to sail in ~~September~~ as there are no sailings of mothers and widows scheduled for that month. The last group of pilgrims visiting the Somme Cemetery this summer will sail July 6th on the PRESIDENT HARDING and if you so desire arrangements will be made for you to sail at that time.

If you decide to sail July 6th it will be appreciated if you will so notify this office at the earliest practicable date in order that the necessary arrangements may be made for you. Should you be unable to make the pilgrimage this year, you will of course be given the opportunity to go during 1933, the last year for which pilgrimages are authorized.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney (Son) M

November 2, 1931.

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Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bowles, Whitney Sgt. (Son) H*

July 20, 1931.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland, Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bowles, Whitney, Sgt (Som) M*

July 20, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son)

May 21, 1931

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 15th,
declining the invitation to sail on the AMERICA July 16, 1931,
to visit the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is regretted that circumstances prevent you from
making the pilgrimage at this time. Your name has been placed
upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to visit
the cemeteries of Europe in 1932, and you will be communicated
with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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1931 MAY - 21 - AM 11:33

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney, Sgt. (Som-M)

April 23, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
Hotel Fairfax,
116 East 56th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of your letter of April 21st, in connection with your pilgrimage to the Somme American Cemetery in France, sailing from New York on the S.S. America, July 16, 1931.

It is regretted to advise you that it would not be possible to assign you a room aboard ship to yourself, even by paying any extra amount necessary. Any discrimination as to accommodations is expressly prohibited by the law governing the pilgrimage.

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Your itinerary provides for your leaving New York City July 16th, arriving at Cherbourg July 25th, spending the time from July 25th to August 8th at or near the cemetery and in Paris. Your party will leave Cherbourg August 8th and is due to arrive at New York August 16th on the S.S. President Roosevelt. It will not be possible to authorize any extension of time in Europe, except under the condition that any expenses incurred by you after leaving your party, including return transportation to the United States, must be borne by you from personal funds.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney 636-M Sgt.

April 6, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the ^{mother} of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

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QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney 636-W

March 23, 1931

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the "America" on July 16, 1931.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before April 29, 1931, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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U.S.M.G.M. & H. DIV.

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney 636 M

October 18, 1930

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York City, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The amendment to the Act mentioned provides for one pilgrimage to be made to the cemeteries of Europe at Government expense by the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces whose remains are interred in Europe or were lost at sea. You are, therefore, eligible, under the terms of the amendment, to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles at the expense of the Government.

In the event you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1931, 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you communicate with this office, in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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October 11, 1930

Bowles, Whitney Sgt 636 M

Mrs. Porter Bowles
59 East 56th Street
New York City

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 10, 1930

Bowles, Whitney

636-R

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The Act of March 2, 1929 excluded from its benefits those mothers and widows who had made former visits to the graves of their loved ones in Europe. On May 15, 1930 that Act was amended to remove this restriction. Therefore, you are now eligible to make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who have previously visited their sons' or husbands' graves, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney - 636 M

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
% National City Bank,
5th Ave. & 28th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney 636-M

September 4, 1930.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bowles, Whitney 636 -W

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Newfoundland,
New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney

Aug. 16, 1929.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.**

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 widow of the late **Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co. L, 107th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

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|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? | |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage? | |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother? | |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address. | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bowles, Whitney

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
c/o Nat'l City Bank,
5th Ave. Branch,
5th Ave. & 26 St.,
New York, N.Y.

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 **Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co. L, 107th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney

July 31, 1929.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
New Townland, N.J.**

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 widow of the late **Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co. L, 107th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Soame American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

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|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? | |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage? | |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother? | |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address. | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
39 West 55th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

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 **Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Company L, 107th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Some American Cemetery, Bony, 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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Newfoundland,
New Jersey.

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 widow of the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Company L, 107th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also 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,

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

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE March 16, 1928

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BOWLES, Whitney 10. Name _____
 2. No. 1225334 11. No. _____
 3. Rank Sergt. 12. Rank _____
 4. Org. Co. L, 107th Inf. 13. Org. _____
 5. D.D. Sept. 29, 1918 14. (a) D.D. _____
 6. C.D. KIA (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 26 Sec. _____ 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 8. Plot Block B Row 26 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____ 17. _____

18. Cemetery Somme 19. Commune or town Bony20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #63623. Disinterred (Date) March 16, 1928 By P.D. WOODMAN

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BOWLES, Whitney Serial No. 1225334Rank Sergt. Organization Co. L, 107th Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

One collar ornament 107 crossed rifles.

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Field burial

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 March 16, 1928 By P.D. WOODMAN31. Casket sealed by P.D. Woodman

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

for P.D. WOODMAN

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

32. Designation of body: _____

Name BOWLES, Whitney Serial No. 1225334

Rank Sergt. Organization Co. I. 107th Inf.

33. Consigned to: _____

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) March 16, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

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 _____

J.J. Dillon
J. J. DILLON

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 March 16, 1928 Somme American Cty.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 15 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 25

G.R.S. Representative _____

J.F.V. Brady
J.F.V. BRADY
Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date March 16, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BOWLES, Whitney SERIAL NUMBER 1,225,334

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. I, 107th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : March 16, 1928 From (give complete location) :
Grave 26, Block B, Row 26

By : Group 15 Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : March 16, 1928 In (give complete location) :
Grave 15, Block B, Row 25

By : Group _____ Cty. Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metalic casket

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

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

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

One collar ornament ¹⁰⁷ L crossed rifles.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(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) _____

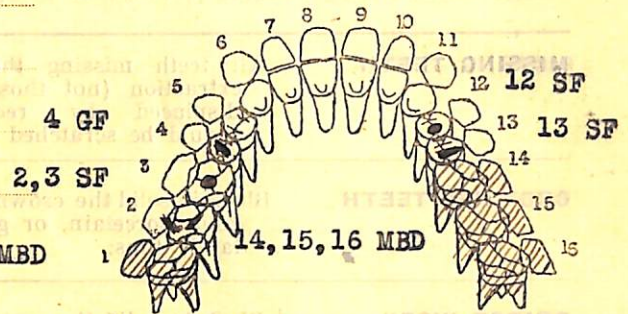
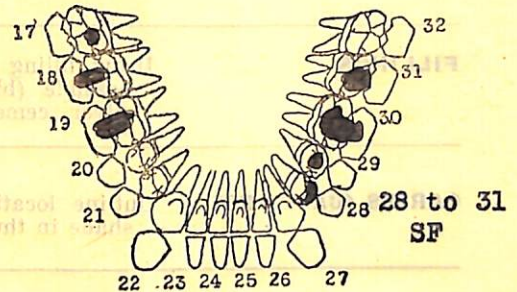


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by P. Woodman

Approved : _____
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by J. J. Pillers
3-7832

Approved : _____
(Title)

Bowles, Whitney

1,225,334

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(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Sgt. Co L 107th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

wife.

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?

(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)

Elizabeth G. Bowles.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Newfoundland N.I.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Letter sent to
Mrs. Whitney Bowles,
43 East 25th St.,
New York, N.Y.

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12-8-21
Drawn by Mr

QM 293 A-C

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BOWLES, Whitney - Sergt.

April 24, 1926

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Newfoundland,
N.J.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

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

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

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

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Record card.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Bowles, Whitney

Number: 1225384.

Rank: Cpl.

Organization: Co.L. 107 Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group # 2 Unit 302

Disinterred (Date) June 2nd, 1919. From: (Give complete location)

Grave # 4, Row # 1, Plot B, Guillmomt Farm Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., Cambrai S.W.
East 174.9, North 364.3.

Reburied (Date) June 2nd, 1919. in: (Give complete location)

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Grave # 182, Row # 7, Plot H, Bony Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., 13 S.W. East 176.3,
North 363.8.

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

No wrapping, condition poor.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.

What other means of identification were found on the body? None.

CONFIRMED No. 11207

Note:

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

file
6/11/30

Supervised by: Edmund J. Gaire C. E. Braden 2nd, Lt. C. M. C.
Put 1/2 U.S.A.
C.O. Group # 2 Unit 302

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File -40193

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Bowles, Whitney Ser. No. 1225334
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. L. 107th Inf.
(c) Date of death 9-29-18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. ZK
CKR. g.m.c.

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

(a) Grave No. 182 Row 7 Plot H Sec. --- TYP. ZK
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Whitney Bowles (Wife) Newfoundland, New Jersey

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Elizabeth G. Bowles (b) Relationship Wife
(c) Address Newfoundland, N.J.
(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 BER Date 9-1, 1920.

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials BER Date 9-1, 1920.

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

Mother - Josephine Bowles
645 Madison Ave N.Y. 12-5-18. requests body
of son be left in France

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes H.W.

Examiner's Initials HW Date 9-1, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY NO. 636

SHEET No. 117

checked by
CB 2-8-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 9/4 _____, 1920

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

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *Form 120, 9/9/20, Elizabeth G. Bowler (widow) Newfoundland, N. J. requests that body remain in France.*

Letter from mother 5-9-20 requests location of grave 9-16-20. F.L. 12-1-21

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bowles, # 1225334 Whitney
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt. Co. L. 107th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. 2 October 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL. Cemetery Battle Field.

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

Sheet 62 B. A-13-b-a-1 West Grave.

Grave 33.

GRAVE NUMBER.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? *Yes*

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

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

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

REPORTED BY:

Peter E. Hoey,

Chaplain 107th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

**REVIEWED
OSP SS.**

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

40193

1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 1225334

3. Bowles Whitney
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. 9/29/18 K.I.A.
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. 10/3/18 Gillamont Farm
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 33 1 B
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

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12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

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Signed

Group Unit G. R. S.

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

October 19, 1921.

FILE

Mrs. Whitney Bowles,
c/o Villa St. James,
Parame, Ille et Ville,
France.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of September 30th is received and noted. As Col. Rethers advised you a commission appointed by the Secretary of War, of whom the Chairman of the National Commission of Fine Arts was one, visited the cemeteries in France to be retained as permanent burial places for our dead for the purpose of advising as to plans for their development and ornamentation. The main features of these plans will undoubtedly be adopted although there may be some modifications in detail and amount of land to be acquired. The plans for the cemetery at Bony contemplate removal of the graves to what the Commission considered a more advantageous and appropriate site a short distance from their present location.

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It will probably not be possible, under the plans submitted, to comply with your request. In fact, in view of the large number of removals from this cemetery for return to the United States very few of the burials to be left could remain in exactly in their original places without giving the cemetery an unsightly appearance. I think the relatives whose dead are to remain in this cemetery would be generally agreeable to such a modification of the arrangement after concentrations are completed as will place the cemetery in the condition the final resting places shall be.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, O. O. M. G.,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

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MAILED
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Colonel, G. M. C.,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

*E/a. on 5x8
New foundland,
N.J.*

the Commission's plans be altered
to allow those already buried
there to remain in place.

I would appreciate a reply
to my request, I am,

Very truly yours.

(Mrs Whitney) Elizabeth J Bowles.

September 30th 1921.

Parame' Elle et Ville

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Parame
of Villa St. James.
(E+V) France.

Col. Charles C. Pierce. Elle et Ville
Chief, Graves Reg. Service.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

At the Graves Registration Bureau
in Paris I had been told by Col. Matthews
that they present ^{American} Cemetery # 636
at Bouy, Aisne, France is to be
made over to carry out the plans
of the Fine Arts Commission of

Row 7, Plot H, he left untouched
and that his body is not to be
disinterred for reburial.

The continued changing of the War
Department plans for this cemetery
with the consequent disintering of
so many bodies is antagonistic

to the spirit with which the American
families have left their relatives
there. I feel certain and I

make a strong plea that

the War Department and, that every
body there now will be disin-
terred for reburial is a different
case which the War Department
has ordered and, that the present
graves there will be moved further
up the hill and arranged to
carry out the Commission's
plans.

I wish to make the request
that my husband's grave # 182

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

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Push Answer
no change

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
TO: Elizabeth G. Bowles, Newfoundland, N.J.
SUBJECT: Remains of Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co.L. 107th Inf. Ser.No. 1225334

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

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

NAME OF—	INSTRUCTIONS FOR BURIAL	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	Elizabeth G. Bowles	living	Newfoundland	U. S.
Soldier's children (Name oldest first.)	1. Whitney Bowles			
	2. X			
	3. X			
Father	Albright Whitney Bowles	living	New York City	
Mother	Josephine P. Bowles	living 39 West 55	New York City	
Brothers (Name oldest first.)	1. X			
	2. X			
	3. X			
Sisters (Name oldest first.)	1. X			
	2. X			
	3. X			

CENTRAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



Date September 9th 1920

Signature Elizabeth G. Bowles

Address Newfoundland U.S.

Relationship wife

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

Handwritten note: placed on 9-11-20 F.O.C.

September 9th, 1920.

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name) _____ (State) _____ (R. station.)

3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Elizabeth J. Gowles

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING OUT.

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

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WASHINGTON
SERVICES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT

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REGISTRATION SECTION.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CEMETERIAL DIVISION.

File No.
OSPSS Ref. NO.
Follow-up No. 801

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

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by:) (date)
Data sent Overseas
Operations to commence (approx.)
Operations to be completed (approx.)
Bodies shipped from European Port
Bodies arrived at Hoboken

II. CASE OF Whitney Bowles, Sgt. Co L. 107th Inf.

The following information was abstracted (Date) from:

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards			Shppg. Inquiry (sent.....)		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To.....		
G.R.S. corresp. relative to disp.			OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN.			SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.	REMAIN	
√ Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)			r	
Father <u>Elizabeth G. Bowles,</u>				
Mother <u>Newfoundland,</u>				
Brothers <u>n.g.</u>				
Sisters				

Body to be shipped to was shipped (Date)

REMARKS Qty #636 not audited

g.m.c. 5-21-20
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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date **5/14/20**

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME **Bowles, Whitney**

Serial Number

RANK **Sgt**

ORGANIZATION **Co L-107th Inf.**

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1-yes-Except Ser. No. 1225334
2.	Date of Death.	2-9-29-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3-R/a
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4-CC-298
5.	Date buried.	5-10-3-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6 Disinterred from Grave 4, Plot 13, Row 1 Guillemont Farm, Mil. Cty 641, Bony, Aisne. Reburied-6-2-19 in Grave 182, Row 7, Plot H Amer. Cty 636, Bony, Aisne ✓
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?	10a-yes 10b-yes
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11-Mrs Whitney Bowles Newfoundland N. J.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	12-12-12-18
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	13-12-12-18
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	14-B-12336
15.	Inquiry made by?	Released by Information Control Dept. Directory Cards 5x8 Cards 4x6

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Handwritten initials

Co.L. IO7th Inf.

Bowles Whitney Sgt.

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He was killed instantly by a machine Gun bullet in the head in the Hindenburg Line south of Cambrai at Roussey buried at Guillamont Farm in a large cemetery where there is a number of 27 Division boys buried He had dark hair, dark eyes and complexion a very good looking fellow about 5'9".tall.We called him Whit.He enlisted in the 7th National Guard, New Yoark.A cable came after he was killed saying that a child has been born on Oct.I0th. At this time his wife had not heard of his death,There was no other in the Company of the same name. I had knowp him about a year and a half.

Informant;Russel Myron Sgt° I2II9I9.

Le Mans AM. Emb. Center.

Co.L. IO7th Inf°

Home Address. 99 Central Ave. White Plains N.Y.

Mar. 7th I9I9.

V/Coppinger. Searcher.

L.C.

Inquirers: James Nhigham e/o John Magee
A.R.C. Hdqs. New York City.

~~CARD IN FILE~~

May 9th 1920

Col. Charles F. Pierce
Dear Sir.

Will you kindly
send me a duplicate copy
of the notice of the location
of my son's grave which was
sent to my son's wife. I
am going to France to visit
the grave of my son I wish
to have some official notice
of the location and she
naturally wishes to keep the
letter sent to her. As



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I am lacking red & mouth
and early reply would be
appreciated.

Yours truly

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Joseph P. Carter

Mr. Park - Carter.

39 West 55th St.

New York City.

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(G. P. S. Form No 107)

Lt. William Carter

Co. B. 107th Infantry.

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

June 10, 1919.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.

Soldier's name : WHITNEY BOWLES
Rank : Sergeant.
Organization : Co. L., 107th Infantry. AMF.
Date of Death : September 29, 1918.
Place of Burial : Grave #4, Row #1, Plot "B",
American Battle Area Cemetery;
Commune of BONY, at GILLEMONT-
FARM, Department of AISNE.

Reference number : 40193.

(All communications regarding this Grave location should
quote the above reference number and be addressed to : -
Chief, Graves Registration Service
Headquarters Service of Supply
Office of the Chief Quartermaster
American E. F.
France.)

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

Copies forwarded to Paris and for
Mr. James Whigham, A.R.C. Hqs., New York City, USA.

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

FILE NUMBER 40193

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 3/20/19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME BOWLES - WHITNEY

NUMBER 1225334

RANK SGT.

ORGANIZATION Co. L. 107th INF.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1. Yes
2.	Date of Death.	2. 9-29-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. K/a
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4. 298
5.	Date buried.	5. 10-3-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6. Amer. Cty. #641, Guillemont Farm, Bony, Aisne Grave No. 4, Row 1, Plot B
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.?	8. CONFIRMED N° D
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9. Cross
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10. 1 tag b.w.b. 1 " attached to marker
11.	Who is nearest relative?	11. Mrs. Whitney Bowles, wife Newfoundland, N.Y.
12.	Has N/R been notified?	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	12. 12-12-18
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Graves Registration Service, APO 717,

Paris,

March 3d, 1950.

Name of Soldier: Whitney Bowles

Rank: Sgt.

Company: L

Regiment: 107th Infantry

Forward Burial Report to
"Bureau of Communication" for

Enquirer - James Whigham, c/o John Magee

A.R.C. Hq., New York City.

Paris Office, ARC.

Burial report required for Paris.



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Bowles, Whitney

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Records

General Rogers

General Carson

General Madden

Colonel Hanson

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(Misc) 20851-A-43

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G. H. Q., American E. F., France, January 14, 1919 - To the Commanding General, S. O. S.

Approved. This request will be made of record by Graves Registration Service.

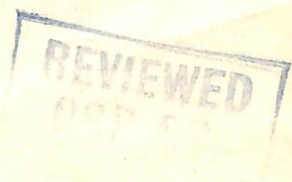
By command of General Pershing:

J. M. Woolfolk
Adjutant General.

2 incl.



CQM



France, January 14, 1919.

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From: Adjutant General.
To: Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles, 645 Madison Ave.,
New York, N. Y.
Subject: Disposition of Remains of Sergeant Whitney
Bowles, 107th Infantry.

1. The Commander-in-Chief directs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter, expressing your wish that the body of your son, Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Company "L", 107th Infantry, should remain in France, and to state that your request will be complied with.

2. The Commander-in-Chief wishes me to express to you his sympathy in the loss which you have sustained in the cause of our Country.

J. M. Woolfolk,
Adjutant General.



G.H.Q., A.M.F.
13 JAN 1919

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In future correspondence on this subject, refer to 201 Bowles, Whiteley (Ac. Div.)

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

December 10, 1918.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.
To: The Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, France.
Subject: Request that remains of soldiers be not returned to America.

The request contained in the attached letter from Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles, 645 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y., is approved. You are directed to take action accordingly.

The writer of this letter has been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

received
A.G.O.

10 JAN 1919

G.H.Q. A.E.F.

J.C. Ashburn
Adjutant General.

CFB-KSS
1 Incl.

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6215 Head in Column

NOTED-G. OF S.

New York

General Reginald C. March

OFFICE CHIEF OF STAFF
REC'D DEC 7 1918

Dear Sir

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I read in the papers that the bodies of American soldiers killed in France are to be returned to their country, unless otherwise

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OFFICE CHIEF OF STAFF,
To The Adjutant General

for reply.

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OFFICE CHIEF OF STAFF
REC'D DEC 7 1918

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A.C.O.: 879.81
Boulton, Whiteley

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requested by the family. I feel
strongly on the subject and do
not wish the removal of any man
Sergeant Whetsey Co. 107^T
N. I. Infantry sent back to full
in action Sept. 29th. When the time
comes I should like to be notified when
he is needed. Yours truly,
Dec. 5th 1918 Joseph P. Cook.

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

FILE NUMBER *

FROM:- Swindle

DATE:

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME:

Bowles, Whitney

NUMBER.

RANK

Sgt

ORGANIZATION

Co. L.

107th Inf

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1) *Whitney Bowles 1225334 Sgt. CO.L. 107th. Inf.
2.	Date of Death	(2) 9-29-18
3.	Cause and place of death	3) *Killed In Action
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4) C.C. # 298
5.	Date buried	
6.	Grave Location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required	6) *Grave No. 33 Plot-1 Sec.-B. Cemetery # 641 (Amer) B/A Gillemont Farm Commune of Bony, (Aisne)
7.	Who reported burial	
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker	
10.	Report as to Identification Tags	
11.	Who is nearest relative?	(11) *Mrs. Whitney Bowles (Wife) Newfoundland, N.J.
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	* (12) 12-12-18
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.?	

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Newfoundland.

Bulletin G.R.S. .004.5 forwarded April 29, 1919.

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January 17th 1918.

Chief, Claims Registration Service,

Dear Sir,

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I would appreciate it if you would send me a picture of the place where my husband Sgt. Arthur Bowles, Co. I., 107th Inf. is buried. The place designated is Mexican Path Area, Gillespie Farm, Commune of Bouy (Aisne)



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Have if there are any pictures
showing the country in which our
men have been fighting, that is
the 27th Div. or any information
as to how to procure same I would
greatly appreciate it if you would
let me know.

Yours very sincerely,

Wm Whitney Bowles.


CODE SLIP

Eligible



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Bowles</i>	3	<i>2 0 12</i>
	<i>Whitney</i>		<i>3 3</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>636</i>	1	<i>5</i>
	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	<i>15</i>
	ROW <i>25</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>N. Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>Sgt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>27</i>	2	<i>27</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>107</i>	3	<i>107</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME	<i>Bowles</i>	3	<i>2 0 12</i>
	<i>Mrs Elizabeth</i>		<i>3 5</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>N. J.</i>	2	<i>14</i>
	COUNTY <i>Morris</i>	2	<i>X X X</i>
	CITY <i>Newfoundland</i>	3	<i>5</i>
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>1933</i>	1	<i>4</i>
	YR. <i>Apr</i>	1	<i>43</i>
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
29/514	<i>Apr</i>	1	<i>43</i>

AUDITED
DEC 8 1931
RS

 Name BOWLES, Mrs Elizabeth G.

Paris Hôtel HOTEL D' IENA
..... AVENUE

Home address The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, Morris County, New Jersey.

Party E Group Unit

Date of arrival 8/3/17 SS. ROOSEVELT Date of departure 8/17/33. SS. WASHINGTON

Relationship Widow (39) 43

Name of deceased BOWLES, Whitney

Rank Sgt Organization Co. I., 107th Inf.

Cemetery SOMME G 15 - B - 25

REMARKS

Accompanied by her friend Miss Coil

PARTY "E"
SOMME GROUP.

1. This pilgrim arrived in Le Havre, France, on August 3 at 6:15 PM. She debarked from the SS President Roosevelt and left for Paris on the train. On arriving at the Gare des Invalides, she went to the Hotel d'Iena, where she stayed during her time in Paris.
2. Friday, August 4, the morning was taken up with conferences with the Conducting Officers. That afternoon she visited Cluny.
3. Saturday, August 5, the morning was free, she lunched at the hotel, and that afternoon she went to the ceremony at the Arc de Triomphe and the tea at the Resturant Laurent.
4. Sunday, August 6, she left Paris in the morning and visited Chantilly, lunched at Compiègne, visited Amiens and spent the night at Arras.
5. Monday, August 7, she lunched at the cemetery and spent the night at Arras.
6. Tuesday, August 8, she went to the cemetery, lunched at St. Quentin, and returned to Arras for the night.
7. Wednesday, August 9, she visited Vimy Ridge, lunched at Arras, visited the Thiépval Monument and returned to Arras for the night.
8. Thursday, August 10, she went to the cemetery, lunched at St. Quentin and spent the night at Reims.
9. Friday, August 11, she visited the O.A. cemetery, lunched at Château Thierry, visited the A.M. cemetery and returned to Paris.
10. Saturday, August 12, she shopped in the morning, lunched at the hotel and visited Versailles in the afternoon.
11. Sunday, August 13, she went to church in the morning, lunched at the hotel and went on a night sightseeing trip.
12. Monday, August 14, she visited Napoleon's Tomb, lunched in the Bois and visited Sacre Coeur.
13. Tuesday, August 15, she visited the Lafayette Escadrille, lunched at the hotel and visited Notre Dame in the afternoon.
14. Wednesday, August 16, she went to the Louvre, lunched at the hotel and the afternoon was free.
15. Thursday, August 17, she left from the Gare des Invalides for Le Havre. She boarded the SS Washington there and sailed at 1:15 PM.

BOWLES ELIZABETH (MRS)

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bowles</i>	<i>Bow</i>	3	2 0 12 5 3
<i>Whitney</i>	CETTERY <i>636</i>	1	5
BURIED	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	15
	ROW <i>25</i>	2	25
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	2
STATE	<i>ny.</i>	2	37
RANK	<i>Sgt.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>27</i>	2	27
ORGANIZATION	<i>107</i>	3	107
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NAME <i>Bowles</i>	<i>Bow</i>	3	2 0 12 5 3
<i>Mrs. Porter</i>	STATE <i>ny</i>	2	37
RESIDENCE (<i>Josephine</i>)	COUNTY <i>ny</i>	2	31
<i>H. E. 62 4th</i>	CITY <i>NYC</i>	3	101
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Priv. Trip</i>	1	23
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	2
29/514	<i>Age 60</i>		60

Deleted Lem. 5-17-32
 Declined Wash. 6-7-33

AUDITED
 DEC 8 1951
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PM

**WAR DEPARTMENT
 PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS
 225 West 34th. St. New York, N. Y.**

E

Party

Number **541a**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATIONS.

Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth C.
Name of Pilgrim
The New foundland Inn
City Home Address County
Newfoundland, N.J.
State

Actual cost of
 Through Pullman at the
 Lower Berth Rate.

New York, to **New**

Destination of Ticket \$.....

via **MOTOR**

Date of Departure

Expiration Date of Ticket

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower Seat or Coach	Car	U.S.G. Order No.	Actual Cost
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Excess Fare New York, to. Cost \$ Total

Stop Over

Through Rate	
Excess	

Bowles, Whitney

EXCERPT FROM CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT PARTY "E"

The following pilgrims of Party "E" made side trips at their own expense:-

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles and Mrs. Annette M. Golly, left their group at Arras, August 7, returned to Paris and took side trip to Switzerland.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Hubbard left her group at Arras, returned to Paris and took side trip to Switzerland August 7, returning August 14.

Mrs. Augusta Lams left her group at Soissons August 11, returned to Paris and took side trip to Sweevezele, Belgium, returning to Paris Aug. 16.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE July 20, 1935

MEMORANDUM

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in
passenger list for: **PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT - July 26, 1935**

Change # **34** Party **E**

RESTORE

MORRIS COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

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43 W Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth G.
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland

Sgt. Whitney Bowles
Grave 15, Row 25, Block B

For The Quartermaster General,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE July 12, 1933

MEMORANDUM

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in
passenger list for:

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT - July 26, 1933

PARTY

Change #

29

8

ADD

KINGS COUNTY

NEW YORK

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42 LP Hiditch, Mrs. Lena
2842 West 29th St.,
Brooklyn

Pvt. 1st. Nathan Yellman
Grave 31, Row 17, Block F

ADD

UNION COUNTY

OREGON

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49 McKinney, Mrs. Frances S. Pvt. Geo. C. McKinney
Kamela

Grave 4, Row 6, Block F

DELETE Mrs. Thomas W. Baslarffe

VIRGINIA

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DELETE Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bowles

NEW JERSEY

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For The Quartermaster General,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

New Jersey

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, JULY 26, 1933

Morris County

Name: Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles (E-25)

Address: The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, N.J.

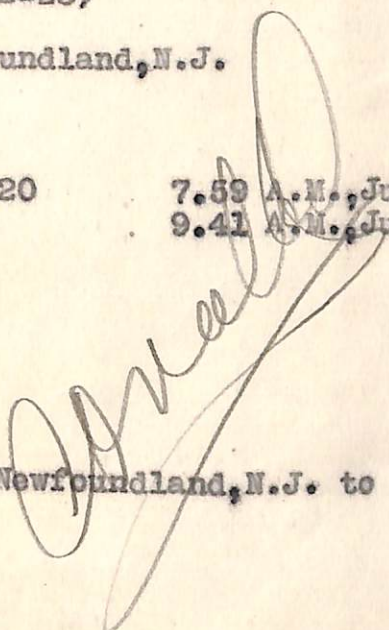
Route: Erie R.R. to New York

Lv. Newfoundland Train No. 720
Ar. Jersey City

7.59 A.M., July 25
9.41 A.M., July 25

Accommodations: Coach service from Newfoundland, N.J. to Jersey City, N.J.

Elapsed Time: 1 hour 42 minutes

A large, handwritten signature in dark ink, possibly reading "Elizabeth G. Bowles", is written diagonally across the lower right portion of the document, overlapping the "Accommodations" and "Elapsed Time" lines.

PARTY "E"
July 11th, 1933.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland, N.J.

Dear Madam:

Upon your arrival in New York City you will be met at the railroad station by an Army Officer who will engage porter service to take care of your baggage and escort you to the hotel. During your sojourn here before sailing for Europe and upon your return from Europe, you will stop at the Hotel Pennsylvania, 33rd Street and 7th Avenue, New York City.

The two tags and four identification pasters accompanying this communication are intended to protect your baggage while in transit. One tag should be attached to the handle of each piece of your baggage and a paster placed on each end of each piece of your baggage before leaving your home. Your baggage will be safer and also more readily available to you after your arrival in New York if it is placed with you on the train.

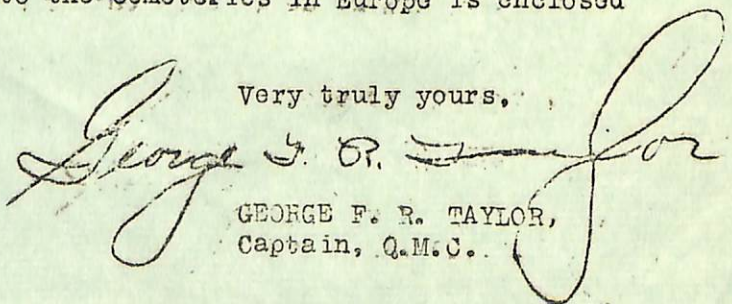
All mail intended to reach you between July 26th, 1933, the day you sail from the United States, and August 17th, 1933, the day you leave Europe, should be addressed to you in care of American Pilgrimage, 20 Rue Molitor, Paris (16), France; for example:

Mrs. Mary Smith,
c/o American Pilgrimage,
20 Rue Molitor,
Paris (16), France.

The party you are to travel with will be disbanded in New York City on the day following your return from Europe and all arrangements for your Pullman accommodations will be made with the railroads in advance by this office. This will require you to remain in New York at the hotel over night as a guest of the United States Government.

Information relative to the cemeteries in Europe is enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,



GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
Captain, Q.M.C.

7 Incls.:
2 Baggage Tags
4 Baggage Pastors
1 Copy Cemeterial Information

16-a

541 a

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PARTY **E** FILE NO.

NAME **Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bowles**

The Newfoundland Inn,

Newfoundland N. J.
ROUTE OF TICKET

Master

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RR
MB

Expiration date

The following stop overs are requested.

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W.I.

(Signature of Pilgrim)

In cabin with Miss Edna Coil - Friend

Mrs E. G. Brown
Newfoundland

(Mother)

N. J.

Party **E**

MEDICAL RECORD

SOM. Cmty

Nurse **A Mural**

Station : **Hotel Iema**

Date : **Aug 3rd 1933**

Name **Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth G.**

Home address **The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, Morris Co., NEW JERSEY**

Address of Nearest friend or relative **Mrs E. C. Brain**

Newfoundland New-Jersey

Religion **Protestant**

Age **43**

History of Present complaint : **Aug 5th Constipation**
Aug 8th Emotionally upset
" 12th Constipation

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first tendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers tendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications : (include dates)

Constipation Acute -

Treatment and Progress : (include dates) Aug 7th - Aloin Pills 10

Aug 8th Brandy 15cc
" 12th Milk of Mag 20cc

Disposition : (include dates) Aug 8th Left Party for side trip
Aug 11th joined the Party

Aug 17. To Lettaure. Hills

Remarks :

Active during entire period.

W.D.S.

PARTY

E-25

EASTBOUND

STATE

GROUP

Somme

43 W

NEW JERSEY

Mrs. Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth C.

(Name of Pilgrim)

Address

The Newfoundland Inn Newfoundland

(Street & No.)

(City or Town)

New Jersey

(State)

Morris

(County)

Mrs. E. C. Brown - Mother

(Name of Nearest Kin)

Address

New Jersey

(Street & No.)

Newfoundland

(City or Town)

New Jersey

(State)

Morris

(County)

ARRIVAL NEW YORK

VIA. R.R. Motor

Train No.

Date

July 25, 1933

Hotel Pennsylvania

Room No.

1154

Roomed with Relative

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

Date July 26, 1933

Vessel

President Roosevelt

Cabin No.

D-204-E

In Cabin with Friend - Miss Edna Coil D-204-A

(Over Westbound)

WESTBOUND

REMARKS

Date Aug. 24, 1933 Vessel Washington Cabin No. B-26-3

In Cabin with Friend - Miss Coil B-26-2 & ~~Mrs. Christine Anna Matejack B-26-1~~

Hotel Pennsylvania Room No. 918

Roomed with Friend - Miss Coil

Mrs. Rena Thomason Buddy

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

Motored Home

VIA. R.R. Train No. Space Car No. Date 8/24/33

ARRIVAL NEW YORK

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(Over Eastbound)

NAME **MRS. ELIZABETH C. BOWLES** **E**

ADDRESS **The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, N.J.**

DATE *August 25th*

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

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my
home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Elizabeth G. Bowles

Party E.

MEDICAL RECORD

Nurse A. Murat.

SOM. Cmty

Station : Hotel d'Iena, Paris

Date : August 3rd, 1933.

Name Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth G.

Home address The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, Morris Co., NEW JERSEY

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mrs. E. C. Broin
Newfoundland, New Jersey .

Religion Protestnat Age 43

History of Present complaint : August 7th, Constipation.
" 8th, Emotionally upset.
" 12th, Constipation.

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases by Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications : (include dates)

Constipation acute.

Treatment and Progress : (include dates) August. 7th, Aloin Pills II.

August 8th, Brnady 15cc

" 12th, Milk of Magnesia. 20cc

Disposition : (include dates) August 17th, To Le Havre. Pitts.
August 8th, Left Party for side trip. August 11th,
joined the Party.

Remarks : Active during entire period.

DIS.

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MEDICAL RECORD

Party: **E-25**

S. S. **ROOSEVELT
WASHINGTON**

Eastbound
Westbound

Name **Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth G.**

Home Address **The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, New Jersey**

Name and address of nearest relative or friend

*Mrs. E. C. Brown
Newfoundland, New Jersey*

Religion

Age **43-W**

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.

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates).

8/20/33. Constipation. 8/21/33. CONSTipation. 8/22/33. Conjunctivitis.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

8/20/33. Magnesium Sulphate. ozs.ii. 8/21/33. Milk of Magnesia.

8/22/33. Boric Acid compresses.

Disposition: (include dates)

Remarks:

8/23/33. OK E.H.R.

Bowles, Mrs. Elizabeth G.
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

SS PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT - July 26, 1933

Som

E-25

Elizabeth J. Bowles



Pres. Roosevelt

Sgt. Whitney Bowles

7-26-33

Som

✓ ~~Accept~~ by tel. 7-19-33.
~~Decline by letter 7-8-33~~
 Accept - letter 2-1-33

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

..... Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles

Name

..... The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, Morris Co., N. J.

Town or City

State

Bowles, Whitney

EXCERPT FROM NARRATIVE REPORT

EAST

PARTY "E"

JULY 26, 1933

The following pilgrims had friends or relatives accompanying them as indicated:

Mrs. Ellen Casey, Waterbury, Conn. - Daughter - Cabin Class

Mrs. Mary Lynch, Rutland, Vt. - Daughter - Cabin Class

Mrs. Christine Matejack, Berkeley, Cal. - Daughter - Cabin Class

Mrs. Angelica Stracagnolo, Milwaukee, Wisc. - Daughter - 3rd class

Mrs. E. C. Bowles, Newfoundland, N. J. - Friend - Cabin Class

Mrs. J. D. Morrow, Franklin, Tenn. - Daughter & Friend - 3rd Class

Mrs. Sara F. Ring, Franklin, Tenn. - Daughter - 3rd Class

Bowles, Whitney

EXCERPT FROM NARRATIVE REPORT

PARTY "E" EAST

JULY 26, 1933

Passports were obtained in New York City for the following named pilgrims:

Mrs. Nannie B. Collins, Keyesville, Va.

Mrs. Mary Schneider, Newark, N. J.

← Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bowles, Newfoundland, N.J.

0074

Bancroft, Whitney

RETURN RECEIPT

Post July 26

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

Elizabeth G. Bancroft

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery Jul 26, 1923

Form 3811

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1922



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Deliver to addressee only

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927501

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

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



Return to *D M Seward*

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, } *Mountains*
or Post Office Box, }

Billy

Post Office at _____

Nashville

Rev. 3-24

05-6116

State _____

7074

RETURN RECEIPT

Post July 20

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

Elizabeth J. Brown

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery

July 8, 19*31*

Form 3811

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

c 5-6116

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927716

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

Return to _____

Q. M. GENERAL

*Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,* _____

(NAME OF SENDER)

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON.

D. C.

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

**POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE**

**1933
P.M.**

N. J.

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

PLEASE FILL IN THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR BELOW,
AND MAIL THIS LETTER PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED
ENVELOPE WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE.

Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

Bowles, Whitney (Som)
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Newfoundland, Morris Co.,
New Jersey
July 26, Pres. Roosevelt.

Sir:

In the blank space below you will find the name,
address, and relationship to me, of the person in the United
States whom I desire to be notified in case I become
seriously ill or other emergency arises while I am making
the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress
approved March 2, 1929.

*noted
RM*

Mrs. E. G. Brown
Name
Newfoundland New Jersey
Address
Mother
Relationship

Very truly yours,



Elizabeth G. Bowles
Your name
Newfoundland, N. J.
Your address

file

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney

July 20, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of July 19th, advising that you now find it possible to sail on the President Roosevelt, July 26th, to visit the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, in the Some American Cemetery in France.

Accordingly, reservation is being made for you. The railroad company will furnish transportation to New York as set forth in office letter of July 10th, i.e., Erie Railroad, Train 720 at 7.59 AM, July 25th.

Per diem check in the amount of \$1.87 is returned herewith to cover incidental expenses enroute to New York.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Encl:
Check #295,169
bb

July 20, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland, New Jersey

RETEL NINETEENTH RESERVATION ON PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT JULY TWENTY SIXTH

RESTORED LETTER FOLLOWS GSM 4578

DEWITT
Quartermaster General

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney

Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at War Department Message Center,
Room 3441, Munitions Building,
Washington, D. C.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

3-9311

WR6 50 NL COUNT DASH AND PARENTHESIS=

TDFH NEWFOUNDLAND NJ JUL 19

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL=MEMORIAL BRANCH=

QM 293 A - M BOWLES WHITNEY (SOM) I FIND I CAN ACCEPT
GOVERNMENT INVITATION TO MAKE PILGRIMAGE AM WIRING YOU
UNDER INSTRUCTION FROM NEWYORK OFFICE FOR PERMISSION TO
JOIN PILGRIMAGE LEAVING NEWYORK JULY TWENTY SIXTH SS
ROOSEVELT AM PROCEEDING WITH PASSPORT THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR
SAILING RECEIVED=

MRS ELIZABETH G BOWLES. QM 293 A - M (SOM) SS.

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*Returned to list
Pres. Room - 7-26*

293

Bowles

Whitney

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney

July 15, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 8th, returning the check for incidental expenses enroute to New York and advising that you will not be able to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is sincerely regretted you are not able to accept this last opportunity to visit the grave of your husband in the beautiful Some American Cemetery in France.

The identification badge forwarded you to wear while on the pilgrimage may be retained by you if desired.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

bb

8-25

MRS. WHITNEY BOWLES
STONE HOUSE
NEWFOUNDLAND, NEW JERSEY

GM 293 Q-M.

July 8th, 1933

Bowles, Whitney.

Lt. Col. Jas. H. Laubaek.

Office of the Quartermaster General.

Dear Sir,

It is with regret that I find
I will be unable to accept the government's
invitation to sail July 26th on the
President Roosevelt for the pilgrimage
to France.

Will you please advise me if
I am to return the badge
which has my name inscribed on
it

Yours very truly.

Elizabeth J. Fowler.

I want to express my appreciation
for the fine way this offer has
been made and again to express
my regrets that I have been unable
to decide until this late date
as to my taking the pilgrimage
I am a close choice for
as far which was received to
day.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

ck 295169-87
Paid 7/11/33
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BB
C.R.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney

July 6, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed Check No. 295,169 in the amount of \$ 1.87 , to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Jas. H. Laubach
JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Encl:
Check No.



QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (SOM)

June 13, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Immediately following receipt of your acceptance of the invitation to make a pilgrimage to Europe, sailing July 26, 1933, a letter containing general information of importance was mailed to you. In this letter you were told how to proceed to obtain a passport which you must have before you can visit Europe. Your passport has not yet been received in this office.

If it is your intention to make the pilgrimage, you should go at once to the Clerk of the Common Pleas Court at Morristown, taking with you:

1. Four (4) photographs of yourself on thin paper (unmounted) not more than 3 x 3 inches or less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ x $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches in size;
2. Your invitation and any evidence of citizenship you may have;
3. Someone who has known you at least two years to identify you.

The Clerk will help you fill out the application and HE will forward it to the State Department. Your passport will be delivered to you aboard the boat. No charge will be made for the application or passport.

If you have changed your mind and do not intend to make the pilgrimage, please so inform this office at once. It is necessary to know at this time whether or not you intend to make the pilgrimage in order that reservations and other necessary arrangements may be made for you.

It is requested you advise whether you are making application for your passport or whether you have decided not to make a pilgrimage. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For: The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosure:
Envelope
KK

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son)

February 15, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Stone House,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 1st accepting the invitation to sail July 26th on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT to visit the grave of your husband, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is sincerely hoped that nothing will prevent you from taking advantage of this last offer of the Government to make a pilgrimage. However, in the event you find it impossible to make the journey please notify this office sixty days prior to your sailing date, in order that the reservations made for you may be cancelled.

The Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, provides for pilgrimages to be made by only the mothers and widows of deceased veterans, and under the law the privilege of making the journey is not transferable. It is therefore regretted to advise that your son could not be permitted to make the pilgrimage in the event you are unable to sail.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney (SOM)

July 10, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

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. Newfoundland	Erie RR	Train #720	7:59 AM	July 25
Ar. Jersey City.	"	"	9:41 AM	July 25

Accommodations: Coach from Newfoundland to Jersey City.

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.

QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney

July 6, 1933

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed Check No. 295,139 in the amount of \$ 1.87 , to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Check No.

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Whitney Bowles -
Som

MRS. WHITNEY BOWLES
STONE HOUSE
NEWFOUNDLAND, NEW JERSEY

February 1, 1933.

Quartermaster General

considered as
accepted
Roosevelt
July 26 -

Dear Sir,

I am inclosing my acceptance

card to the Government's invitation

to make a pilgrimage to

Europe this summer.

There is a possibility
that I may be prevented from

France — when his father fought
and is buried.

Trusting that this may be
made possible, I remain,
yours very truly

(Mrs.) Elizabeth G. Bowles.

2.
going. I am writing to ask
if my son Whitney Bowles age
fourteen years could go in my
place. He is self reliant and
can travel alone. He also has
a Grand Mother living in
Paris. I should like to give
him this opportunity of seeing

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son)

December 7, 1932

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
4 East 62nd St.,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of December 5th, relative to your desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles with the first group of mothers and widows making the journey.

It is regretted to advise that the first group of women scheduled to make the pilgrimage during the coming summer, does not contain a party which will visit the Somme American Cemetery, where the remains of your son are interred. A sailing in early June however, will include a group to visit this cemetery and, if desired, arrangements could be made for you to be included with this group. Under these arrangements you would return to the United States on or about July 7th.

It is requested you advise whether or not you desire to be included in this party.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.
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YORK CLUB

FOUR EAST SIXTY-SECOND STREET

Captain Charles Kelly:
Dear Sir:
May I ask, if I could
go on the first trip this summer
and how early that is, before
deciding whether I can go.

Yours truly
Josephine P. Bartles.

Dec. 5th.

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293.

QM 293 A-M

December 1, 1932.

Bowles, Whitney (Son)

Mrs. Josephine Bowles,
4 East 62nd Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

In reply to a questionnaire from this office you advised that you were undecided about making a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, during the summer months of 1933.

In order that the best available accommodations may be secured for the mothers and widows, it is necessary that hotel and steamship reservations be made several months in advance. It is therefore requested you advise at this time whether or not you believe you will make the trip next summer.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Env.

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C 86 073 Bowles, Whitney

get an active address for Mother - Mrs Porter (Josephine) Bowles

4 East 62nd St
New York N.Y.

Bartlett.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Elisabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N.J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney Som

September 7, 1932.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N.J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

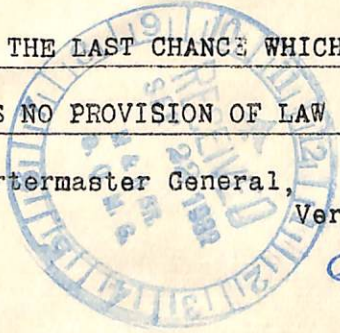
1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	Yes
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: 43 Health: Excellent
3. Do you speak English?	Yes
4. What other language do you speak?	None

Elizabeth G. Bowles
Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

Encl:
Env.

Leviathan

5-17-32

Som

Bowles, Whitney Sgt

Declined by letter 3/29/32

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.

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Mrs. Porter Bowles

(Name)

Hotel Fairfax

59 E. 56th St., New York, New York Co., New York

(Town or city)

(State)

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*Mrs. Porter Bowles
59 East 56th St
New York*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney (Som)*

July 13, 1932.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
~~Hotel LaFayette,~~
New York City, N. Y.

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Dear Madam:

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

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


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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

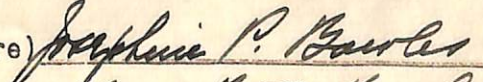
Very truly yours,

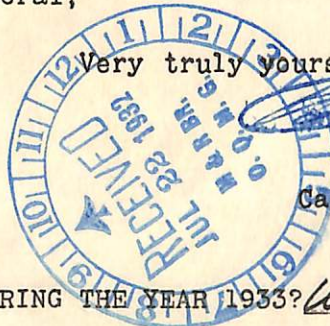

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? undecided
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)


Mrs. Porter Bowles.



April 4, 1932.

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son) M

Mrs. Josephine Bowles,
~~Hotel Fairfax,~~
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 28, 1932, advising that you cannot sail May 17th on the LEVIATHAN to visit the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles in the Somme American Cemetery in France, and requesting that you be permitted to go in September.

It is regretted to advise that it will not be possible to arrange for you to sail in September as there are no sailings of mothers and widows scheduled for that month. The last group of pilgrims visiting the Somme Cemetery this summer will sail July 6th on the PRESIDENT HARDING and if you so desire arrangements will be made for you to sail at that time.

If you decide to sail July 6th it will be appreciated if you will so notify this office at the earliest practicable date in order that the necessary arrangements may be made for you. Should you be unable to make the pilgrimage this year, you will of course be given the opportunity to go during 1933, the last year for which pilgrimages are authorized.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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L. M. 21, a.m.

March 25th



Hotel Fairfax 116 E. 56th St. N.Y.
New York 7/30/32

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The Quarters with General

Dear Sir.

Deleted
Remittance
5-17-32

I regret very much
that circumstances have arisen
which will prevent my sailing
on the 15th of May on the
steamer to France. If
there is one in Sept. would it
be possible to transfer me
to that? Yours truly

Geoffrey Charles
(now Portia Bayly) (former address)
39 E. 56th St.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney (Son) M

November 2, 1931.

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Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

Som

Mrs Bowles - (ny)

deleted Levi 5-17-32

Requests sept. sailing -

Harding July 6 is only
other available date for
Som City.

Shall we offer her
July 6 ? next year
OK July 6 or ^{KRS}
ADH

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bowles, Whitney Sgt. (Som) W*

July 20, 1931.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland, Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

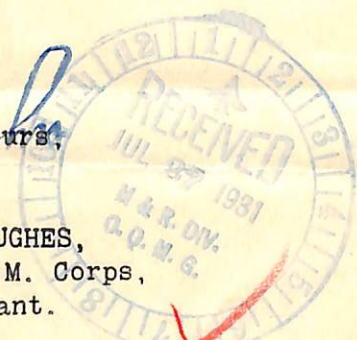
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

A. D. Hughes
Very truly yours,

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



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

No with thanks
Write answer here

Elizabeth G. Bowles

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Bowles, Whitney, Sgt (Som) M*

July 20, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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



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

Undecided
Write answer here

Mrs. Porter Bowles

Sign here

Bowles, Whitney

(Sommers)

Just added to

list 4-14-31 —

No "n" "o" or "p" boats

going to Sommers.

when shall we

send her? L

Party G.
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Answer
July 16

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney (Son)

May 21, 1931

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 15th, declining the invitation to sail on the AMERICA July 16, 1931, to visit the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles.

It is regretted that circumstances prevent you from making the pilgrimage at this time. Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to visit the cemeteries of Europe in 1932, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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May 15th

~~EASTOVER~~
NEW CANAAN, CONN.

59 East 5th St
New York City
Bowles, Whitney
636

The Quartermaster General.

Dear Sir,

I regret to say that
circumstances have arisen which
make it impossible for us to
make the pilgrimage to France
on the America July 16th.

Yours truly
Mrs. Porter Carter.

L. M. 293 A. M.

Decline
Arrive
July 16
Somme

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney, Sgt. (Som-M)

April 23, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
Hotel Fairfax,
116 East 56th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of your letter of April 21st, in connection with your pilgrimage to the Somme American Cemetery in France, sailing from New York on the S.S. America, July 16, 1931.

It is regretted to advise you that it would not be possible to assign you a room aboard ship to yourself, even by paying any extra amount necessary. Any discrimination as to accommodations is expressly prohibited by the law governing the pilgrimage.

Your itinerary provides for your leaving New York City July 16th, arriving at Cherbourg July 25th, spending the time from July 25th to August 8th at or near the cemetery and in Paris. Your party will leave Cherbourg August 8th and is due to arrive at New York August 16th on the S.S. President Roosevelt. It will not be possible to authorize any extension of time in Europe, except under the condition that any expenses incurred by you after leaving your party, including return transportation to the United States, must be borne by you from personal funds.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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(Lom.)
Bowles, Whitney
Sgt. 107th Inf.



Hotel Fairfax
New York

New York Co.

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July 16, 1931

Quartermaster General
Washington
Dear Sir

I have sent card of
acceptance to the kind invitation of
the U. S. Government. I trust you
say there will be two or three in
a room, would it be possible
for me to make any arrangement
whereby I could have a room & my-
self? I mean by paying extra
of the U. S. Service? I shall
probably want to remain over
the rest of the summer so
the Government would not have

very exp. was each. As I
understand it the trip
consists of trip over and
back and two weeks here
there.

Yours truly
Joseph P. Bowler -
Mrs. Pauli Bowler -
Hotel Tanager
116 E. 52nd St.
New York City



America

7-16-31

Somme

Bowles, Whitney Sgt

Decline by letter 3-15-31

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

Mrs. Porter Bowles

(Name)

59 East 56th Street, New York City, N. Y.

(Town or City)

(State)

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7-16-31
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Bowles, Whitney

I Decline by wire 4-8-31 the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles
(Name)

The Newfoundland Inn, Newfoundland, N.J.
(Town or City) (State)

Morris Co.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney 636-M Sgt.

April 6, 1931.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

yes

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

yes

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age

60

Condition of Health

good

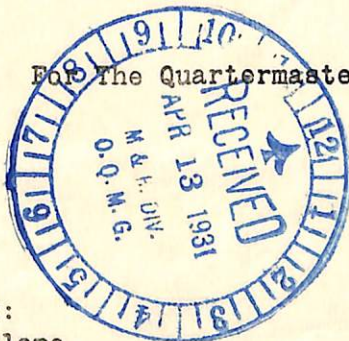
4. Do you speak English?

yes

5. What other language do you speak?

a little French.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

Enclosures:

- Envelope
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Washington, D. C., April 6, 1931

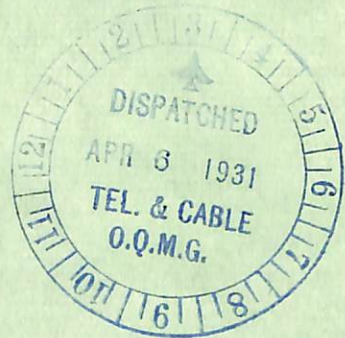
MRS. ELIZABETH G. BOWLES,
THE NEWFOUNDLAND INN,
NEWFOUNDLAND, N. J.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY SIXTEEN NOT RECEIVED
DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 2898QSM

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Bowles, Whitney 636-W

and
A.D. H



Washington, D. C., April 6, 1931

MRS. ELIZABETH G. BOWLES,
THE NEWFOUNDLAND INN,
NEWFOUNDLAND, N. J.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY SIXTEEN NOT RECEIVED

DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 289806M

A.D. P

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Bowles, Whitney 636-W

QM 293 A-M

Bowles, Whitney 636-W

March 23, 1931

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, New Jersey

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the "America" on July 16, 1931.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before April 29, 1931, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney 636 M

October 18, 1930

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th Street,
New York City, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The amendment to the Act mentioned provides for one pilgrimage to be made to the cemeteries of Europe at Government expense by the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces whose remains are interred in Europe or were lost at sea. You are, therefore, eligible, under the terms of the amendment, to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles at the expense of the Government.

In the event you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1931, 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you communicate with this office, in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 11, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bowles, Whitney Sgt 636 M

Mrs. Porter Bowles
59 East 56th Street
New York City

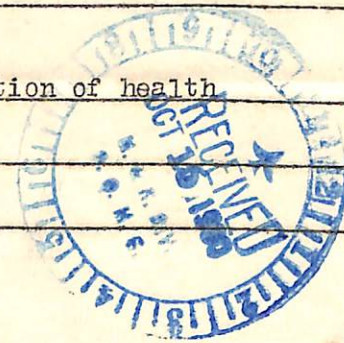
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Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	



For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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I have already replied to two of these queries that as I have already been, I am not eligible person P. Bowles

slip now notify office file date

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney 636-M

September 4, 1930.

Mrs. Porter Bowles,
59 East 56th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 10, 1930

Bowles, Whitney 636-W

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles
The Newfoundland Inn
Newfoundland, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The Act of March 2, 1929 excluded from its benefits those mothers and widows who had made former visits to the graves of their loved ones in Europe. On May 15, 1930 that Act was amended to remove this restriction. Therefore, you are now eligible to make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who have previously visited their sons' or husbands' graves, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Yes ✓
(Write answer here)

Elizabeth G. Bowles

(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney - 636 M

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
% National City Bank,
5th Ave. & 28th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

Yes
Josephine Bowles

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

If so, give her name and address:

Yes *Foreign*
Elizabeth Bowles

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
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*Both mother and widow
have visited the cemetery
in France at their own expense*

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bowles, Whitney 636 -W

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
~~The Newfoundland Inn~~ (S.G.B.)
Newfoundland, N. J.

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.

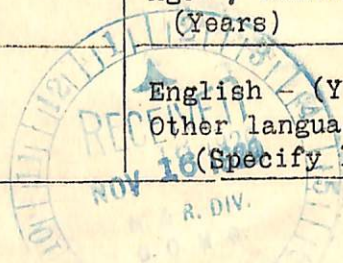
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <i>No</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>No</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>39</i> (Years)	Health <i>X</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak? <i>English</i>	English (Yes) <i>X</i>	(No)
Other language (Specify language spoken)		

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Bowles,
Newfoundland,
New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased serviceman 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:

Elizabeth G. Bowles
Newfoundland New Jersey

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 Porter Bowles
59 East 56 St
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.

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Bowles, Whitney

Aug. 16, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

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 widow of the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co. L, 107th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

No

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

No

3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

Yes

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

Mrs. Porter Bowles
City National Bank
1 Boulevard Haussmann
Paris France

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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THE ASSISTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WORLD WAR DIVISION
PERSONNEL RECORDS SECTION

...8-9...1929

TO

Mrs Ruth:

No bonus application
in file.

Widow's address
in 1920:

The Newfoundland Inn,
Newfoundland, N. J.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowles, Whitney

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
New Townland, N.J.

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 widow of the late Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Co. L, 107th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? | |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage? | |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother? | |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address. | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Widow:

Mrs. Elizabeth Bowles,
New Townland, N.J.

Mother:

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
c/o Nat'l City Bank,
5th Ave. Branch,
May 16, 1929. 5th Ave. & 28 St.
New York, N.Y.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bowles, Whitney

Mrs. Josephine P. Bowles,
39 West 55th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

*Mother -
Mrs. Porter Bowles
City National Bank
Boulevard Haussmann
Paris, France.*

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 Sergeant Whitney Bowles, Company L, 107th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, 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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Envelope.

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

