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DATE

1. NAME BRATSCH, Paul E.SERIAL No. 2700016RANK Pvt.ORGANIZATION Co. A. 357th Inf.GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel American Cty. THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)

1233

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

78

Sec. 12

2

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

#56

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES 52NE, 235.7N, 370.3ECONCENTRATED TO 5/16/19

78

Sec. 12

2

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel

1233

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body and cross.

DATE OF DEATH

Data P-1

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

I. H. J. Lee, 1st Lt., MC.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Aug. 18, 1922

22

12 Block B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel American No 1233, Thiaucourt

CEMETERY



15 Received A. G. O. OCT 27 1925

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bratsch **2700016** **Paul E**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Corporal **Co. A, 357th Infantry**
(Rank.) **90th Division** (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **September 15, 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **West of Fey-en-Haye**

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

GRAVE NUMBER **31**

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? **Yes** Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? **Yes**

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? **No**

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

REPORTED BY **Miles E Hoon**
Chaplain, 358th Infantry
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Place NEUFCHATEAUDate 4th June 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BRATSCH Paul ENumber: 2700₀16Rank: Pvt;

Organization:

Co A 357th Inf;

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

16th May 1919Grave # 56 B:A: CEMETARYPEYE EN HAYE M et M 52NE 370.3 E 235.7N

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

123316th May 1919Grave # 78 Sec 12 Plot 2ST. MIHIEL AMERICAN CEMETARY # 1233THIAUCOURT M ET M

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

Burial good, buried i Unifor m ,body badly decomposed;

Was one identification tag found upon the body?

YesWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

CONFIRMED N° D

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 identify in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt Davis;r/aR. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.AC.O. GroupUnit

O.C. Group
and Lieut. O.M. O.V.S. 7

R. H. ROBERTSON

Supervised by: Lt. Davis;

Intersect will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Co. after being carefully examined for clues to identify remains sent to the Eldest Doctor direct as is required by the regulations.

Note:



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

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

Physical Record, dated 1 August 1918, body found & complete.

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

INTERVIEWED:

JO. HENRY HENSON, O.C. G.M. 1918

10th May 1919 Grave & No. 10 10 10 10 10

Reported (Date) in: (Give complete location)

2nd Lt. HENSON, O.C. G.M. 1918

10th May 1919 Grave & No. 10 10 10 10 10

Disinterred (Date) From: (Give complete location)

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group Unit

Rank: Lt; Organisation: CO. G.M. 1918;

Name: HENSON, R. H. Number: 2700019

Remains: all;

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date: 10 June 1919

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COILS	CODE
NAME <i>Bratsch</i>	<i>Bra</i>	3	28 ⁰ 1
<i>Paul E.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	3
BURIED	GRAVE <i>22</i>	2	22
	ROW <i>12</i>	2	12
	BLOCK <i>B3</i>	1	2
STATE	<i>Minn</i>	2	27
RANK	<i>Port</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>90</i>	2	90
ORGANIZATION	<i>357</i>	3	357
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL <i>Sister</i>	<i>Two</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Zeiber</i>		3	559
<i>Oralyn A</i>	STATE <i>Minn</i>	2	
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>St. Louis</i>	2	
<i>Henderson, Minn</i>	CITY <i>Henderson</i>	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>plead</i>	1	6
NATIVITY	<i>plead 4-26-28</i>	1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514		1	

AUDITED

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bratsch, Paul E. 1233 S

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Evelyn A. Zeiher
Henderson, Minn

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.

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If so, give her name and address:

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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,

Enclosures:

Envelope

Act

Amendment

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

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

Bratsch, Paul E.
1233

September 13, 1929.

Mr. Otto Bratsch,
Box 322,
Lesueur, Minn.

Dear Sir:

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Write answers in space below

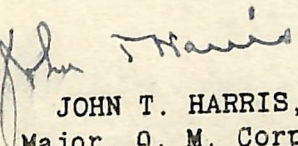
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Sept. 14th

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bratsch, Paul E.

August 2, 1929

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Ottawa, Minn.

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QM 293 A-C
IN REPLY REFER TO
Bratsch, Paul E.

May 26, 1929.
C-58,472

Mr. Otto Bratsch,
Box 322,
Lesueur, Minn.

Single.
Mother died 4-26-28
(S) Evalyn A. Zeiher,
Henderson, Minn.
(B) Emil H. Bratsch,
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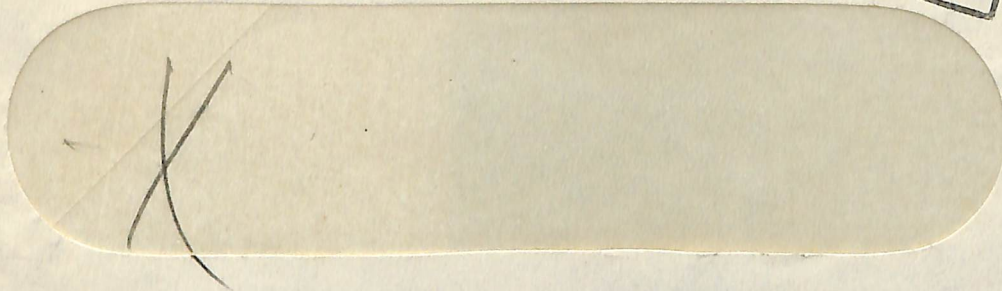
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Assistant.

ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

CROSS INDEX

Informant: Walker, Robert - Cpl. 2858300
Co. A, 357 th Inf.
Home : Fargo N. Dak.
Signed : Robert E. Blaylock - 1st Lt.
357 th Inf.

Pvt. Bratsch was killed while making an advance on the St. Michel front Sept. 14, 1918. He was right with his squad in the battle. He was hit by shrapnel from a high explosive shell, killing him instantly near Fay-en-Haye, and he was buried just west of Fay-en-Haye, the regimental chaplain being present at the ceremony. I was at the place that Pvt. Bratsch is buried, he is buried there with about fifty other fallen soldiers. I was with Pvt. Bratsch very nearly all the time before we went into battle and a few days before we went up, he had some money and he seemed to be anxious to send it to the U.S. just as if he knew that he was never coming back again. He was a very good soldier and was well liked by his comrades.

Killed in action 9/27/18. CF IO.

BRATSCH, Paul E - Pvt. 2700016

Co. A, 357 th Inf.
96 90 th Div.

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1235

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1253

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Bratsch,

(Surname.)

Paul E.

(Christian name in full.)

2,700,016

(Army serial number)

Pvt.

Co A, 357th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

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?

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

(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:

Do not so desire.

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

Signed by

Otto Bratsch.

(Sign here)

Otto Bratsch

Le Sueur, Minnesota.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by - LEP

1233-357

1-31-21

checked
2-1-21
mom

BRATSCH, Paul E., Pvt.

March 3, 1924

Mr. Otto Bratsch,
Box 322,
Le Sueur, Minn.

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

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded 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,

1-Incl.
Record card.

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

Assistant,
R. L. FOSTER

MFK

LOR



MAR 8 1924

H. B.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 18, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. ^{Jo.} Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name <u>BRATSCH, Paul E.</u>	10. Name _____
2. No. <u>2700016</u>	11. No. _____
3. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	12. Rank _____
4. Org. <u>Co.A. 357th Inf.</u>	13. Org. _____
5. D.D. <u>9-14-18</u>	14. (a) D.D. _____
6. C.D. <u>KIA.</u>	(b) D.B. <u>None</u>

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>78</u> Sec. <u>12</u>	15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
8. Plot <u>2</u> Row _____	16. Plot _____ Row _____
9. _____	17. <u>None</u>

18. Cemetery St Mihiel American Cty. 19. Commune or town THIAUCOURT20. Dept. or County M-et-M 21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 123323. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 18, 1922 By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker: _____

Name BRATSCH, Paul E. Serial No. 2700016Rank Pvt. Organization Co.A. 357th Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? No

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

J.T. White

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).

Collar ornament: Co.A. 357th Inf.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.28. Nature of burial Wooden box, U.S. uniform29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Aug. 18, 1922 By C.V. Russell31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

C.V. Russell

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No. C-29432

32. Designation of body:

Name Paul E. BRATSCH

Serial No. 2700016

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. A. 357th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel American Cty. 1233, THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Aug. 18, 1922 By C. V. Russell

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

J. J. Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Aug. 18, 1922

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 St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thiaucourt, France.

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

J. J. Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred August 18, 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No. 22

Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block

Bk. B

Row

12

G.R.S. Representative

A. E. DEWEY, 1st Lieut., Q.M.C.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Thiaucourt FranceDate August 18 1922.1. REMAINS OF BRATSCH Paul E.SERIAL NUMBER 2700016RANK PvtORGANIZATION Co A 357th Inf

2. Disinterred (date) :

From (give complete location):

August 18, 1922 Gr. 78 Sec 12 Pl 2 Cem 1233

By : Group

1

Unit

13. Reburied (date) August 18, 1922In (give complete location): Gr. 22, Row 12, Bk. BCemetery 1233, Thiaucourt, (M ET M)

By : Group

Reburial

Unit

In casket and shipping case

Nature of reburial

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

wooden box U.S. uniformbadly decomposed, features unrecognizable.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? no On grave marker? no

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

collar ornaments "Co. A. 357th Inf"

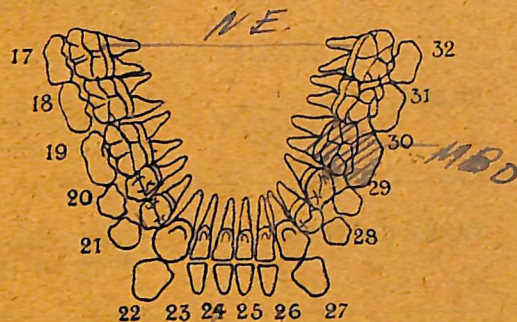
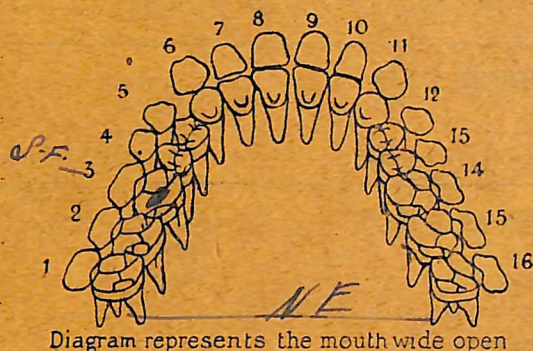
6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?

(a) Height (actual measurement) imp to det.(b) Weight (estimated) -do(c) Hair—Color -doQuantity -doCharacteristics -do(d) Hair on face—Color -doLocation -doQuantity -do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts) none visibleteeth 1 16 17 32 never erupted3 silver filling 30 missing before death24 missing after death

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

left humerus fractured jtw.

7. Disinterment supervised by

C V Russell

Approved :

J J Powers(Title) 1st Lieut QMC

8. Reburial supervised by

H. L. KRAMER
concentration

Approved :

A. E. DEWEY(Title) 1st Lieut, QMC

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.

2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH

All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



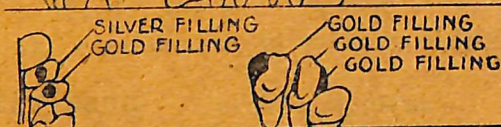
BRIDGE WORK

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS

Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)

Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp".

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 22001

(a) Name BRATSCH, Paul E. Ser. No. 2700016
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 357th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9/14/1918 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. EK

CKR. JS

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

(a) Grave No. 78 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. 12 TYP. EK

(b) Emerg. Address Otto Bratsch(father) Box. 322, Laseur, Minn.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name Otto Bratsch (b) Relationship Father

(c) Address La Sueur, Minn.

(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 66R Date 1-31-, 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 66R Date 1-31-, 1920.

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

Parents: Otto Bratsch, Ida Bratsch
La Sueur, Minn. 2/3/19 confirm request
in card

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

Examiner's Initials 66R Date 2-1-, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1233

SHEET No. 357

G. R. S. Form No. 114
Amended April 6, 1920

Make Form No. 114

FEB 26 1921

CARDED

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 2/18/21, 1920

Par #2 Not to be returned aen

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*7-120 7/16/21 Otto Brotsch
father n/k - Boy #322 - La Sauer,
Minn. - Lease in Europe - H7/19/21
aen*

1233-357

August 6, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.

Mr. Otto Bratsch,
Le Sueur, Minnesota.

Re:-Bratsch, Paul E., Pvt.
Serial No. 2700016
Co. A 357th Infantry.

Dear Sir:-

Shipping Inquiry Form 120 dated April 18, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France for burial in a permanent American cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C., will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

R.E.Shannon,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

By:

F.C.Pallas, *mks*
Executive Assistant.

MAILED

AUG 8 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

ms/cmf

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1921

227/1000

COR. B.H.C. B.S.
AUG 8 1921
MAILED
SA:

Office in Charge.
Coffin, G.W.C.
J.P. Quinlan.

Executive Washington
F.O. 151152. 227/1000

RECEIVED

AUG 9 1921

1st Division
Project File Section

By authority of the Quartermaster General.
of sympathy in your bereavement.

The Department desires to remove the previous explanation
as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The General Division, Washington, D.C., will furnish
General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

For information, the Quartermaster Division, Office of the Quartermaster
in France for burial in a permanent American cemetery has been
the fact the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left
buried in the same place.

Best Sir:-

Mr. Otto H. H. H. H.
Mr. Otto H. H. H. H.

File No. 10329, Camp Div., Gen. B.

August 8, 1921.

Co. A 2nd Cavalry Infantry.
Serial No. 1500012
Regimental Headquarters, Paris, France.

1523-221

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

APR 8 1921

1253-357 e1

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

To: Mr. Otto Bratsch, Box #322 La Sueur, Minn.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Paul E. Bratsch, Ser. No. 2700016 Co. A, 357th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in France. *(Correct)*

no change cms

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? *no.*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<i>noted 115</i>		
Soldier's children. { (Name oldest first.)	<i>7/19/21 recd.</i>		
Father	<i>Otto Bratsch</i>	<i>Box 322</i>	<i>La Sueur, Minn.</i>
Mother	<i>Ida Bratsch</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>La Sueur, Minn.</i>
Brothers. { (Name oldest first.)	<i>R. A. Bratsch</i>	<i>1402 East 6th St.</i>	<i>St. Paul, Minn.</i>
	<i>Willis J. Bratsch</i>		<i>Danube, Minn.</i>
	<i>Elmer Bratsch</i>		<i>La Sueur, Minn.</i>
	<i>Emil Bratsch</i>		<i>La Sueur, Minn.</i>
Sisters. { (Name oldest first.)	<i>Mrs. Fred Schultz</i>	<i>Park Rapids, Minn.</i>	<i>La Sueur, Minn.</i>
	<i>Mrs. Martin Furst</i>		<i>Winthrop, Minn.</i>
	<i>Mrs. H. J. Jones</i>		<i>Ottawa, Minn.</i>
	<i>Evelyn Bratsch</i>		

Date *April 16, 1921*

Signature *Mr. Otto Bratsch*

Address *La Sueur, Minn.*

Relationship *Father*

Apr. 16, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

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

Signature Mr. Otto Bratsch

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 22001

(a) Name.....BRATSOH, Paul E....Ser.No.....2700016.

(b) Rank Pvt......Organization Co. A, 357th. Inf......

TYP....EK....

(c) Date of death 9/14/1918 death K/A.....

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

(a) Grave No 78...Row ...Plot 2...Sect 12..... TP...EK.....

(b) Emerg. Address Otto Bratsch(father), Box 322, Laseur, Minn......

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

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on.....192.....
 (letter of transmittal on.....192.....
Part 2 Not to be returned acn

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J.....MAR 1- 1927.....192.....

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

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

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

COUNTRY

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

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

S/666/LML

France

1233

357

PRIORITY 104

FEB 26 1921

62347

Soldier's No.

~~Bratislava~~ only

Name Famone

1st Co A. 357th Inf

Rank - Co 4/11/22

This man went down
as to nationality
is supposed by
I identified by
clothing with
on it.

Cemetery: Town of

Map Reference

Grave No. 56

Peg found in
of grave sh
as per sketch
with lining
sewed on it

15 OCT 1922

1. G.I.C.S. Form No.

Iq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 270016

3. Bretsch
Surname

Paul. E.
First Name and Initials

4. Inf
Rank

357.3 Inf
Regt. or Corps

5. 9-14-18
Date of Death

German
Cause, if known

6. 9-15-18
Date of Burial

Battle Field
Cemetery

7. Jeugen-Haus
Town or Commune

Mecklenburg
Department

8. #31
Grave No.

Barndorfer Kirch
Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? X 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.

12. map 53 NE. 23.59 N 370.1 E
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13.

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Paul Clayton Mgr

Group 1 Unit B G. R. S.

15 OCT 1918

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION THE GRAVE OF

Bratsch

2700016

Paul E

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Corporal

Co. A, 357th Infantry

(Rank.)

90th Division

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL September 15, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL West of Fey-en-Haye

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

31

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Yes

Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? Yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No

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

REPORTED BY :

Miles E Hoon

Chaplain, 358th Infantry

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

22001

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bratsch 2700016 Paul E.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Capt. Co A 357 Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Sept 15, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL west of Faye in Haze

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

GRAVE NUMBER 31

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? yes Cross? -

Headboard? - Bottle? -

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? no

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

REPORTED BY :

Walter E. Hoon Chaplain 258 Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

RECEIVED



JUL 26 1921
G. R. S.

Req No. 2437

File 22007

BRATSCH, Peter E.

22007

Ok/K

22081

FILE UNDER NO. 22001, Bratsch, Paul E.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

See Case of Farrinni, K, Alph. Files.

FILE

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

ECC

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

3-6642

ORA J. PARKER
LAWYER

22001
Bulletin G.R.S. .004.5 forwarded April 25, 1919.

Le Sueur, Minn., February 3d. 1919;

SUBJECT:---

Private Paul E. Bratsch, Co. A. 357 Infantry.

Died September 14th. 1918,

Buried French Cemetery, Fey-en-Haye, Meurthe-et-Moselle.

Request;

That body be NOT returned to America.

Second request;

That photograph of grave be furnished, as soon as may
be, to parents of deceased, namely,

Father, Otto Bratsch, Box 322, Le Sueur, Minn., or
Mother, Ida Bratsch, same address.

This letter is addressed to

GRAVES' REGISTRATION SERVICE,

OFFICE OF CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.

EUROPE.

BY

Und

Otto Bratsch
Ida Bratsch

FILE

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o.p.



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE, NEW YORK

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

TO: DIRECTOR OF THE NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) (P)
SUBJECT: [Illegible]
RE: [Illegible]

URGENT 3-25-68 10:19 AM
TO: DIRECTOR OF THE NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) (P)
SUBJECT: [Illegible]
RE: [Illegible]

END PAGE

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