

To The A. G. O.

JAN 7 - 1926

1998

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FULL NAME *BROWN, Edmond F.*

RANK *Private, First Class*

SERIAL *1710650*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Headquarters Company, 308th Infantry*

DATE OF DEATH

Aug 19, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

NY

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

no rec.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

Date	Grave	Row	Block
	608	15	B

Cemetery

Mother

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 JAN 7 1926
 WORLD WAR DIV.

Rec'd World War Div.
 3 MAR 12 1928

Major General,
 The Adjutant General,
 By *H. 1-9-26*

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M. & R. BRANCH
O. Q. M. G.

Hq. 308th. Infantry.
77th. Division.

BROWN, Edmond F., Pvt. 1st. Cl. 1710650
HOME: 15 Lake Street
BROOKLYN, N. Y.,

Private Edmond F. BROWN was a member of the Signal Platoon of Hq. Co. 308th. Infantry and was attached to the 3rd. Bn. Hq. at the time of the first offensive on the Vesle in August 1918 for the purpose of establishing visual communication between 3rd. Bn. and Rgtl. Hq. As soon as the 3rd. Bn. had taken over its sector in the woods above Lapre Farm the Germans sent over a very heavy barrage lasting for about three hours. Private BROWN was lying in his funk hole when he was very badly hit over the heart and in the thigh by pieces of high explosive shell. All possible first aid was immediately given him by the boys of his own platoon who were with him and then two of them carried him on a stretcher through the barrage to the first aid station about one kilometer away. Two days later we heard much to our sorrow that BROWN had died in the field hospital just outside La Fere on Tardennois.

INFORMANT: PRESCOTT, Ralph P., Pvt. 1710697
Hq. 308th. Infantry.
HOME: 67 Perry Street
NEW YORK CITY.

Next of Kin:
Mrs. Mary M. Brown
15 Lake Street, BROOKLYN N. Y.,

/MJM/



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place SERINGES ET NESLES. 608.

Date 5.17.21

1. REMAINS OF BROWN, EDMUND F SERIAL NUMBER 1710650
RANK PFC ORGANIZATION HQ. CO. 308. INF.

2. Disinterred (date): 5.17.21 From (give complete location): Gr 184 Sect G Plot 4
By: Group RENOUARD Unit FIELD SECTION + 7

3. Reburied (date): 5.17.21 In (give complete location): GIVEN NEW LOCATION FOR PURPOSE OF CONCENTRATION
Gr 8 Sect G Plot 1
By: Group RENOUARD Unit FIELD SECTION + 7 Nature of reburial PINE BOX & BURLAP

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE
BURLAP AND WOODEN BOX.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? NO On grave marker? YES
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
NONE

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(b) Weight (estimated) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(c) Hair—Color BLACK

Quantity THICK

Characteristics STRAIGHT

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

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

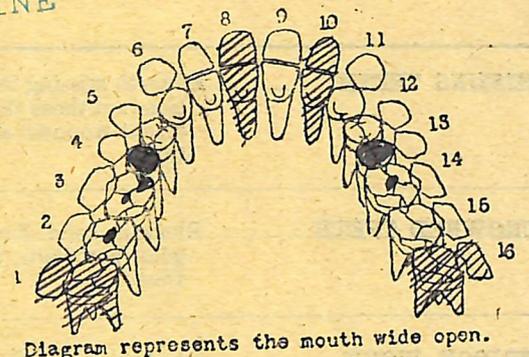
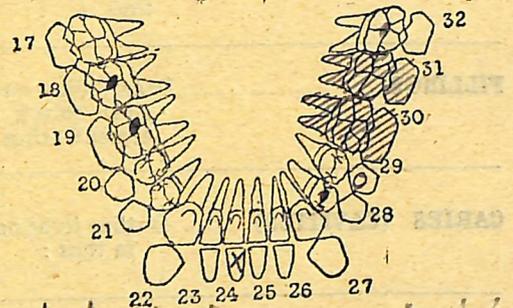


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



1, 16, 30, 31, e. ext. 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 18, 19, 28, 32, sil. fil. 8, 10, mis. a. d. 24, developed outwards. 29, cav.

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7. Disinterment supervised by E. J. RENOUARD. SUP. EMB.

Approved: R. S. WILLIAMS. 1st LT. QMC.
(Title) R. S. Williams, 1st Lieut., Q. M., Corps,

8. Reburial supervised by E. J. RENOUARD. SUP. EMB.

Approved: R. S. WILLIAMS. 1st LT. QMC.
(Title) R. S. Williams, 1st Lieut., Q. M., Corps,

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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.

<p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	
<p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	
<p>BRIDGE WORKBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	
<p>FILLINGSDraw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES)Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	
<p>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."</p>	

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.



Brown, Edmond F.
pfc.

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New York

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S. ROOSEVELT, JUNE 21, 1930

Nassau County

Name: Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown (H-13)

Address: 29 Linden Ave., Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.

Route: Long Island R.R. to New York

Lv. Rockville Center Train No. 139

3.35 P.M., June 20

Ar. New York (Penna. Station)

4.19 P.M., June 20

Accommodations: Coach Service

Elapsed Time: 44 minutes ^{1/4}

Trains operated on Daylight Saving Time.

E. Pryer

MEDICAL RECORD

Brown, Edmond F.

Port 1cl, Hg Co., 308 Inf.

Station: Paris, Party H.

Date: 29, June 1930

Name Brown Mrs. Marie

Home address 29 Linden Street, Rockville Centre, Long Is.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mr. L. O. Brown (husband)
same address

Religion Protestant

Age 67 yrs.

History of Present complaint: Complains of feeling tired
and "all in." Seen by Major Kenner.

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(over)

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

Fatigue

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

Brandy $\frac{7}{35}$ 29-6-30
3 Bromides $\frac{1}{1}$ tab- 29-6-30
Veg. Laxative $\frac{1}{1}$ pill 29-6-30
Brandy 15cc 2-7-30
Sel de Hunt 1tsp- 3-7-30
3 Bromides $\frac{1}{1}$ tab 4-7-30
3 Bromides $\frac{1}{1}$ tab 5-7-30
Disposition: (include dates)

6-7-30- 3 Bromides $\frac{1}{1}$ tab.
8-8-30 3 Bromides $\frac{1}{1}$ tab.

Remarks:

Brown, Edmund F.

Party "H" - Itinerary -oise-Aisne Group

Sailed June 21, 1930 on SS ROOSEVELT. Major J. P. Cottrell in charge.

Arrived Cherbourg 5 a.m. June 29th. Met by Major Daily, Capt. Mitchell, Capt. Dalton, Lieut. Gregory, Lieut. Freeman, Major Kinderman, three nurses and two civilian employees. Train left at 8.21 a.m. for Paris. Arrived Gare des Invalides at 2.30 p.m. Met by Lt. Col. Bartlett and members of the staff, with interpreters and nurses. Escorted to hotel. Remainder of day devoted to rest.

June 30th. Morning devoted to personal business; changing money, preparing laundry, etc. Left hotel at 3 p.m. for Arc de Triomphe. Wreath placed on tomb of the Unknown Soldier by Mrs. Wilhelmina Ohlson, who was selected by party for this duty. A wreath was also laid by Mrs. Anna Johnson on behalf of the N.Y. Fire Department. Proceeded to Restaurant Laurent after ceremony where tea and reception tendered by U.S. Government was held. Returned to hotel. Evening free.

July 1st. Morning free. 1.40 p.m. depart La Ferte Soissons.

July 2nd. Visited Soissons Cemetery. Soissons. Pierrefonds. Soissons.

July 3rd. Soissons Cemetery. Soissons. Belleau Woods Monument Hill 304. Coulonges - Soissons.

July 4th. Soissons Cemetery - Soissons - Chemin-des-Dames - Reims.

July 5th. Morning free. Lunch at Reims. Fismes. Soissons. Compiègne.

July 6th. Carrefour de l'Armistice. Lunch at Compiègne. Chantilly. Returned to Paris.

July 7th. Notre-Dame - Sacre-Coeur.

July 8th. Morning free. Napoleon's Tomb. Sightseeing Night Trip.

July 9th. Visit to Louvre - Versailles. Prepared for returned trip.

July 10th. Due to the fact that the date of return was changed from July 10th to July 11th, this day was free and was devoted to shopping, etc.

July 11th. Left Hotel between 1 and 1.30 p.m. for Invalides Railway Station. Train left at 2.15 p.m. Accompanied by 5 officers, 1 doctor, 3 nurses and 1 civilian employee. Arrived Cherbourg 5.53 p.m. Sailed 7.25 p.m. on SS REPUBLIC. Major Cottrell in charge. Arrived Hoboken, N.J. 5 p.m. July 20th.

NAME BROWN, MRS. MARY MATILDA

S.S. REPUBLIC

JUL 19 1930

HOME ROCKVILLE CENTER, NASSAU COUNTY
L. I.

R.R. L.I.R.R. to dest

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

July-13-30

~~Edward F. Brown~~

Levi O. Brown

29 Linden St

Rockville Center

L.I.

Mrs. Mrs Matilda Brown
Rockville Center L.I.
Stopping at _____
With _____
Address _____

File 141487

RECEIVED RAILROAD AND PULLMAN TICKET

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown

Name BROWN, Mrs Mary Mathilda
HOTEL DE PARIS
Paris Hôtel BOULEVARD DE LA MADELEINE
Home address 29 Linden Ave, Rockville Center, Nassau County, New York
Party H Group 2 Unit §§. ROOSEVELT,
Date of arrival June 29, 1930. Date of departure §§. "REPUBLIC" July 11 1930.
Relationship Mother
Name of deceased BROWN, Edmond F
Rank Pvt 1 cl Organization Hq, Co 308th Inf
Cemetery Oise-Aisne

REMARKS

Mary Matilda Br



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

BROWN, EDMOND F. - O.A.

Party **H**

Number .. **1481**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. MATILDA BROWN Actual cost of through Pullman.
Name of Traveler

ROCKVILLE CENTER, NASSAU COUNTY,... New York, to
Home Address

L. I. \$

New York, to
Destination

Via **L I R R**

.....
Date of Departure

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

Remarks:
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June 5, 1930

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown
29 Linden Ave.
Rockville Center, L. I.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For the Officer in Charge:

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

Enclosures
2 tags

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>B R O</i>	3	<i>2 8 5</i>
BURIED <i>Edmond F.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	<i>15</i>
	ROW <i>16</i>	2	<i>16</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>ny</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt 1c</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>77</i>	2	<i>77</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>308</i>	3	<i>308</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>Bro</i>	3	<i>2 8 5</i>
RESIDENCE <i>Mrs Mary Matilda</i>	STATE <i>ny</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	COUNTY <i>Nassau</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	CITY <i>Rockville Center Rd</i>	3	<i>128</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>May</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ACCEPTANCE <i>age</i>	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>66 20</i>

Barrett June 2 1931

Audited / OCT 7 1931 A.S.

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NAME Brown, Mrs Mary M.

ADDRESS 29 Linden Ave Rochville Centre, L.I. N.Y.

DATE _____

TO:

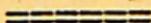
OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY, and Gratefully

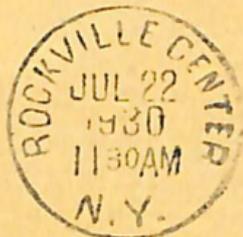
(SIGNED) Mary M. Brown

WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

NEW YORK

BROWN, EDMOND F.

29 Linden Ave.

Nassau County

Rockville Center L.I.

M

NAME **Brown, Mrs. Mary M.** HOME ADDRESS ...NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Lois O. Brown same*ARRIVAL IN NEW YORKDATE *June 20* HOTEL *McAfee* ROOM NO. *1035*DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE *6/21/30* VESSEL *Roosevelt* CABIN NO. *114-F*DESTINATION *Cherbourg, France* CEMETERY *Oise-Aisne*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUL 20 1930

29 Linden Ave.,
Nassau Co.
Rockville Center L.I.

Mother Brown, Mrs. Mary M.
NAME

HOME ADDRESS

S/S REPUBLIC

RETURN ON S. S. HOTEL ROOM NO.

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE

ROAD *LIRR* TRAIN CAR BERTH or SEAT

REMARKS
Local
.....
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Party **H**

MEDICAL RECORD

E. Pryer, R.N.

Station: **Paris**

Date: **June 29th, 1930**

Name **Brown, Mrs. Marie**

Home address **29 Linden St., Rockville Centre, L.I., N.Y.**

Address of Nearest friend or relative **Husband, L.O. Brown**

Religion **Prot.**

Age **67**

History of Present complaint: **Feeling tired and "all in". Seen by Major Kenner**

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of 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)

Fatigue

Treatment and Progress : (include dates)

June 29th: Brandy dr $\frac{1}{2}$, trip. brom i, veg. lax. i.

July 2nd: Brandy 15 cc

3rd: sel de Hunt 1 tsp

4th: trip. brom. i

5th: " " i

6th: " " i

8th: " " i

Disposition : (include dates)

Remarks :

7/11/30 to Cherbourg, HWK

1544

RETURN RECEIPT

608

Received 5/21/30

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

Mary Matilda Brown

(Signature or name of addressee.)

5/31/30

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____, 192

Deliver to addressee only.

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

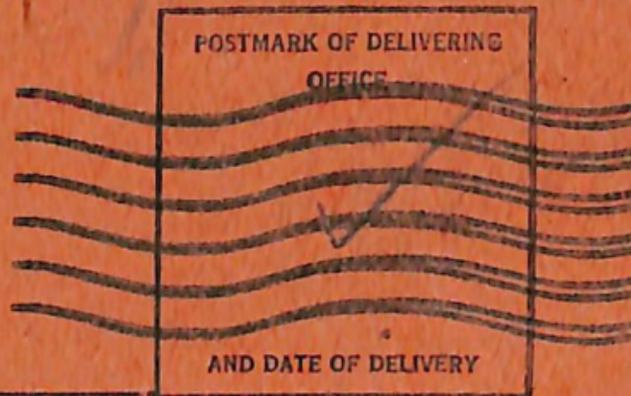
PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 426673

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



Return to Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, } MUNTIONS BUILDING

Post Office at _____

Rev. 3-24

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State Washington, D. C.

1544-c

Receipt 6/21/30

608

RETURN RECEIPT

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

Mrs Mary Matilda Brown

(Signature or name of addressee.)

6/5/30

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____, 192

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 927101

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to _____

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

Q. M. GENERAL

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at _____

State _____

Washington, D. C.

608
Brown, Edmond P. - ~~1930~~

June 4, 1930.

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L. I.
New York.

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. Rockville Center	Long Island R.R.	Train No. 139	3:35 PM	June 20
Ar. New York	(Penna. Station)		4:19 PM	June 20

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F. 608-M

June 3, 1930.

Mrs Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L. I.
New York.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 332,415 in the amount of \$ 2.50 , 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.

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,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F. 608 M
Roosevelt 6-21

noted

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville, Center, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Mr. L. O. Brown

Name

29 Linden Ave. Rockville Centre N.Y.

Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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



Encl.
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edmond F. 608 M

April 14, 1930.

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Roosevelt

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Brown, Edmond J.

I Accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown

(Name)

29 Linden Ave., Rockville Center, L. I.,

(Town or City)

(State)

Nassau Co., N. Y.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edmond F. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L.I. N.Y.

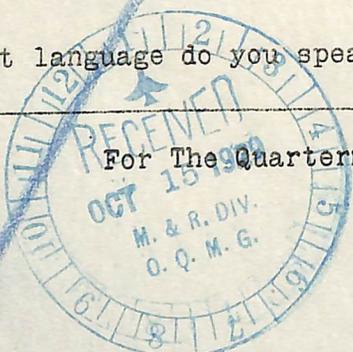
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Dear Madam:

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 <u>66</u> Health (Years) (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
JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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29 Linden Ave Rockville Centre L. I. N. Y.

ASSISTANT & CHIEF CLERK

Gentlemen
AUG 3 1929

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Aug 2 1929

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In my haste to answer questions regarding the mothers pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe, I neglected to express a wish to make said pilgrimage in the spring or summer of 1930. My reasons are based upon the fact that I am neither young nor strong; most cordially
Mary Matilda Brown



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F.

July 30, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L.I. 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 Private first class Edmond F. Brown, Hq. Co. 308th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, 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?

No.

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

yes.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edmond F.

June 21, 1929.

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Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
939 Sterling Place,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

(M) Mary Brown,
29 Linden Ave.
Rockville Center, L.I.N.J.

Dear Madam:

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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 re-married 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
JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1930.

Brown, Edmond F. 608 M

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L. I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edw F. 1232 M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Mary Brown
Sup Avenue 322
Toman, Wisconsin.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required 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 are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Brown, Edmond F. - 1232

June 4, 1930.

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L. I.
New York.

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. Rockville Center	Long Island R.R.	Train No. 139	3:35 PM	June 20
Ar. New York	(Penna. Station)		4:19 PM	June 20

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F. 608 M
Roosevelt 6-21

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville, Center, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Name

Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F. 608M
Roosevelt 6-21

May 8 1930

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 14, 1930.

Brown, Edmond F. 608 H

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Brown, Edmond F. 608-M

March 25, 1930

Mrs. Mary Matilda Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, Long Island,
New York

Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 3 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edmond F. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
29 Linden Ave.,
Rockville Center, L.I. N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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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,

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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

Brown, Edmond F.

July 30, 1929.

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Rockville Center, L.I. N.J.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. 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,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Edmond F.

June 21, 1929.

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
939 Sterling Place,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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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 invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

Brown
(Surname.)

Edmond F
(Christian name in full.)

1,710,650
(Army serial number)

Pvt *1/cl.*

HdQRS Co 308th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased. Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? No
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? }
(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 rema'ns.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

M
(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mary M. Brown

15-Lake St-Bklyn N.Y.
(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by P.F

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 7, 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 BROWN, Edmund F. *n.y.*

10. Name _____

2. No. 1710650

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt., 1/cl.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Hq.Co., 308th Inf. 77th Div.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. August 19, 1918

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 15 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot Block B Row 16

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. _____

18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles20. Dept. or County Aisne21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 60823. Disinterred (Date) February 7, 1928 By L. Gordon

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BROWN, Edmund F.Serial No. 1710650Rank Pvt., 1/cl.Organization Hq.Co., 308th Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 7, 1928 By L. Gordon31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

L. Gordon
L. Gordon

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

32. Designation of body:

Name BROWN, Edmund F. Serial No. 1710650
Rank Pvt., 1/cl. Organization Hq.Co., 308th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 7, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector _____

Charles E. Spahn
Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____ (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 February 7, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 15 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 16

G.R.S. Representative *William E. Moore*
William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date February 7, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BROWN, Edmund F., SERIAL NUMBER 1710650

RANK Pvt. 1/cl. ORGANIZATION Hq.Co., 308th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 7, 1928 From (give complete location):

Grave 15, Block B, Row 16

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) February 7, 1928 In (give complete location):

Grave 15, Block B, Row 16

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic Casket

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

Pine box and burlap.

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

8 MAD

(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)

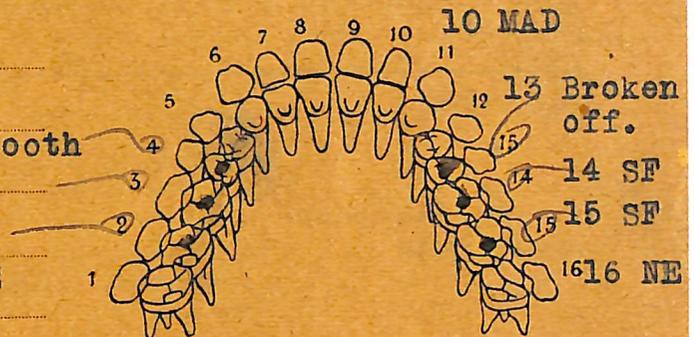
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

4 SF Double tooth

3 SF

2 SF.

1 NE



17 SF

18 SF

19 SF

20

21

22

23

24

25

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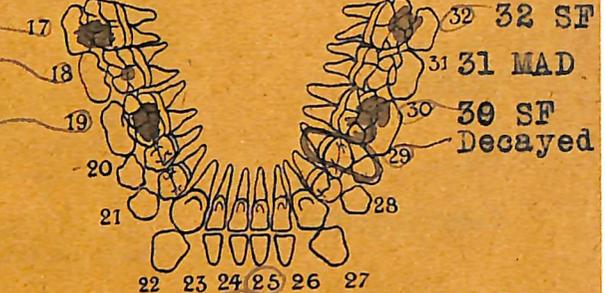
28

29

30 SF

31 MAD

32 SF



7. Disinterment supervised by H. Gordon

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahr

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

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.

QM 293 A-C

BROWN, Edmond P. - Pvt. 1c1

November 2, 1925

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
939 Sterling Place,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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 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,

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

1-Incl.
Record card.

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W



7719 COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #14742

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROWN, Edmond F. (12-17) Ser. No. 1710650
(b) Rank Pvt. 1/cl. (12-17) Organization Hq. Co., 308th Inf. TYP. HB
(c) Date of death 8/19/18 (d) Cause of death K/A MRLA (12-17) CKR. E.M.

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

(a) Grave No. 184 Row - Plot 4 Sec. G TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary M. Brown (mother) 15 Lake St., Brooklyn, NY.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR. E.M.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mary M. Brown (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address 15 Lake St. Brooklyn N.Y.
(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 PF Date 12-13, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials PF Date 12-13, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials E.M. Date 12-13, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 608

SHEET No. 363

Make Form No. 114

G. R. S. Form No. 115 Amended Apr. 16, 1920

3-7729

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

JAN 24 1921

CARDED

Rev. 5-10-21 EP

RECEIVED.

MAY 3 1921

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 JAN 15 1921, 1920

Brown, Edmond F. Par. 2 Not to be returned. (P.S.)

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 2/1/21 - Form 120 - Mrs. Mary M. Brown, (Mother)
939 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, N.Y., wishes body to remain in Europe.
H-2/16/21 MP

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #14742

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 (c) Date of death 8/19/18 Cause of death D.I.R. L.A./A ⁽¹²⁻¹⁷⁾ } E.M.

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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR E.M.

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

A.G.O. card - Mary M. Brown (mother) - 15 Lake St., Brooklyn, N.Y. - desires body to remain in Europe. (L.S. 1/7/21)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192)
 (Letter of transmittal on JAN 15 1921)

Par. 2 Not to be returned. (L.S.)

Brown, Edmond F.

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and Name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 5/3 192 11

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 608 SHEET NO. 363

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

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JAN 24 1921 - ap

March 5th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.
(Brown, Edmond F.)

Mrs. Mary M. Brown,
939 Sterling Pl.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of the Department's Shipping Inquiry Form #120, executed by you, is acknowledged.

The Department regrets the necessity of having to again address you in this matter but desires to be assured that no relative entitled to a voice in the disposition of the remains of the late Edmond F. Brown, Private, First-class, Serial No. 1710650, Hq. Co., 308th Infantry, is denied an opportunity of expressing his wishes and it is, therefore, requested that you kindly advise this office whether the late soldier is survived by widow, children, or father, and if so, furnish the name and address of each.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

CP P. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

MAILED
MAR 8 1921
BR. G. R. S.

RECEIVED
MAY 3 1921
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N.J.

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

FEB 1 1921

To: Mrs. Mary M. Brown, 15 Lake St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. 1/c Edmund B. Brown, Ser. No. 1710650, Hdq. Co. 308th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

*no change
904*

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.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

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

Was soldier married? _____

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. { (Name oldest first.)			
Father			
Mother	Mary M. Brown	939 Stirling Place	Brooklyn N.Y.
Brothers. { (Name oldest first.)			
Sisters. { (Name oldest first.)			

Date _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Relationship _____

939 Stirling Place Bklyn N.Y. 1921
Formerly 15 Lake St

Address
Date

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

(Relationship.)

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

RECEIVED
MAY 3 1921
CEMETERY DIVISION
GENERAL PROJECT

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 Mary M. Brown



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.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-27-A-0
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 12/14/20.

File No. Requisition.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

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

- a. Surname Brown, Edmund F. L
- b. Christian name Edmund F.
(Edmond F.) OK
- c. Serial Number 1710650. OK L
- d. Organization Hq. Co. 308th Inf. L
- e. Rank Pvt. (Pvt. 1/cl.) L
Put in
- f. Date of death 8/19/18. OK L
- g. Cause of death K/A. Died of
wounds received
in action
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|------------|
| 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | | |
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| 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | | |
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S.M.
Donnelly MSM
and PL See 8-307
Dec 14, 1920

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

BY:

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

CEMETERY NO: 608.

SHEET NO: 363.

TYPED BY: rln.

S/713/LML

Rec'd World War Div.
Date... 12.14.20

14742

Name ... Brown ... 1710650 ... F.

Rank Private ... Co. Hq. Co. ... {Corps
Regt.} 308th Inf.

Date of Death ... ---

Place At junction of roads leading NW to
Fere-en-Tardenois, NE to La Folie.

Cause

Wounds received in action.

Date of Burial ... Approximately Aug. 16, 1918.

Grave No. ... 104 ... Row C.

Cemetery A.E.F. plot. Verbal acquisition fr
French Major at Fere-en-Tardenois.

Identified by { Tag
Papers
Clothing } ... Tags.

List of Effects ... ----

Field Record Made by ... Charles J. Wynne

2nd Lt. Inf. R.C. Com'd'g.

Corp. W. J. Logan

Company 304 ... Graves Registration Service
Group No. 1. - Wynne.

For additional data use reverse side

Field sketch No. 1-Wynne.

Prepared by C. H. ... Co.

Date of Issue

At junction of roads leading NE to ...
Pere-en-Terrance, NE to La Jolie.

Remarks received in action.

Drawn approximately Aug. 16, 1914.

Scale 1:100

Checked by ...
French Major at Pere-en-Terrance.

Location

Map of ...

Prepared by ...

Scale 1:100

Checked by ...

Group No. 1

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GRAVE LOCATION BANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brown 1 719 650 E. F.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
308th Infantry
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL August 19 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Military Cemetery

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

Chateau de la Foret

Map: Fere-en-Tardenois 1/20,000

192.9 - 271.8

GRAVE NUMBER 104

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:

Fere en Tardenois (Aisne) C-53
33 S.E. E 192.85 - 145 1.85
14742

REPORTED BY:

J. J. Allen, Senior Chaplain, 77th Division
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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