

G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH *Drowned.*

FULL NAME..... *Sol. reg.*
BRUCE, Elmer B.

RANK..... Pvt, SERIAL..... 102109

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *42 Div*
Co.K. 168th Inf.

DATE OF DEATH..... *8-16-18*
8-16-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Mo.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *None*
12-12-1922 45 2 B

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....
Date Grave Row Block

1764

Cemetery

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

24/292/EYS

ADMITTED BY

Rec'd World War Div.
3 JAN 5 1928 : 3/16/27 SK 1299

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bruce 102109 Elmer C.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Capt. Co. K. 168 Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *8-17-18.*

PLACE OF BURIAL *St. Aulde Cemetery*

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

St. Aulde
33 ft of East Wall from
S.E. Corner

GRAVE NUMBER *See French Town Major*

HOW MARKED: ~~Name Peg?~~ Cross? *Yes*
~~Headboard?~~ Bottle? *Yes*

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:
Was one buried with body? *Yes*
Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *Yes*
If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

REPORTED BY: *W.E. Robb **
R.C. Hitch Chap. 168 Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bruce	3	28 ⁰ 12
BURIED	CEMETERY 1764	1	4
	GRAVE 45	2	45
	ROW 2	2	02
	BLOCK 13	1	1
STATE	Mo	2	29
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	42	2	42
ORGANIZATION	168	3	168
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	(Bro.) Y no	1	2
NAME	Bruce	3	28
RESIDENCE	309 N. Jefferson St E. Colorado City, Ark.	2	20
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER	no	1	
ELIGIBILITY	lead 6-18-25	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
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ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

AUG 18 1932

Re

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 7, 1930

Bruce, Elmer B. 1764-B

Mr. William Henry Bruce
309 North Jefferson St.
Eldorado City, Arkansas

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

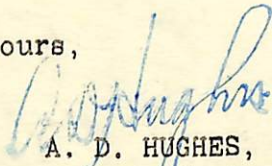
3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment


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

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

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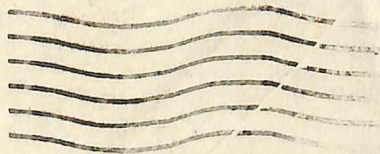


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BRUCE ELMER B

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Mother

VETERAN

stepmother

Died 6-18-25

SINGLE

Brother,

Mr. William Henry Bruce

309 N. Jefferson St.

Eldorado City

1927 ARK.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bruce, Elmer B. 1764 M

Mrs. Billy Carson,
c/o Owl Cafe,
Joplin, Missouri.

} deceased

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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 (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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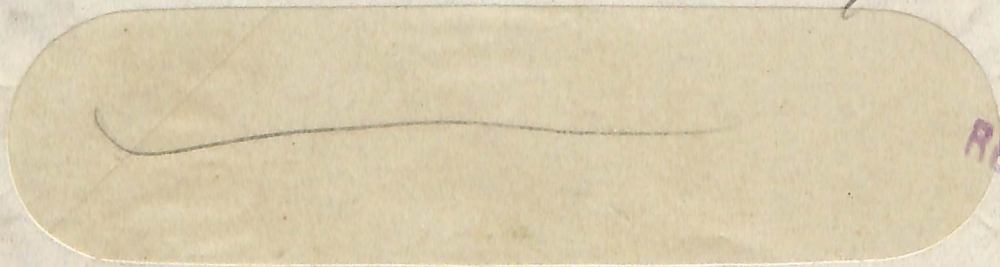
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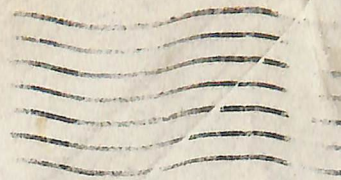
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Sept. 13th

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bruce, Elmer B.

September 3, 1929.

Mrs. Billy Carson,
c/o Owl Cafe,
Joplin, Missouri.

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 Pvt. Elmer B. Bruce, Co. K, 168th. Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

.....1929

TO

No application received.

At enl.

Mrs. Billy Carson, Mother,
c/o Owl Cafe,
Joplin, Mo.

Nothing additional found.

MIM # 58

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bruce, Elmer B.

July 29th, 1929

Mr. William Henry Bruce
Moffat, Okla.

Dear Sir:

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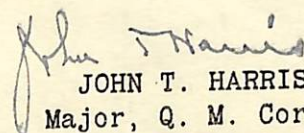
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Bruce, Elmer B.

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Mr. Wm. H. Bruce,
309 N. Jefferson St.,
El Dorado, Ark.

B. William Henry Bruce
Moffat, Okla.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 7, 1930

Bruce, Elmer B. 1764-B

Mr. William Henry Bruce
309 North Jefferson St.
Bilderado City, Arkansas

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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For The Quartermaster General,

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bruce, Elmer B. 1764 M

Mrs. Billy Carson,
c/o Owl Cafe,
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Dear Madam:

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bruce, Elmer B.
1764

September 13, 1929.

Mrs. Billy Carson,
c/o Owl Cafe,
Joplin, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Sept. 5, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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July 29th, 1929

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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June 12, 1929.

Bruce, Elmer B.

Mr. Wm. H. Bruce,
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Q. M. G. & R. DIV.
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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov.29,1922

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 BRUCE, Elmer B.
 2. No. 102109
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co. K. 168th Inf.
 5. D.D. Aug. 16th 1918
 6. C.D. Drowned

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 52 Sec. W
 8. Plot 2 Row
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. no discrepancy

18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.
 20. Dept. or County Aisne.
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. _____

19. Commune or town Belleau
 21. Country France
 1764

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov.29,1922

By C.P. Keating

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Elmer B. Bruce
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 102109
 Organization Co.K,168th Inf.

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

Signature *W.D. Wall Jr.*
 W.D. Wall Jr. 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).

Bottle record agrees.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? no

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov.29,1922 By C.P. Keating

31. Casket sealed by C.P. Keating

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *C.P. Keating*

9/108/27

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-31204

32. Designation of body:

Name Elmer B. BRUCE. Serial No. 102108

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. K. 168th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.Cty.1764, Belleau, Aisne.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov.29,1922 By C.D.Keating

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

36. Remarks Disc on body partly corroded reads: "Elmer-----, ----- Inf."

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov.29,1922

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 Aisne-Marne Cem.1764, Belleau(Aisne)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer A.E.Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Dec. 12, 1922 Aisne Marne Cem. 1764

(Date)

42. Grave No. 45 Section

43. Plot Block B. Row 2

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary

W.D. CLEARY
LT. CHAPLAIN USA.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Belleau (Aisne)

Date Nov. 29, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BRUCE, Elmer B. SERIAL NUMBER 102109
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K, 168th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov. 29, 1922. From (give complete location) : Grave 52, Sec. W, Plot 2, Cem. 1764.
By : Group 1 Unit F.S., Aisne-Marne Cem.

3. Reburied (date) : Dec. 12, 1922 In (give complete location) : Gr. 45 Row 2 Blk B. Aisne Marne Cty 1764
By : Group reburial group Unit lined casket
Nature of Reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box and burlap
Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Bottle record agrees.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(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) None visible.

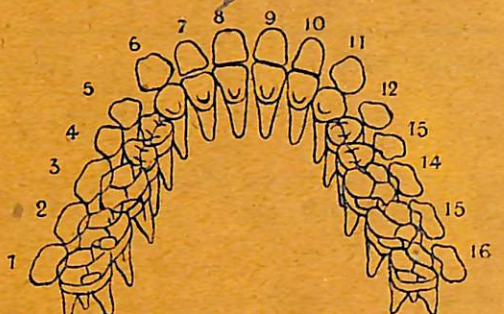
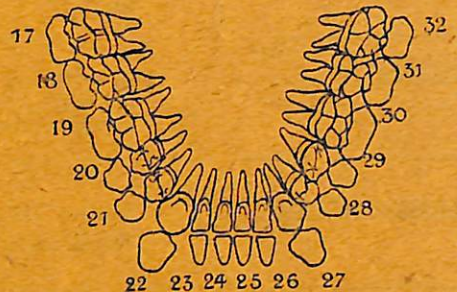


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



W.D. Wall Jr. Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by C.P. KEATING, S.E.

Approved : A.E. DEWEY, 1st Lt. MC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W. D. WALL

Approved : W. D. CLEARY
LT. CHAPLAIN USA.
(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.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #13011

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRUCE, Elmer B Ser. No. 102109
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. K, 168th Inf.
(c) Date of death 8/16/18 (d) Cause of death Drowned
TYP. evs
CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 52 Row - Plot 2 Sec. W TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Dillie Carson (Mother) c/o Owl Cafe, Joplin, Iowa.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship No card in file
(c) Address _____
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes 2-21-21
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials Pm Date 2-21-21, 1920.

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes Pm

Examiner's Initials Pm Date 2-21-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1764 SHEET No. 264

checked 4-28-21

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **MAR 10 1921**, 1920

Par. # 2 Not To Be Returned

mcw

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *B/9 W.R.*

*Mrs. Hattie Carson (mother)
503 - E. 4th St., Carthage, Mo.
(6-28-21) H*

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

.....
A.G.O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

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Remarks

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G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

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Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Handwritten in red:
H. S. W. sent.
2-23-21

Handwritten in green:
M. R.
checked by
M. M. M.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #13011

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} TYP evs
 } 30

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

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

No card in file (2-21-21)

no request for disposition ^{for 2-21-21}

14.5.4-27-21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 { letter of transmittal on _____, 192

MAR 10 1921

Par. # 2 Not To Be Returned

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VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 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. _____, 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

AP 4/28/21

Place _____

Date _____

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

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Remains of:

Name: BRUCE, Elmer B.

Number: 102109

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co. K, 168th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit _____

Disinterred (Date) Oct. 28, 1919 from: (Give complete location)

Grave No. 12 Chamigny Cemetery.

Reburied (Date) Oct. 28/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave No. 52, Section W, Plot 2, Belleau No. 1764

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

Hospital burial

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.

What other means of identification were found on the body?

American cross over grave "Died July 16, 1918".

Note:

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

Supervised by: F.M. Van Natter,

Capt. Inf.

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place _____
Date _____

Remains of: _____
Name: BRUCE, Albert B.
Number: 101010
Rank: Pvt.
Organization: Co. K, 100th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____
Unit _____
Disinterred (Date) Oct. 28, 1918; (Give complete location) _____
Grave No. 12 Cemetery Cemetery.

Reburied (Date) Oct 28/19; (Give complete location) _____
Grave No. 52, Section W, Plot 2, Bellair No. 1764

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



Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.
That other means of identification were found on the body?
American cross over grave "Died July 16, 1918"

Note:
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Supervised by: E. M. Van Hatter, Capt. Inf.
C. O. Group _____
Unit _____

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place BELLEAU (AISNE) CTY 1764

Date June 2, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BRUCE, ELMER B. SERIAL NUMBER 102109

RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION CO. K. 168th. Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : 6.2.21 From (give complete location) : GR. 52. SEC.W. Pt. 2.

By : Group Foster. Unit FIELD SECTION # 7

3. Reburied (date) : 6.2.21 In (give complete location) : Gr. 52. Sec.W. Pt. 2.

By : Group Foster. Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial BURLAP & PINE BOX.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
BADLY DECOMPOSED
Uniform, blanket and pine box.
FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Body tag O.K.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated).....

(c) Hair—Color LIGHT BROWN

Quantity SMALL

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

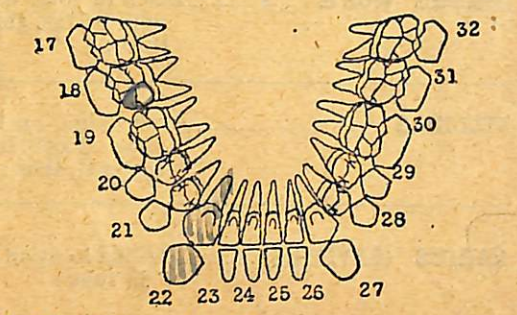
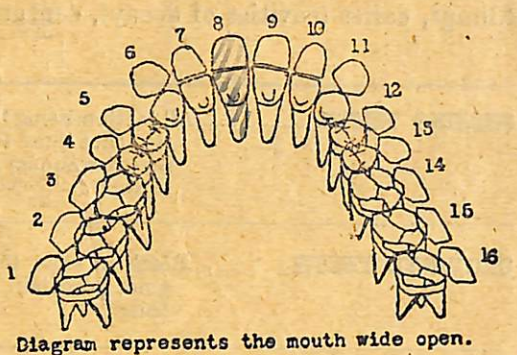
Location.....

Quantity

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

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

NONE



7. Disinterment supervised by H. H. FOSTER. SUP. EMB.

Approved : M. B. BIRDSEYE
(Title) M. B. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC

8. Reburial supervised by H. H. FOSTER. SUP. EMB.

Approved : M. B. BIRDSEYE
(Title) M. B. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC

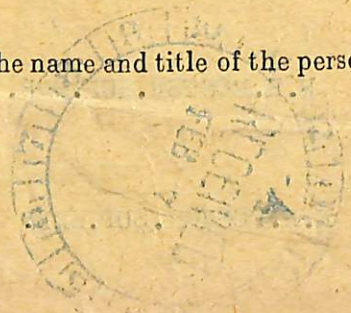
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<p>DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

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.



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

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Harlow C.W.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Bruce, Elmer B., Pvt.

1764 - 264

2/23/21.

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

C-103805

102109

Co. K, 168th Inf.

Date of death - 8/16/18.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

*Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department
4-26-21 M.H.S.*

DATE March 15, 1921.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Hattie Carson

Mother

Address

208 - West Joplin Street, Webb City, Mo.
503 E. 4th St., Carthage, Mo.

(Om. Address)

S/709/LML

OSP-SS
Form No. 1009

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

Please insert!
103805

<u>Harlow F.M.</u> NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	<u>1764 - 264</u> CEMETERY NO.	<u>4/12/21.</u> DATE
<u>Bruce, Elmer B., Pvt.</u> SERIAL NUMBER	<u>Co. K, 168th Inf.</u> ORGANIZATION	<u>8/16/18.</u> DATE OF DEATH
<u>102109</u>	<u>Co. K, 168th Inf.</u>	<u>8/16/18.</u>

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department
Date 6-28-21-7

DATE _____

PERSON NAMED BY SOLDIER TO BE BENEFICIARY OF INSURANCE	RELATIONSHIP
<u>Mrs. Hattie Carson</u>	<u>Mother</u>
ADDRESS	

503 E. 4th St., Carthage, Mo.

PERSON RECEIVING DEATH COMPENSATION	RELATIONSHIP
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No record

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bruce 10.2109 *Elmer C.*
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Priv. Co K 168 Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *8-17-18* ✓

PLACE OF BURIAL *St. Aulde Cemetery*

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

St. Aulde
33 ft. of E. Wall from S.E. Corner

GRAVE NUMBER *See French Town Major*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

REPORTED BY: *W.E. Robt & R.O. Hatch, Chap's 168 Inf.*
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

P. Cards.

File No.

June 1919

G.R.S. Form No. 8; Central Bureau Division.
Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

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FILE

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- Surname: Bruce.
- Number:
- First name: Elmer.B.
- Rank: Pvt.
- Company: K.
- Organization: 168th Inf.
- Date of death:
- Cause:
- Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "

- Relative:
- Relationship:
- Address:
- Authority:
- Cablegram No:
- Telegram from:

dated:

- Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos:
- (Underscore the "official" C.C.)
- Remarks:

Show present status on reverse side.
Burial notification returned, advise correct address of N.R.

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

Initials of Reporter:

125 MAR 1919

G.R. . . FORM NO. 18: Concentration of Bodies.

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

FROM : The Chief, G.R.S. **FILE.**

TO : Mrs. Dillie Carson
c/o Owl Cafe, Joplin, Iowa

SUBJECT : Transfer of remains.

1. Upon the initiative of the French Government, the associated armies are concentrating in carefully selected cemeteries the bodies of all soldier dead which, under the stress of war, were buried in isolated graves or places which could not be properly maintained.
2. Much care is being taken to preserve the identity of bodies and the location of graves; Americans being buried together.
3. In pursuance of this policy it has been necessary to transfer the body in which you are interested, as follows:
Private Elmer B. Bruce
Co. K, 168th Infantry
French Civilian Cemetery
Chamigny, Seine et Marne, France
4. The final disposition of all bodies is subject to the orders of the War Department, under diplomatic arrangement with the Government of France. When further action is to be taken you will be fully advised.

By authority:
CCP/wrr CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

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15 MAY 1919
O. C. Q. M.
G. R. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
American Expeditionary Forces

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No such P. O.
named. M.D.N. 26
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Mrs. Dillie Carson
c/o Owl Cafe
Joplin, Iowa

U.S. Army Corps

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O. G. Q. M.
G. R. S.

CHICAGO BLUE ISLAND
P. O.
MAY 15 1919

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FROM: O.Q.M.G.
CEMETERY DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

WAR. DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the
Washington

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

Date 2/23/21.

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 **Bruce** ✓
- b. Christian name **Elmer B.** ✓
- c. Serial Number **102109** ✓
- d. Organization **Co. K, 168th Inf.** ✓
- e. Rank **Pvt.** ✓
- f. Date of death **8/16/18.** ✓
- g. Cause of death **Drowned.** ✓
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. ~~Emergency address~~ *Mrs. Betty Carson
Carr 4 owl Cafe, Joplin, Mo.*
- j. ~~Relationship~~ *mother*

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

Enl'd 6-6-17 19 yob mos

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair *dk Brown*
- d. Height *5'10"*
- e. Weight *150#*

FILE

DENTAL CHARTS
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- no teeth missing*
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
- upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
- lower right lower left

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

*Donnelly msn
Enl Pl Sec 8-3-17
Feb 24/21*

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

BY: *[Signature]*
H. J. COOPER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

C.W.
CEMETERY NO: 1764
SHEET NO: 264
TYPED BY: I.W.

H S/713/LML

FEB 24 1921

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WAR. DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

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

Date 2/23/21.

File No. Requisition.

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Carpenter Cafe, Joplin, Mo.*
- j. ~~Relationship~~ *mother*

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FILE

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- lower right lower left

Adjustment Made

MAR 24 1921

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

*Donnelly msn
Enl Pl Sec 8-307
Feb 24/21*

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

BY:

[Signature]
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

C.W.
CEMETERY NO: 1764

SHEET NO: 264
TYPED BY: I.W.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.A.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested by A.G.O.

Date 2/23/21

File No.

Registration

From:

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

To:

The Adjutant General of the Army, 5th & B Sts., W.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject:

Information required for G.A.S.

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

- a. Surname *Byrne*
- b. Christian name *Elmer B.*
- c. Serial Number *102109*
- d. Organization *Co. K, 188th Inf.*
- e. Rank *1st Lt.*
- f. Relationship
- g. Home address
- h. Authority (C.O.)
- i. Cause of death *Wounded*
- j. Date of death *2/18/18*

FILE

Adjustment Made
MAR 24 1921

PHYSICAL 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 time of enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)
- g. Lower right *lower left*
- h. Upper right *upper left*
- i. *8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8*
- j. *8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8*
- k. *8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8*
- l. *8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8*

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SERIAL NO. 1784
INDEXED BY: I.W.
DATE: 2-23-21

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Verify & a

also soldiers

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Elmer B

or

Mother

Dead

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Br

Wm H Bruce

309 N Jefferson St.

Eldora, Mo

Duplicate.

Bruce,

(Surname.)

Elmer B.

(Christian name in full.)

102,109

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. K, 168 Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased _____

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? _____

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here) _____

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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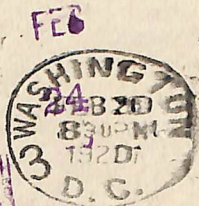
WAR DEPARTMENT.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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named. M. D. N. S.



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Mrs. Dillie Carson,
% Owl Cafe,
Joplin, Iowa.

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Nov. 4, 1919.

Bruce, Elmer B.

Pvt. Co. K, 168th Inf.

Disinterred from Cemetery #^{#1195}~~235~~ and

reburied in Grave #52, Section W,

Plot #2, of Cemetery #1764, Belleau,

(Aisne).

Letter from Chief, G.R.S., AF in F.

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

August 13, 1919

Dear Madam:

This is the second request for information concerning this matter that has been sent to you. Inasmuch as no reply has been received to the first request it is presumed you did not receive it, and as the information indicated on the inclosed card is necessary to complete the records it will be appreciated if you will fill in and return the card at the earliest practicable date.

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.**

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MRS. BILLY CARSON,
% OWL CAFE,
JOPLIN, MISSOURI.

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