

FULL NAME *BURGESS, William A.*

RANK *Private 1/cl* SERIAL *1280029*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Co. C, 114th Infantry 29 Div.*

DATE OF DEATH *10/16/1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *n. g.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION	<i>2/5/25</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>F</i>
	Date	Grave	Row	Block

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery # 1232.

See'd World War Cemetery

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New Jersey

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S. REPUBLIC, JULY 26, 1930

Bergen County

Name: Mrs. Minnie Burgess (N-2)

Address: 140 Ricardo Pl., Hackensack, N.J.

Route: Erie R.R. to New York

Lv. Hackensack Train No. 922
Ar. Jersey City

12.29 P.M., July 25
12.55 P.M., July 25

Accommodations: Coach Service

Elapsed Time: 26 minutes ^{1/4}

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P. Handley (Nurse)

Burgess, Wm. A.
MEDICAL RECORD

Party N. Group 1.
Meuse-Argonne.
R. 132.

Post Co C, 1149 Inf.

Station: *Hotel Ambassador*

Date: *Aug. 5, 1930.*

Name *Burgess, Mrs Minnie*

Home address *140 Ricardo Pl. Hackensack New Jersey*

Address of Nearest friend or relative *M^r John Burgess (husband)*

same address

Religion *Protestant*

Age *57 yrs ?*

History of Present complaint: *Aug. 5th History of injury to finger on boat. - dry dressing applied - finger healed.*

Aug 19 1930. To Charbourg, beach

(over)

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.

Diagnosis and complications : (*include dates*)

Treatment and Progress : (*include dates*)

Disposition : (*include dates*)

Remarks :

Party N

MEDICAL RECORD

Burgess, Wm. A.
Pt., Co C, 1149 Inf.

Station: S.S. Republic

Date: Eastbound

Name Burgess, Mrs. Minnie

Home address 140 Ricardo Place, Hackensack, N.J.

Address of Nearest friend or relative

Religion

Age

History of Present complaint:

Abrasion of index finger

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(over)

Diagnosis and complications: *(include dates)*

July 25th, 1930 Admission of index finger, left hand.

Treatment and Progress: *(include dates)*

July 28th, Examined by Dr. Linnehan. Cleansed c Alcohol, Boric ointment dressing.

Disposition: *(include dates)*

Remarks: Condition relieved. E.H. Linnehan, M.D.

Aug. 5th, recovered, A.W.K.

1255

NAME BURGESS, MRS. MINNIE

2609

S.S. HARDING

AUG 27 1930

HOME HACKENSACK, BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.

R.R. N.Y. S + W to dest

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Sept 25-30

no fare

Burgess, Wm A

Party "N" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed July 26, 1930 on REPUBLIC. Major F. D. Garlock in charge. Arrived Cherbourg at day break August 5th. Special tender arrived 5.35. a.m., bearing Maj. G.F.H. Dailey; Cpts. Conway, Stark, Haley, Earnest and Lambert; Lts. Freeman, Morin and Zwicker; Maj. Kinderman; Miss Blanche Rulon, Capt. A.W.C. six nurses and three civilian employees. Train left 8.15 a.m.; arrived Paris, 2:40 p.m. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- August 6th: Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe, wreath laid by Mrs. Crane for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- August 7th: Morning free. Lunch at hotel. Left 2:15 p.m. for Versailles. Left Versailles 4:55 p.m. Arrive 5:30 p.m. for refreshments Belle Cycliste - Suresnes. Dinner at hotel.
- August 8th: Left 7:15 a.m. for Montmirail via Porte de Pantin (rest stop Hotel du Vert Gallant). Left Montmirail 11:00 a.m. for Chalons s/ Marne. Lunch Hotel Haute-More-Bieu. Left 3:00 p.m. for Ste-Menehould (rest stop Modern Hotel). Left Ste-Menehould 4:45 p.m. for Verdun. Quartered at Hotel Nouvel and Hotel Vauban. Visited Verdun Cemetery.
- August 9th,
10th, 11th:
- August 12th: ~~DEPART~~ ~~Verdun~~ Verdun ~~xxxxxxx~~ 9:15 a.m. for Meuse-Argonne Cemetery. Lunch at Cemetery. Left Cemetery 2:00 p.m. for Suippes via Charpentry, Argonne Forest, Four-de-Paris, Vienne-le-Chateau, Vienne-la-Ville, Somme-Bionne. Arrive 4:00 p.m. (rest stop Hotel Champagne. Left Suippes 4:30 p.m. via Juchery, St. Nilaire-le-Grand. Arrive Reims 8:00 p.m. Dinner and quarters at Hotel Bristol Crystal.
- August 13th: Visited Cathedral and Reims in morning. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Left Reims 1:30 p.m. via Champfleury, Ay, Epernay, Dormans. Arrive 3:30 p.m. Chateau Thierry (rest stop Hostellerie du Bonhomme). Left Chateau Thierry 4:00 p.m. via Le Thiolet, Montreuil-aux-Lions, La Porte-sous-Jouarre and arrive Paris 6:45 p.m. Dinner at Hotel.
- August 14th: Morning free. Lunch at Hotel. Afternoon sightseeing trip Paris - Notre Dame. Dinner at Hotel.
- August 15th: Holiday. Trip on Seine River.
- August 16th: Visited Sacre Coeur in morning. Lunch at Hotel. Sightseeing trip Paris, Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at Hotel.
- August 17th: Free or Church. Lunch at Hotel. Louvre. Dinner at Hotel. Night sightseeing trip.
- August 18th: Left 9:45 a.m. for Fontainebleau via Barbizon. Lunch Hotel Legris. Visited Chateau ~~xxxxxxx~~. Left Fontainebleau 4:00 p.m. via Melun for Paris. Arrive Paris 6:40 p.m. Dinner at Hotel.
- August 19th: Boat train for Cherbourg. Left 2:12 p.m.. Arrived 8:25 p.m. PRESIDENT HARDING sailed about 10:30 p.m. Arrived New York August 27th.

Mrs Minnie Burgess

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

BURGESS, W^mA. - M.A.

Party ... N.....
 Number .2609.....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

..... MRS. MINNIE BURGESS..... Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler

..... HACKENSACK, BERGEN COUNTY..... New York, to HACKENSACK, N. J.....
 Home Address

..... NEW JERSEY..... \$

New York, to HACKENSACK, N. J.....
 Destination

Via ... N.Y. S. & W. TQ. DEST.....

..... AUG 27, 1930.....
 LIMIT--SEPT 25, 1930 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	JERSEY CITY	919	8/27	3:34 PM				
AR	HACKENSACK		8/27	3:55 PM				
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TOTAL

Remarks:

..... TO LEAVE ON TRAIN ABOUT 3:00 PM.....

..... Escorted to train by Capt. Richard H. Darrell.....

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Name BURGESS, Mrs. Minnie

Paris Hôtel HOTEL AMBASSADOR
BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN

Home address 140 Ricardó Place, Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey

Party N Group I Unit SS. REPUBLIC

Date of arrival Aug-5-1930 Date of departure SS. HARDING-Aug-19-1930

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased BURGESS, William A.

Rank Pvt Incl. Organization Co. C, 114th Inf

Cemetery Meuse Argonne

REMARKS

Mrs. . . Augusta L. Hoffman friend age 57 accompanying Mrs. Minnie Burgess.

Minnie Burgess



BURGESS, WM. A.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess

Arrived 12:55 p.m., Erie R.R., July 25, 1930.
Met by Capt. Richard H. Darrell. Escorted to Hotel Paramount.
Occupied Room 411 with Mrs. Margaret Jaroni.

Two pieces luggage.

WAR DEPARTMENT
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS
225 WEST 34TH ST., N. Y., N. Y., ROOM 901

VIA WESTERN UNION

A. C. TIPTON,
Major, Inf. (DOL)

Aug. 27, 1930

Mr. John Burgess
140 Recordo Place
Hackensack, N. J.

MRS MINNIE BURGESS WILL BE HOME AT FIVE P M WEDNESDAY

COLONEL WILLIAMS

(Sent for Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
Hackensack, N.J., Party "N",
from Hotel New Yorker).

July 12th, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, New Jersey.

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 P. E. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., C.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Burgess,</i>	<i>BUR</i>	3	<i>2 12 0</i>
<i>Wm. G.</i>	<i>CEMETERY 1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	<i>GRAVE 13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	<i>ROW 43</i>	2	<i>43</i>
	<i>BLOCK 3</i>	1	<i>6</i>
STATE	<i>N. J.</i>	2	<i>35</i>
PANK	<i>Pat. - 100</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>29</i>	2	<i>29</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>114</i>	3	<i>114</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>10</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Burgess,</i>	<i>BUR</i>	5	<i>2 17 8</i>
<i>Mr. Minnie</i>	STATE <i>N. J.</i>	2	<i>35</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Bergen</i>	2	<i>02</i>
	CITY <i>Hackensack</i>	3	<i>042</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
	<i>Age</i>		<i>57</i>

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QM 293 A-M
Burgess, Wm. A. 1232-M

September 5, 1930.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 1, 1930, written since your return to this country from the the pilgrimage you have made to the grave of your son, the late Private William A. Burgess, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

I am pleased to know that you enjoyed the trip and that you were pleased with the care with which your son's grave is constantly maintained. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the pilgrimage might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been considerably lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows. You are assured that the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery will always be maintained in the same fine condition in which you found it, for it will continue to be the constant effort of the Quartermaster Corps to make the American cemeteries in Europe fitting resting places for the heroes who are buried in them.

An order has this day been issued that an American flag in memory of your son be forwarded to you, in the event that one has not already been furnished.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DEWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

ADH
JTH
WRG

Capt. Wm. A. Burgess
123271

Bergen Co.
Hackensack, N.J.
Sept 15th 1930

My Dear

Quartermaster General

I am pleased to inform you
that the American Flag you
sent to me has arrived and
we thank you very much and
next to God will always be
cherished by us. Sincerely

Wm. Whinnie Burgess
140 Picardi Place
Hackensack

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Sept 20 1930

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87C Wm. A. Burgess
1232 M

Republic July 26

Bergen Co.
Hackensack N.J.
Sept 1st 1930

Dear Sir

I have just made a pilgrimage
to France to the grave of my son
Whose name is William A. Burgess
Co. C 114 Infantry of the 29
Division I have been told that
all mothers receive an American
Flag on request
Have had a very good time and
was pleased by the way the graves
are kept

So please send the
Flag to

Mrs Minnie Burgess

140 Ricardo Place

Hackensack

NJ



WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME Burgess, Mrs. Mimie

N

ADDRESS 140 Ricardo Pl., Hackensack, N. J.

DATE August 27

TO:

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

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

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs Mimie Burgess

STATENEW JERSEY*Burgess, Wm A.*

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140 Ricardo Pl.
Hackensack,NAME *Burgess, Mrs. Minnie* HOME ADDRESS .. *Bergen County*NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *John Burgess same*ARRIVAL IN NEW YORKDATE *July 25* HOTEL *Paramount* ROOM NO. *411*DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE *JUL 26 1930* VESSEL *S/S REPUBLIC* CABIN NO. *392-B*DESTINATION *CHERBOURG* CEMETERY *M. A.*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE AUG 27 1930

140 RICARDO PL.,

NAME BURGESS, MRS. MINNIE HOME ADDRESS HACKENSACK, N. J.

BERGEN COUNTY.

RETURN ON S. S. S/S HARDING HOTEL NEW YORKER ROOM NO. 2nd room

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE 8/27

ROAD Erie TRAIN 919 CAR BERTH or SEAT

REMARKS
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MEDICAL RECORD

Party n

P. Hamley, R.N.

Ambassador

Station:

Date: Aug. 5, 1930

Name Burgess, Mrs. Minnie

Home address 140 Ricardo Pl. Hackensack, N.J.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband, John Burgess

same address

Religion Prot.

Age 57

History of Present complaint: History of injury to finger on boat,
dry dressing. finger healed.

8/19/30 to Cherbourg. Beach.

(over)

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Diagnosis and complications : *(include dates)*

Treatment and Progress : *(include dates)*

Disposition : *(include dates)*

Remarks :

Able to travel

AUG 27 1930

Thomas Ballard M.D.

S. S. HARDING

132
Ambass

A-6

MEDICAL RECORD

* Eastbound ✓
Westbound

Party: "N"

S. S. REPUBLIC

Name Burgess, Mrs. Minnie

Home Address 140 Ricardo Place, Hackensack, New Jersey

Name and address of nearest relative or friend

Religion

Age

History of present complaint:

abrasion of index finger

(OVER)

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

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

July 25th 1890
Abrasion of index finger - left hand -

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

July 28th 30
Examined by Dr. Seeniehan,
cleansed & alcohol Boric ointment
dressing.

Disposition: (include dates)

Remarks:

Conditions Relieved

Edmunds has
able to travel

8/5/30

AUG 27 1930

Trans Ballantyne
S. S. HARDING

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 924302

INSURED PARCEL

No. 1961 4T 701

Return to _____

L. M. GENERAL

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

(NAME OF SENDER)
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



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RETURN RECEIPT

1232

Article 7-26-30

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

Deliver to addressee

Mrs. Minnie Burgess

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Ruth C. Burgess

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____, 192

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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Q. M. GENERAL

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Return to

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or Post Office Box, }

Post Office at

Washington, D. C.

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1232

RETURN RECEIPT

Republic 7-26-30

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

Mrs. Minnie B. Burgess

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____, 192

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burgess, Wm. A. 1232-M
Republic 7-26

May 14, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

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

John Burgess

Address

140 Ricardo Place Hackensack, N. J.

noted

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



Encl.
Env.

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QM 293 A-C
Burgess, William A. 1232-M

April 28, 1930.

Mrs. Mimie M. Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 12, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929.

You are advised that that part of the letter of instructions received by you which reads "If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicated with this office", means if you have any friend or acquaintance who is eligible to make this pilgrimage we will make an effort to have you quartered together in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

If you have a friend who is not eligible to make the pilgrimage but whom desires to make the journey to Europe at the same time you do, she should communicated with the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C., who will be able to give her information as to cost of transportation. The Government can assume no responsibility for friends or relatives accompanying the mothers and widows and can make no arrangements for their accommodations or transportation.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

L E S

Invt
L. M. B. 20
Rep. B. 20
July 26

140 Leeds Place
Hackensack, New Jersey
April 12, 1930

Bergen Co.

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Burgess, Wm. A. 1232-m

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

accompany

I received your letter of
general directions and the
enclosed Pilgrimage Regulations
today.

In one paragraph of the
letter which discussed cabin
accommodations you stated that

early as you requested so that
you can arrange for accom-
modations.

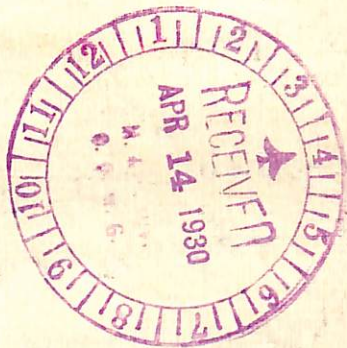
I shall be very grateful
to you if you will give
me full particulars about
the cost, etc. as soon as
possible.

Very truly yours,
Minnie M. Burgess
(Mrs. J.)

"If you have my friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office."

I have a friend who would like to make the trip with me. Of course she will pay all her expenses as, although she is a war mother, her son is living, and consequently she is not entitled to make the pilgrimage at the government's expense.

I thought it best to write



Republic
~~7/25/30~~
1232

Burgess, Minnie A.

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. Minnie Burgess

(Name)

140 Ricardo Pl., Hackensack, Bergen Co., N.J.

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Burgess, Wm. A. 1232 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

Sailed
JUL 26 1930

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

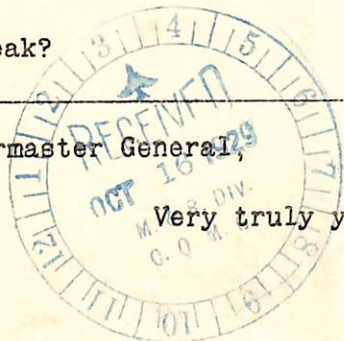
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>57</u> (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.

Encl.
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Envelope



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burgess, Wm. A.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Mimie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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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?

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.

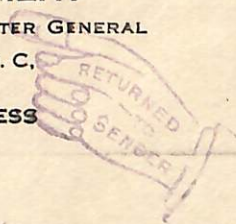
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

(Burgess, William A.)

June 29 , 1929.

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Minnie
Mrs. *Minnie* Burgess,
~~77 Elm Ave.,~~ 140 Ricardo Pl.,
~~Bogota, N.J.~~ Hackensack, N.J.

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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 remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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



QM 293 A-M
Burgess, Wm. A. 1232-M

September 5, 1930.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 1, 1930, written since your return to this country from the pilgrimage you have made to the grave of your son, the late Private William A. Burgess, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

I am pleased to know that you enjoyed the trip and that you were pleased with the care with which your son's grave is constantly maintained. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the pilgrimage might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been considerably lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows. You are assured that the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery will always be maintained in the same fine condition in which you found it, for it will continue to be the constant effort of the Quartermaster Corps to make the American cemeteries in Europe fitting resting places for the heroes who are buried in them.

An order has this day been issued that an American flag in memory of your son be forwarded to you, in the event that one has not already been furnished.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DEWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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Burgess, Wm. A. - 1232

June 24, 1930.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, New Jersey

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:

Leave Hackensack	Erie RR	Train #922	12:29 PM	July 25
Arrive Jersey City	" "	#922	12:55 PM	July 25

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

Burgess, Wm A. 1232-M

June 12, 1930.

Mrs Mimie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, New Jersey.

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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burgess, Wm. A. 1232-M
Republic 7-26

May 14, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

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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Burgess, Wm. A., 1232 M
Republic 7-26

May 6 1930

Mrs. Mimmie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N.J.

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.

QM 293 A-C
Burgess, William A. 1232-M

April 29, 1930.

Mrs. Minnie M. Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 12, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929.

You are advised that that part of the letter of instructions received by you which reads "If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicated with this office", means if you have any friend or acquaintance who is eligible to make this pilgrimage we will make an effort to have you quartered together in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

If you have a friend who is not eligible to make the pilgrimage but whom desires to make the journey to Europe at the same time you do, she should communicated with the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C., who will be able to give her information as to cost of transportation. The Government can assume no responsibility for friends or relatives accompanying the mothers and widows and can make no arrangements for their accommodations or transportation.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 23, 1930.

Burgess, William A. 1232 M

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N.J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Burgess, Wm A. 1232-M

April 7, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Place,
~~Frank Madam~~, New Jersey

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

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

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

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

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

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

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

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

by local hospitals. On board 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Burgess, Wm. A. 1232 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burgess, Wm. A.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Minnie Burgess,
140 Ricardo Pl.,
Hackensack, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Wm. A. Burgess, Co. C. 114th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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.

Q1 293 A-C
Burgess, William A.

June 13, 1929.

Mrs. W. S. Bourne,
7125 Canal,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of June 5th, 1929,
please find enclosed a card showing the permanent location of the grave
of your brother the late Private, first class William A. Burgess, Co. C,
114th Infantry.

All American military cemeteries, both in Europe and in our
own country, will be maintained by the Government forever, the graves
permanently marked by headstones showing the decedent's name, rank,
organization, State, and date of death, all of which will be done with-
out the necessity of requests emanating from relatives.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June , 1929.

(Burgess, William A.)

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Mrs. Mamie Burgess,
77 Elm Ave.,
Bogota, N.J.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

June 5, 1929
Gov's Registration
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Could you please tell
me in what cemetery
in France my brother is
buried.

Corp. William A. Burgess
Co. C - 114th Inf.

He was reported as killed
in action Oct. 16, 1918.

Thanking you for this
information, I am,
Very truly yours,

Mrs. W. S. Bourne
7125 Canal
Houston, Texas.



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO: QM 293 A-C
BURGESS, William A. - Pvt. 1/c

March 16, 1925

Mr. John Burgess,
77 Elm Ave.,
Bogota, N.J.

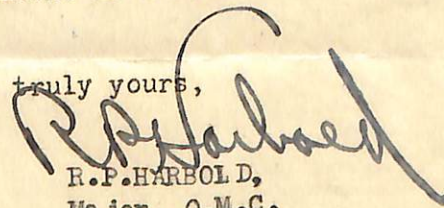
Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,



R. P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q.M.C.
Assistant.

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✓ 293 Burgess, William A.

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Hqrs. American G.R.S., Q.M.C., in Europe, 20 rue Molitor, Paris, France, Feb. 13, 1925. To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Forwarded herewith are G.R.S. Forms 114-A and 16-A covering permanent concentration in Grave 13, Block F, Row 43, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, of remains of above mentioned soldier.

2. GRS Form 1-A covering this reburial forwarded this date by letter reporting concentration of remains of Pvt. James Benjamin Deans, 116427, 49th Co., 5th Marines.

3. Reference paragraph 2 of preceding indorsement, Commune Moirey is correct and necessary changes have been made.

✓ encls.
GRS Form 114-A,
GRS Form 16-A.



Wm O. Smith
Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,
Chief. *A*



FEB 28 1925

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Burgess, Wm. A.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C. IN EUROPE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE

IN REPLYING
PLEASE ADDRESS:
CHIEF, AMERICAN GRAVES
REGISTRATION SERVICE.

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FILE NO. 293 Burgess, William A.

PARIS, FRANCE, December 10, 1924.

Subject: Recovery.

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

1. Forwarded herewith is G.R.S. Form 16-A for the remains of Private first class William A. Burgess, 1280029, Co.C, 114th Infantry, recovered by the Research personnel of this office.

2. Gold seal ring found on body is on hand at these Headquarters.

3. Attention is invited to tag found on body which gives rank as Private, while C.R.O. card on file at this office shows rank as Private first class. Correct rank is requested.

4. These remains are being held in the Meuse-Argonne mortuary pending receipt of advice from your office as to confirmation of identification and disposition.

1 encl.



Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,
Chief.

QM 293 A-C
Burgess, William, A.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D.C., Jan. 10, 1925 - To Chief, AGRS, Q.M.C., in Europe.

1. Identification of the remains of the late Pvt. 1st cl. William A. Burgess, 1280029, Co. C, 114th Inf., is confirmed by this office. The body will be permanently buried in France.

2. Coordinate points appear to be for Commune Moirey, instead of Crepion and case has been so coded.

3. When reburial has been accomplished, concentration Forms will be forwarded.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

R. P. Harbold
R. P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q.M.C.
Assistant

26 JANV 1925

293 Burgess, William A.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 4th, 1925.

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 BURGESS, William A.

10. Name _____

2. No. 1280029

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt. 1/cl.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. C, 114th Inf.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. 10-16-18

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. No discrepancies.

Isolated shell-hole, Bois d'Ormont, Commune Moirey,
(Meuse). Map Verdun B, E-328.055, N-280.365.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery ---

19. Commune or town Moirey.

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

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

23. Disinterred (Date) Dec. 3rd, 1924.

By Gaetano Tucci.

24. Inscription on grave marker: No gravemarker.

Name _____

Serial No. _____

Rank _____

Organization _____

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

Gaetano Tucci
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

W.A. Burgess, Co. C 114th Inf. U.S.A. 1280029. Collar ornament 114th Inf. Co. C. Gold seal ring with initials W.A.B. -forwarded.

27. Condition of body flesh of body entirely decomposed, skeleton disarticulated.

28. Nature of burial Buried two feet deep in OD US uniform and overcoat, field shoes size 8E.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date December 5, 1924. By James McGourty.

31. Casket sealed by James McGourty.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) James McGourty
James McGourty.

RECEIVED BY
8-27
3/7/25

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-32925

32. Designation of body:

Name BURGESS, William A. Serial No. 1280029

Rank Pvt. 1/cl. Organization Co. C, 114th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. #1232, Romagne-s/Montfaucon (Meuse).

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 4th, 1925. By James McGourty.

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 James McGourty
James McGourty.

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 5th, 1925.

(Date)

42. Grave No. THIRTEEN (13), Section Block "F",

43. Plot _____ Row FORTY-THREE (43).

G.R.S. Representative W. B. Sheila
W. B. Sheila, Caretaker.

Meuse Argonne Am. Cemetery #1232.
Place Romagne sous Montfaucon (Meuse).
Date December 5, 1924.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BURGESS, William A. SERIAL NUMBER 1280029
RANK Pvt. 1/cl. ORGANIZATION Co. G 114th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec. 3rd, 1924. From (give complete location): Isol shell hole Bois d'Ormont Gomme Noirey, (Meuse). Map Verdun B East 328.055 North 280.365

By: Group two Unit Meuse Argonne Sector.

3. Reburied (date): February 5th, 1925. In (give complete location): Grave 13, Block F, Row 43, Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, #1232.

By: Group W.B. Sheild, Civ. Emp. Unit GRS. QMC. in E., Nature of reburial and OD GRS case, casket, sheet and OD blanket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Buried two feet deep in OD US uniform and overcoat, field shoes size 8E
Flesh of body entirely decomposed, skeleton disarticulated.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? two On grave marker? none
Tags read Pvt. W.A. Burgess, Co. G 114th Inf. U.S.A. 1280029
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

Collar ornament 114th Inf. Co. G
Gold seal ring with initials W.A.B. forwarded

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) 5' 9"
- (b) Weight (estimated) 140 lbs.
- (c) Hair—Color none
Quantity none
Characteristics none
- (d) Hair on face—Color none
Location none
Quantity none

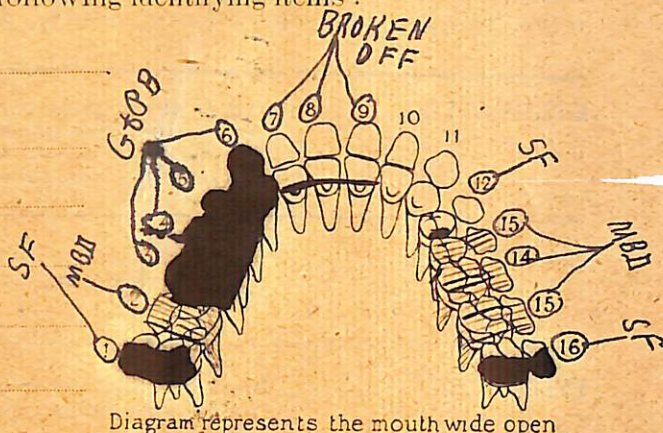
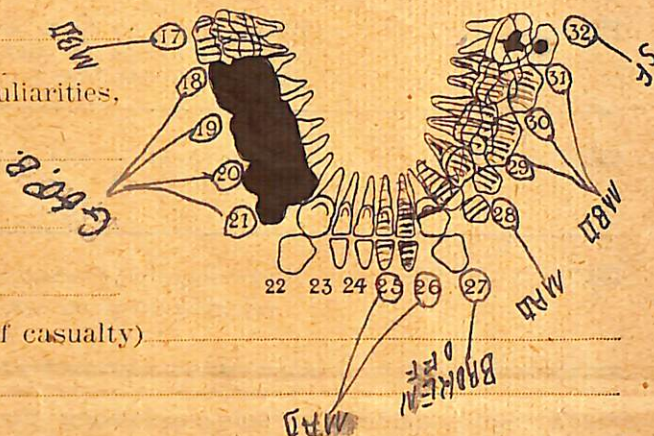


Diagram represents the mouth wide open

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) none visible



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)
none visible.

7. Disinterment supervised by Giuseppe Tucci
GIUSEPPE TUCCI
Investigator

Approved: James M. Courtney
JAMES M. COURTNEY
Chief Investigator.

8. Reburial Supervised by W. B. Sheild, Caretaker.

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 replaced 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, or cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Block in the location and size of cavity, 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

B
Burgess, William, A.

Jan. 10, 1925.

Mrs. Mamie Burgess,
77 Elm Ave.,
Bogota, N.J.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General is pleased to inform you that the investigation which has been instituted in the case of your son, the late Private, 1st class, William A. Burgess, 1280029, Co. C, 114th Inf., to determine his grave location, has proved successful. The body was found buried in an isolated grave, Bois de Ormont, Moirey, France, and is now in the mortuary in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France, awaiting permanent interment in this cemetery.

When final burial has been accomplished, and report is received from Europe regarding the permanent grave location, you will be advised thereof.

Very truly yours,



R. P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q. M. C.,
Assistant.

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Burgess, William, A.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D.C., Jan. 10, 1925 - To Chief, AGRS, QMG., in Europe.

1. Identification of the remains of the late Pvt. 1st cl. William A. Burgess, 1280029, Co. C, 114th Inf., is confirmed by this office. The body will be permanently buried in France.

2. Coordinate points appear to be for Commune Meirey, instead of Crepion and case has been so coded.

3. When reburial has been accomplished, concentration Forms will be forwarded.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

Noted by Statistical Clerk.

Date 1/10/25 *RD*

R. P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q. M. C.
Assistant

LN

CS

WPR

EPM/jrm

293 Burgess, William A.

December 10, 1924.

Subject: Recovery.

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

1. Forwarded herewith is G.R.S. Form 16-A for the remains of Private first class William A. Burgess, 1280029, Co.C, 114th Infantry, recovered by the Research personnel of this office.

2. Gold seal ring found on body is on hand at these Headquarters.

3. Attention is invited to tag found on body which gives rank as Private, while C.R.O. card on file at this office shows rank as Private first class. Correct rank is requested.

4. These remains are being held in the Meuse-Argonne mortuary pending receipt of advice from your office as to confirmation of identification and disposition.



DEC 29 1924



Wm. O. Smith,
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,
Chief.

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293 Burgess, William A.

Jan 6 1925

Miss Nicholson

Advise Europe for confirmation of recovery of body
and that it will remain. That coordinate points appear to be
for Commune Moirey instead Crepion and case has been so coded.

Advise relatives of recovery of body and its means
of identification. and that it will remain in accordance with
their advice

CS

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BURGESS, William A. Ser. No. 1280029
 (b) Rank Private 1/c Organization Co. C, 114th Infantry } TYP. PT
 (c) Date of death 10-16-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. _____

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

(a) Grave No. Morgue 1232 Row _____ Plot _____ Sec. _____ TYP. _____
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mamie Burgess (Mother), 77 Elm Ave., Bogota, N.J.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name John Burgess (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address Box 77 - Clunare - Bogota, N.J.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at Nolle

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Mrs. J. Ricardo *see below*
206 Main St., Hackensack, N.J.
Express + telegraph office - Hackensack, N.J.
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____ *see below*

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from Mr. + Mrs. John Burgess
(Parents) Box 77, Clunare, Bogota, N.J. dated March 7-1920
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that "we have both
decided to let him rest with his comrades in France"

Examiner's Initials PT Date 1/7/25, 192

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. Morgue 1232 SHEET No. 258

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BURGESS, William A. Ser. No. 1280029
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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR.

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

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

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

COUNTRY CEMETERY No. SHEET No.

OPINION

1-4 1925

CASE OF Wm. A. Burgess, Pfc., 1280029 Co. C. 114 Inf

GRAVE morque 1237

DECISION is Burgess

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O.	Dental Work	Emergency Address	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
U.R.	<u>Bridge</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>1-4</u> <u>3 to 6 br.</u>	
U.L.			<u>14</u> <u>13</u> <u>15</u>	<u>12</u> <u>16</u>	
L.R.	<u>Bridge</u>		<u>17</u>	<u>18-21 br.</u>	<u>25</u> <u>26</u> <u>28</u>
L.L.			<u>29</u> <u>30</u> <u>31</u>	<u>32</u>	

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height: <u>5-9</u>		<u>5-9</u>
Weight: <u>140</u>		<u>147</u>
Hair		
Fractures		

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

(2) Y.A. Burgess, Co. C. 114 U.S.A. 1280029

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Co C. 114 - ring, initials, W.A.B.

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Orepor
This man reported buried originally
Organizations of other men buried around original location

[Signature]
Investigator

Concur: _____

APPROVED: [Signature]

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date December 5, 1924.

1. REMAINS OF BURGESS, William A. SERIAL NUMBER 1280029
RANK Pvt.1/cl. ORGANIZATION Co.C, 114th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): December 3, 1924. From (give complete location): Isol shell hole Bois d'Ormont, Commune Crepion (Meuse). Map Verdun B East 328.055 North 280.365
By : Group two Unit Meuse Argonne Sector.

3. Reburied (date): _____ In (give complete location): _____
By : Group _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial _____

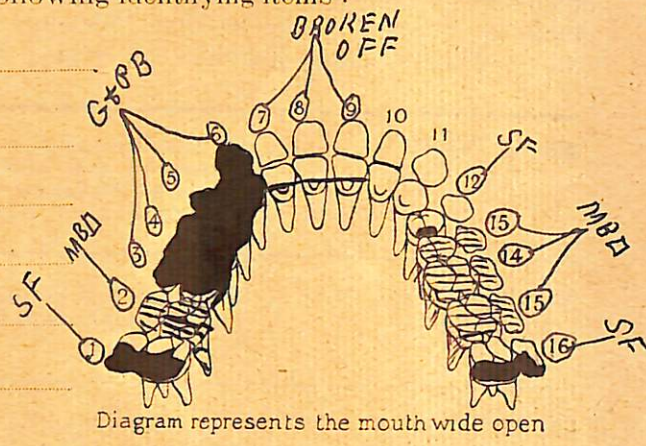
4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Buried two feet deep in OD US uniform and overcoat, field shoes size 8E
Flesh of body entirely decomposed, skeleton disarticulated.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? two On grave marker? none
Tags read Pvt. W.A. Burgess, Co. C 114th Inf. U S A 1280029
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :

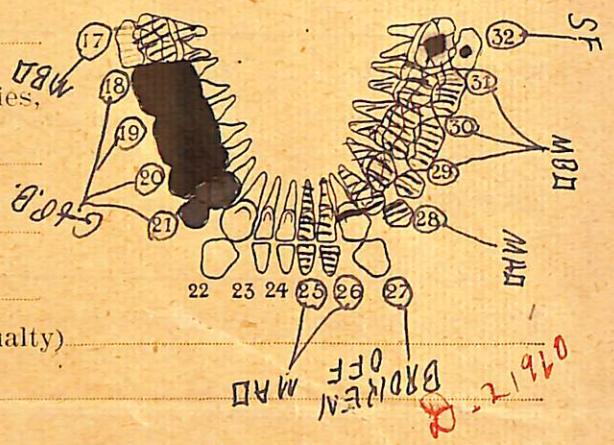
collar ornaments 114th Inf. Co. C
Gold seal ring with initials W.A.B. forwarded.

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) 5' 9"
- (b) Weight (estimated) 140 lbs.
- (c) Hair—Color none
- Quantity none
- Characteristics none
- (d) Hair on face—Color none
- Location none
- Quantity none



- (e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts)
none visible



- (f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)
none visible

7. Disinterment supervised by Godfrido Tucci Approved: James W. Courtney
Godfrido Tucci James W. Courtney
Investigator. Chief Investigator.

8. Reburial Supervised by _____ Approved : _____
(Title) _____

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






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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.

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MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous traction (not those fractured or replaced 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, or 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.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

BURGESS, 1280029, William A.

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. 1st. Inf. Co. C 114th. Inf. (Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Montagne North of Verdun

CAUSE OF DEATH: Shell Fire

DATE OF BURIAL:

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

See correspondence -- AUTRY, William A
2130966.

GRAVE NUMBER:

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?

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NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

RECEIVED
20 Mar 19 P.M.
D. C. Q. M.
G. R. S.

ARMY

Burgess, William A 1,280,029
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)
Pvt 1cl 114 Inf
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *father*

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

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? *no*
(Yes or no.)

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

Wm. F. Ricardo Hackensack Hackensack
(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

706 Main St. Hackensack N.J.
(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) *John Burgess*
Box 77 Elm Ave Bayonne N.J.
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Correspondence Mar. 7-20
from father + mother cancels
request on card, body to remain
in France

G.P. 3-11-20

Chêne Etroye (meuse) no number given

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Ch. 431-235.9

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Dental information does not agree with any of the dental charts on forms 16-A for the Unknown Soldiers, whose original burials were in the Communes of Haumont, Flabas, Moirey, Crepion, or Wavrille Meuse, in which communes, the 114th Infantry was fighting on October 12th, 192¹⁸~~22~~, the date when most of the casualties of that regiment occurred.

Helen Costello
Helen Costello,
12-27-22.

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Burgess, William D.

Adj. Gen.,

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

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

Date 4-24-22

File No. 43906 Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.
Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

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

- a. Surname *Burgess* O.K.
- b. Christian name *William A* O.K.
- c. Serial Number *128 00 29* O.K.
- d. Organization *Co C - 114 Inf* O.K.
- e. Rank *Prvt. 1st* O.K.
- f. Date of death *10-16-18* O.K.
- g. Cause of death *KIA* O.K.
- h. Authority (C.O.#) *303* O.K.
- i. Emergency address *Mrs. M. Burgess*
77 Elm Ave. Bogata, N. J.
- j. Relationship *mother* O.K.

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment *19 yrs*
- b. Color of eyes *blue*
- c. Color of hair *med.*
- d. Height *5 ft. 9 in*
- e. Weight *147 lbs.*
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks) *none shown.*

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

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

CEMETERY NO:

SHEET NO:

TYPED BY:

S/3310/LML

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

BY:

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

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

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G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.

TO : C.O., Co C. 114th. Inf.

SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

1. You are directed to transmit without delay to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, the information indicated on enclosed Graves Location Blank as necessary for the completion of official records.

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note:

In case this item is checked, you will note hereon:

Nearest relative of deceased:

Mrs. Minnie Burgess

Relationship: Mother

Address: 77 Elm Ave., Bogota, New Jersey.



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Burgess, Wm A.

Bogota N.J.
March 7th 1920

To the adjutant
General of the Army

Dear Sir we were notified if we want
our sons body brought home to U.S.
But we have both decided to let
him rest with his comrades in
France

Our sons name is
William A. Burgess a member
of Co. C 114 infantry of the 29 Div
From his father and Mother
Mr & Mrs John Burgess
Box 77 Elm Ave
Bogota N.J.



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