

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114 B

FEB 6 - 1926

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DATE

1. NAME CALKINS, Arthur L. SERIAL No. 1,211,465

RANK Cpl ORGANIZATION Co. I, 107th Inf

GRAVE LOCATION St. Sever & DIVISION 27th Div. Rouen Seine Inf 56

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

7332

R

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Gr. 14 Bl. R. Pl. 1 Row B
7332, Plot R. ROUEN S.I.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES St. Sever Cemetery #56

CONCENTRATED TO Original burial

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Original burial

DATE OF DEATH Oct 10, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME France

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED no rec

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR G.V.S. QUACKENBUSH, Lieut.-Col., Q.M.C.

Chief, Operations Division.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 8/22/22 128 26 Blk. A

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

SOMME AMERICAN CEMETERY #636, BONY, Aisne

Robert O. Davis,

CEMETERY Major General,

The Adjutant General.

By Dva 2-10-26 **ADDED BY**

8 A.G.O.
FEB 8 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

Rec'd
MAR 24 1926

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Calkins, 1211465 Arthur
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corporal Co. I, 107 Infantry
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. October 11th, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL. St. Sever Cemetiere, Rouen
Seine-Inferieure, France

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

GRAVE NUMBER. 7332

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? - Cross? Yes

Headboard? - Bottle? -

IDENTIFICATION TAGS-

Was one buried with body? Yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No Grave marked with cross on which was fastened plate with name, rank and Organ.

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

REPORTED BY:

Thomas G. Hester

THOMAS G. HESTER
SERGEANT, SAN CORPS

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

1012 (St-Louis, U.S.A.) General Hospital

COPY FOR QUARTERMASTER GENERAL (CEMETERIAL BRANCH)

295.8 Calkins, Arthur L. 1st Ind. III
(Misc. Div.)

War Dept., A. G. O., February 7, 1919 - To the Commanding
General, American Expeditionary Forces.

1. The request contained in the foregoing letter from
Mrs. C. A. Calkins, Batavia, New York, that the body of her
son, Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry,
be allowed to remain in France for permanent burial, is
approved, and the Commanding General is directed to take
action accordingly.

2. Mrs. Calkins, and the Quartermaster General of the Army,
(Cemeterial Branch) have been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. O. Ashburn
Adjutant General.

Synopsis Made.

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New York

Calkins, Arthur L.
Cpl.

GOLD STAR MOTHERS' PILGRIMAGE

S.S. REPUBLIC, JUNE 25, 1930

Genesee County

Name: Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins (I-20)

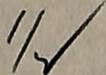
Address: 158 Bank St., Batavia, N. Y.

Route: New York Central R. R. to New York

Lv. Batavia Train No. 36
Ar. New York (Grand Central Terminal)

8.33 P.M. June 23
6.00 A.M. June 24

Accommodations: Through Sleeper

Elapsed Time: 9 Hours 27 Minutes 

REMARKS



Name CALKINS, Mrs Ellen A

Paris Hôtel HOTEL CARLTON
AV. DES CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES

Home address 158 Bank St. Batavia, Genesee County, New York

Party I Group 5 Unit ~~55~~ REPUBLIC,

Date of arrival July 6, 1930. Date of departure ~~55~~ AMERICA, July 17, 1930.

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased CALKINS, Arthur L

Rank Cpl Organization Co I, 107th Inf

Cemetery Somme

Party "1" - Itinerary - Some Group

Sailed June 28, 1950 on SS REPUBLIC. Capt. F. M. Child and Lt. G. S. Young in charge. Arrived Cherbourg 10.30 pm July 5th. Tender arrived 8.35 am July 6th, bearing Major Bailey and 8 other officers; 4 nurses and 2 civilian employees. Train left at 8.21 am. Arrived Gare des Invalides 2.15 pm. Met by Col. Ellis, members of his staff and a detail of interpreters and nurses.

July 7th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Left hotel by bus at 3 pm for Arc de Triomphe where Mrs. Emeline Neubert placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent after ceremony. Returned to hotel for dinner. Evening free.

July 8th. Left 8.15 am Via Porte de la Chapelle & Soanen. Arrived Chantilly 10.00 am. Rest stop Hotel du Parc. Left 10.30 am Via Senlis. Arrived Compiègne 12.00 noon. Lunch Hotel Rond Royal. Left 2.00 pm and arrived Carrefour de L'Armistice 2.15 pm. Left 2.45 pm Via Compiègne & Noyon. Arrived Saint Quentin 5.00 pm. Dinner and sleep Hotel de France.

July 9th, 10th. Daily visits from St. Quentin to Somme American Cemetery.

July 11th. Visit to Cemetery. Left Cemetery 11.00 am and arrived Cambrai 12.00 noon. Lunch Brasserie La Taverne. Left 2.00 pm and arrived Lille 4.00 pm. Dinner and sleep Hotel Royal.

July 12th. Morning free. Lunch at Hotel. Left Lille 8.15 pm Via Seclin, Carvin, Lens, Vimy Ridge. Arrived Arras 4.00 pm. Rest stop Brasserie Moderne. Left 4.30 pm and arrived Amiens 6.45 pm. Dinner and sleep Hotel de l'Univers.

July 13th. Morning free. Visit Amiens & Cathedral. Lunch at Hotel. Left 1.30 pm Via Breteuil. Arrived Beauvais 3.20 pm. Rest stop Hotel de France. Left 4.00 pm and arrived Paris 6.15 pm. Dinner at Hotel.

July 14th. Sightseeing trip Paris Notre Dame. Lunch at Hotel. Sightseeing trip Paris Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at Hotel.

July 15th. Morning free. Lunch at Hotel. Versailles. Refreshments Salle Cycliste. Dinner at Hotel.

July 16th. Fontainebleau Via Melun. Lunch at Hotel Legris. Visit Chateau. Dinner at Hotel.

July 17th. Boat train for Cherbourg 10.30 am. Arrived Cherbourg 4.15 pm. SS AMERICA sailed shortly after 8.10 pm. Capt. Child and Lt. Young in charge. Arrived New York July 26th.

552.01

MRE/IM
August 11, 1930

Subject: Cancellation of Transportation Request.

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

1. The following listed Transportation Request, reported on July 29, 1930, has been cancelled:

WG-1,022,424 - Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins - Pullman, New York, N.Y.
To Batavia, N.Y.....2.85

For the Officer-in-Charge.

GEORGE F.R. TAYLOR
1st Lieut. C.M.C. (DOL)
Assistant.

552.01

MMS/IM
August 11, 1930

Subject: Cancellation of Transportation Request.

To: Finance Officer, U.S. Army, Munitions Bldg., Washington, D.C.

1. The following Transportation Request, copy of which was transmitted to your office on July 29, 1930, has been cancelled, and original number is forwarded herewith.

WQ-1,022,424 - Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins - Pullman, New York, N.Y.
to Batavia, N.Y.....2.85

For the Officer-in-Charge.

1-Incl.

GEORGE F.R. TAYLOR
1st Lieut, Q.M.C.(DOL)
Assistant.

158 Bank St.,
Batavia, N.Y.
Aug. 7. '30

Mr George R. Taylor 1st E. 7. D. M. C.

Dear Sir,

I had the unexpected pleasure of returning home from New York, with friends by auto therefore did not need the return ticket nor the check of five (\$5.00) dollars for expenses. I am returning ticket - and will also send check if you will indicate to whom to have it made out. I had it cashed before I learned of the change in my plans.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation of what the Govt is doing for the Gold Star Mothers. Nothing was left undone to add to one's comfort and pleasure. I found the officers kind, courteous, and helpful.

The cemeteries were beautiful in their simplicity and it is a source of comfort to know our boys are resting in such a spot.

It was all truly wonderful and my heart is filled with gratitude and a great desire

to be truly loyal to a country
that has made this opportu-
nity possible

Sincerely,

Mrs Ellen C. Balkins

Ticket sent to
@mg 8/11/30
Jmi

File 201 - Calkins, Mrs. Ellen A.

CFRT*BF

August 11th, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 7th, 1930 regarding your return ticket and per diem check for \$5.00.

The tickets have been returned to the Quartermaster General for cancellation. The check for \$5.00 is your per diem allowance which was intended to cover such incidental expenses between New York and your home, such as meals, porters' tips, taxi hire, etc. It will therefore not be necessary for you to make any refund on this amount.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL)

201 - Calkins, Mrs. E.A.

DOLLARS							CENTS										
1	2	4	5	6	7		1	2	3	4	5	10	20	25	30	35	40
8	9	10	20	30	40	50	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95

THE PULLMAN COMPANY
PASSENGER'S CASH FARE CHECK

CAR	877	LINE	Bat	Amount Collected		Changed Accom.	★
FROM				Pullman Rate	\$	Lower Berth No.	
TO				Railroad Surcharge	C	Upper Berth No.	★
				TOTAL	3 75	Compartment	★
No. Passengers	1	Date	6/23 1923	Conductor		Drawing Room	★
						Seat No.	★

The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount collected for the Railroad Company.

AE 19188

PROPERTY TAKEN INTO CAR WILL BE AT OWNER'S RISK

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

August 12, 1930

FILE NO. 201 (Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, Party "I")
SUBJECT: Return Railroad Ticket
TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

1. Enclosed herewith New York Central Railroad ticket E-15104 from New York to Batavia, New York, in favor of Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, pilgrim on party "I".

2. This ticket was returned to this office by the pilgrim with the advice that she motored home.

For the Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor
GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)
Assistant

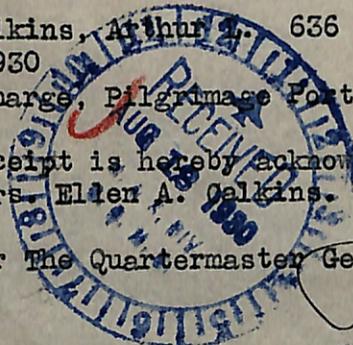
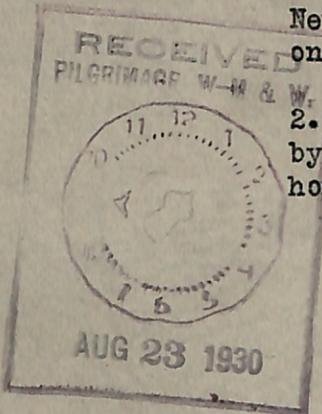
Enc. RR Ticket

QM 293 A-MCalkins, Arthur 2-636 1st Ind.
August 21, 1930
Officer in Charge, Pilgrimage Port of Embarkation, New York City.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the unused portions of ticket for Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins.

For The Quartermaster General,

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



Q.M.C.
293 - Calkins, Arthur 2

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

CALKINS, ARTHUR L.

Son

Party *I*

Number *2222*

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. ELLEN A. CALKINS Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler

BATAVIA, GENESEE COUNTY, New York, to .. *BATAVIA, N.Y.*
 Home Address

NEW YORK. \$ *2.85*

New York, to *BATAVIA, N.Y.*
 Destination

Via *N Y CENT TO DEST.*

LIMIT - AUG 22-30 *JULY 27, 1930*
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	<i>GR CENT TERM NYC</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>7/27</i>	<i>845a</i>	<i>P+15</i>	<i>17</i>		
AR	<i>Batavia</i>			<i>620P</i>			<i>Wg 1022424</i>	<i>2.85</i>
LV								
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TOTAL

Remarks:

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2222

NAME CALKINS, MRS. ELLEN A.

S.S. [AMERICA] JUL 25 1930

HOME BATAVIA, GENESEE COUNTY, N. Y.

R.R. NYC to Batavia

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Aug - 22 - 30

Mrs. Lawrence Sprague
 Alexandria, N.Y.
 Genesee Co.

105-A

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins

File 2222

Address Batavia N.Y.

Stopping at Danier Court

with Mrs. Hickey - niece

ALSA

Address Danier Court

RECEIVED RAILROAD AND PULLMAN TICKET

Mrs. E. F. Hickey

June 10th, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

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

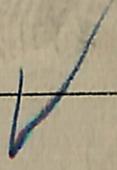
Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor
1st Lieut. C.M. Corps
Assistant

Enclosures:
2 tags

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Calkins</i>	<i>CAL</i>	3	<i>312</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>636</i>	1	<i>5</i>
	GRAVE <i>8</i>	2	<i>08</i>
	ROW <i>26</i>	2	<i>26</i>
	BLOCK <i>A</i>	1	
STATE	<i>New York</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>27</i>	2	<i>27</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>107</i>	3	<i>107</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Calkins</i>	<i>CAL</i>	3	<i>312</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>NY</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	COUNTY <i>Sessee</i>	2	<i>19</i>
	CITY <i>Batavia</i>	3	<i>010</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	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>

June 25-1930

AUDITED
 SEP 25 1931
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Age 73

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QM 293 A-McCalkins, Arthur L. 636
August 21, 1930

1st Ind.

Officer in Charge, Pilgrimage Port of Embarkation, New York City.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the unused portion of
ticket for Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins.

For The Quartermaster General,

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

QM 293 A-M
Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M

August 5, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
156 Bank Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 25th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurse in charge of your group rendered such courteous and efficient service. 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 journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

JTH
ADH
WRG

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

RS

I.

NAME Calkins, Mrs. Ella A.

ADDRESS 158 Bank St., Batavia, Genesee Co., N. Y.

DATE Aug. 6. 1938

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,

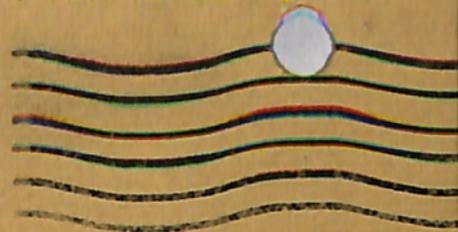
(SIGNED) Mrs. Ella A. Calkins

WAR DEPARTMENT

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

NEW YORK

CALKINS, Arthur L.

M

NAME Calkins, Mrs. Ellen A. HOME ADDRESS 158 Bank St.,
Batavia;

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Mrs. L. Sprague, Genesee Co.
Genesee, Co. Alexandria, Ind.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE JUN 24 1930 HOTEL COMMODORE ROOM NO. 1122-4
105-A

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE JUN 20 1930 VESSEL S/S REPUBLIC CABIN NO. 105-A

DESTINATION CHERBOURG CEMETERY SOM

RETURN NEW YORK

JUL 26 1930

DATE

M

NAME .. *Calkins, Mrs. Ellen A.* HOME ADDRESS *158 Bank St. 608*

RETURN ON S. S. *S/S AMERICA* HOTEL *MCALPINE* ROOM NO. *608*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *7/27*

ROAD *nyc* TRAIN *3* CAR *17* BERTH or SEAT *S15*

REMARKS
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RETURN RECEIPT.

636

Republic 6/25/30

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

Edna Robbins

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to Addressee Only

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *6-9* -----, 191 *30*

Form 3811

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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 9

INSURED PARCEL No.



Postmark of Delivering Office

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

(Name of sender.)

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at

and Date of Delivery.

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State

1883

Republic 6/25/30

636

RETURN RECEIPT

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

Deliver to addressee only.

Mr. Helen S. ...

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to Addressee Only

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, -----

6-4

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Post Office Department

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

1 PM
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

No. _____

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

RECEIVED
JUN 6 1930

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to _____ Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at _____

Rev. 1-21

o 5-6116

State Washington, D. C.

QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M

Invoice 00
Stopovers noted on
trans. list, Invt. list
and card

June 6, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated June 4, 1930 relative to your desire to stop over in New York City on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe, sailing on the S.S. Republic June 25, 1930.

Please be advised that arrangements will be made for this stop-over for which there will be no additional charge other than the expenses incurred by you during your visit in New York City which, of course, must be paid from your personal funds.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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158 Bank St.
Batavia, N.Y.
June 4, 1938.

D. M. 293 A-C.

Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M.
Republic. 6-25.

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

Dear Sir,

Realizing the time is
over due for granting stop overs
still I am wondering if it could
be possible for me to have the
privilege to stop over in New York
for a few days - not more than a
week - and still use my tickets for
the return home.

An invitation received from a
niece to visit - her has made
this privilege desirable.

Hoping for an early reply. Yours,
Ellen A. Calkins

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M
Republic 6/25

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins
158 Bank Street
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Name

Mrs. Florence Sprague

Address

Alexander, Genesee Co., N.Y.

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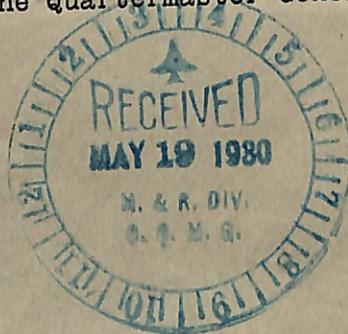
Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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



Encl.
Env.

QM 295 A-C

Ors Gelonek, Albert H. 1784 M

X Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M

and Cochran, Floyd B. 608 M

for letter

April 28, 1930

for other letter

Mrs. August Gelonek,
15 Trumbull Place,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 8 requesting that your date of sailing be changed in order that you can be quartered with Mrs. Clara Cochran and Mrs. Ella Calkins when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

You are advised that your invitation to sail on the SS "Harding" June 14, 1930 has been cancelled and an invitation to sail on the SS "Republic" June 25, 1930 will be forwarded you at an early date.

It is believed that you can be placed in the same cabins aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 200 A-C
Cochran, Floyd B. - 608
Galkins, Arthur L. - 636

April 19, 1930.

Mrs. Clara Cochran,
36 State Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 15, 1930 relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1929.

In accordance with your request the reservation made for you on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21st has been cancelled and an invitation to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th has been forwarded you.

Notation has been made of your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Ellen A. Galkins when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Floyd B. Cochran, and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Calkins, Arthur I. 636 M

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank St.,
Batavia, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

"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.

Republic

6/25/30

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Calkins, Arthur

I Accept - also by letter 4-8-30
(Accept or decline) the invitation extended

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. Ellen A. Calkins

(Name)

158 Bank St., Batavia, Genesee Co., N. Y.

(Town or City)

(State)

*quarters with
Flora F. Cochran*

15-8 Ban. St.
Genesee Co Batavia, N.Y.

April 8, 1930.

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

4/17/30 Invit. sent
for Republic
June 25th

Dear Sir: Floyd W. Cochran - 605
Genesee Co Mrs Cochran and I
are both well pleased that it
is made possible for us to sail
together June 25th on the SS Republic
and that we can occupy the same
room both on board ship, and
in hotels.

When sending me an invita-
tion will you kindly enclose
bulletin giving full instructions
regarding trip.

My friend is undecided
about going - disappointed in not
being able to go on the boat with
me. I doubt if she goes at all, as

her health, at present, is not
the best;

Your Respectfully
Ellen A. Balkins

D.M. 293-A-C.

Arthur L. Balkins - 636

QM 295 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L.

March 31, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 26, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised that an invitation has been sent to Mrs. Clara Cochran, Batavia, N. Y., to make the pilgrimage sailing on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21, 1930. As no mothers or widows who are to visit the Somme American Cemetery in France are scheduled to sail on that date, it will not be possible for you to accompany Mrs. Cochran if she accepts the invitation to sail on June 21st. A communication is being mailed to Mrs. Cochran this date, requesting her to advise this office whether or not she would care to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th instead of on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21st, in order that you may make the pilgrimage together.

In the event that you and Mrs. Cochran are able to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th, arrangements may be made for you to occupy the same cabin aboard ship on the voyage to and from Europe and the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris. It is requested that you advise this office at an early date whether or not you wish to make the pilgrimage sailing June 25th so that an invitation may be forwarded to you, upon receipt of your acceptance of which the desired arrangements may be made.

With reference to the desire of a friend of yours to make the trip, second class tourist, you are advised that under the law providing for this pilgrimage, the Government cannot bear any part of the expense of a relative or friend

accompanying you, nor can it make any arrangements for them. This must be entirely a personal matter.

If your friend desires to make an independent pilgrimage, it is suggested that she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to the cost of transportation. This company is a commercial line which owns and operates the vessels upon which reservations have been made for all mothers and widows making the pilgrimage. It is understood that they have arranged with some of the tourist agencies to take care of any relatives or friends and make all arrangements for their accommodations in Europe.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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SS Republic
June 25?

Calkins, Arthur L
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Republic May 13
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158 Bank St.
Batavia, N.Y
March 26, 1930

P. C. Shannon,
Captain U. S. Corps,
Assistant.

no one
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on Roosevelt
June 21-1930

advised
per RR

Dear Sir:

In reply to your last letter I would
say the reason for my declining the
invitation to accompany the Gold Star mothers
of the 27th Division, was the early date - May
I feared it would be so cold.

I have no desire to postpone the trip a year

You can readily see it would be much
pleasanter to travel in company with some
one you knew - so Miss Laura Cochran and I

would prefer to go together - we are both
inexperienced travellers if it makes no
material difference we will go in June

However, she is willing to accompany me
whenever it is deemed best.

If in June a friend would like to make
the trip - Second Class Tourists - but would like to
know if she would be responsible for cost of trip

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Calkins, Arthur L
Cochran, Floyd B

Cochran - Floyd B
June 21 1930
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if circumstances were such to prevent her
going?

Respectfully,

Mrs Ellen A. Balkins

D.M. 293 A-C.

Arthur L. Balkins

QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L. - 636
Cochran, Floyd B. 608

March 21, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
156 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your declination of the invitation recently extended you to make the pilgrimage to your son's grave in Europe on the S. S. Republic, with the 27th Division. In view thereof, the records of this office have been amended to show that you are not desirous of making the journey during the current year.

In this connection, however, a letter has been received from Mrs. Clara F. Cochran, 36 State Street, Batavia, N. Y., stating that it is her desire that you and she make the pilgrimage together. As Mrs. Cochran will be furnished accommodations on the vessel sailing from New York some time after June 15, 1930, if you are desirous of accompanying her you should advise this office to that effect at the earliest possible date, in order that necessary arrangements may be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L 636 -M

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(name or last)*

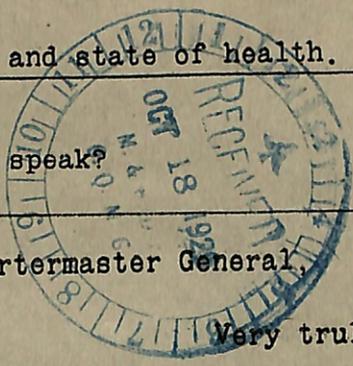
Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

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>79</u> Health	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L.
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Charles A. Calkins,
156 Bank St.,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

No.

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.

Ellen A. Calkins
156 Bank St. Batavia N.Y.
Mother

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

Yes in 1930.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope



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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L.

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Charles A. Calkins,
156 Bank St.,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

August 12, 1930

FILE NO. 201 (Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, Party "I")

SUBJECT: Return Railroad Ticket

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

1. Enclosed herewith New York Central Railroad ticket E-15104 from New York to Batavia, New York, in favor of Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, pilgrim on party "I".

2. This ticket was returned to this office by the pilgrim with the advice that she motored home.

For the Officer in Charge:

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)
Assistant

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QM 293 A-MCalkins, Arthur L. 586 1st Ind.
August 21, 1930
Officer in Charge, Pilgrimage Port of Embarkation, New York City.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the unused portion of ticket for Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins.

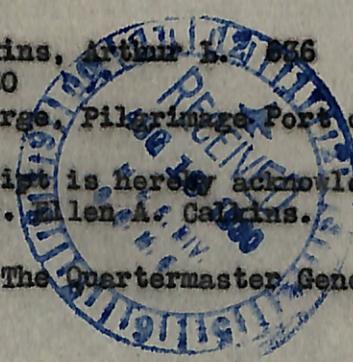
For The Quartermaster General,

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

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Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M

August 6, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 25th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurse in charge of your group rendered such courteous and efficient service. 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 journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M June 13, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, 158 Bank Street, Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Very truly yours,

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.

A. D. HUGHES,

Captain, Q. M. Corps,

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.

Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M

June 7, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins
158 Bank Street
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Batavia	NTC	No. 36	8:33 PM	June 23
Ar. New York	"	"	6:00 AM	" 24

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M

June 6, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated June 4, 1930 relative to your desire to stop over in New York City on your return from the pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe, sailing on the S.S. Republic June 25, 1930.

Please be advised that arrangements will be made for this stop-over for which there will be no additional charge other than the expenses incurred by you during your visit in New York City which, of course, must be paid from your personal funds.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L. 636

June 2, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins
158 Bank St.,
Batavia, New York

Dear Madam:

The acceptances from the mothers and widows who are to make the pilgrimage to France, sailing on the SS REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930, are far in excess of the number anticipated, and due to this fact this boat will be somewhat crowded and the accommodations will not be as satisfactory as The War Department desires to furnish. Over 300 women have accepted invitations to sail on this boat and it is desired if possible to reduce this number to around 200 by voluntary transfers of women who are booked to sail.

Much more comfortable accommodations can be furnished on the SS REPUBLIC, sailing August 30, 1930, and should you change your sailing date to August 30th, a more comfortable trip can be assured.

If you desire to change from June 25th to August 30th, please notify this office at once, in order that the necessary adjustments can be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L. 636-M
Republic 6/25

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins
168 Bank Street
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Name

Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L 636-M
Republic 6-25

May 9 1930

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank St.,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

ON 293 A-C

April 28, 1930

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~~Colson, Albert H.~~ 1784 M
Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M
~~Cochran, Clara S.~~ 608 M

Mrs. August Golonsk,
16 Trumbull Place,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 8 requesting that your date of sailing be changed in order that you can be quartered with Mrs. Clara Cochran and Mrs. Ella Calkins when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

You are advised that your invitation to sail on the SS "Harding" June 14, 1930 has been cancelled and an invitation to sail on the SS "Republic" June 26, 1930 will be forwarded you at an early date.

It is believed that you can be placed in the same cabins aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

*Copy filed under
Each name*

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Cochran, Floyd B. - 600
Calkins, Arthur L. - 686

April 19, 1950.

Mrs. Clara Cochran,
36 State Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 15, 1950 relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1920.

In accordance with your request the reservation made for you on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21st has been cancelled and an invitation to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th has been forwarded you.

Notation has been made of your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Floyd B. Cochran, and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Celkins, Arthur I. 636 M

Mrs. Ellen A. Galkins,
158 Bank St.,
Batavia, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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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

April 17, 1930.

Calkins, Arthur L. 636 M

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
Deer Meadow St.,
Batavia, N.Y.

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L.

March 31, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 26, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised that an invitation has been sent to Mrs. Clara Cochran, Batavia, N. Y., to make the pilgrimage sailing on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21, 1930. As no mothers or widows who are to visit the Somme American Cemetery in France are scheduled to sail on that date, it will not be possible for you to accompany Mrs. Cochran if she accepts the invitation to sail on June 21st. A communication is being mailed to Mrs. Cochran this date, requesting her to advise this office whether or not she would care to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th instead of on the SS ROOSEVELT June 21st, in order that you may make the pilgrimage together.

In the event that you and Mrs. Cochran are able to sail on the SS REPUBLIC June 25th, arrangements may be made for you to occupy the same cabin aboard ship on the voyage to and from Europe and the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris. It is requested that you advise this office at an early date whether or not you wish to make the pilgrimage sailing June 25th so that an invitation may be forwarded to you, upon receipt of your acceptance of which the desired arrangements may be made.

With reference to the desire of a friend of yours to make the trip, second class tourist, you are advised that under the law providing for this pilgrimage, the Government cannot bear any part of the expense of a relative or friend

accompanying you, nor can it make any arrangements for them. This must be entirely a personal matter.

If your friend desires to make an independent pilgrimage, it is suggested that she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to the cost of transportation. This company is a commercial line which owns and operates the vessels upon which reservations have been made for all mothers and widows making the pilgrimage. It is understood that they have arranged with some of the tourist agencies to take care of any relatives or friends and make all arrangements for their accommodations in Europe.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Calkins, Arthur L.

March 21, 1930.

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your declination of the invitation recently extended you to make the pilgrimage to your son's grave in Europe on the S. S. Republic, with the 27th Division. In view thereof, the records of this office have been amended to show that you are not desirous of making the journey during the current year.

In this connection, however, a letter has been received from Mrs. Clara F. Cochran, 36 State Street, Batavia, N. Y., stating that it is her desire that you and she make the pilgrimage together. As Mrs. Cochran will be furnished accommodations on the vessel sailing from New York some time after June 15, 1930, if you are desirous of accompanying her you should advise this office to that effect at the earliest possible date, in order that necessary arrangements may be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Calkins, Arthur L 636 -M

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, N. Y.

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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L.
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Charles A. Calkins,
156 Bank St.,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Calkins, Arthur L.

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Charles A. Calkins,
156 Bank St.,
Batavia, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since re-married it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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QM 293 A-C

January 11, 1927.

CALKINS, Arthur L. - Corporal

**Mrs. Charles A. Calkins,
156 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.**

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.



**F.H. POPE,
Colonel, Q.M.G.
Assistant.**

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Calkins, Arthur L

I decline the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins

(Name)

158 Bank Street, Batavia, Genesee Co., New York

(Town or City)

(State)

Calkins,

Arthur L

1,211,465 ✓

(Surname) (Christian name in full.) (Army number.)
Bpl Co I 107 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *Mother*

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

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? } (Yes or no.)
If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) *Mrs Charles A. Calkins*

158 Bank St. Batavia N.Y.
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Checked ~~ERP~~

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drawn by ~~MAH~~

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE April 7, 1928

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CALKINS, Arthur L.
2. No. 1211465
3. Rank Corpl.
4. Org. Co. I, 107th Inf.
5. D.D. Oct. 10, 1918
6. C.D. DOW

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 18 Sec.
8. Plot Block A Row 26
9.

15. Grave No. Sec.
16. Plot Row
17.

18. Cemetery Somme
20. Dept. or County Aisne
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #636

19. Commune or town Bony
21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) April 7, 1928

By J.J. DILLON

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CALKINS, Arthur L.
Rank Corpl.

Serial No. 1211465
Organization Co. I, 107th Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body

28. Nature of burial Metallic casket

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date April 7, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

31. Casket sealed by J.J. DILLON

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

J.J. Dillon
J.J. DILLON

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

32. Designation of body: _____

Name CALKINS, Arthur L. Serial No. 1211465

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

33. Consigned to: _____

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) April 7, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector _____

J.J. Dillon
J.J. DILLON

36. Remarks _____

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

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
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 _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred April 7, 1928 Somme American Cty.

(Date) _____

42. Grave No. 8 Section _____

43. Plot Block A Row 26

G.R.S. Representative _____

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

Place Somme Cty. 636.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 7, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF CALKINS, Arthur I.

SERIAL NUMBER 1211465

RANK Sorporal

ORGANIZATION Co. I, 107th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : April 7, 1928.

From (give complete location) :
Grave 18, Block A, Row 26.

By : Group Cty.

Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : April 7, 1928.

In (give complete location) :
Grave 8, Block A, Row 26.

By : Group Cty.

Unit _____

Nature of reburial Metallic Casket.

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

Metallic Casket.

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

missing parts) _____

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

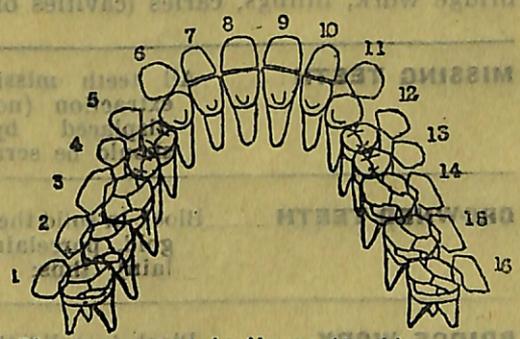
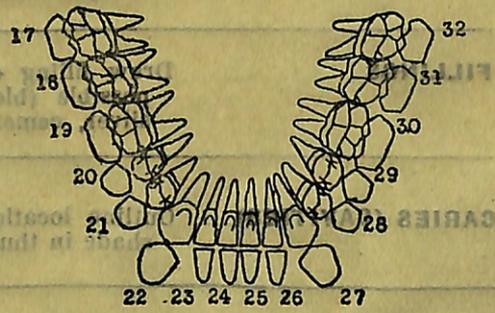


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by J. J. Dillon

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by J. J. Dillon

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 28, 1921

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 CALKINS, Arthur L.
 2. No. 1,211,465
 3. Rank Cpl.
 4. Org. Co. I 107th Inf
 5. D.D. Oct 10 1918
 6. C.D. DOWRIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 14 Sec. Block R
 8. Plot 1 Row B
 9. _____

15. Grave No. 7332 Sec. Block R
 16. Plot 1 Row B
 17. _____

18. Cemetery St. Sever

19. Commune or town Rouen

20. Dept. or County Seine Inf

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 56

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 28, 1921

By N K. Tabler

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Arthur L. Calkins,
 Rank Cpl..

Serial No. _____
 Organization Co. I. 107th. Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? no

Renard J. Black
 Signature, Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecog.

Nature of burial In hospital shroud and in wooden box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 28, 1921 By N.K. Tabler

31. Casket sealed by N.K. Tabler

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) N.K. Tabler

AUDITED BY 1021-31-25

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-10113

32. Designation of body:

Name CALKINS, Arthur L. Serial No. 1,211,465

Rank Cpl Organization Co. I. 107th Inf

Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme American Cemetery 636 Bony Aisne

Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 28, 1921 By N.K. Tabler

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

G.D. Gamble, Captain, MC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 28, 1921

To point of Concentration Rouen (Seine Inf.)

Convoyer Frank Atwell Signature Shipping Officer G.D. Gamble, Capt. MC (Name) G.D. Gamble

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Sept. 28, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative Hubert W. Beyette, Capt. MC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 3-OCT 1921

To Permanent Cemetery No. 636 Bony, Aisne

Convoyer B.J. Flynn Signature Shipping Officer Hubert W. Beyette, Capt. MC (Name) H.W. Beyette

40. Received: Date 7 OCT 1921

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred: Aug. 22, 1922 (Date)

42. Grave No. 18 Section

43. Plot Block A Row 26

G.R.S. Representative

D.E. Lowry, 1st Lt. MC

D 61025

Qty 56

Place Rouen (Seine Inf.)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 28, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CALKINS, Arthur L.

SERIAL NUMBER 1211465

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION Co. "H", 107th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date):

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From (give complete location):

Sept. 28, 1921, Gr. 7332
Gr. 7332, Row "B", Flat 1, Block "R", St. Sever
Cem. 56, Rouen, France.

By: Group One

Unit F.S. 8

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

Aug. 22, 1922, Gr. 18, Block A, Row 26, Somme Cemetery, Bony (Seine)

By: Group Reburial

Unit

Nature of reburial Casket & shipping case

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

In hospital shroud and wooden box. Badly decomposed. Features
unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No. On grave marker? Yes.

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

Under proper cross according to forms 114-A.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color No hair visible

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color No hair on face

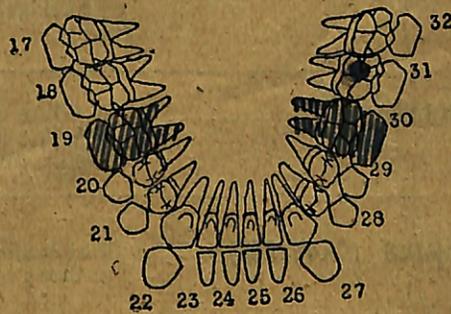
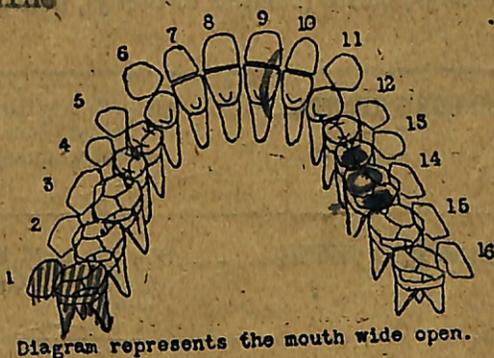
Location

Quantity

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

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

Post-mortem case.



(1 MBD, 9 Cav., 13 SF, 14 Cav.,
14 SF, 19 MBD, 30 MBD, 31 SF

7. Disinterment supervised by

N.K. Tabler

B.J. Blac., Checker.

Approved:

G.D. Gauble,

Capt., C.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by

B.A. Bradford

Approved:

D. Lowry,

1st Lt

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #77540

(a) Name CALKINS, Arthur L. Ser. No. 1211465
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. I, 107th Infantry
 (c) Date of death 10/10/18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. DMA
 CKR. B. J.

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 For Some Amer. 636
 att 6/13/22*

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

(a) Grave No. 14 Row B Plot 1 Sec. R TYP. DMA
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Charles A. Calkins (mother) 156 Banks St.,
 Batavia, N. Y.
 III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt -----

(a) Name Mrs. Charles A. Calkins (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address 158 Bank St., Batavia, N. Y.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at -----
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. -----

FROM OF HIS' ARRIVED BODY LONGER IN EUROPE. N-5/30/20/20

17/15 J' 1920 & 130' MAR' ELLEN Y' CALKINS' MOTHER' WAS

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -----

Examiner's Initials MCA Date 1-6-21, 1920.

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

Batavia, N. Y. "158 Bank St." (dated) Feb. 8, 1919
 confirming request in Par. IV., item -----, above, or requesting that the body
 remain in France

Examiner's Initials MH Date 1-6-21, 1920.

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

Mrs. Ellen Calkins, (mother)
158 Bank St. Batavia, N. Y. ³⁻¹⁰⁻²⁰ desires body of son
 to remain in France.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes PF

Examiner's Initials PF Date 1-2-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 56

SHEET No. 39

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920

3-7729

Make Form No. 115

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARD

*Reviewed 4/14/21 EOB
 checked - BEP
 1-7-21*

ms 1-31-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920. RECD
Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

MAR 14 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____
letter on **JAN 22 1921**, 1920

CENETEPAD DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned #

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: **2/17/21, Form # 120, Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins, mother and next of kin, wishes body remain in Europe. H-2/28/21/ap**

3/7/21 Hoboken advises Mother's best wish will be complied with. 4/14/21 EP

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

3-14-21 MW

March 7, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.
(CALKINS, Arthur L.)

Mrs. Ellen A. Calkins,
158 Bank Street,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 17th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, serial number 1211465, Company I, 107th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. G. FALLAS
Executive Assistant.

MAILED

12 MAR 12 1921

COR BR. G. R. S.

Noted on Form No. 115

Date 4/14/21

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N. J.

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

To: Mrs. Ellen Calkins, 158 Bank St., Batavia, New York.

FEB 14 1921

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl. Arthur L. Calkins, Ser. No. 1211465, Co. I, 107 Inf.

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

No change

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? *No*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <i>None</i>			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>None</i>		
	2 <i>None</i>		
	3 <i>None</i>		
Father <i>Charles A. Calkins</i>	<i>Deceased</i>		
Mother <i>Ellen A. Calkins</i>	<i>158 Bank St.</i>	<i>Batavia</i>	<i>N.Y.</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>None</i>		
	2 <i>None</i>		
	3 <i>None</i>		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>None</i>		
	2 <i>Mrs. Florence Spague</i>		<i>Alexandria N.Y.</i>
	3 <i>None</i>		

Date *Feb. 17, 1921*

Signature *Mrs. Ellen Calkins*

Address *158 Bank St. Batavia N.Y.*

Relationship *Mother*

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

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

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

Signature Mrs. Ellen Watkins

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

**GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH**

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #77540

Form 115
See
cut 6/13/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

CALKINS, Arthur L.

1211465

(a) Name..... **Cpl.** Ser. No. **Co. I, 107th Infantry** DMA
 (b) Rank..... **10/10/18** Organization **DWRIA** **B.J.**
 Cause of death
 (c) Date of death..... death

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

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Block

DMA

(a) Grave No. **R** **Mrs. Charles Plot Calkins (mother) 156 Bank St.,**
Batavia, N. Y.
 (b) Emerg. Address

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

B.J.

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

*J.R. Com. - Mrs. Ella Calkins (mother)
 158 Bank St., Batavia, N.Y. 3/20/20 -
 requests body left in France.
 - ap 1/20/21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 192
 (letter of transmittal on **JAN 22 1921**)

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

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VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **FEB 2 - 1921** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

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

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **MAR 17 1921** 192

COUNTRY CEMETERY NO. SHEET NO.
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August, 1920
FRANCE **56** **39**
 S-666/MB

WB1-31-71

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Calkins A.L. 1211465.

Corporal 107/Inf.U.S.

D.D. 10.10.18

Buried St. Sever Cem. Extn. Rouen.
Bk. "R" Pl. 1 R "B" Gr. 14.

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Calkins, A.L.

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Cpl. 107th, Inf. U.S.A.,

10/10/18

Buried St. Sever Cem. Ext. Rouen.

Block R

Plot 1.

E 7332

B 14

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CALKINS

A.L.

#1465

CPL. 107 INF. U.S.

DD. 10/10/18

BURIED ST SEVER CEM EXTN. ROUEN

BK. "R" PL.1 R"B"

GR I4

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a 293



Calkins

A.L.

#1211465

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Cpl. 107th Inf. "I" U.S.A.

10/10/18

Buried St Sever Cemetery , Rouen

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Calkins, 1211465 Arthur
 (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corporal Co. I, 107 Infantry
 (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 11th, 1918.....

St. Sever Cemetiere, Rouen

PLACE OF BURIAL Seine-Inferieure, France.....

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

GRAVE NUMBER..... 7332.....

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

56

Headboard? Bottle? 7.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? Yes.....

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No Grave marked with Cross on which was fastened plate with name, rank and Organ.

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

REPORTED BY : *Th. G. Hester*

THOMAS G HESTER
 1st LIEUT. SAN CORPS

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

12 (St-Louis, U.S.A.) General Hospital

~~48705~~

CALKINS A.L. 7 1211165
77340

Corp Co I 107th Inf U.S.A.

Date Death 10/10/18

Place Burial (St. Sever, Rouen)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON
April 1, 1920

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John
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No: 77540 Inq.Br. (Cpl. Arthur L. Calkins)
To: Mrs. Ellen Calkins 158 Bank St. Batavia N.Y.
From: The Quartermaster General U.S. Army (Cemeterial Division)
Subject: Grave Location:

FILES.

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Cemeterial Division contain the following information as to grave location.

Case of: Corporal Arthur L. Calkins
107th Infantry Co. I. 27th Division

Place of burial: Buried in St. Sever Cemetery
Rouen, Seine Department of Inferieure
Grave #14, Block R, Plot 1, Row B.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By the authority of the Quartermaster General:

Charles G. Pierce
Colonel U.S. Army
Chief Cemeterial Division.

By:
Charles J. Wynne
Captain Q.M.G.

U. S. P. MAIL
APR 2 1920

RS

Your request for permanent burial of your son
Your request for permanent burial of your
son in France has been noted.

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

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

March 31, 1920

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- ~~(c) Office Files.~~
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of:

Cpl. Arthur L. Calkins
107th Inf. Co. I. 27th Div.,

Grave Location:
Buried in St. Sever Cty
Rouen Seine Inferieure
Grave #14, Block RV. Plot 1, Row B.

Request for action checked below:

- ~~(a) Return of Body to the U.S.~~
- ~~(b) Permanent Burial in France.~~
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Mrs. C. Ellen Calkins
158 Bank St.
Batavia, N.Y.



By authority of the Quartermaster General

RS CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L

March 20, 1920
168 Bank St.
Batavia, N.Y.
Batavia, New York

Adjutant General.
Washington, D. C.

Received -- Ing. Dept.
MAR 30 1920

Dear Sir:

I am informed there is a bill pending in Congress relative to the bringing to America the bodies of our boys who fell in France. I, as a mother of one of those boys, earnestly request that the body of my son, Corp. Arthur L. Galline, 107 Infantry, 27th Division, be allowed to remain in France, and that the proper authorities be so instructed.

My wish would be that the money appropriated by the Government for the bringing the boys home might be used to benefit the incapacitated living soldiers.

with other mothers have already
suffered so much without - having
added grief and uncertainty added
fall to our lot.

Hoping my request - may be
considered.

I am,

Yours Respectfully,

Mrs E. Len Balkins



Received A. G. U. MAR 29 1920



Cemetery, et

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

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ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY *12/30/20*

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries.

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
 (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: *EF*

_____ *113* ✓

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. ^{1, 6, 11, and 12,} G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. ^{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.}

MCF

Analysis Clerk.

Req No.

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File

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Calkins, Arthur L.

Corp Co. B. 107th Inf

Ok S.

201 Calkins, Arthur L.

3rd Ind.

LPH/mgr

Hq. SOS, France, Mar. 1, 1919.- To Chief Quartermaster.

Forwarded, for compliance.

By command of Major General Harbord



J. W. Macaulley
 J. W. Macaulley,
 Asst. Adjutant General.

1 Incl.

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 file to report
 to effects*



201 Calkins, Arthur L.

3rd Ind.

LRH/mgr

Hq. SOS, France, Mar. 1, 1919.- To Chief Quartermaster.

Forwarded, for compliance.

By command of Major General Harbord:

1 Incl.

J. W. Macauler,
Asst. Adjutant General.



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France, February 26, 1919.

Adjutant General

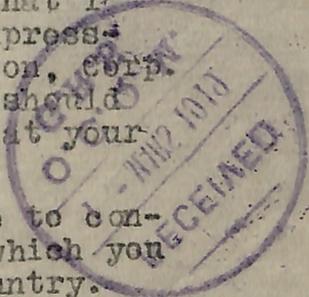
Mrs. C.A. Calkins, 158 Bank St., Batavia, N.Y.

Disposition of remains of Corp. Arthur L. Calkins,
Company "I", 107th Infantry.

1. The Commander-in-Chief directs that I acknowledge receipt of your letter, expressing the desire that the body of your son, Corp. Arthur L. Calkins, Co. I, 107th Inf., should remain in France, and to inform you that your request will be complied with.

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

J. M. WOOLFOLK.
Adjutant General.



293.8 Calkins, Arthur L. 1st Ind. MH
(Misc. Div.)

War Dept., A. G. O., February 7, 1919 - To the Commanding
General, American Expeditionary Forces.

✓
1. The request contained in the foregoing letter from
Mrs. C. A. Calkins, Batavia, New York, that the body of her
son, Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry,
be allowed to remain in France for permanent burial, is
approved, and the Commanding General is directed to take
action accordingly.

2. Mrs. Calkins, and the Quartermaster General of the Army,
(Cemeterial Branch) have been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. C. Ashburn
Adjutant General.

Synopsis Made.

Received
A. G. O.

22 FEB 1919

G. H. Q. A. E. F. *Misc*

Misc. 9709 A 508

2nd Ind.

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G. H. Q., American E. F., France, February 26, 1919.- To
the Commanding General, S. O. S.-R. R. S.

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

By command of General Pershing: ✓

J. M. Woodcock
Adjutant General.



158 Bank St.
Batavia, N. Y.
Feb. 8. 1919.

The Adjutant-General
of the Army,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

According to a bulletin
sent me by the Govt. you are the
one whom I am to ask regarding
the personal effects of my son
Corp Arthur L. Balkens, 107 Inf.
Co. I. # 1211465. who died from
injuries received in action,
Md. No 12 General Hospital, Rouen,
France. We have as yet
received nothing belonging
to him, but think there
must be some things to come
to us. We will greatly appreciate
any information you can

give me.

We also learn from the
bulletin, that the U. S. purposes
to have the bodies of our boys
returned to this country except
in cases where a specific
request to the contrary is made.

We have considered the matter
and have decided we would
like our son's body to remain
where it lies buried, in the
land for which he died.

If you will kindly issue
instructions to that effect
we will be greatly obliged.

His burial number ^{is} 7332

Gratefully yours.

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Received A G O,

FEB 5 1919

Mrs C. A. Balkins

G.H.O.,
25 FEB. 1919

AGO, SOS-201

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Calkins, Arthur F.

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RECEIVED MISCEL. DIV

FEB 5 1919

Form No. 7 to
Effects Depot 3/14/19.
* C.O. to Bt Baggage JRP

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Chief, Graves Registration Service,
Headquarters Service of Supply,
A. P. O. 717,
American C. F., France.

According to a bulletin
sent me from Washington,
D. C. I find it is my privilege
to apply for photographs of the
graves of our boys who have
died in France.

I would greatly appreciate
any photographs that may
be sent me.

My son Cpl. A. C. Balkins
107 Inf. Co. I. # 12 11465. lies buried
in St. Sever's Cemetery, Rouen.

His grave is # 7332.

15 & Bank St.
Batavia, N. Y., U.S.A.
Feb. 3, 1919.

Gratefully yours,
Mrs C. C. Balkins.

drawn by M#

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293.8 Calkins, Arthur L.

(Misc. Div.)

Corp

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

RECORD OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED

From: Mrs. C. A. Calkins, 158 Bank St., Batavia, N. Y. Dated: Feb. 8, 1919.
To: The A. G. Rec'd A. G. O. Feb. 5, 1919.

Subject: Requests that the remains of her son, Corp. Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry, be left in France where he is buried.

FILE

FILE 2/7/19-MH.

Calkins
Arthur L.

FILE
Date 2/7/19 Sig. JCR

293.8 Calkins, Arthur L.
(Misc. Div.)

1st Ind. MI

War Dept., A. G. O., February 7, 1919 - To the Commanding
General, American Expeditionary Forces.

1. The request contained in the foregoing letter from
Mrs. G. A. Calkins, Batavia, New York, that the body of her
son, Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, Company I, 107th Infantry,
be allowed to remain in France for permanent burial, is
approved, and the Commanding General is directed to take
action accordingly.

2. Mrs. Calkins, and the Quartermaster General of the Army,
(Cemeterial Branch) have been advised of this action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J O. Ashburn

Adjutant General.

Synopsis Made.

Copy furnished Quartermaster General, (Cemeterial Branch)

FILE	
Date	Sig.

293.8 Calkins, Arthur L.
(Misc. Div.)

February 7, 1919.

Mrs. C. A. Calkins,
158 Bank St.,
Batavia, New York.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your letter of February 6, 1919, relative to your desire that the body of your son, Corporal Arthur L. Calkins, 107th Infantry, Company I, who died from wounds received in action, be allowed to remain in England for permanent burial, I beg to advise you that your request has been approved by the Secretary of War and the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, France is being so notified.

With reference to obtaining the personal effects of your son, it is suggested that you communicate direct with:

Effects Bureau, Port of Embarkation, Hoboken,
N. J.

It is desired to express to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the loss of your son, and to commend you for the sacrifice and the contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very sincerely,

J. O. Ashburn

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FEB 8 1919
A. G. O.

