

JUN 1 - 1923

DATE Sent. 26, 1921.

1. NAME CANTWELL, James E SERIAL No. ----

RANK 2nd Lieut. ORGANIZATION 327th Inf. 82 Div

GRAVE LOCATION Argonne American, ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232.-Sec.93  
CTY. NAME NUMBER

99 GRAVE 93 PLOT 2

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Marvaux (Ardennes)

COORDINATES Verdun 35.5W, 281.5N GRAVE 298. N COMMUNE Per Form 167 Inv. DEPT. 279.8E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/18/19 99 93 2  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse-Argonne 1232.  
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross. Lieut. Bars on body. U.S. and cross rifles, collar ornament.

DATE OF DEATH Oct. 10, 1918.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Conn.

Data Form #1.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none noted

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. Birdseye

**M. B. BIRDSEYE**  
**1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army**

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Sent. 26, 1921. 37 37 B  
DATE GRAVE ROW BLOCK

MEUSE ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse  
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY  
M.J.D. 6/12/23

JUN 9 1923  
WORLD WAR DIV

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.



## GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cantwell, James E. R  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

2d Lt., 327 Inf.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: ..... 10-10-18 .....

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

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

Between San Juvin and Sommerance.

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

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

Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:

Arthur J. P. Gagnon, Chaplain,  
328 Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Cantwell James E</i>	<i>Can</i>	<i>314</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
	GRAVE <i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	ROW <i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
	BLOCK <i>E</i>	1	<i>5</i>
STATE	<i>Conn</i>	2	<i>06</i>
RANK	<i>2nd Lt</i>	1	<i>1</i>
DIVISION	<i>82</i>	2	<i>82</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>327</i>	3	<i>327</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Mrs Peter Cantwell</i>	<i>Can</i>	<i>314</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Conn.</i>	2	<i>06</i>
	COUNTY <i>New Haven</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	CITY <i>New Haven</i>	3	<i>034</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>Sisters</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	
ATTENDANT	<i>Yes</i>	1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ	<i>Age</i>		<i>73</i>

*Declined Roosevelt 8-17-32*

*822 Elm St.*

*Declined Jan: American listed for 1931*  
*8-27-30*

*Audited*  
 DEC 8 1931  
*A.L.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (MA)\*

Sept. 8, 1932.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell  
822 Elm St  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>no, because of ill health</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>73</i> Health: <i>poor</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

*Mary Cantwell*  
Sign here

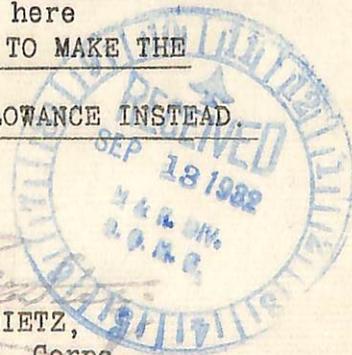
NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*Chas. W. Dietz*  
CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl:  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 18, 1932

Cantwell, Jas. E. (M A)\*

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

\_\_\_\_\_ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (MA)

May 27, 1932

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of May 25th declining the invitation to sail August 17th on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT to visit the grave of your son, the late Second Lieutenant James E. Cantwell.

It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to make the journey at this time, and it is sincerely hoped that you will improve rapidly. You will be communicated with again relative to your desire to visit your son's grave when pilgrimages are being arranged for next year. It is hoped you will be able to take advantage of the offer of the Government at that time, as 1933 is the last year for which pilgrimages are authorized.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage and doctors and nurses will be available. You are assured that, should you make the journey, everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare. During the past two years many women in poor health and of advanced age made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at

War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

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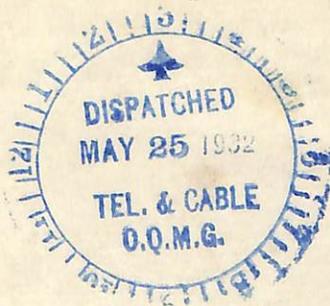
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VERY SORRY UNABLE TO GO BECAUSE OF ILL HEALTH=

=MRS PETER CANTWELL. 215PM..

*Decline  
Roosevelt  
8-17-32*

RECORD ATTACHED



293 - Cantwell -  
James E.

Washington, D. C., May 23, 1932

MRS. PETER CANTWELL,  
822 ELM ST.,  
NEW HAVEN, CONN.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL AUGUST SEVENTEEN NOT RECEIVED  
DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 4263GSM

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DOWITT  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Cantwell, James E. (M-A) M

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April 20, 1952.

QM 293 A-M

X Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

Mr. Peter Moagher,  
604 McDonough Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of February 25th, there are enclosed herewith three photographs, together with the film, of the grave of your cousin, the late Lieutenant Cantwell, in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
3 Photos.  
1 Film

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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE IN EUROPE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE  
20 RUE MOLITOR

IN REPLYING  
PLEASE ADDRESS  
CHIEF, AMERICAN GRAVES  
REGISTRATION SERVICE.

FILE NO 004,511

PARIS, FRANCE  
April 5, 1932.

Subject: Photographs of Graves.

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

1. In compliance with letters from your office dated Dec. 29, 1931 and March 2, 1932, file QM 293 A-M Calac, Philip D. (MA) M, and QM 293 A-M Cantwell, James Edward (MA), respectively, photographs and films of the following graves in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France, are enclosed herewith:

CALAC Philip D., Pvt.1/cl., 362 Inf., 91 Division,  
(Grave 3, Block E, Row 39) - For Mrs. Felizia C.  
Molina, Fallbrook, California.

✓ CANTWELL James Edward, 2nd Lt., 327 Inf., 82 Div.,  
(Grave 37, Block E, Row 37) - For Mr. Peter Meagher,  
604 McDonough St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Encls. 8:  
Photographs 6  
Films 2.

R. H. Jordan  
Lt. Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief.



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293.7 Meuse-Argonne Cemetery  
D. H. Jordan

QM 293 A-M

Cantwell, James E. (M-A) M

Feb. 15, 1932

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

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Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, sailing on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, August 17, 1932.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation, signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office immediately. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before June 4, 1932, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make a pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

November 2, 1931

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Cantwell, James K. M-A M

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (MA) H

October 28, 1931.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to the questionnaire recently forwarded you from this office in which you state you cannot make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late 2nd Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, unless accompanied by a member of your family.

As you have been previously advised, there is no provision of law which would permit the Government to bear any part of the expense of anyone accompanying a pilgrim on the journey, to provide them with medical attention or to assume any responsibility for them. However, in the event you desire a member of your family to accompany you at personal expense, arrangements can be made for you to occupy the same hotel rooms in New York and Europe and the same cabin aboard ship.

It is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the trip without a personal companion, as competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time they arrive in New York City until they return thereto. Medical attendants, nurses and all other necessities will be arranged for and you are assured that everything possible will be done for you comfort and welfare throughout the journey. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 hundreds of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited therefrom. o

Should a member of your family desire to accompany you at personal expense, it is suggested that you communicate with the United States Lines, 45 Broadway, New York City, for complete information as to steamship fares and reservations.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	<i>Unable to do so unless accompanied by some member of family as health is very weak.</i> Age: 72 Health: poor
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	
3. Do you speak English?	Yes
4. What other language do you speak?	none

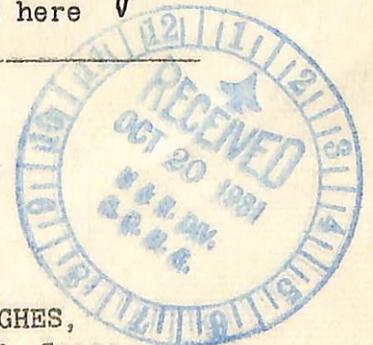
*Mary Cantwell* *per V.C.J.*  
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cantwell, James E. - 1232 M

July 10, 1930.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the **Mother** of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age  
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. 1282-M

July 11, 1930.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
622 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date in which you advise that you are not well enough to make the pilgrimage to Europe, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, this year.

Your name is being placed upon the list of mothers and widows eligible to make the pilgrimage in 1931 and you will be communicated with when the plans for the pilgrimage for that year are being arranged.

There is no provision of law under which you could be permitted to have a companion at the expense of the Government. Competent personnel has been provided to care for the comfort and welfare of the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage and if you desire to make the journey in 1931 you need feel no hesitancy about doing so without a member of your family accompanying you.

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

Cantwell, James E. 1232-M

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Connecticut.

*Filed for 1931*

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

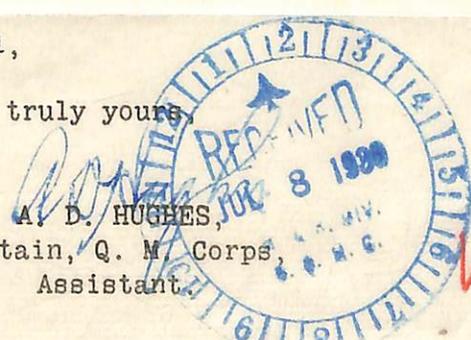
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? *At the present*  
*time I am unable to answer this question as* (Write answer here)  
*my health now would not permit to take*  
*such a long trip unless accompanied by a member*  
*of my family. In 1931 I can answer more definitely* (Sign here)  
*(Mrs) Mary Cantwell*

QM 298 A-C  
Cantwell, James E. 1232-M

May 16, 1930

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date declining the invitation to sail on the SS "America" August 27, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Second Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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#1232  
6/29/29

QM 293 A-C  
Cantwell, James E.

August 12, 1929.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 31, 1929, relative to the Pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

You are advised that the Act of March 2, 1929 provides that the pilgrimage shall be extended in the name of the United States to the mothers and widows for whom the pilgrimage is authorized, and it does not contain any provision for any member of the family to make the trip except the mother or unmarried widow, nor does it permit of the mother or widow being accompanied by any member of the family. The War Department has been charged with the execution of this Act and its efforts therefore must be restricted to making the arrangements necessary for the transportation, entertainment, etc. of those named as eligible under the Act.

Any arrangements which are desired to be made by relatives of others of such eligibles to visit the cemeteries in Europe must be made by themselves personally, due to the limited accommodations available in small towns in the neighborhood of the cemeteries in Europe, and the fact that it is contemplated that the War Department will utilize these accommodations to the limit for those mothers and widows eligible under the above mentioned Act.

Plans for the pilgrimage have not yet been completed so it will not be possible to advise you at this time as to what definite arrangements you should make regarding the trip.

You are assured that competent personnel will be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of those mothers and widows making the pilgrimage.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage, (May 1930), blanks will be furnished you upon which to make application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you desire to go.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

SC:LS

J. T. JENNINGS

"A Confidential Service"

ROOM 306, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING 280 Whalley Avenue,  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

July 31st, 1929.

Ref--QM 293 A-C  
Cantwell, James E.

John T. Harris,  
Major Q. M. Corps.  
Assistant.  
War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of June 29th.,<sup>^</sup> concerning Act of Congress approved March 2nd., 1929, entitled "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", my mother (Mrs. Peter Cantwell) wishes to make the trip to her son's grave unless something unforeseen should arise.

Lieutenant Cantwell was unmarried but since my mother is old and rather feeble we would like to have some member of the family accompany her. The one to go will be either of her two daughters, namely myself or Miss Monica Cantwell or her son Mr John S. Cantwell.

Will you please advise me what provisions are made for such a case as this. If possible, I would like to know the approximate cost to the member of the family who ~~is~~ accompanies her, of course, I mean the entire cost to this extra person, including all expense.

I would also like to know what further steps we shall take concerning the making of arrangements for my mother's trip.

Yours very truly,

Vera Cantwell Jennings

P. S. Of course I am writing this letter for my mother, Mrs Peter Cantwell, 322 Elm Street, New Haven, Conn., and wish all correspondence addressed to her.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Cantwell, James E.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

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 Second Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, 327th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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,

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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-M

Cantwell, James E. (MA)\*

Sept. 8, 1932.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell  
822 Elm St  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

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NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 15, 1932

Cantwell, Jas. E. (M A)\*

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

\_\_\_\_\_ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

Washington, D. C., May 23, 1932

MRS. PETER CANTWELL,  
822 ELM ST.,  
NEW HAVEN, CONN.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL AUGUST SEVENTEEN NOT RECEIVED  
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QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (MA)

May 27, 1932

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of May 25th declining the invitation to sail August 17th on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT to visit the grave of your son, the late Second Lieutenant James E. Cantwell.

It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to make the journey at this time, and it is sincerely hoped that you will improve rapidly. You will be communicated with again relative to your desire to visit your son's grave when pilgrimages are being arranged for next year. It is hoped you will be able to take advantage of the offer of the Government at that time, as 1933 is the last year for which pilgrimages are authorized.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage and doctors and nurses will be available. You are assured that, should you make the journey, everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare. During the past two years many women in poor health and of advanced age made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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April 20, 1932.

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

Mr. Peter Meagher,  
604 McDonough Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with your request of February 25th, there are enclosed herewith three photographs, together with the film, of the grave of your cousin, the late Lieutenant Cantwell, in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

March 2, 1932

Mr. Peter Meagher,  
604 McDonough Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 25th, relative to your desire to obtain a photograph of the grave of your cousin, the late 2nd Lieutenant James Edward Cantwell.

The records show that Lieutenant Cantwell was killed in action October 16, 1918, and his remains are interred in Grave 37, Row 37, Block E, of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

In compliance with your request, the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe has been requested under even date to have the grave of this late officer photographed and furnish two prints for delivery to you. The prints will be forwarded you immediately upon receipt in this office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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[Handwritten initials]

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

March 2, 1932

Subject: Photograph of Grave.

To: The Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe,  
20 rue Molitor, Paris, France.

1. It is requested the grave of the late Second Lieutenant James Edward Cantwell be photographed and two prints furnished this office for delivery to his cousin, Mr. Peter Meagher, 604 McDonough St., Brooklyn, New York.

2. The records show that Lieutenant Cantwell is interred in Grave 37, Row 37, Block E, of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

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Address

Peter Meagher  
604 Mc-Donough St.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

604 Mc-Donough St.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Row 37  
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327th Inf - 82<sup>nd</sup> Div  
February 25, 1932

Quartermaster General, 2nd Lt.  
Memorial Branch:

Oct 16/18

Dear Sir:

In a press notice you will supply to relatives of men killed in the Great War photographs of their graves. Kindly send to me one of the grave of my Cousin, Lieutenant <sup>James</sup> Edward Centwell, killed around the 8<sup>th</sup> of September <sup>1</sup> Connecticut 1918. He was connected with the New Haven Command, or at least left New Haven with the machine Troops. He left as a sergeant and was promoted to a lieutenancy over there. He was buried in France. That is about the nearest I can get just now, but I think you will understand.

Respectfully  
Peter Meagher

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QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

March 2, 1932

Mr. Peter Meagher,  
604 McDonough Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 25th, relative to your desire to obtain a photograph of the grave of your cousin, the late 2nd Lieutenant James Edward Cantwell.

The records show that Lieutenant Cantwell was killed in action October 16, 1918, and his remains are interred in Grave 37, Row 37, Block E, of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James Edward (MA)

March 2, 1932

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2. The records show that Lieutenant Cantwell is interred in Grave 37, Row 37, Block E, of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

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QM 293 A-M

Cantwell, James B. (M-A) M

Feb. 15, 1932

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, sailing on the PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, August 17, 1932.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation, signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office immediately. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before June 4, 1932, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make a pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested you advise this office to that effect.

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-M

November 2, 1931

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Cantwell, James E. M-A M

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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October 28, 1931.

QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. (MA) M

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to the questionnaire recently forwarded you from this office in which you state you cannot make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late 2nd Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, unless accompanied by a member of your family.

As you have been previously advised, there is no provision of law which would permit the Government to bear any part of the expense of anyone accompanying a pilgrim on the journey, to provide them with medical attention or to assume any responsibility for them. However, in the event you desire a member of your family to accompany you at personal expense, arrangements can be made for you to occupy the same hotel rooms in New York and Europe and the same cabin aboard ship.

It is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the trip without a personal companion, as competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time they arrive in New York City until they return thereto. Medical attendants, nurses and all other necessities will be arranged for and you are assured that everything possible will be done for you comfort and welfare throughout the journey. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 hundreds of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited therefrom.

Should a member of your family desire to accompany you at personal expense, it is suggested that you communicate with the United States Lines, 45 Broadway, New York City, for complete information as to steamship fares and reservations.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

September 29, 1931. AL

Cantwell, James E. (M-A) M

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

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Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

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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-AM

Cantwell, James B, 2nd. Lt. (M-A) M\*

July 23, 1931.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_

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QM 293 A-M  
Cantwell, James E. 1232-M

July 12, 1930.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date in which you advise that you are not well enough to make the pilgrimage to Europe, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, this year.

Your name is being placed upon the list of mothers and widows eligible to make the pilgrimage in 1931 and you will be communicated with when the plans for the pilgrimage for that year are being arranged.

There is no provision of law under which you could be permitted to have a companion at the expense of the Government. Competent personnel has been provided to care for the comfort and welfare of the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage and if you desire to make the journey in 1931 you need feel no hesitancy about doing so without a member of your family accompanying you.

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

Cantwell, James E. - 1232 M

July 10, 1930.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the **Mother** of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age  
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
~~Cartwell, James B. 1232-M~~

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Peter Cartwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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(Sign here)

QM 293 A-C  
Centwell, James E. 1232-M

May 16, 1930

Mrs. Peter Centwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date declining the invitation to sail on the SS "America" August 27, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Second Lieutenant James E. Centwell, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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*Mr. Centwell*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 1, 1930.

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Cantwell, James E. - 1232 M

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
922 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.  
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

The ocean voyage will last about 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. HUCHES,  
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  
Cantwell, James E. 1252 M.

October 7 , 1929.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

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.

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QM 295 A-C  
Cantwell, James E.

August 12, 1929.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 31, 1929, relative to the Pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

You are advised that the Act of March 2, 1929 provides that the pilgrimage shall be extended in the name of the United States to the mothers and widows for whom the pilgrimage is authorized, and it does not contain any provision for any member of the family to make the trip except the mother or unmarried widow, nor does it permit of the mother or widow being accompanied by any member of the family. The War Department has been charged with the execution of this Act and its efforts therefore must be restricted to making the arrangements necessary for the transportation, entertainment, etc. of those named as eligible under the Act.

Any arrangements which are desired to be made by relatives of others of such eligibles to visit the cemeteries in Europe must be made by themselves personally, due to the limited accommodations available in small towns in the neighborhood of the cemeteries in Europe, and the fact that it is contemplated that the War Department will utilize these accommodations to the limit for these mothers and widows eligible under the above mentioned Act.

Plans for the pilgrimage have not yet been completed so it will not be possible to advise you at this time as to what definite arrangements you should make regarding the trip.

You are assured that competent personnel will be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of those mothers and widows making the pilgrimage.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage, (May 1930), blanks will be furnished you upon which to make application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you desire to go.

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

June 29, 1929.

Cantwell, James E.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
622 Elm Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

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 Second Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, 327th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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.

In reply refer to:  
QM - 293 C-R

July 24, 1923.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell,  
822 Elm St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of 2nd Lieutenant James E. Cantwell, 527th Infantry, is Grave 37, Row 37, Block E, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.



JUL 24 1923  
C. E. B.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name CANTWELL, James E. Number: 110523  
Rank Sgt Organization: Co D 101 M G Bn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Disinterred (Date) 18th June 1919 From: (Give complete location) Isolated Grave CORNAY ARDENNES  
35 SW E 298. N 281.5

Reburied (Date) 18th June 1919 in: (Give complete location) Grave No 99 Sec 93 Plot 2  
ARGONNE AMER CEMETERY NO 1232  
ROMAGNE MEUSE 1232

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Burial good; buried in uniform; body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon body? Yes

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

**CONFIRMED No. D-12160**

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by C.O. 170, C.E.C., 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation thereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by Lt Abrahamson

14 FEBRUARY



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THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY AND NAVAL DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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JULY 5 1919

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cantwell, James E.  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

2d Lt., 327 Inf.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: ..... 10-10-18 .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

Between San Juvin and Souverance.

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?  Cross?  Yes

Headboard? ..... Bottle? .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: CMME. ST JUVIN/ARDENNES  
(230) SIT 35NE, COORDE N

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:  
Arthur J. P. Gagnon, Chaplain,  
328 Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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



Journal List No. 251617  
Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 27, 1920.

No: 293.8-Cem.#43969-(Cantwell, James E, 2nd Lieut.)  
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)  
To: Mrs. Peter Cantwell, 822 Elm St., New Haven, Conn.  
Subject: Permanent burial in France.

1. In reply to your letter of Aug. 8, 1920, cancelling your previous instructions for the return of the remains of your son, 2nd Lieut. James E. Cantwell, and directing that his body be permanently interred in the American Field of Honor at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of the Meuse, you are advised that instructions will be issued that your wishes be complied with, provided there is no relative whose legal right to direct disposition has priority over yours.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, Q.M.C., U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

By:

CHARLES J. WYNN,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

LN

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FILE

mail  
AUG 28 1920

Montfaucon, Meuse, he brought home.

Would like now, however that he remain in France as conditions here now are not favorable to his being removed.

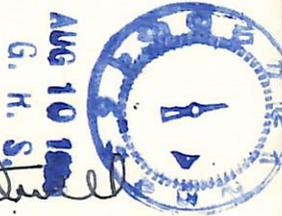
Sincerely hope my request is not too late and that you will do all in your power to grant me this favor & am, hoping, for an early reply.

his Mother

Mary Cantwell

Mrs Peter Cantwell

822 Elm St  
New Haven Conn



August 8/20

War Department

Office of the Quartermaster  
General  
James Registration Service  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen —

At a previous date I sent word requesting that my son Lieutenant James Edward Cantwell of the 327<sup>th</sup> Inf., now resting in grave # 99 Dec 93 Plot 2 City 1232 Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-Sous-

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS SECTION



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Cantwell, James, Edward

Address to  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
Munitions Building

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON hhh

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293.2 (Cantwell, James Edward, Lt.) G.R.S.

Oct. 15, 1919.

Graves Registration Service.

Mrs. Peter Cantwell, 822 Elm St., New Haven, Conn.

Location of Grave.

1. Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, I have to advise that the records of this office show 2nd Lt. James Edward Cantwell, Co. C, 327th Infantry, originally buried in Isolated Grave, Cote Cornay, Ardennes, disinterred and reburied June 18, 1919, in Grave #99, Section 93, Plot 2, Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

By authority of the Quartermaster General, Director of Purchase and Storage.

Charles C. Pierce,  
Colonel, Q. M. C.,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

Charles J. Wynne,  
Captain, Q. M. C.  
Graves Registration Service.

G. R. S. MAILED

OCT 15 1919

Argonne Forest near  
Comay October 16, 1918.

He was attached to  
C Cr 327<sup>th</sup> Inf 82<sup>nd</sup> Div  
but was formally a Sergeant  
D Cr 101 Machine gun  
Battalion 26<sup>th</sup> Div.

I understood photographs  
were being prepared  
several months ago for  
distribution to the families

grave h.  
Photo.

October 7/19

Director of Photography  
Jones Registration Service  
Washington D.C.

Sir —

Will you be so kind  
as to send me a photograph  
of the grave of Sicut Jones  
Edward Contwell who  
was killed in the

of the soldiers, as yet the  
photograph of my son's  
grave has not reached  
me, and I would appreciate  
it very much if the

same were forwarded to  
me as soon as possible

Very truly yours,

Mary Cantwell

Mrs Peter Cantwell  
822 Elm St  
New Haven Conn



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G.R.S. FORM NO. 6: Request referred to Chaplain.

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE C.Q.M., A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

FROM: The Chief, G.R.S.

327th Inf.

TO: Chaplain American E.F.  
Sub-inspector, G.R.S.

SUBJECT: Information for relatives.

1. Information as to the circumstances connected with the death of  
Lieut J.E. CANTWELL

327th Inf American E.F.

which are not of record in this office, is desired by

Francis L. Winslow

2nd Army M.G. &S.A. Center,

A.P.O. 747 (VOID MEAUS)

2. I am sure it will be your pleasure to give what comfort you can in writing directly to the above address, and I deeply regret that the desired information is not available for me to use, without the delay involved in this request for your aid.

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

Copy furnished for the information of the family of the deceased.

THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT  
BOMBAY

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: [Illegible]

FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
[Illegible]

BY [Illegible]

FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
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BY [Illegible]

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

May 27 1919.

Reference-43969.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Francis L. Winslow, 2nd Army M.G. & S.A. Center,  
A.P.O. 747 (Void House)  
SUBJECT: Lieut. James E. Cantwell, 327th Inf. American E.F.

1. With an assurance of very deep sympathy, and in reply to your letter of enquiry, you are advised that information has been filed in this office by the burial officer concerned, to the effect that the above named soldier is buried in Commune of ST JULIEN,

Department of ARDENNES. One identification tag is buried with the body another being attached to the Grave Marker.

2. I am today requesting the chaplain of Lt. J.E. Cantwell's organization to communicate with you, giving if possible full particulars of death.

(Enclosure G.R.S.  
(10-B. 6,004.5.)

CCP-jej.

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

43969

Mar 7, 1919.

Adj Gen  
G H E

Retel SD 3719 comma 2nd Lt James E Cantwell 327th Inf buried Oct 16th  
comma 1918 in Commune of St Juvin (Ardennes) comma coordinates unknown  
period Grave marked by cross to which is attached identification tag.

O. B.

CARSON.

C.M. NORTZEL  
2nd Lieut., QMC.  
ACL/ WK  
2:30 PM

Copy to;  
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To .....

## FIELD BURIALS

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*Q. M. Form No.* .....

*Report No.* .....

*Sheet No.* .....

*Commune and Department* .....

*Army Sector No.* ..... *Date* ..... *Map Reference* .....

*Place of burial.* .....

*Location of grave or Trench* .....

*Nature of marking employed* .....

NAME	RANK	DIVISION REGIMENT COMPANY	POSITION IN TRENCH	DISPOSAL OF TAGS

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# Signal Corps, United States Army. Telegram.

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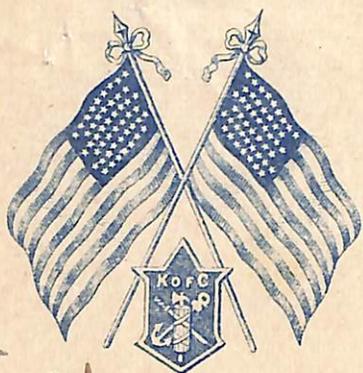
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SD THREE SEVEN ONE NINE WIRE IMMEDIATELY BURIAL REPORT AND GRAVE  
LOCATION SECOND LIEUT JAMES E CANTWELL THREE TWO SEVEN INF  
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Knights of Columbus  
OVERSEAS SERVICE



ON ACTIVE SERVICE WITH  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

A.P.O. 747

DATE Feb. 28/19

Chief of the Graves Registration Service  
1000, F. 2000

Sir:

Will you please give me all possible information concerning the death of Lt. J. Edward Cantwell, 327<sup>th</sup> Infantry killed in action Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>.

Have received inquiries from his family asking me to get the information for them.

Francis L. Winslow

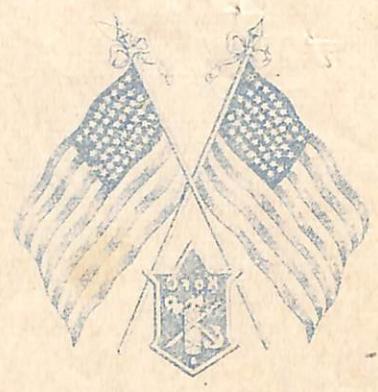
2<sup>nd</sup> Army M.G. & S.A. Center  
A.P.O. 747 (Void, Marse)

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
ON ACTIVE SERVICE WITH

A.P.O.

DATE



Roosevelt

Cantwell Gas. E.

8-17-32

MA



I Declined by wire 5/25 the invitation extended

Accept or decline

one first

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 Peter Cantwell

Name

822 Elm St. New Haven Conn,

Town or City

State

New-Haven Co.

America  
8-12-31  
1232

Cantwell, James E., 2nd Lt

I decline the invitation extended  
me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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Mrs. Peter Cantwell

(Name)

-----  
822 Elm St., New Haven, New Haven Co., Conn.

(Town or City)

(State)



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O. Q. M. G.

America  
8-27-30  
1232

Cantwell James E

(over)

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.

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Mrs. Peter Cantwell,

(Name)

822 Elm St., New Haven, New Haven County, Conn.

(Town or City)

(State)

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answered

- 5.16.30

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Giving to ill health and  
advanced years will not  
be able to take this  
strenuous trip - However,  
if I were allowed to  
have a member of my  
family accompany me I  
would risk the trip - otherwise  
it would be too great an  
undertaking for me to undergo.

Very truly yours,

Mary Cantwell

(Mrs Peter Cantwell)



Cantwell,

James E.



(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number)

2nd Lt

327th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased mother

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

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

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

Mrs Peter Cantwell New Haven Ch - New Haven Ch.

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

822 Elm Street New Haven Conn

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Peter Cantwell  
822 Elm Street New Haven Conn

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

French City.

# C-247

Drawn Pm

1232 Sec 93-29

5-11-21

Checked  
5-13-21

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 43969

(a) Name CANTWELL, James. E. Ser. No. -
(b) Rank 2nd. Lt. Organization 327th Inf.
(c) Date of death 10-16-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

TYP hmp
CKR sm

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

(a) Grave No. 99 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 93 TYP. hmp
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Peter Cantwell (mother) 792 Elm St., New Haven, Conn.

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

CKR. sm

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs. Peter Cantwell (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address 822 Elm St., New Haven, Conn.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Mrs. Peter Cantwell, 822 Elm St., New Haven, Conn. (Exp. del., New Haven, Conn.)

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

Examiner's Initials Pm Date 5-11-21, 192

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

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 192

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

Mother, Mrs. Peter (Mary) Cantwell, 822 Elm St., New Haven, Conn., 8-8-20, Cancels request in Para IV. Now desires body

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? to remain in France.

Examiner's Initials Pm Date 5-11-21, 192

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232 Sec. 93 SHEET No. 29

Handwritten signature and date: 5/21/21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on **MAY 23 1921**, 192

*Sec #93*

**Par. 2 Not to be returned.**

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IX.

**REMARKS**

WRITE NOTHING BELOW THIS LINE.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 21, 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 CANTWELL, James E

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. ---

11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Rank 2nd Lieut

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. 327th Inf.

13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. Oct. 16th.

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. K.I.A.

(b) D.B. none.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 99 Sec. 93

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot 2 Row \_\_\_\_\_

16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

17. none.

18. Cemetery Argonne American

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-SOUS-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. # 1232, SEC. # 93

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 23, 1921

By J.C. Van Mater.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name James E. Cantwell

Serial No. none.

Rank 2nd Lt.

Organization 327th Inf.

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

Rex M. Moody  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
Rex M. Moody.

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).

Lieut. bars found on body. U.S. and cross rifles, collar ornaments. Identified by Fraternity pin found on body.

27. Condition of body badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial wooden box and burlap and uniform

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 21, 1921. By J.C. Van Mater.

31. Casket sealed by J.C. Van Mater.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) J.C. Van Mater.

ADMITTED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-6439

32. Designation of body:

Name CANTWELL, James E Serial No. ---

Rank 2nd Lieut. Organization 327th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne American # 1232, ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 21, 1921 By J.C. Van Mater.

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 G.B. Kidwell, 1st Lt. M.C.

36. Remarks

none.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 21, 1921.

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne. (Name) Albert Jackson

Convoyer W.J. Royed. Signature Shipping Officer Albert M. Jackson, Capt. C.A.C. rlr

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date 21 SEP 1921

G.R.S. Representative W. J. Royed

41. Reinterred MeuseArgonne Cemetery # 1232 Sept 26th 1921 (Date)

42. Grave No. 37 Section

43. Plot Block E Row 37

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger, Capt QMC.

jt.



Place Regime 1232.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 21, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CANTWELL, James E SERIAL NUMBER none.  
RANK 2nd Lt. ORGANIZATION 327th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) Sept. 21, 1921 From (give complete location):  
~~wooden box and officers uniform~~ Gr. 99, Sec 93, Plot 2.  
By: Group 6 Unit 2

3. Reburied (date): Sept 26th 1921 In (give complete location):  
Meuse Argonne Cenetry # 1232 gr 37 block E row 37  
By: Group re-burial S Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
wooden box and officers uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? no On grave marker? yes.

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

G.R.S. marker and tag on marker reads, "James E. Cantwell, 110523, Sgt. Co. D. 101st M.G.Bn. Lieut. bars found on body. U.S. and cross rifles collar ornaments. identified by Fraternity pin on body.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 24, 25, 26, MAD.

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

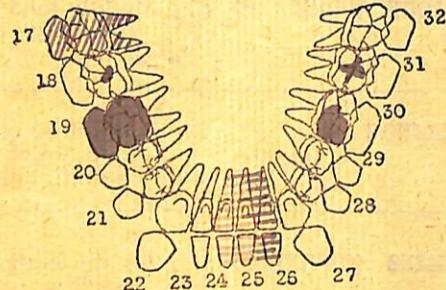
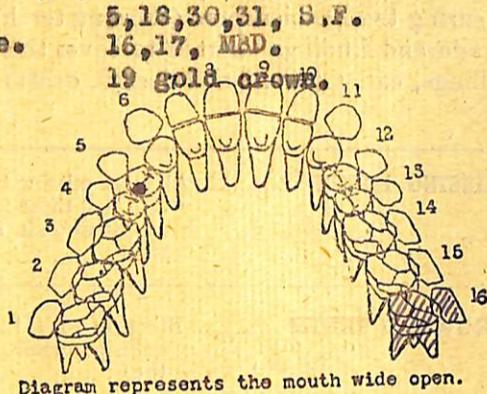
Quantity do

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

missing parts) do

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

none visible.



7. Disinterment supervised by J.C. Van Mater.

Approved: G.B. Kidwell  
(Title) 1st Lt. M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. Shields

Approved: James W. Younger  
(Title) Capt M.C.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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



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



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



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



**CARIES (CAVITIES)**.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



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

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 43969

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CANTWELL, James. E. Ser. No. (b) Rank 2nd. Lt. Organization 327th Inf. (c) Date of death 10-16-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

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

(a) Grave No. 99 Row Plot 2 Sec. 93 TYP. hmp (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Peter Cantwell(mother) 792 Elm St., New Haven, Conn.

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

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on 192 letter of transmittal on MAY 23 1921 192

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

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

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

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Handwritten signature/initials