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G.R.S. Form #114-B

9389

FULL NAME CARLSON, Albin ✓

RANK Pvt. SERIAL 3486055 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co.H, 23rd Inf. 2 Div

DATE OF DEATH Nov 4 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Ill.

~~MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED~~ no

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 33 9 F

| Date | Grave | Row | Block |
|------|-------|-----|-------|
|------|-------|-----|-------|

Meuse-Argonne, #1232
Cemetery

23/306/ARK

WG 4-12-28

A. G. O.
AUG 11 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

RECEIVED
APR 4 1928
WAR DIV.

Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

RB 8/14/26

Carlson Albin

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU *Prot.*

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY July 9, 1930

De Kalb County, State of Illinois

Name Carlson, Mrs Selma (K-4)

Address 410 S 10th St., De Kalb, Ill.

Route going: C&NW-Chicago, NYC&StL-Buffalo, DL&W-~~New York~~

Return: Same route.

| | | ROAD | TRAIN | TIME | DATE | |
|-----------------|------|-----------------------|---------|------|---------|--------|
| Itinerary going | ✓ Lv | De Kalb | C&NW | 18 | 7:58AM | July 6 |
| | ✓ Ar | Chicago | " | " | 9:25AM | July 6 |
| | ✓ Lv | Chicago | NYC&StL | 2 | 11:00AM | July 6 |
| | ✓ Ar | New York (Hoboken) | DL&W | " | 3:30PM | July 7 |
| | Lv | | | | | |
| | Ar | | | | | |
| | Lv | | | | | |
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| | Ar | | | | | |
| | Lv | | | | | |
| | Ar | | | | | |

H. G. H.

Accommodations: *↘* Seat in standard sleeper De Kalb, Ill to Chicago, Ill.
↗ Standard sleeper Chicago, Ill. to New York, N Y.

Elapsed Time: 30 hours-32 minutes. *1 1/2*

Extra Fare:

E. W. Campbell
(nurse)

Carlson, Albin.
MEDICAL RECORD

Party K. Group I.

Priv, Co H, 239th Inf.

Station:

Verdun.

Date:

July 30th 1930.

Name CARLSON Mrs Selma

Home address 410 8th 10th St. De Kalb - Illinois.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mrs John Wendell (mother)
same address

Religion Lutheran

Age 32.

History of Present complaint: Cold - T 98 P 84.

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

Treatment and Progress: (include dates) 20/7/30. Aspirin grs ss . Brandy 2 teasp.
~~vis~~ to chest -
27/7/30 - much improved

Disposition: (include dates)

Remarks:

July 29. 3c To Cherbourg Beach

NAME CARLSON, MRS. HELMA

953

S.S. ROOSEVELT

2121

HOME DEKALB, DEKALB COUNTY, ILL.

R.R. DL+W to Buffalo

STATION NKPT to Chicago

TRAIN # C+N W to dest

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

Sept. 4-30

DATE

~~AUG 6 1930~~

~~try to room with
Mrs. Shelden 953~~

Stopover in New York

Mr. John Wendell

410 South 10th St

De Kalb

Ill

no TR

S.O. in N.Y. city
10 days

Carlson, Albin

Party "K" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

- Sailed July 9, 1950 on PRESIDENT HARDING. Captain William Hesketh in charge. Lt. Col. H. S. Grier observer. Arrived Cherbourg 12.20am July 17th. Special tender arrived 5.28am bearing Maj. Bailey and Kinderman; Capt. Mitchell, Haley, Earnest, Dalton, Conway and Stark; Lts. Freeman and Binns, 3 nurses, 3 civilian employees. Train left 8.22am; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 2.21pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.
- July 18th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon-Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. Fitzsimmons for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- July 19th. Departed 7.18am for Verdun via Montmirail, Chalons s/Marne (lunch Hotel Haute-Mere-Dieu), Ste. Menchould (rest stop Modern Hotel). Arrived 6.15pm.
- July 20th, 21st, 22nd. Daily trips made from Verdun to the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery.
- July 23rd. Left Verdun 9.15am for Reims. Lunch at Cemetery. Left 2pm via Charpentry, Argonne Forest, Four-de-Paris, Viennes-le-Chateau, Viennes-la-Ville, Somme-Bionne. Rest stop Hotel Champagne at Suippes. Jonchery, St. Hilaire-le-Grand. Arrived Reims 6.00pm. Quarters Hotel Bristol Crystal.
- July 24th. Visited Cathedral and Reims. Lunch hotel Crystal. Departed 1.30pm for Paris via Champfleury, Ay, Epernay, Dormans, Chateau Thierry (rest stop Hostellerie du Benhomme) Belleau Woods, Le Thiolet, Montreuil-aux-Lions, La Ferte-sous-Jouarre. Arrived Paris 6.45pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 25th. Free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip - Notre Dame. Dinner at hotel.
- July 26th. Visited Louvre. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip - Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- July 27th. Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing trip at night.
- July 28th. Fontainebleau via Barbizon. Lunch Hotel Legris. Visited Chateau. Departed 4pm via Melun for Paris. Arrived 6.30pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 29th. Boat train for Cherbourg. Left 9.22am. Arrived 3.32pm. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sailed about 6.25pm. Arrived New York August 6th.

Mrs. Selma Carlson

June 19th, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S, 10th Street,
DeKalb, Ill.

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:

Arrived NY 3:30 PM July 7
Train 2 N L & W RR
Lt Moore

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

enclosed
2 tags.

quarters east Mrs. Katherine Shedden
west Mrs. Albatena Havenport

2 bags

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

CARLSON, ALVIN M.A.

Party **K**
 Number **2121**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. SELMA CARLSON Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler
 DEKALB, DEKALB COUNTY, New York, to DEKALB, ILL.
 Home Address
 ILL. \$ **9.75**

New York, to DEKALB, ILL.
 Destination

Via D L & W TO BUFFALO - N K P TO CHICAGO - C & N. W. TO DEST.

LIMIT - SEPT 4-30
 Date of Departure

| | Road | Tr. No. | Date | Time | Lower or Seat | Car | U. S. G. Order No. | Actual Cost |
|------------|------|---------|---------|------|---------------|-----|------------------------|-------------|
| LV HOBOKEN | DL&W | 5 | 1st day | 220P | L | | Log-1022649 | 9.00 |
| AR Chicago | NKP | 1 | 2nd " | 450P | | | | |
| LV " | C&NW | 11 | 2nd " | 605P | S | | Log-1022650 | .75 |
| AR DeKalb | " | 11 | 2nd " | 735P | | | Log-1022674 | Car |
| LV | | | | | | | | |
| AR | | | | | | | | |
| LV | | | | | | | | |
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| LV | | | | | | | | |
| AR | | | | | | | | |
| LV | | | | | | | | |
| AR | | | | | | | | |

TOTAL **9.75**

Remarks:
 STOP OVER - NEW YORK - 10 days

Capt Harrell

Name CARLSON, Mrs Selma

Paris Hôtel HOTEL AMBASSADOR

BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN

Home address 410 S, 10th St, De Kalb, De Kalb County, Illinois

Party K Group I Unit §§. HARDING.

Date of arrival July 17, 1930. Date of departure §§. ROOSEVELT, July 29, 1930.

Relationship Widow

Name of deceased CARLSON, Albin

Rank Pvt Organization Co, H, 23d; Inf

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS



Selma Carlson

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

VIA WESTERN UNION

A. J. FUNK
Captain, Inf. (DOL)

Mrs. John Wendell
410 South 10th Street
DeKalb, Illinois

August 6, 1930

YOUR DAUGHTER ARRIVED SAFE AND WILL BE HOME SOMETIME SUNDAY

COLONEL WILLIAMS

MRS. SELMA CARLSON PARTY K HOTEL ASTOR

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Carlson 3466055 *Alvin*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Priv *No outfit*
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *La Tulerie Ferme*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Kia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Nov 5 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *La Tulerie Ferme*

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

Map. Steeple 1/20000

3057 305,42 Kilor of Beaumont

GRAVE NUMBER: *2*

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

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
Joseph A. McCaffrey, Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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

CODE SLIP

| HEADING | SUB HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CCDE |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------|
| NAME | Carlson, Albin | Car | 3 1 8 |
| | CEMETERY | 1232 | 1 |
| BURIED | GRAVE | 33 | 2 33 |
| | ROW | 9 | 2 09 |
| | BLOCK | 7 | 1 6 |
| STATE | Ill. | 2 | 2 13 |
| RANK | Priv. | 1 | 1 2 |
| DIVISION | 2 | 2 | 2 02 |
| ORGANIZATION | 23 | 3 | 3 023 |
| ARM | Inf. | 1 | 1 1 |
| MARITAL | Yes | 1 | 1 1 |
| NAME | Mrs. Selma W. Carlson | Car. | 3 3 1 8 |
| | STATE | Ill. | 2 13 |
| RESIDENCE | COUNTY | De Kalb | 2 19 |
| (Mother Dead) | CITY | De Kalb | 3 035 |
| RELATION | Widow | 1 | 1 5 |
| OTHER | Father | 1 | 1 1 |
| ELIGIBILITY | Yes | 1 | 1 1 |
| NATIVITY | | 1 | |
| RACE | | 1 | |
| ENGLISH | Yes | 1 | 1 1 |
| ATTENDANT | | 1 | |
| HEALTH | Good | 1 | 1 1 |
| NO. OF SONS | | 1 | |
| DATE OF TRIP | MO. | 1 | |
| | YR. | 1 | |
| ACCEPTANCE | Yes | 1 | |
| 29/514/EAB | Age | | |

Handwritten note: 29/514

Handwritten: Audited
OCT 15 1931
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CODE SLIP

| HEADING | SUB-HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CODE |
|--------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| NAME | Carlson Albin | 3 | 318 ⁰ |
| BURIED | CEMETERY 1232 | 1 | 1 |
| | GRAVE 33 | 2 | 33 |
| | ROW 9 | 2 | 09 |
| | BLOCK 7 | 1 | 6 |
| STATE | Ill | 2 | 13 |
| RANK | Pvt. | 1 | 2 |
| DIVISION | 2 | 2 | 02 |
| ORGANIZATION | 23 | 3 | 023 |
| ARM | Inf | 1 | 1 |
| MARITAL | Yrs | 1 | 1 |
| NAME | | 3 | |
| RESIDENCE | STATE | 2 | |
| | COUNTY | 2 | |
| | CITY | 3 | |
| RELATION | Mother | 1 | 1 |
| OTHER | | 1 | |
| ELIGIBILITY | Dead | 1 | 6 |
| NATIVITY | | 1 | |
| RACE | | 1 | |
| ENGLISH | | 1 | |
| ATTENDANT | | 1 | |
| HEALTH | | 1 | |
| NO. OF SONS | | 1 | |
| DATE OF | MO. | 1 | |
| TRIP | YR. | 1 | |
| ACCEPTANCE | | 1 | |
| 29/514 | | | |

Amber
 OCT 15 1951
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C O D E S L I P

| HEADING | SUB-HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CODE |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------|
| NAME | Carlson | | |
| | Car | 3 | 3180 |
| | Albin | | |
| | CEMETERY 1232 | 1 | 1 |
| BURIED | GRAVE 33 | 2 | 33 |
| | ROW 9 | 2 | 09 |
| | BLOCK 7 | 1 | 6 |
| STATE | Ill | 2 | 13 |
| RANK | Priv | 1 | 2 |
| DIVISION | 2 | 2 | 02 |
| ORGANIZATION | 23 | 3 | 023 |
| ARM | Inf | 1 | 1 |
| MARITAL | Yes | 1 | |
| NAME | Carlson | 3 | |
| Mrs. Karl Johann | | | |
| | STATE | 2 | |
| RESIDENCE | COUNTY | 2 | |
| Kullagard Veddige, Sweden | CITY | 3 | |
| RELATION | Stepmother | 1 | 3 |
| OTHER | | 1 | |
| ELIGIBILITY | Foreign | 1 | 4 |
| NATIVITY | | 1 | |
| RACE | | 1 | |
| ENGLISH | | 1 | |
| ATTENDANT | | 1 | |
| HEALTH | | 1 | |
| NO. OF SONS | | 1 | |
| DATE OF | MO. | 1 | |
| TRIP | YR. | 1 | |
| ACCEPTANCE | | 1 | |
| 29/514 | Country Sweden | | |

Audited
 OCT 30 1931
 08 *WJ*

Carlson, Albin Pvt. Co. H. 23 Inf. Ill.

Widow sailed

Mother dead by you 1918

~~Loco-~~?

XC-200819

Father + step mother
Mrs ^{Karl} Johann Carlson
at Ullagard
Veddige
Sweden

ORGANIZATION

FILE NO.

| SURNAME | SERIAL NO. | FIRST NAME AND INITIALS | RANK |
|---------|------------|-------------------------|------|
| | | | |

DIED—(DATE)

(CAUSE)

BURIED AND REBURIED

| DATE | PLACE | FORM #1-A NO. |
|-------|-------|---------------|
| ORIG. | | D— |
| REB. | | D— |
| REB. | | D— |
| REB. | | D— |

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ORGANIZATION INDEX.

QM 293 A-M
Carlson, Albin - 1232

November 15, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 South 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 10, 1930, expressing your appreciation for the pilgrimage you have made to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, and requesting that an American flag be forwarded you in his memory.

I am indeed pleased to know that the trip was entirely satisfactory. It is hoped that the opportunity to see the efforts of the Quartermaster Corps to beautify the last resting place of the heroes buried in the American cemeteries in Europe, will result in at least partially reconciling them for their sacrifice and loss.

In compliance with your request, an order has been issued under even date that a flag be forwarded you, provided one has not previously been furnished.

Sincerely yours,

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

bb

Copy for: Quartermaster Supply Officer, Washington General Depot, Washington, D. C. Authority to furnish widow of the late Private Albin Carlson, Company H, 23rd Infantry, a flag, provided one has not previously been furnished.

RES
RES
ADH
WRG
JLDeW

Pvt. Albin Carlson 1232 W
 Harding July 9

D. K. Alb. 24
 Nov. 10th 1930

War Department.
 Washington, D. C.

2nd letter



Quartermaster attention:

I am a
 "Gold Star" widow. I took
 the trip across this summer
 to visit my husband's grave.
 It was a trip that will
 long be remembered. I could never
 express what it meant to me.
 But I take this way of
 showing my appreciation of
 the most wonderful trip I
 ever expect to take.

The government surely done
everything for us. I wish
to thank each and every-
one who had anything what-
so ever to do with this
pilgrimage.

I understand that we
are entitled to a flag which
I surely would love to
view.

Yours Truly

~~Mrs Selma Carlson~~

~~410-8-10th St.~~

DeKalb, Ill.

293 Goodson Avenue

QM 293 A-M
Carlson, Albin 1232-W

August 16, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage 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.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

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

RES
JTH
WRG

RS

NAME Carlson, Mrs. Selma

K

ADDRESS 410 S. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.

~~DATE~~ Aug. 9th

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. Selma Carlson

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

Carlson, Albion

.....ILLINOIS.....

W

NAME Carlson, Mrs. Selma..... HOME ADDRESS 410 S. 10th St......
DeKalb, DeKalb County

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN

John Wendell sameARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE

July 7, 1930

HOTEL

New Yorker

ROOM NO.

953DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE

JUL 9 1930

VESSEL

S/S HARDING

CABIN NO.

2440

DESTINATION

CHERBOURG

CEMETERY

M. A.

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE AUG 6 1930

NAME CARLSON, MRS. SELMA HOME ADDRESS DE KALB, DE KALB CO.
 410 S. 10TH ST.,
 ILLINOIS:
 RETURN ON S. S. S/S ROOSEVELT HOTEL ASTOR ROOM NO. 214

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE

ROAD TRAIN CAR BERTH or SEAT

REMARKS

New York City 10 days

MEDICAL RECORD

Party: "K"

S. S. HARDING

Eastbound
Westbound

Name Carlsson, Mrs.

Home Address

Name and address of nearest relative or friend

Religion

Age

History of present complaint:

July 10, 1930 Constipation--Ambulatory
11 " Cabin

(OVER)

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

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

Disposition: (include dates)

Remarks:

Party K

MEDICAL RECORD

E. Campbell, R.N.

Station: Verdun

Date: July 20, 1930

Name Carlson, Mrs. Selma

Home address 410 S. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mother, Mrs. John Wendell,
same address

Religion Lutheran

Age 32

History of Present complaint: Cold, T 98 P 84
Aspirin grs x. Brandy 2 tsp. Vicks to chest.
July 21st: much improved.

7/29/ 30 to Cherbourg, Beach.

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(over)

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

Diagnosis and complications : (*include dates*)

Treatment and Progress : (*include dates*)

Disposition : (*include dates*)

Remarks :

2065

1232

RETURN RECEIPT

Harding 7-9-30

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

Miss Helen Carlson

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 6/23

1930

Form 3811

c5-6115

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No.

INSURED PARCEL

No.

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at

State

Washington, D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



2065-C

RETURN RECEIPT

1232

~~Handing 7/9/30~~

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

Mrs. Helen Nelson

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Deliver to addressee only

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *6/19*

20, 192

Form 3811

05-0116

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 9278

INSURED PARCEL

No.

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,

(NAME OF SENDER)
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Carlson, Albin-1232 W
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th Street,
DeKalb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Mr + Mrs John Wendell
Name

410 - S. - 10th St - DeKalb, Ill.
Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.
Env.

QM 293 A-G
Carlson, Albin 1252 W

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Illinois

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 20, 1930, inquiring as to whether or not your cousin could accompany you on the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, in Europe, at her own expense.

Under the law providing for this pilgrimage, the Government cannot bear any part of the expense of relative or friend accompanying you nor can it make any arrangements for him. This must be entirely a personal matter.

It may be possible for your cousin to secure accommodations on the same ship and possibly at the same hotels in New York and Paris, but in view of the limited accommodations you could not travel to the cemetery together and it is doubtful if she could secure accommodations in the same town near the cemetery. The Government can assume no responsibility for relatives or friends accompanying pilgrims and they must not expect medical or other assistance from the Government or to be included in official tours paid for by the Government.

If your cousin desires to accompany you under these conditions it is suggested she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to 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.

QM 293 A-C
Carlson, Albin 1232 W

May 2, 1930--(Con'd.)

As stated above the Government can arrange for only the mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimage at Government expense. Therefore, if your cousin decides to accompany you she must arrange all details, including the obtaining of her passport.

In connection with your own passport, you should, if you have not done so, make application to the passport agent or Clerk of Court in your county, having this authority. He will take your application and have the passport issued without cost to you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

MS

papers

410 - So. - 10th - St.
De Kalb, Ill.
April, 20-1930

War Department,
Washington, D.C.

De Kalb
Ill. 600

acc.

Harding July 9

Dear Sirs:

I received your letter
for me to go to the "passport
Agent" for my passports and
etc. What I want to know
is my cousin was going
with me as a companion.
She has never heard a word.
Does she apply for her
own passport or what.
She wants the same

293 - Carlson, Edwin

cabins as I. Will you send
me instructions regarding
her. I would appreciate any
information you can give
me. Thanking you. I am

yours truly

Mrs Helma Carlson

410-S-10th St.

DeKalb Ill.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Carlson, Albin 1232 W

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

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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I accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

Carlson, Selma

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. Selma Carlson

(Name)

410 S. 10th St., De Kalb, DeKalb Co., Ill.

(Town or City)

(State)

QM 295 A-C
Carlson, Albin - 1232 W

March 21, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 South Tenth Street,
KeKalb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 15, inquiring as to when you will make the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, as authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised Mrs. Hoover made a drawing to determine the order in which the states are to be sent. The State of Illinois appears number thirty-two on this list. Sailings are scheduled weekly from May 7. It is anticipated that the mothers and widows from Illinois to visit the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery will sail some time between June 15 and August 30, 1930.

A formal invitation setting forth the name of the vessel upon which reservation has been made for you and the date of sailing, together with detailed information relative thereto will be forwarded you within a short time.

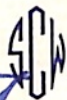
The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Gen. K. alb. 22.
March 15 - 1930

War Department 
Washington D. C.

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Gentlemen:

I signed up for
the pilgrimage to France
this June 1930. As yet I
haven't heard a word. Would
you kindly give me the
information if I am going
or not. Because I must
make my plans accordingly.
Thanking you for any information

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you can give me on
the matter.

yours sincerely
Mrs Helma Wendell Carlson
410 - 8 - 10th St.
De Kalb, Ill.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Carlson, Albin 1232 W.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

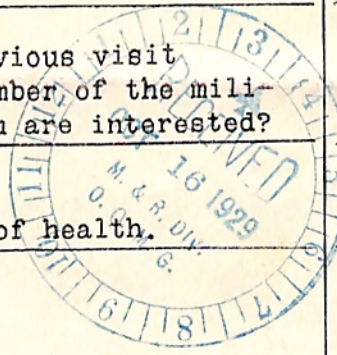
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Dear Madam:

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

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

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| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible? | (Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930? | (Yes) <i>yes</i> (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) <i>no</i> |
| 4. Please give your age and state of health. | Age <i>33</i> Health - <i>good</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor) |
| 5. What language do you speak? | English - (Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) Other language <i>Swedish</i> (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
(Carlson, Albin)

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

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 widow of the late Private Albin Carlson, Co. H, 23rd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

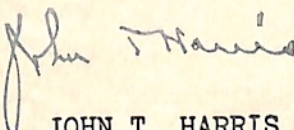
Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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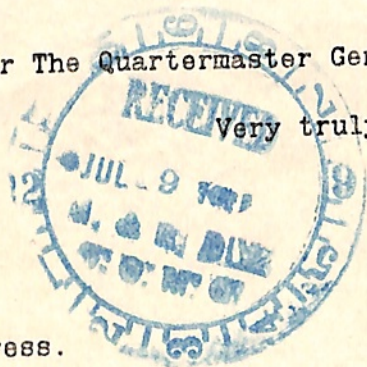
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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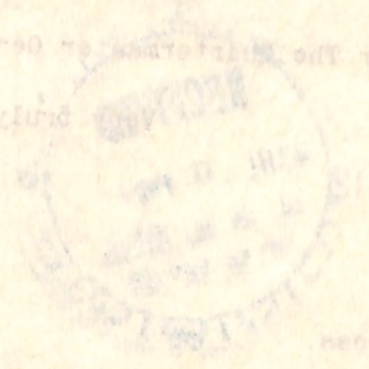


Dear Sir:

My husband's mother is
dead. And his father has
never remarried.

Yours Truly
Mrs. Selma Woodell Carter
(widow)

JOHN T. HARRIS
Major, U. S. Corps
Assistant



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

QM 293 A-M
Carlson, Albin - 1232

November 15, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 South 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 10, 1930, expressing your appreciation for the pilgrimage you have made to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, and requesting that an American flag be forwarded you in his memory.

I am indeed pleased to know that the trip was entirely satisfactory. It is hoped that the opportunity to see the efforts of the Quartermaster Corps to beautify the last resting place of the heroes buried in the American cemeteries in Europe, will result in at least partially reconcile them for their sacrifice and loss.

In compliance with your request, an order has been issued under even date that a flag be forwarded you, provided one has not previously been furnished.

Sincerely yours,

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

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Copy for: Quartermaster Supply Officer, Washington General Depot, Washington, D. C. Authority to furnish widow of the late Private Albin Carlson, Company H, 23rd Infantry, a flag, provided one has not previously been furnished.

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Carlson, Albin 1232-W

August 16, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage 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.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

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

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Carlson, Albin, 1232 W

June 12, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th Street,
De Kalb, Illinois.

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:

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|---------------------------|---------|--------------|----------|--------|
| Leave De Kalb | C&NW | Train No. 18 | 7:58 AM | July 6 |
| Arrive Chicago | | | 9:25 AM | July 6 |
| Leave Chicago | NYC&StL | Train No. 2 | 11:00 AM | July 6 |
| Arrive New York (Hoboken) | | | 3:30 PM | July 7 |

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carlson, Albin 1232-W

June 12, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Illinois

For The Quartermaster General,

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. HOURS,
Captain, U. S. 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carlson, Albin-1232 W
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Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th Street,
DeKalb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Name

Address

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
~~Carlson, Alvin-1233 W~~
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May 6, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th Street,
DeKalb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-G
Carlson, Albin 1232 W

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Illinois

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 20, 1930, inquiring as to whether or not your cousin could accompany you on the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, in Europe, at her own expense. *→ Mrs. Anna Hill.*

Under the law providing for this pilgrimage, the Government cannot bear any part of the expense of relative or friend accompanying you nor can it make any arrangements for him. This must be entirely a personal matter.

It may be possible for your cousin to secure accommodations on the same ship and possibly at the same hotels in New York and Paris, but in view of the limited accommodations you could not travel to the cemetery together and it is doubtful if she could secure accommodations in the same town near the cemetery. The Government can assume no responsibility for relatives or friends accompanying pilgrims and they must not expect medical or other assistance from the Government or to be included in official tours paid for by the Government.

If your cousin desires to accompany you under these conditions it is suggested she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to 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.

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Carlson, Albin 1232 W

May 2, 1930---(Con'd.)

As stated above the Government can arrange for only the mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimage at Government expense. Therefore, if your cousin decides to accompany you she must arrange all details, including the obtaining of her passport.

In connection with your own passport, you should, if you have not done so, make application to the passport agent or Clerk of Court in your county, having this authority. He will take your application and have the passport issued without cost to 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

Carlson, Albin 1232 W

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
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evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Carlson, Albin, 1232-W

March 29, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
Dear Madam:
Bakalib, Ill.

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 hospital. 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
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For

QM 293 A-C
Carlson, Albin - 1232 N

March 21, 1930

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 South Tenth Street,
McKallb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 15, inquiring as to when you will make the pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Albin Carlson, as authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

In this connection you are advised Mrs. Hoover made a drawing to determine the order in which the states are to be sent. The State of Illinois appears number thirty-two on this list. Sailings are scheduled weekly from May 7. It is anticipated that the mothers and widows from Illinois to visit the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery will sail some time between June 15 and August 30, 1930.

A formal invitation setting forth the name of the vessel upon which reservation has been made for you and the date of sailing, together with detailed information relative thereto will be forwarded you within a short time.

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

October 7, 1929.

Carlson, Albin 1232 W.

**Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.**

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
(Carlson, Albin)

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th St.,
DeKalb, Ill.

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 widow of the late Private Albin Carlson, Co. H, 23rd Inf., 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 mother 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

Carlson

(Surname.)

Albin

(Christian name in full.)

3,486,055

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co H 23rd Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *wife*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *yes*

(Yes or no.)

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 Albin Carlson North Western

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

710 So. 10th Street DeKalb Illinois

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Mrs Albin Carlson
410 So. 10th Street. DeKalb. Illinois*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by a le

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In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

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January 4, 1923.

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Mrs. Selma Carlson,
410 S. 10th., St.,
Dekalb, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Albin Carlson, Private Company H, 23 Infantry, is Grave 33, Block F, Row 9, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of 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 a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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

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DATE 11/3/21

1. NAME CARLSON, Albin SERIAL No. 3486055

RANK Pvt/ ORGANIZATION Co.H.23rd Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Sedan American, Letanne, Ardennes #1203

CTY. NAME NUMBER
54 Sec.1 2
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 2 Cem., SK. 23 Edwards Near Beaumont Ardennes

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES ~~Mez~~ Mezieres 24 SE E 305.33 N 305.85

CONCENTRATED TO 3/7/19 54 Sec 1 2
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

A. E. F. No. 1 Beaumont Ardennes (Sedan Amer Cty #1203, Letanne, Ard)
CEMETERY CITY. NUMBER

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

Mezieres SE 24. E 307.5 - N 308.5

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 1/31/21. 54 Sec 1 2 1203
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

data taken from form 16-A.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

Wm M. Cline

Wm M. CLINE
Captain Q.M.C.

3: FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/3/21 33 9 F

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
18 1922 Block

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, R. magne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.
CEMETERY

MR
SUB 12/5/22

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.

Place LIMES ARDENNES

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 7th 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CARLSON, Albin. SERIAL NUMBER 2486055
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.H, 23rd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 7th 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 54, Sec.1, Pl.2, Cem.1203.

By: Group IWO Unit F.S. 43.

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 3, 1921. In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cem. 1232, Gr. 33, Row 9, Block F.

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:
Blanket and pine box, see par. 6.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Reburial bottle record dated 1-31-21, signed JJ Powers replaced with body shows tag on body corroded tag on grave marker.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact, not disturbed per auth letter dated 8-29-21 Operations

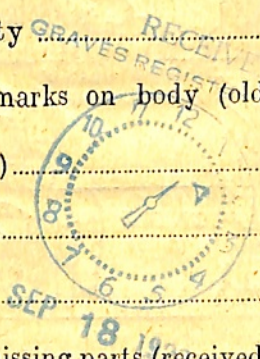
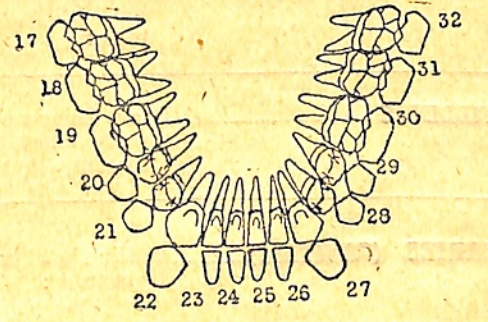
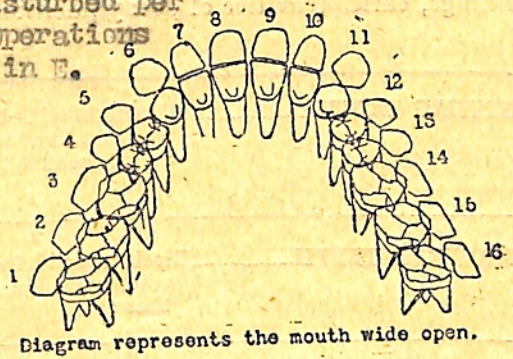
(b) Weight (estimated) Division A.G.R.S., M.C. in E.

(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)



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7. Disinterment supervised by H. L. Burlbut Approved: Wm. H. Roach
(Title) 1st Lt. C.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault Approved: James W. Younger
(Title) Captain, OMC
mr






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.

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| <p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p> |
| <p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p> |
| <p>BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE</p> |
| <p>FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p> |
| <p>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p> |

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

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.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 7th 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 CARLSON, Albin
 2. No. 2486055
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co.H.23rd Inf.
 5. D.D. Nov.4th.
 6. C.D. D.O.W.

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 54 Sec. 1
 8. Plot 2 Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. None

18. Cemetery Sedan American

19. Commune or town Letanne

20. Dept. or County Ardennes

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1203

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 7th 1921

By H.L.Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

mg Name Albin Carlson

Serial No. _____

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co.H.23rd Inf.

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

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).
See Par. 26.

27. Condition of body See Par. 26.

28. Nature of burial Blanket and pine box.

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 7th 1921 By H.L.Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by H.L.Hurlbut

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

H.L.Hurlbut



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. 0-4413

32. Designation of body:

Name CARLSON, Albin Serial No. 5486055

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 23rd Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne American # 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 7th 1921 By H. L. Hurlbut

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

W. H. Roach
Signature of G.R.S. Inspector W. H. Roach, 1st Lt. QMC.

36. Remarks Package intact body not disturbed, authority letter Operations Div. dated August 29th 1921.

Bottle record found on body dated 1-31-21 signed J. J. Powers shows tag on body corroded tag on grave marker.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 7th 1921

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon, Meuse.
(Name)

Convoyer R. H. Cronin Signature Shipping Officer *J. E. Glendon*
Capt. QMC.,

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 Sept 8, 1921

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*

41. Reinterred Meuse-Argonne Cem. 1232 Nov. 3, 1921
(Date)

42. Grave No. 33 Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block F Row 9

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*
James W. Younger
Captain, QMC
mr

Date 6th May, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: CARLSON ALBIN

Number: 3486055

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

7th March, 1919

Isolate d Grave, BEAUMONT ARDENNES

24 SE E 305.33 N 305.85

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

7th March, 1919

Grave No. 54 Sect. 1 Plot 2

American B/A Cemetery # 1203

LETANNE ARDENNES 24 SE E 307.5 N 308.5

1203

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

Body badly decomposed. Buried very poor.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? NO

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

Note:

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

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ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.

Supervised by: Lt. Gove S Wright

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

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F.B.I.

Place Letanne, Ardennes

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 1/31/21

1. REMAINS OF CARLSON, ALBIN SERIAL NUMBER 3486055

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. H, 23rd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 1/31/21 From (give complete location):
Sedan Amer. Cty. Letanne, Ardennes, #1203, Gr. 54, Sec. 1, Pl. 2

By: Group Yielder Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): Same In (give complete location):
Same. ch. G. Sec. Pl.

By: Group Yielder Unit _____ Nature of reburial Box & Blanket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
5 ft. Eastern grave. Box burial. U.S. Uniform. Badly disintegrated. Features not capable of recognition

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes Corroded On grave marker? yes
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

None

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft. 11 in

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

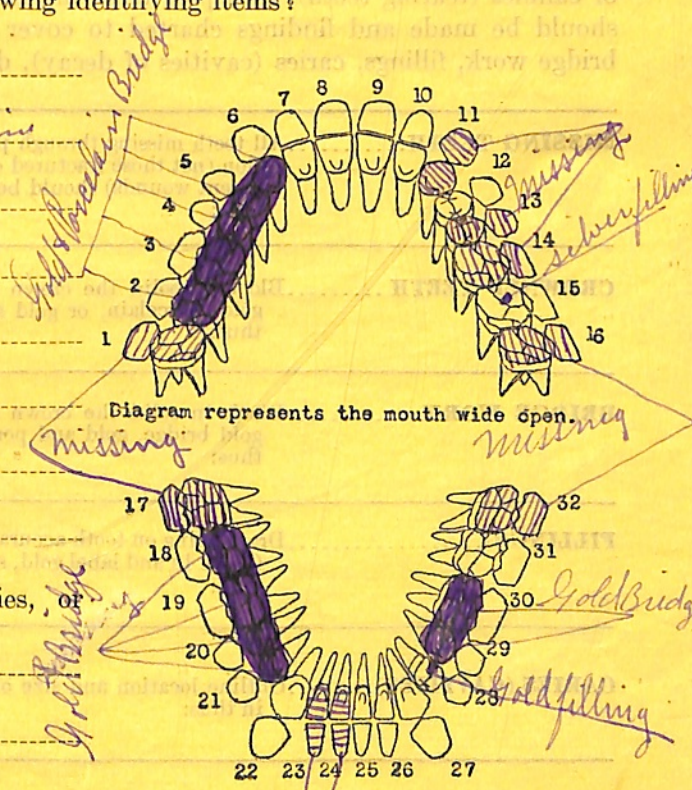
(d) Hair on face—Color do

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) do



7. Disinterment supervised by [Signature] Approved: _____






8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved: _____

[Signature]
U.S. OFFICE
MAYOR CAG

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CARLSON, Albin Ser. No. 3486055
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 23rd Inf
 (c) Date of death 11-4-18 (d) Cause of death Died of wounds.

TYP. deb
 CKR. UB

*10/8/21 - In Kansas 1232
 Misses Argonne 1232
 CPW-10/7/21*

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

(a) Grave No. 54 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. 1 TYP. deb
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Selma Carlson, wife, 410 S. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. Albin Carlson (b) Relationship wife
 (c) Address 410 So. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.
 (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. Albin Carlson, 410 So. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill. (North Western Express office.)

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

Examiner's Initials GLE Date 9-27, 1920.

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials EL Date 9/28, 1920.

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes EL

Examiner's Initials EL Date 9-28, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 1203 SHEET No. 116

G. R. S. Form No. 115
 Amended April 6, 1920
FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

Make Form No. 114

8411-11-20

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

Received 2-9-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 14 made 9-28, 1920.

Typed by mab Checked by JMS., 9-29, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 11-4, 1920

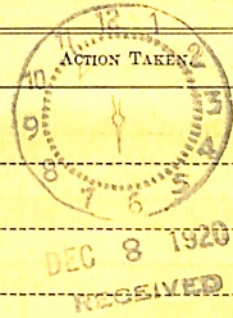
Par. # 1, To be returned. (H.S.)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

CHANGE OF ADVICE.



Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

Mrs. Albin Carlson, 410 So 10th St, DeKalb, Ill.

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

11-28-20. Form # 178. Widow changes shipping instructions. Wishes body left in the land if not already in transit but if on way wishes it shipped to her at 418 So 10th St. DeKalb Ill. 12-2-20 E.C.S.

DEC 10 1920

PROPOSED CABLEGRAM TO EUROPE. BODY TO REMAIN. 11.9.

FORM 115 RETURNED BY BUREAU OF CEMETERY DIVISION - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. DEC 4 1920

Letter 1-7-21 from Europe states return cancelled as per cable. 2-5-21 H.C.

Letter 1/1/20 to widow (above add.) advising body will remain in France. J. 2/2/21

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

NOV 23 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.

To: Mrs. Albin Carlson, 410 So. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Albin Carlson, Ser. No. 3486055,
Co. H, 28th Inf.

Remain in France

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body ~~be returned to the United States and delivered to you at 410 So. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.~~

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

noted on J. P. S. - 17/11/20 E.C.S. per S. (initials)

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. A.

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 these relatives are STILL LIVING.

| NAME OF— | NO. AND STREET. | TOWN. | STATE. |
|---|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Has widow remarried? <i>No</i> | | | |
| Soldier's widow <i>Mrs. Albin Carlson</i> | <i>410 So. 10th St.</i> | <i>DeKalb</i> | <i>Ill.</i> |
| Soldier's children (Name oldest first.) | | | |
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| Father <i>Carl Johnson</i> | <i>Sweden</i> | | |
| Mother | | | |
| Brothers (Name oldest first.) | | | |
| 1 <i>Einar Carlson</i> | <i>Address unknown</i> | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| Sisters (Name oldest first.) | | | |
| 1 <i>Lidia Carlson</i> | <i>Batavia Illinois</i> | | |
| 2 <i>Olga Carlson</i> | | | |
| 3 <i>Signe Carlson</i> | | | |

DEC 10 1920 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM TO EUROPE - DO NOT TO REMAIN. 174 11.9.

Date *Nov. 28, 1920*

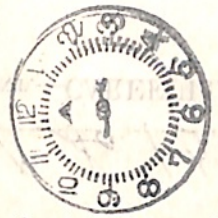
Signature *Mrs. Albin Carlson*

Address *410 So. 10th St.*

Relationship *wife.*

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

CEMETERY DIVISION



DEC 1 20

Nov. 28, 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the *wife* and nearest living relative 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, *unless the body is in transit. If in transit then ship to address on the other side.*

Signature *Mrs Albin Carlson*

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

- 1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 living relatives 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 relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
- 7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative 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.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT GENERAL REGISTER

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

see 115
APW-10/27/20

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CARLSON, Albin Ser. No. 3486055 } deb
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 23rd Inf } TYP
 (c) Date of death 11-4-18 Cause of death Died of wounds. } 7/13

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

(a) Grave No. 54 Row -- Plot 2 Sect. 1 TYP deb
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Selma Carlson, wife, 410 S. 10th St., DeKalb, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases..... CKR 7/13

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

A. G. O. Card: Wife Mrs Albin Carlson 410 S. 10th St, DeKalb, Ill., requests body shipped her to this place. (U.S. 11-5-20)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 1920) (letter of transmittal on 11-4-1920)

Par # 1, to be returned (U.S.)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. NOV. 25 1920 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

| Date of and Source | Relationship and name | Desires | Action taken |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|
| <i>Dec 4, 1920 Form 129</i> | <i>Widow (11-28-20) Mrs Albin Carlson</i> | <i>Remain in France</i> | <i>12-10-20 because advised by proposed cablegram not to return body 174 12-10-20 J.H.G.</i> |

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. DEC 8 1920 192

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 1203 SHEET NO. 116
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A August 1920
 S-666/MB

AO-11-10-20

December 7, 1920.

FILE NO. 295.8 Gen. Div., Gen. Branch.
(CARLSON, Albin)

Mrs. Albin Carlson,
410 South 10th Street,
Peoria, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your executed form #120 relative to the remains of your husband, the late Albin Carlson, Private, serial No. 8486085, company H, 23rd infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued to leave the remains of your late husband permanently buried in France. The Department desires to assure you that the grave site shall 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.

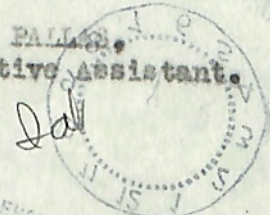
By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

FP:LLK

By:

F. C. FALLER,
Executive Assistant.



RECEIVED
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE SECTION
DEPARTMENT OF WAR

*Noted on 115-
2-9-21 F.
(wash.)*

Mailed-O.F.D.

DEC 7 1920

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
Hoboken, N.J.

Dec. 4th, 1920.

From: Graves Registration Service Officer, Hoboken, N.J.
To: Cemeterial Division (Overseas Project Sub-Section)
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name CARLSON, Albin Ser. No. 3486055
Rank Private Organization Co. H 23rd Infantry
Cemetery No. 1203 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 116

Request Shown below dated Nov. 28, 1920 is latest in this case:

| <u>Name of Relative</u> | <u>Return</u> | <u>Remain in</u> | <u>Special</u> |
|---|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| Widow <u>Mrs. Albin Carlson</u> | | <u>FRANCE</u> | |
| Children <u>410 So. 10th St., DeKalb, Illinois.</u> | | | |
| Guardian _____ | | | |
| Father _____ | | | |
| Mother _____ | | | |
| Brother _____ | | | |
| Sister _____ | | | |
| Others _____ | | | |

Body ~~to be shipped~~ for interment in: a permanent American cty.

GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER,

BY: R. E. SHANNON, *Shannon*
Capt., Quartermaster Corps.

Cable Letter 12/11/20 1920 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched 12/11/20

18944
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Carlson 3466055 Alvin
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Priv No outfit
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: La Tuliere Ferme

CAUSE OF DEATH: KIA

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 5th 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: La Tuliere Ferme

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

Map 1/20000

305.7 3054 2 km of Beaumont

GRAVE NUMBER: 2

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

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

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

.....

NEAREST RELATIVE: BEAUMONT (ARDENNES)

ADDRESS: (C 521) SHT. 24 SE COORD E305.4

RELATIONSHIP: N305.4

REPORTED BY:

Joseph D. O'Leary Chaplain

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

Communal List No. _____
Daily Report No. _____



Communal List No. 66-1250
Report No. _____

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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1. Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 486055

3. Carlson Albin
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known
K.I.A.

6. Date of Burial Sketch Edwards #3
Cemetery

7. Le. Tuilerie Ferme near Beaumont, Ardennes
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. Grave No. 2 Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Yes Attached to Grave Marker? Yes
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

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12. Mezieres S E #24 N 305.90 E 305.135
Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

R.B.H.
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Signed Edwards
Capt.
Group.....Unit...E....G. R. S.

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G.R.S Form W; Central Records
Card Sec. #1, Liaison.
Nov. 22, 1919

1430

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

Surname: Carlson
Number: 3486055
First name: Albin
Rank: Private
Company: H.
Organization: 23rd Infantry.
Date of death:
Cause:
Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "

✓ Emergency address *Mrs. Selma Carlson*

✓ Relationship: *wife. 410-S-10th St.*

Authority:
Cablegram No: *De Kalb,*
Telegram from: *. Ill.*

dated:
Reported to Washington:
C.C.Nos.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)
Remarks:

Wife Sect
11/26/19
MB

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

NS-3404/MB

A.G. 201 (Carlson, Albin) CD 2nd Ind.

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A.G.O., War Dept., May 28, 1919. To: The Commanding General,
American Expeditionary Force, for date and cause of death of
this soldier if available.

By order of the Secretary of War.

Adjutant General.

EHS

Received
A. G. O.
11 JUN 1919
A. G. O.

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201(Carlson, Albin)CD

May 27, 1919.

From: The Adjutant General
To: The Surgeon General
Subject: Death of Private Albin Carlson,
Company H, 23rd Infantry.

1. The Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, has reported in Casualty Cablegram No. 505-9-30-8 the burial of above named man, date and cause of death to be determined.

2. Please furnish this office any information concerning the date and cause of his death available from the records of your office.

By order of the Secretary of War:

AG:MO

Adjutant General.



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May 22, 1919.

AGCD(201 **Carlson, Albin)**

From: The Adjutant General.

To: The Surgeon General.

Subject: Death of **Private Albin Carlson, #3,486,055, Co. H, 23rd Inf.**

| Name | Number | Orgn. |
|------|--------|-------|
|------|--------|-------|

1. The Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, has reported in Casualty Cablegram No. ~~506~~ and No. 2872 death of above named man, date and cause to be determined.

2. Please furnish this office any information concerning the date and cause of his death available from the records of your office.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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Adjutant General.

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May 20, 1919.

Carlson, Albin)

AGCD(201

From: The Adjutant General.

To: The Surgeon General.
Private Albin Carlson, 3,486,055, Company H, 23rd Inf.

Subject: Death of

| Name | Number | Orgn. |
|------|--------|-------|
|------|--------|-------|

1. The Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, has reported in Casualty Cablegram No. ^{506-9-sub.30-8} death of above named man, date and cause to be determined.

2. Please furnish this office any information concerning the date and cause of his death available from the records of your office.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General.

MG

G.R.S. FORM #105 - Reply to Casualty Div., A.G.O.

WAR DEPARTMENT
The Office of Director Purchase & Storage.
Washington, D.C.

7894/see

MEMORANDUM TO: Casualty Division, Adjutant General's Office
6th & B Streets, n.w., Washington, D.C.

Attached papers are returned with the information that the files of the Graves Registration Service show that:

Carlson, (3486055) Albin, Private, Co. H, 23rd Inf.

~~is buried~~ was disinterred and reburied in
Grave #54, Sect. #1, Plot #2, Amer. Cty. #1203,
Letanne, (Ardennes).

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

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

G.R.S. FILE NO.
CCP/
NS-2849-ad
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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date September 15, 1919

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Carlson, Alvin

Serial Number 3486055

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Co. H. 23rd Inf.

| NO. | QUESTION | REPLY |
|-----|--|--|
| 1. | Do particulars of soldier: given above agree with Records? | Yes |
| 2. | Date of Death. | |
| 3. | Cause and place of death. | |
| 4. | Number of Casualty Cablegram. | |
| 5. | Date buried. | |
| 6. | Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments. | REburied : Grave #54, Sect. #1, Plot #2, Amer B/ B/A Cty. #1203 Ietanne, Ardennes Gr. 22, 2307, 1, 2800.5 |
| 7. | Who reported burial? | |
| 8. | Confirmed by G.R.S.? | |
| 9. | Report as to Grave Marker. | |
| 10. | Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker? | |
| 11. | Complete Emergency Address? | |
| 12. | Has above been notified? (Give date) | |
| 13. | Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record) | |
| 14. | What is the Photograph No.? | |
| 15. | Inquiry made by? | |

Released by Information Control
 Dept.
 Directory
 Cards 5 x 8
 Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.