

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 9 - 1926

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FULL NAME ..... CARPENTER, Robert S. *Jollig*

RANK ..... Wagoner ..... SERIAL ..... 1216407

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion

DATE OF DEATH ..... 10-16-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... *n. y.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ..... *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.	8-14-22	24	4	B
	Date	Grave	Row	Block

636

Cemetery

Rec'd World War Div.

5 MAR 24 1928

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 FEB 9 1926  
 A. G. O.  
 WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert C. Davis,  
 Major General,  
 The Adjutant General.  
 By *ML*

AUDITED BY

*5/19/28*

23/306/ARK



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

... Carpenter, 1216407 ..... Robert S .....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

... Wagoner ..... HdQRS., Co. 106 M.C. BATTN .....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 18th, 1918 .....

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

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

GRAVE NUMBER... 7587 .....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

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

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

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

REPORTED BY :

*Thos G Hester*  
THOMAS G HESTER  
1<sup>st</sup> LIEUT. SAN. CORPS  
ADJUTANT

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Date 3-13-28

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname GAREN CARPENTER ✓
- b. Christian name ROBERT S. ✓
- c. Serial number 1216407 ✓
- d. Organization Hq Co 106 M.G. Bn ✓
- e. Rank WAGONER ✓
- f. Emergency Address Wm H. Carpenter ✓
- g. Place of enlistment or induction Utica, N.Y. ✓
- h. Date of death Oct 16, 1918 ✓
- i. Authority \_\_\_\_\_
- j. Cause of death PNEUMONIA - broncho ✓
- k. Place of death #13 (St. Louis USA) Hen Hoop ✓
- l. Place of burial St. Genevieve Cem. Rousen ✓
- m. Date of discharge \_\_\_\_\_
- n. Date of enlistment April 5/17 ✓
- o. Date of induction \_\_\_\_\_
- p. List of organizations with which he served Troop 1st Cav. 74th Co B ✓
- q. Ranks held 106 M.G. Bn, Hq Co 106 M.G. Bn ✓

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Age at enlistment 18 ✓
- b. Shoe size 8 C ✓
- c. Color of hair dk Brown ✓
- d. Height 69 3/4 ✓
- e. Weight 134 ✓
- f. Fractures or breaks None noted ✓

DENTAL CHARTS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At camp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By Local Board
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Upper right            Upper left	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Upper right            Upper left Not inducted
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Lower right           Lower left	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Lower right           Lower left

27/354/

E.K.Vail

room 2106

For The Quartermaster General:

Rec'd World War Div.

K.J.H. MAR 21 1928  
per K

OVER

MAR 15 1928

Lutz Wahl,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General

1000 1100  
WAS SOLDIER WHITE OR COLORED?

white

DATE SAILED OVERSEAS?

May 10/18

NAME OF SHIP ON WHICH SAILED?

Antigone

PORT AT WHICH SHIP DOCKED?

Brest

DATE ON WHICH SHIP DOCKED?

May 23, 1918

DOES SHIP LIST SHOW SOLDIER SICK ON BOARD?

No

IF SO DOES LIST SHOW DISPOSITION OF SOLDIER?

Not noted

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

1. COLOR OF HAIR  
2. COLOR OF EYES  
3. COLOR OF COMPLEXION  
4. DISTANCE OF BROW  
5. NOSE  
6. MOUTH  
7. CHIN

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

8. PLACE OF BIRTH  
9. PLACE OF ENLISTMENT  
10. GRADE OR RANK  
11. NAME OF COMPANY  
12. NAME OF REGIMENT  
13. NAME OF DIVISION  
14. NAME OF BRANCH  
15. NAME OF SERVICE  
16. NAME OF COMPANY  
17. NAME OF REGIMENT  
18. NAME OF DIVISION  
19. NAME OF BRANCH  
20. NAME OF SERVICE



21. Is he a volunteer or is he drafted?  
22. THE REGIMENT NUMBER OF THE U.S. ARMY  
23. THE DIVISION NUMBER OF THE U.S. ARMY

Date 3-23-18

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
WAR DEPARTMENT

Carpenter, Robt. J.  
Wagoner

-20-

New York

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S. REPUBLIC, MAY 13, 1930.

Oneida County

Name: Mrs. Isabel Carpenter

Address: 1118 Summit Place, Utica, N.Y.

Route: New York Central R.R., New York

Lv. Utica Train No. 142

9.39 A.M., May 12

Ar. New York (Grand Central Terminal)

3.45 P.M., May 12

Accommodations: Parlor Car Seat

Elapsed Time: 6 hours 6 minutes

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B-10

Name..... CARPENTER, Mrs. Isabel

Paris Hôtel.....

Home address..... 1118 Summit Place Utica, Oneida Co. New York.

Party..... B..... Group..... 5..... Unit..... S/S REPUBLIC

Date of arrival..... MAY 23rd, 1930..... Date of departure..... ~~30~~ REPUBLIC-June 4-1930

Relationship..... Mother

Name of deceased..... CARPENTER, Robert S.

Rank..... Wag..... Organization..... Hqrs. Det. 106th M.G. Bn

Cemetery..... Some..... Grave I, Row 4, Block B.

REMARKS



Party "B" - Itinerary - Somme Group.

Sailed May 13th on REPUBLIC, accompanying 27th Division. Party C on board also. Lt. Col. S. W. Winfree in charge.

May 24th. Disembarked at Southampton, England. Those desiring visited British Legion Bazaar in afternoon.

May 25th. Reception and luncheon in Westminster Hall. Visited Westminster Abbey where Official Wreath was laid on tomb of the British Unknown Soldier. Party then proceeded to Cenotaph where Official Wreath was laid.

May 26th. Visited Brookwood Cemetery.

May 27th. Sightseeing tour and shopping in London. Evening train to Harwich. Night boat to Antwerp, Belgium.

May 28th. Train to Brussels. Sightseeing and shopping in afternoon. Party received at Palace Hotel by Mr. Hugh Gibson, American Ambassador, at 6:00 PM.

May 29th. Lunch at St. Quentin, France. Reception at Chamber of Commerce. Spent afternoon at Somme Cemetery. Proceeded to hotels at Amiens. Col. Winfree, Major Denit, MG, Capts. Ochs and Mallett and 2 nurses accompanied.

May 30th. Memorial Day services at Bony. Lunch at St. Quentin. Ceremonies at Memorial Monument to dead War Heroes of St. Quentin. Returned to Amiens.

May 31st. Final visit to Somme Cemetery.

June 1st. Returned to Paris.

June 2nd. Morning and afternoon sightseeing in Paris.

June 3rd. Morning shopping. Afternoon ceremonies at Arc de Triomphe.

June 4th. Early train to Cherbourg. Re-embarked on SS REPUBLIC.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 -- ROOM 901 --

225 West 34th St., New York, N.Y.

*CARPENTER, ROBT. S.*

*SOM*

Party "B"  
 Number 257

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter  
 Name of Traveler  
Utica, Oneida County  
 Home Address  
New York

Estimate cost of through Pullman.  
 New York, to Utica, N. Y.

\$ 1.80

New York, to Utica, N. Y.  
 Destination.

Via N. Y. C. to dest.

June 15, 1930  
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	car	U.S.G. Order NO.	Est. Cost
LV	Gr. Cent. Ter	51	6/15	9:30	OK			
AR	Utica	"	"	1:11 P	OK		WQ-1,020,441	1.80
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TOTAL

Remarks: :

*Secret: Capt. Bristow*

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

=====  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

*Carpenter, Mrs Isabel*



THE NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY

Party B.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter  
Utica Oneida Co. N. Y.

Mrs. I. Carpenter

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RAILWAY  
BUSINESS  
ONLY

It is unlawful to  
use this envelope  
without stamp for  
private business.  
Penalty \$100.00.

FORM 76

Printed in U. S. A.

# THE PULLMAN COMPANY

OFFICE 7-270

FORM 100-5

**PASSENGER'S CHECK** — To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

**UTICA, N. Y.**

To.....

Accommodations.....

Car.....

Line No.....

Via.....

R. R.

9002

1 2 3

Persons

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

REGISTRATION

MAY 12 '30

AMERICAN

15

NAME Mrs. Isabel Carpenter

S.S. ~~WASHINGTON~~ REPUBLIC JUN 14 1930

HOME Utica, Oneida County, N. Y.

R.R. N.Y.C to dest.

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR T

TIME

DATE

Mr W H Carpenter  
1118 Summit Place  
Utica N y

April 26th, 1930

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter  
1118 Summit Place  
Utica, New York

place of baggage, when I  
come in to New York

When you are arrived in this city, you will  
be met at the Grand 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 bar and  
the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will receive you  
and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in charge:

George F. A. Taylor,  
Maj. Lieut., U.S. Corps,  
Assistant.

Arrived N.Y. 3:40 PM - May 12  
Train 142 - NYCPR  
Capt Frank

COPY

Pilgrimage, War Mothers & Widows,  
Room 901, 225 W. 34th St.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Mrs. Karl Ayers,  
1215 Howard Avenue,  
Utica, N. Y.

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,  
1st Lieut., Q.M. Corps.

June 13, 1950

WILL ARRIVE AT ONE ELEVEN SATURDAY AFTERNOON

MOTHER

(Phoned to Governor's Island Message Center  
from Hotel Pennsylvania - Party "B").

201  
Compton, Mrs. Seabell

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Carpenter</i>		
	<i>Car</i>	3	318
	<i>Robt. S.</i>		
	CEMETERY <i>636</i>	1	5
BURIED	GRAVE <i>1</i>	2	01
	ROW <i>4</i>	2	04
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	2
STATE	<i>N.Y.</i>	2	37
RANK	<i>Wagoner</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>27</i>	2	27
ORGANIZATION	<i>106</i>	3	106
ARM	<i>M. S. Bu</i>	1	2
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	2
NAME	<i>Mrs. Isabel Carpenter</i>		
	<i>Car</i>	3	318
	STATE <i>N.Y.</i>	2	37
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Oneida</i>	2	33
	CITY <i>Utica</i>	3	153
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	1
ACCEPTANCE	<i>Yes</i>	1	1

29/514

**AUDITED**  
SEP 25 1931  
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QM 293 A-M

Carpenter, Robt. S. - 636

September 3, 1930

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The enclosed **book** used by you on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe has been stamped showing "Pilgrimage Completed" and may be retained by you as an additional souvenir of your trip.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
1 book

NAME Carpenter, Mrs. Isabel B  
ADDRESS 1118 Summit Pl. Utica, N.Y. Utica Co.

DATE June 15-1930

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.

*Thank you  
very much for your care & courtesy*

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED)

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter

WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

.....NEW YORK.....

Carpenter, Ropt. S.

1118 Summit Pl.,

Utica,

Oneida County

**Mother**

NAME ... Carpenter, Mrs. Isabel ..... HOME ADDRESS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN .. Mr W H Carpenter .....

1118 Summit Pl.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

Utica  
ny.

DATE .. 5/12/30 ..... HOTEL Leffington ..... ROOM NO. 1017 .....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE .. May 13, 1930. ..... VESSEL .. S. S. REPUBLIC ..... CABIN NO. 507C .....

DESTINATION .. Cherbourg, France ..... CEMETERY .. Somme .....

C-326 Republic 5-13-30/36  
RETURN RECEIPT.

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

*Mrs. Daniel Bonfante*  
-----  
(Signature or name of addressee.)

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(Signature of addressee's agent.)

*4 28*  
Date of delivery, -----, 192 *20*

326 Republic 5/13/30-636  
RETURN RECEIPT

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

*Mrs. Joseph L. Carpenter*  
-----  
(Signature or name of addressee.)

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(Signature of addressee's agent.)

*4-24*  
Date of delivery, -----, 192*30*

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

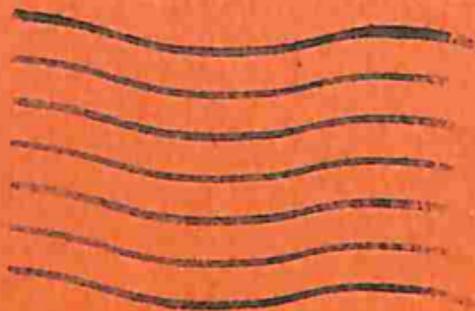
REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92 1930

INSURED PARCEL

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

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



POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to

L. M. General

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box, }

Munitions Bldg.

Post Office at

Washington

State

D.C.

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 91215 1930

INSURED PARCEL N.Y.

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

Return to

*A. M. General*

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box,

*Munitions Bldg*

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING  
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Carpenter, Robt. S. 636-M

April 25, 1930.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1110 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. Utica NYC No. 142, 9:39 AM, May 12th,  
Ar. New York (Grand Central Terminal) 3:45 PM, May 12th,

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robert S. 636-M

April 25, 1930.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No.            in the  
amount of \$           , to pay for your meals and incidental <sup>292614</sup>  
<sub>5.00</sub> expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage  
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED  
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on  
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be  
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Check No.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robt. S. 636-M

March 18, 1930

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

636

✓ 27th Div  
Republic  
U-13-30

Carpenter, Robert S.

I Accept the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

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

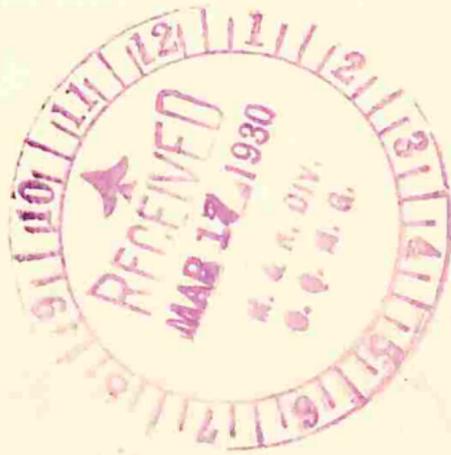
Mrs. Isabel Carpenter

(Name)

1118 Summit Pl., Utica, Oneida Co., New York

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robert S.  
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

*No never  
married*

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

*Mother  
Mrs. Isabel Carpenter  
1118 Summit Place*

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

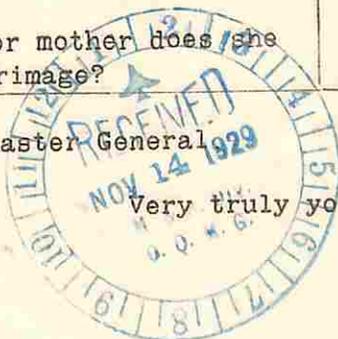
*Yes*

For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Robert S.

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Robert S. Carpenter, Wagoner, Headquarters Detachment, 106 Machine Gun Battalion, whose remains are now interred in the Soame American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

QM 295 A-M

Carpenter, Robt. S. - 636

September 3, 1930

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The enclosed **book** used by you on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe has been stamped showing "Pilgrimage Completed" and may be retained by you as an additional souvenir of your trip.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

U. S. M. C. W. DIV.

1930 SEP 3 PM 12 39

DISPATCHED

Encl.  
1 book

Carpenter, Robt. S. 636-M

April 25, 1930.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.  
Dear Madam:

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Lv. Utica NYC No. 142, 9:39 AM, May 12th,  
Ar. New York (Grand Central Terminal) 3:45 PM, May 12th,

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

March 20, 1930.

Carpenter, Robert S. 636 H

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N.Y.

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robt. S. 636-M

March 18, 1930

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Carpenter, Robert S. 636 M

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

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.

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robert S.  
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293-A-C~~  
Carpenter, Robert S.

May 18, 1929.

Mrs. Isabel Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Robert S. Carpenter, Wagoner, Headquarters Detachment, 108 Machine Gun Battalion, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE March 27, 1928

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

## DISINTERMENT

## COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name	CARPENTER, Robert S.	10. Name	
2. No.	1216407	11. No.	
3. Rank	Wagoner	12. Rank	
4. Org.	Hq. Det. 106th M.G.Bn.	13. Org.	
5. D.D.	Oct. 16, 1918	14. (a) D.D.	
6. C.D.	Broncho Pneumonia	(b) D.B.	

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No.	24	Sec.		15. Grave No.		Sec.	
8. Plot	Block B	Row	1	16. Plot		Row	
9.				17.			
18. Cemetery	Somme			19. Commune or town	Bony		
20. Dept. or County	Aisne			21. Country	France		
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No.	#636						
23. Disinterred (Date)	March 27, 1928	By	J.J. DILLON				
24. Inscription on grave marker:							
Name	CARPENTER, Robert S.	Serial No.	1216407				
Rank	Wagoner	Organization	Hq. Det. 106th M.G.Bn.				
25. Was identification disc found on grave marker?		On body?					

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

## PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body

28. Nature of burial Metallie casket

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date March 27, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

31. Casket sealed by J.J. DILLON

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

*J.J. Dillon*  
J.J. DILLON

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body:

Name CARPENTER, Robert S. Serial No. 1216407  
Rank Wagoner Organization Hq. Det. 106th M.G.Bn.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) March 27, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector J.J. Dillon  
J. DILLON

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred March 27, 1928 Somme American Cty.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 1 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block B Row 4

G.R.S. Representative J.F.V. Brady  
J.F.V. BRADY  
**Superintendent.**

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF CARPENTER, Robert S. SERIAL NUMBER 1216407  
RANK Wagoner ORGANIZATION Hq. Det., 106th M.G. Bn.

2. Disinterred (date) : March 27, 1928 From (give complete location) :  
Grave 24, Block B, Row 1

By : Group \_\_\_\_\_ Cty. \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date) : March 27, 1928 In (give complete location) :  
Grave 1, Block B, Row 4

By : Group \_\_\_\_\_ Cty. \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Metallic casket

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

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Weight (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

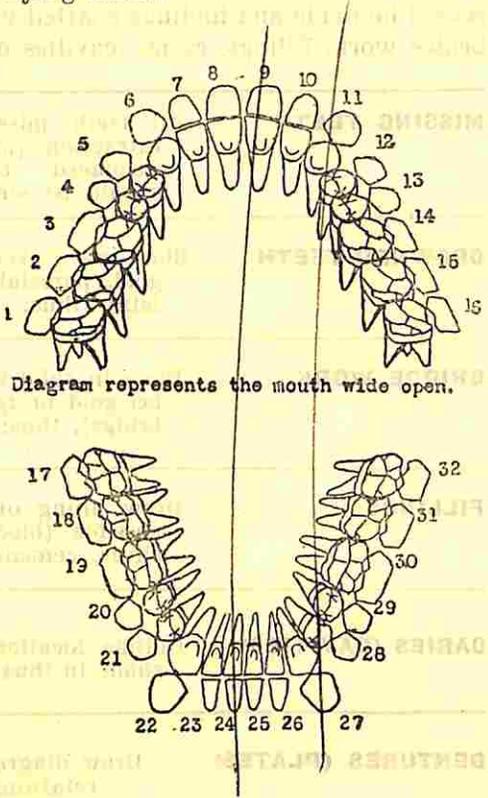
(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by \_\_\_\_\_ Approved : \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by \_\_\_\_\_ Approved : \_\_\_\_\_  
3-7832 (Title)

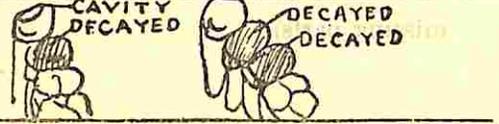
*J. J. Wilbur*

*J. P. Brady*  
Supt

**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), bicuspid (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.

<b>MISSING TEETH</b>	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	
<b>FILLINGS</b>	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	
<b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word « clasp ».	

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

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

QM 293 A-C

January 18, 1927.

CARPENTER, Robert S. - Wagoner.

W. H. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

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1 Incl.  
Record card.

F.H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.  
Assistant.



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# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #---

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Carpenter Robert S. 1216407  
UNKNOWN SOLDIER Ser. No. \*\*\*  
Prev. Rpt. Early L. Holyfield, Pte. 118th Inf.  
(b) Rank Wagoner Organization Hq. Det. 106 M. G. Bn. TYP. aes  
(c) Date of death 10/16/18 (d) Cause of death Broncho Pneumonia CKR. Meth

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

(a) Grave No. 10 Row H Plot 1 Sec. R TYP. aes  
Block  
(b) Emerg. Address ---

## III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. Meth

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name --- (b) Relationship ---  
(c) Address ---  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? ---  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---  
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(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. ---  
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(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. ---  
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Examiner's Initials --- Date ---, 192

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

---, dated ---  
confirming request in Par. IV., item ---, above, or requesting that ---  
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Examiner's Initials --- Date ---, 192

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? ---

Examiner's Initials --- Date ---, 192

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 56 SHEET No. 134

*Checked  
meth 12/3/41*

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

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on \_\_\_\_\_, 192

IX.

REMARKS

ADJUSTMENT RECORD- 1/22/21- Letter of Transmittal-Europe advised that body of Early L. Holyfield, recorded as buried in Gr. 10, Row H, Plot 1, Block R, is to be returned. 10/6/21 Board of Review report from Audit Dept. shows that an Unknown Soldier is buried in Gr. 10, Row H, Plot 1, Block R,. The case of Early L. Holyfield was suspended without grave location. 12/3/21-Form 115 covering Early L. Holyfield was cancelled and filed. Per Authority Audit Dept. DB. 12/7/21 *DB 12/7/21*

*Under date of 10/24/21 Lt A. advised Europe that an Unknown Soldier is buried in Gr. 10 Row H Plot 1 Block R. No further advice to Europe by O.S.P. is necessary. DB. 12/7/21.*

December 7, 1921.

MEMORANDUM To the Registration Section.  
Attention, Audit Dept.

Subject- Cty.56, Sheet No. 134.

1. Under date of October 21, 1921, Investigation and Adjustment advised Europe that body in Grave 10, Row H, Plot 1, Block R is that of an Unknown Soldier and not that of Early L. Holyfield as previously reported. No further advice to Europe by C.S.P. is necessary.

2. The case of the Unknown Soldier takes the same sheet number (134) as the cancelled case of Holyfield.

F.E. Boland,  
Clerk in Charge, C.S.P.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File #---

*Carpenter Robert S.*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD: **SOLDIER**  
 Prev. Rpt. *Early L. Holyfield, Pte. 118th Inf.* Ser. No. *1216407* aes  
 (a) Name -----  
 (b) Rank *Wagoner* Organization *Hq. Det. 106 M.G. Bn.* TYP. -----  
 (c) Date of death *10/16/18* (d) Cause of death *Broncho Pneumonia* *MCH*

II. REGISTRATION CARD.—(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc., Ind., Inf.): **R** Block ----- aes  
 (a) Grave No. ----- Row ----- Plot ----- Sec. ----- TYP. -----  
 (b) Emerg. Address -----

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- CKR. *MCH*

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

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

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
			<i>Under date of 10/21/21                      IFA advised Europe                      that an Unknown                      Soldier is buried in                      Gr. 10 Row H Plot 1 Block                      R. No further advice to                      Europe by G. S. P. is                      necessary. DB. 12/7/21</i>

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

COUNTRY ----- CEMETERY No. ----- SHEET No. -----

*A*

QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Robert, S.

April 28, 1924.

SUBJECT: Identification and disposition.

TO: Chief, AGRS, QMC., in Europe.

1. Unknown U. S. Soldier U-247, formerly designated as Early L. Holyfield, reburied from Grave 10, Block R, Plot 1, Row H, Cemetery 56, to Grave 24, Row 1, Block B, Cemetery 636, has been identified as Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, 1216407, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion.

2. The body is to remain buried in France.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

Q. M. G.  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Assistant

APR 28 1924

Noted by Statistical Clerk.

Date 4/29/24 RD

LN *Lee*  
CS *CS*  
GR *GR*  
WDR *WDR*  
EED *EED*

4-15-124

Miss Nicholson

Advise Europe that U 247, formerly Early L. Holyfield  
in gr 10 block R plot 1 row H, Cty 56 St. Sever, concentrated to  
24 - 1 - B Cty 636 is Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter and is to remain.

Scott

OPINION

Oct 27 1928

CASE OF Robert S. Carpenter, Taguer 1316407, 106 M.S. Bn  
GRAVE 10, pl 1, row H, blk R, Ct 56, U. 247, formerly Early L. Holyfield  
DECISION Body is Carpenter

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O.	Dental Work	Emergency Address Dental Work	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
Missing U.R.				2-3-14-15-18 19-21-30-31 <i>slip flg</i>	
U.L.	<i>No</i>	<i>cannot secure dental record from relative</i>		7-10 <i>Comp flg</i>	
L.R.	<i>17</i>		<i>17 partially cut</i>		
L.L.	<i>32</i>		<i>37</i>		

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:

*Upper wisdom teeth may have grown in*

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height		
Weight		
Hair		
Fractures		

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

*No*

Found on Cross

*Early L. Holyfield*

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

*no*

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Ct 56 Row H  
This man reported buried originally .....  
Organizations of other men buried around original location .....

*J. C. Scott*  
Investigator

Concur:

APPROVED:

*See reverse side*

*RAY*

A number of the bodies in  
this row were found under  
incorrect markers. Haleyfield  
has been identified in  
grave #11 and Zimmerman in #12.

SS

Of the four bodies in question,  
three are identified which leaves  
the fourth, which investigator  
believes is Carpenter.

Q

QM 293 AC  
Carpenter, Robert S.

March 7, 1924.

Mr. W. H. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your letter of February 24, 1924. Please know that the Department appreciates your efforts to secure a dental chart of your son, the late Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion.

Wagoner Carpenter was reported by the burial officer to have been buried in grave 12, row H, block R, plot 1, St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen, Seine-Inferieure. An investigation of the burials in this row disclosed irregularity in graves 9, 10, 11 and 12. The four bodies were not found in the graves assigned to them on the records of the French hospital from which these burials were made. It is possible the grave numbers were given at the time of death and not at burial and the error was due to that and ignorance of American names. Such transposition could have taken place among the great numbers of burials each day under such conditions. Three of the four bodies occupying these graves, of which your son's was one, have been identified and this office is convinced that the body of the fourth is that of Wagoner Carpenter.

All evidence of the investigation leads to the conclusion that it is the body of your son, and the purpose of the request for dental information was to secure data to check against our records as a detail in confirmation of the identification. The records of enlistment according to the Adjutant General show that he had no missing teeth and that his wisdom teeth had not erupted. No record was kept of fillings. The body in grave 10 which this office believes is that of your son, had fillings in three upper and five lower teeth.

This office has no record of a silver chain with a gold locket, worn by this soldier which should have been returned to you, if worn at the time of death, by the hospital authorities through the Effects Bureau, organized to handle such matters.

You are correct about identification tags. Each soldier was required to wear two; one to be left on the body when buried and one to be placed on the grave marker. The burial report would indicate this was done but his tag was not found on any of the bodies exhumed, but one was found on a cross. It may be that the tag left on the body was destroyed by the chemical

Garbener, Robert S.  
ON 237 50

March 7, 1924.

Mr. W. H. Garbener,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your letter of February 24, 1924. Please know that the Department appreciates your efforts to secure a dental grant of your son, the late Wagoner Robert S. Garbener, Headquarters Detachment, 108th Machine Gun Battalion.

Wagoner Garbener was reported by the burial officer to have been buried in grave 12, row H, block H, plot 1, St. Sever Cemetery, Rowan, Maine. An investigation of the burials in this row disclosed irregularities in graves 9, 10, 11 and 12. The four bodies were not found in the graves assigned to them on the records of the French hospital from which these burials were made. It is possible the grave numbers were given at the time of death and not at burial and the error was due to that and ignorance of names. Such transcription could have taken place among the great numbers of burials each day under such conditions. Three of the four bodies occupying these graves, of which your son's was one, have been identified and this office is convinced that the body at the burial is that of Wagoner Garbener.

All evidence of the investigation leads to the conclusion that it is the body of your son, and the purpose of the report for dental information was to secure data to check against our records as a detail in confirmation of the identification. The records of the hospital according to the dental General show that he had no missing teeth and that his wisdom teeth had not erupted. No record was kept of missing teeth. The body in grave 10 which this office believes is that of your son had missing teeth in three upper and five lower teeth.



This office has no record of a soldier with a gold jacket worn by this soldier which should have been returned to you. It was at the time of death, by the hospital authorities through the United States Quartermaster General, organized to handle such matters.

You are correct about identification tags. Each soldier was required to wear two; one to be left on the body when buried and one to be placed on the grave marker. The burial report would indicate this was done but his tag was not found on any of the bodies examined, but one was found on a cross. It may be that the tag left on the body was destroyed by the chemical

action of the soil and disintegrating body. This happened in many instances. If the burial officer made a mistake in his report it was that and not an intentional misstatement. If the tag was lost through natural causes, no one can be blamed. Considering the lack of military training of our forces, it is not so remarkable that mistakes were made as that the number of them was comparatively so small.

This office sympathizes with you and with all relatives whose sorrows have been increased because, through human fallibility or the fortunes of war, identities have been temporarily or totally lost. It is doing all in its power to recover and restore to you the identity of Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter. This, in the opinion of this office, is established in grave 24, row 1, block B, Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, where the body was reburied from grave 12, row H, block R, St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen, Seine-Inferieure.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Foster,  
Assistant.

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EED  
WPR

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1118 Summit St

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

Within my July 24/24

Mr. R. B. Foster  
of War Dept  
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 14<sup>th</sup> inst and also of Nov 19<sup>th</sup> in regard to identification of remains of my son Robt. S. Carpenter.

Since I received your favor letter I have been trying to secure the information you desire: but so far without success. The only person from whom I can get this information is a dentist at Spotsylvania S. C. where he has done some work while stationed there in 1918. So far I have been unable to locate him but am still trying and in hopes to finally succeed.

The dentist here at home kept no chart of his mouth. You, no doubt, are aware of the inexcusable blunder and mixing of the bodies at time of burial and how it could have happened is more than I can understand. I am familiar with all the circumstances which I only succeeded in obtaining after five years inquiry by a friend in France. If he had died in the battle-fields

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

there would have been some valid excuse; but under the circumstances it is a regrettable case of bungling and incompetence on some one's part and there should be some way to trace it.

What became of his identification tags? which were supplied for the sole purpose of identifying bodies in case of death. He also wore a silver chain with a gold locket about his neck. This was not returned to us with his other belongings.

We have decided not to have his remains returned home on this late day in case his body should ever be recovered; but we would like to have his grave marked with his own name, if possible, and be satisfied of location of same. If I am able to get any information, in future, such as you request I will advise at once, and will be grateful for any information you can secure about this case, that will in any way relieve our anxiety and uncertainty.

I beg to remain

yours Very Truly  
W.H. Carpenter



FEB 27 1924



*[Faint, illegible handwritten text covering the majority of the page]*

OF YOUR VERY SERVICE

COLUMBUS, OHIO

IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE ABOVE  
DISCOUNT YOU MUST PRESENT  
THIS CHECK WITH THE ORIGINAL  
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February 28, 1924.

Miss Nicholson

Suggest in acknowledging this letter you incorporate--

That an investigation of the records covering the burials in Cemetery 56, St. Sever, Rouen, France, discloses that there was irregularity of burial in graves 9, 10, 11, 12, row H, block R, and that it has been determined that the four bodies in question although all buried in the four graves in question, were not actually placed in the individual grave reported for each man. That the investigation has determined that three of the men have been properly designated and identified and that it is the belief of this office that the fourth body is that of their son. Advise that we believe their son was actually put into grave 10 and reported as having been buried in grave 12. Advise that at enlistment the AGO states that his wisdom teeth were not present and that his office made no record of fillings, etc., Advise that the body which we believe is Carpenter has two wisdom teeth present, which could easily have grown after enlistment, that he had no extractions reported, and that Nos. 2,3,7,10,18,19,29, 30,31 had fillings. Tell him if he coincides with our views that the body in question from grave 10 will be designated as Carpenter and be permitted to remain in accordance with his letter.

Scott

File No. 44195

Carpenter, Robert S.

OUT-CHARGE SHEET

Date charged out 2/27/24

Charged to E. J. Scott, 2117

Remarks: Wagoner, Hq. Det. 106" M. G. Div.

QM 293 A-C.

(Carpenter, Robert S.)

February 14, 1924.

Mr. W. H. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General requests that you advise this office whether you have been able to secure the information regarding your son, the late Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, requested in a letter to you dated November 19, 1923, copy of which is inclosed.

Please know that this information is very important in matters of identification, and unless it can be supplied in the case of your son, it is regretted that it may be necessary to list his body as unknown. The Department will appreciate your prompt attention to this important matter, as the investigation being conducted with a view to establishing the identity of your son, and also of other soldiers buried near him is being delayed awaiting your reply.

Kindly use the inclosed official envelope which requires no postage for your reply.

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.  
envelope

O.Q.M.G.  
Central Mail & Files B.

R. L. FOSTER,  
Assistant.



FEB 25 1924

H. R.

ESM *slm*  
CS *65*  
WFR  
EED *WV*

Miss Nicholson

Write this father and explain again  
that his son has no grave and that  
we have no reply to our letter nos. 19 1923  
Explain to him that it is very essential  
that we have data especially as to  
fillings & missing teeth. That failure  
to receive same not only withholds  
idea of his son. but also <sup>prevents</sup> others  
originally buried there

Request early reply

CS 1/1/40

Unknown American Soldier (previously E.L.Holyfield) exhumed from Gr. 10, Plot 1, Row H, Block R, Cemetery # 56, Reims, Seine-Inf. and shown by the records of this office as being shipped to home for reburial.

(See city corres, City # 636, under date of July 22, 1923.)

Place Rouen (Seine Inf.)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 7, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF ~~HOLYFIELD, Harry L.~~ *Robert J. Carpenter* SERIAL NUMBER ~~1315348~~ *421640*  
RANK *Pvt 1/c* *Wagoner* ORGANIZATION *Co. D. 119th Inf.*

2. Disinterred (date): *4/7/21* From (give complete location):  
*Gr. 10, Pl. 1 Row H. Blk. R. Cem. 56, St. Sever, Rouen (Seine Inf.)*

By: Group *2* Unit *A. Sec. 5.*

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
*Sheet and pine box, 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:  
*None*

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? Nos. 2, 3, 14 & 15

(a) Height (actual measurement) *68 inches*

(b) Weight (estimated) *-*

(c) Hair—Color *Light brown*

Quantity *medium*

Characteristics *Straight*

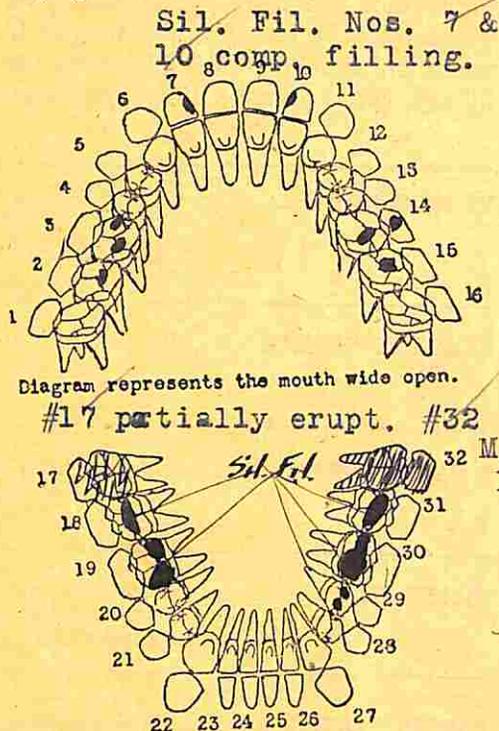
(d) Hair on face—Color *-*

Location

Quantity

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

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



*No Form 16*

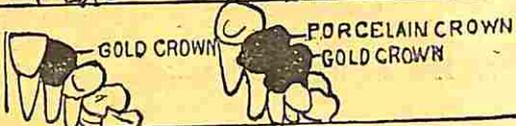
7. Disinterment supervised by *Theo Miller* Approved: *J. Gerald Cole*  
*AHM* *Sup. Emb.* (Title) *C.A.C. Inspector.*

8. Reburial supervised by Approved:  
(Title)

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

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

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

<p><b>MISSING TEETH</b> ..... All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p>TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b> ..... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b> ..... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b> ..... Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p>SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b> ..... Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b> ..... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

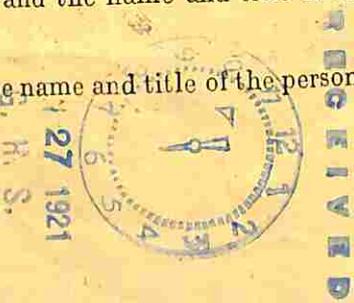
7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

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

Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Staff

JUN 27 1921

MAIL UNIT



G.R.S. Form #114-B

1. NAME Robert S Carpenter DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
~~UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER~~ SERIAL No. 1216 407  
 RANK Wagoner ORGANIZATION Hq Det 106 MG Bn  
 GRAVE LOCATION St. Sever Brit. Mil. Cty. Rouen Seine Inf. ~~#56~~  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER

10 Block R H 1  
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 10, Plot R, Row H. Rouen. (S-1)  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES St. Sever Br. Mil. Cty. Rouen.

CONCENTRATED TO Original.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

No means of identification except found under cross of HOLYFIELD, Early L, Pvt.

#1315346, Co. D, 119th Inf. (Form 16-A)

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 5.13.21. 10 H 1, Block R. #56, Rouen.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR X8/11/22 21 1 XXXXX

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 8/14/22 24 1 Blk. B  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

*Dup. 114 B made*

Somme American Cemetery #636, BONX, Aisne  
 CEMETERY

## 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 16, 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.

Carpenter

Robert S

1,216,407 ✓

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Wag Hdq Det 106 MG Bn

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

No.

(Yes or no.)

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

W.N. Carpenter

Utica ny

Utica ny

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

1118 Sumner Pl

Utica

ny

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

William N. Carpenter

1118 Sumner Pl

Utica

ny

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card

4 JAN  
56-45  
1-6-21

John  
1-7-21  
m.c.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 29, 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 Robt S. Carpenter  
~~UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER~~

2. No. U-247-1216407

3. Rank Wagoner

4. Org. St. Sever. 106 Inf. Bn.

5. D.D. 10-16-18

6. C.D. Broncho pneumonia

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

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

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

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

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

(b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment:

7. Grave No. 10 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot 1 Row H

9. Block R

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

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

17. no discrepancy

18. Cemetery St. Sever Brit. Mil

19. Commune or town Rouen

20. Dept. or County Seine Inf.

21. Country France

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

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 29, 1921 By A.L. Roth

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Early L. Holyfield, Serial No. ----

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 119th Inf.

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

(sgd) Ralph C. Aharrah

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).  
Body previously worked by Field Section. Bottle record and 2 metal strips agree with form 114-A, with exception of serial no. which reads: "1315348"

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Skeleton disarticulated.

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? \_\_\_\_\_

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 29, 1921 By A.L. Roth

31. Casket sealed by A.L. Roth

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor (sgd) A.L. Roth)

AUDITED BY  
142 2-2-25

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17857

32. Designation of body:

Name UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme Amer. Cty. #663 Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 29, 1921 By A. L. Roth

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 (sgd) G. D. Gamble, Capt. QMC.

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 29, 1921

To point of Concentration Rouen (Seine Inf.)

Convoyer sgd B.J. Flynn Signature Shipping Officer (sgd) G.D. Gamble, Capt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Sept. 29, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative (sgd) Hubert W. Beyette, Capt. QMC

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

To Permanent Cemetery No. 636, Bony, Aisne

Convoyer (sgd) B.J. Flynn Signature Shipping Officer (sgd) Hubert W. Beyette Capt. QMC

40. Received: Date 7 Oct 1921

G.R.S. Representative D. E. Lowry

41. Reinterred August 14, 1922

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

42. Grave No. 24 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. First Block B Row 1

G.R.S. Representative D. E. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC

FR

A TRUE COPY LINES 7 to 40 INCL. LINE 32 & Box No. EXCEPTED. LOUIS R. DICE, Major, CAC.

Note: Exhumed as Early L. Holyfield 1315346. Changed to Unknown U.S. SOLDIER U-247 per instructions AGRS Hqrs. Nov. 10, 1921.

G. R. S. Form. No. 16-A

*Unknown 9247*

Place *Sen (Seine Inf.)*

Place

Date *Sept. 29, 1921.*

Date

### REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF ~~HOLYFIELD, Early L.~~ *Robert A. Carpenter* SERIAL NUMBER ~~1315346~~ *U-247*  
 RANK *Pvt.* ORGANIZATION *Co. D, 119th Inf.* *1216407*  
*Wagoner* *Reg. Det 106 Army Dr*

2. Disinterred (date): *Sept. 29, 1921*, Gr. *10*, Plot *1*, Block *R*, Row *H*, St. *Saver* Cem. *56*, Rouen  
 From (give complete location):

By: Group *2* Unit *F.S.8*

3. Reburied (date): *August 14, 1922*, Grave *24*, Block *B*, Row *1*, Somme Cemetery, Sony (Aisne)  
 In (give complete location):

By: Group *Reburial* Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial *Casket and shipping case*

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
*Blanket and pine box. Badly decomposed. Skeleton disarticulated.*

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
*Body previously worked by Field Section. Bottle record and 2 metal strips agree with form 114-A, with exception of serial number.*

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) *Impossible to estimate*

(b) Weight (estimated) *Impossible to estimate*

(c) Hair—Color *Apparently dark brown*

Quantity *Medium*

Characteristics *None visible*

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

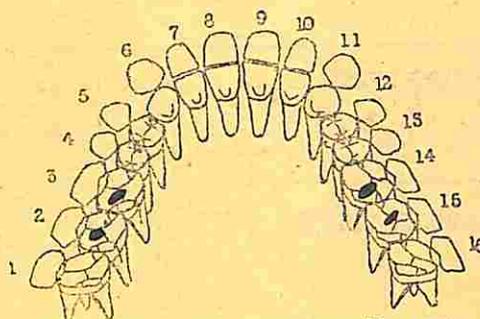
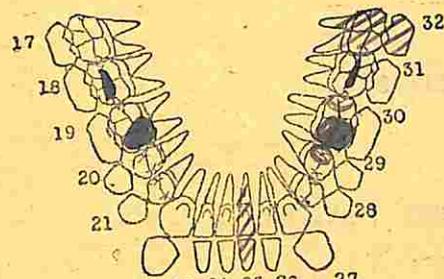


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



*(2&3 SF, 14&15 SF, 18&19 SF, 25 MAD, 29 Cav., 30 Cav.&SF, 31 SF, 32 MAD)*

7. Disinterment supervised by *A. L. Roth*

*A.L. Roth, Sup. Emb.*

8. Reburial supervised by *B.A. Bradford*

*Ralph C. Aharrah, Checker.*

Approved: *G.D. Gamble*

(Title) *Capt., U.M.C.*

Approved: *D.E. Lowry*

(Title) *1st Lt. U.M.C.*

## 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.

<b>MISSING TEETH</b> .....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b> .....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b> .....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	
<b>FILLINGS</b> .....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b> .....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	
<b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b> .....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."	

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

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

QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Robert S. Wagoner.

Nov. 19, 1923.

Mr. W. H. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.

Dear Sir:

To assist this office in the investigation being conducted with a view towards establishing the identity of the remains of your son, the late Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, the Quartermaster General requests that you secure from your local dentist who may have performed dental work for the deceased prior to his entry into the Service, a chart showing all treatment performed - the chart to include crowns, fillings, bridges and extractions.

Your cooperation in the matter of the investigation will be appreciated by the Department, and for reply you may use the inclosed envelope which requires no postage.

Very truly yours,

✓ incl.  
envelope.

✓  
C.C.M.C.  
Care Mail & Files B.

R. L. FOSTER,  
Assistant.



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ORIGINAL PAPER FILED  
OF 293 A-C

CROSS INDEX

Holyfield, Early L.  
Simmerneyer, Frank J.

Nov. 7, 1923.

Identifications.

Chief, AGHS, GMC., in Europe,  
20, rue Molitor, Paris, (16eme), France.

1. You are advised that the body taken from Grave 11, Block R, Row H, Plot 1, Cemetery 56, Rouen, formerly reported as Louis G. Proctor, Company E, 118th Infantry, and then identified as Private Frank J. Simmerneyer, 1979897, Company C, 120th Infantry, has now been identified as Private, 1st class, Early L. Holyfield, 1315348, Company D, 119th Infantry, which body has now been buried in Grave 30, Row 18, Block A, Cemetery 636.

2. The body in Grave 12, Cemetery 56, formerly reported as R. S. Carpenter, Wagoner, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, since made as Unknown U-2706, and reburied into Grave 12, Row 5, Block B, Cty. 636, has been identified as Private Frank J. Simmerneyer, 1979897, Company C, 120th Inf.

3. The body in Grave 10, formerly reported as Private Holyfield, and since made Unknown U-247, is under investigation as being Robert S. Carpenter.

4. The body of Private Simmerneyer is not to be returned to this country. Disposition advice will be given at a later date on the case of Private Holyfield.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

R. L. FOSTER,  
Assistant.

O. Q. M. G.

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Carpenter, Robert S.

QM 293 GA

(Carpenter, Robert S.)

July 18, 1923.

Honorable H.F. Snyder,  
Representative in Congress,  
Utica, New York.

My dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 11, 1923, on behalf of Mr. W.H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Place, Utica, New York, relative to the present grave location of his son, Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion.

In reply you are advised that it is regretted that all efforts so far, to identify the remains of this late soldier have been without success. You may however, assure Mr. Carpenter that every possible effort will be made to locate the body of his son and to grant his request for return of the remains.

Very truly yours,

J.B. BELLINGER,  
Acting Quartermaster General.

WPR/FMS

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Central Mail & Files Bt.

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JUL 19 1923  
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*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*  
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HJC  
FWV

X 293 Snyder, Homer P (Dan)  
X 293 Carpenter, W.H.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.  
COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

At  
Utica, New York,  
July 11, 1923.

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The Chief,  
Graves Registration Service,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Chief:-

Robert S. Carpenter, who was a member of Hdqts. Co. 106th Machine Gun Battalion, 27th Division, died October 16, 1918 at Base Hospital #12, and was buried at Rouen, France.

Some time ago his father, W. H. Carpenter, of 1118 Summit Place, Utica, New York, requested that his body be returned to this country and up to the present writing he has been unable to secure information regarding same, nor has he been advised as to the present location of the remains. I will be very grateful if you will investigate the matter and advise me if anything can be done regarding the parents desire to have the deceased's remains returned to this country and the present location of the soldiers body.

Anticipating an early reply, I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

*H. P. Snyder*



*293 Carpenter*

now

gr. 11 Summermyer as Holyfield

gr. 10 U 247 maybe Carpenter

gr. 12 U 2706 is Summermyer

F 9 To remain Proctor

Secretary of War  
Quartermaster General  
Executive Officer  
Lieut. Colonel



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

FROM:	TO:	FOR:
	Executive Assistant	Action or Reply
	Lieut. Conner	Adjustment
	Mr. Cole	Approval
	Mr. Scott	Cable
	Mr. Saxton	Cards 5/8 - AGO
	Mr. Robb	Check for Correction
	Mrs. Ruth	Copies (state number)
	Miss Nicholson	Corrections
		Draft of letter <del>or endorsement</del>
		File
		Information and return
		Investigation and report
		Note (need not return)
		Papers in case
		Personal conference
		Remarks and recommendation
		Returned
		Signature
		Suspension to

Preparation of letter or endorsement for Signature of:

Secretary of War  
Quartermaster General  
Executive Officer

Lieut. Conner

Final return to: \_\_\_\_\_

23/449/ARK

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

9706

V

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #44125

(a) Name CARPENTER, Robert S. Ser. No. 1216407  
(b) Rank Wagoner Organization Hdqrs. Det. 106th M.G. Bn.  
(c) Date of death 10/15/18 (d) Cause of death Broncho pneumonia  
TYP. DMA  
CKR. B.J.

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

(a) Grave No. 12 10 Row H Plot 1 Block Sec. R TYP. DMA  
(b) Emerg. Address W. H. Carpenter (Father) 1118 Summit Pl. Utica, N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. B.J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt

(a) Name William H. Carpenter (b) Relationship Father  
(c) Address 1118 Summit Pl. Utica, N.Y.  
(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. W. H. Carpenter  
1118 Summit Pl. Utica, N.Y.  
Exp. & bill official - do  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials M.H. Date 12/8/21, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from See dated 12/8/21.

confirming request in Par. IV., item No correspondence, above, or requesting that.

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

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes PF  
Examiner's Initials PF Date 1-7-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 56 SHEET No. 45

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

AB1-31-21

CARDED

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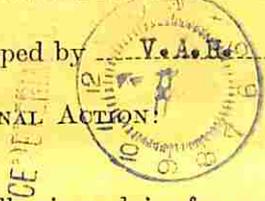
Adjustment Record

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made Jan. 8th, 1920.

Typed by V. A. R., Checked by M. H., Jan. 8th, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on JAN 22 1921, 1920



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JAN 12 1921  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Par. #1, To Be Returned H

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

7-21-21 Form 120 - Wm H Carpenter,  
father next of kin, 1118 Summit Place Utica, N.Y.  
wishes body shipped to him at 1118 Summit  
Place, Utica, New York. H-2-26-21 M. M. C.

Let. 10-8-21 from Mr. W. H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, N.Y.  
forwarded by 1st Lieut. Buck, U.S. Hoboken. Requests information  
as to possible date of return of son's body. (ARB-10-15-21).

Let. 10-15-21. Inq. advises father that it is the expectation of  
the Dept. to return the remains of his son but an investigation shows  
a question as to the identity of the burial, & should remains be  
identified, his request will be granted. (ARB-10-15-21)

Form 115 covering Unknown Soldier  
was prepared & following noted thereon:

ADJUSTMENT RECORD- 1-22-21 - Letter of Transmittal - Europe advised that  
body of ROBERT S. CARPENTER recorded as buried in Grave 12, Row H, Block  
R is to be returned. 7-22-21 - Audit Department amended records to show  
that an UNKNOWN SOLDIER is buried in Grave 12, Row H, Block R. 10-31-21  
Form 115 covering case of ROBERT S. CARPENTER was cancelled and filed.  
Case of ROBERT S. CARPENTER is hereby suspended without grave location.  
D.B. 10-31-21.

D3 10/31/21

July 28, 1921.

REVISED REPORT ON CTY.56

	BURIALS				
	W.C.		B.C.		
	Con.	Uncon.	Unk.	Con.	Uncon.
Cty.56-St. Sever Cty., Rouen, Seine-et-Inferieure					
Last report 4-26-21 reading - - - - -	321	0	0	0	0
Burial in Gr. 12, Block R, Plot 1, Row H					
reported Robert S. Carpenter- upon dis-					
interment proved to be that of an Unknown					
Soldier.	-1		1		
Case of Carpenter suspended without grave location.					
Cty.56 now reads - - - - -	320	0	1	0	0

December 8, 1921.

MEMORANDUM To the Registration Section.  
Attention, Audit Dept.

Subject- Cty. 56 Sheet No. 45

1. Under date of August 25, 1921 Investigation and Adjustment advised Europe that an Unknown Soldier is buried in Gr. 12, Row H, Plot 1, B Block R, and not the body of Robert S. Carpenter as previously reported.

2. <sup>45</sup>The case of the Unknown Soldier takes the same cable reference number as that of the cancelled case of Carpenter.

F.E. Boland,  
Clerk in Charge O.S.P.

July 27, 1921

FROM: Investigation & Adjustment Department.  
TO: Cemetery Audit Department.  
SUBJECT: Cases investigated and returned.

<u>FILE NO.</u>	<u>NAME AND RANK &amp; ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>CTY NO.</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
44125	CARPENTER, 1216407, Robert S. Wag. Hd. Det. 106th M.G.Bn.,	56	Upon disinterment body could not be identi- fied as Wag. Carpenter, Grave is therefore to be Unknown and Carpenter has no grave location. Cards adjusted. Grave #12, Block R, Row H, Plot 1, Cty.# 56.

D.R. GOOD  
Clerk in Charge  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.,

dbb

(Signed) S. Wheeler

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July 28, 1921.

REVISED REPORT ON CTY. 56

	BURIALS			
	W.C.		B.C.	
	Con.	Uncon.	Unk.	Con. Uncon.

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Cty. 56 now reads - - - - -	320	0	1	0	0

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WED:

DATE RECEIVED IN

RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #44125

(a) Name CARPENTER, Robert S. Ser. No. 1216407 TYP. DMA  
 (b) Rank Wagoner Organization Hdqs. Det. 106th M.G.Bn.  
 (c) Date of death 10/16/18 Cause of death Broncho pneumonia B.I.

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

(a) Grave No. 12 Row 10 H Plot 1 Sect. R TYP. DMA  
 (b) Emerg. Address W. H. Carpenter (Father) 1118 Summit Pl. Utica, N.Y.

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

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

*B.I.*  
Ass. Card - William H. Carpenter (father)  
1118 Summit Pl., Utica, N.Y., requests  
return of body to U.S. to W. H. Carpenter,  
above address. 10/31/21 - at 1/29/21

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

*of*  
 Par. #1, To Be Returned H7

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

*see adjustment Record (Crey) 10/8/21*

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

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

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 7-12 192

COUNTRY CEMETERY NO. SHEET NO.  
 C.R.S. FORM 115-A  
 August , 1920

S-666/MB FRANCE 56 45

*MBI-31-21*

Form 115 covering Unknown Soldier  
was prepared and following entered thereon

ADJUSTMENT RECORD- 1-23-21 - Letter of Transmittal - Europe advised that  
body of ROBERT S. CARPENTER recorded as buried in Grave 12, Row H, Block  
R is to be returned. 7-28-21 - Audit Department amended records to show  
that an UNKNOWN SOLDIER is buried in Grave 12, Row H, Block R. 10-31-21  
Form 115 covering case of ROBERT S. CARPENTER was cancelled and filed.  
Case of ROBERT S. CARPENTER is hereby suspended without grave location.  
D.S. 10-31-21.

RB 10/31/21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body.

- 1. Name CARPENTER, Robert S.
- 2. No. 1216407
- 3. Rank Wagoner
- 4. Org HdQRS. Det. 106th M.G. Bn.
- 5. D. D. 10-16-18
- 6. C. D. Broncho Pneumonia
- 10. Name .....
- 11. No. ....
- 12. Rank .....
- 13. Org .....
- 14. (a) D. D. ....
- 15. (b) D. B. ....

*grave relocated* Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

- 7. Grave No. 12 -Sec. ....
- 8. Plot 1 Row H
- 9. Block R
- 15. Grave No. .... Sec. ....
- 16. Plot .... Row .....
- 17. ....

- 18. Cemetery St. Sever Cemetery
- 19. Commune or town ROUEN
- 20. Department or county Seine-Inf.
- 21. Country France
- 22. G. R. S. Headquarters Code No. 56
- 23. Disinterred ..... (Date.) By .....
- 24. Inscription on grave marker { Name ..... Serial No. ....  
Rank ..... Organization .....
- 25. Was identification disk found on grave marker? ..... On body? .....

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disk or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).....
27. Condition of body.....
28. Nature of burial.....
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G. R. S. records quoted above?.....
30. Body prepared and placed in casket..... (Date.) By.....
31. Casket sealed by.....
- Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor).....

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

32. Designation of body { Name CARPENTER, Robert S. Serial No. 1216407  
Rank Wagoner Organization Hdgrs. Det. 106th M. G. Bn.
33. CONSIGNEE—Name W. H. Carpenter,  
Address 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, N. Y. (Expr. & Teleg. Off.)
34. Casket boxed and marked..... (Date.) By.....
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.....

36. Remarks.....
37. Shipped from cemetery..... (Date.) To..... (Point of concentration.)  
Convoyer..... Signature Shipping Officer.....
38. Received at point of concentration..... (Date.)  
Signature Receiving Officer.....
39. Shipped from point of concentration..... (Date.)  
To..... (Port.) Convoyer.....  
Signature Shipping Officer.....
40. Received European port..... (Date.)  
Signature of G. R. S. Representative.....
41. Shipped to..... (U. S. port.) On..... (Boat.)  
Date..... Convoyer..... (Signature of Shipping Officer.)
42. Received..... (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative..... (Signature.)
43. Shipped to destination..... (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No. ....  
Convoyer..... { Shipping Officer.....

WAR DEPARTMENT

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 14 1921

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

To: Mr. William H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, New York

SUBJECT: Remains of Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Ser. No. 1216407, Hdqrs. Det. 106 M/G Bn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier be returned to the United States and delivered to you at 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, New York

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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JUL 12 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT  
GENERAL PROJECT SUB-SEC.

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

(Relationship.)

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

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

- 1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
- 2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
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NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

WAR DEPARTMENT

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1918

March 4, 1921.

File 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.  
(Carpenter, Robert S.)

Mr. William W. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Pl.,  
Utica, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Remains of the late Robert S. Carpenter, Wagoner, #1216407,  
Wdgrs, Det. 106 M.G.Bn., to be returned to the United States  
and shipped to you at 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, N.Y.

COR. BR. G. R. S.  
MAR 5 1921  
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F.C.PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
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March 4, 1921.

File 223.8 Gen. Div. Gov. Br.  
(Carpenter, Robert S.)

Mr. William W. Carpenter,  
1118 Summit Pl.,  
Utica, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Remained the face Robert S. Carpenter, Wagoner, Wisconsin,  
whose hat Joe W.G. Br., to be returned to the United States  
and shipped to you at 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, N.Y.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON  
Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 7 1921

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

To: Mr. William H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, New York

*No Change*

SUBJECT: Remains of Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Ser. No. 1216407, Hdqrs. Det. 106 M/G Bn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier be returned to the United States and delivered to you at 1118 Summit Pl., Utica, New York

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? *No*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<i>Not Married</i>		
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>None</i>	<i>Noted 7115</i>	<i>2-26-21 same C.</i>
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>William H. Carpenter</i>	<i>1118 Summit Pl</i>	<i>Utica NY</i>
Mother	<i>Isabel Carpenter</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do do</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>William W. Carpenter</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do do</i>
	2 <i>Jos. A. Carpenter</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do do</i>
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>None</i>		
	2		
	3		

Date *July 21/1921*

Signature *William H. Carpenter*

Address *1118 Summit Pl*

Relationship *Father*

July 21, 1921

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COMMERCIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PASSENGER SUB-SEC.

I, the undersigned, am the Father (Relationship.) and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:  
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to William H. Carpenter (Name.)  
Utica (R. R. station.) N.Y. (State.)

3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in \_\_\_\_\_ National Cemetery.~~

4. ~~To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.~~

Signature William H. Carpenter

FEB 23 1921

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

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AMB DEPARTMENT



# 44125

Mr. Houghton:

Please file intent

REPORT TO EUROPE

                     on Board of Review Cases

Qty. No. 56-45 shows grave location of this  
soldier is unknown.

F. A. BOLAND,

Per RB

3/8/22

MINISTER TO May 15, 1922.

Return to Mr. Houghton for consideration  
as to sending notification to relatives  
if body is not discovered during final  
identification activities.

44123

# GRAVE LOCATION BOOK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Carpenter, 1216407 Robert S.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Wagoner Hdqrs. Co. 106 M.G. Battn.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... October 18th, 1918.....

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

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

GRAVE NUMBER..... 7587.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... No.....

Graved marked with Cross on which was fastened plate with name rank and organ.  
If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

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REPORTED BY: *J. G. Hester*

THOMAS G HESTER

1<sup>st</sup> LIEUT. SAN. CORPS

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

No 12 (St-Louis, U.S.A.) General Hospital



# 44125

October 15, 1921.

295.6-Gen. #44125 (Carpenter, Robert S., Wagoner) Cty. #56-Sht. #45

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

Mr. W. H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Place, Utica, N.Y.

Case of Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter.

File 10/15/21  
a.l.s.

1. In reply to your letter of October 8, 1921, forwarded to this office by 1st Lieutenant Sidney F. Buck, Q.M.C., Pier #2, Hoboken, N.J., you are advised that your request for the return of the remains of your son, the late Wagoner Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Detachment, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, is on file in this office and it is the expectation of the Department to comply therewith.

2. In this connection, however, you are further advised that an investigation shows there is a question as to the identity of the burial reported as that of your son. Before the remains are returned, this question must be investigated and settled as it is the firm policy of this office not to return remains when there is a question of identity.

3. You may be assured, however, that every possible effort will be made to definitely settle the question and should the remains be identified your request will be granted.

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

MAILED  
OCT 15 1921

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

GS  
NON  
a.l.s.

C.R.S.  
Date 10-15-21-a.l.s.

X 300.4 Board of Review  
Cty 56

NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

October 11th, 1921

FROM: Sidney F. Buck, 1st Lieut., Q.M. C.N.Y. G.,  
Pier #2, Hoboken, New Jersey.  
TO: Chief of the Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,  
Washington, D.C.  
SUBJECT: Remains (Robert S. Carpenter)

1. Inclosed please find copy of communication received from Mr. W.H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Place, Utica, New York, relative to his son, the late Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Battalion, 106th Machine Gun Battalion, which I am forwarding for your investigation as the records of the Hoboken Office show that the case was returned to Washington, July 7th, 1921.

By authority of the Adjutant General of the State  
of New York.

*Sidney F. Buck*

SIDNEY F. BUCK  
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.N.Y.G.  
Executive Officer, Ceme.Div.  
New York Guard.

Incl.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.  
File # 293.8 # 44125

*Carpenter, Robert S.*

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NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS

GENERAL DIVISION  
715 2. HICKMAN, N. Y.

October 12, 1921

General  
Division  
New York  
National Guard  
Quartermaster Corps  
715 2. Hickman, N. Y.

From:  
To:  
Subject:

Enclosed please find one copy of the report of the  
General Division, New York National Guard, dated  
October 11, 1921, and one copy of the report of the  
General Division, New York National Guard, dated  
October 11, 1921.

Very truly yours,  
[Signature]



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RECORDED  
GENERAL DIVISION



OCT 12 1921

C O P Y

THE CITIZENS' WHOLESALE SUPPLY CO.

1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, N.Y. Oct.8/21

Lieut. Sidney F. Buck,  
Hoboken, N.J.

My dear Sir:

I am taking the liberty to write you in regard to the body of my son, Robert S. Carpenter, Headqtrs Bat. 106th M.G. Bat. who died in Base Hosp 12 and is buried at Rouen, France. Since being notified last spring that I might expect the remains at any time I have not heard a word. Several of his comrades who were buried at the same place have been returned long since and I have concluded that there must be some mistake somewhere as we certainly ought to have heard by now. Any information you can get me will be greatly appreciated. Awaiting your reply and thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

W.H. CARPENTER



October 11th, 1921.

Sidney F. Buck, 1st Lieut., Q.M.C.N.Y.G.,  
Pier #2, Hoboken, New Jersey.  
Mr. W.H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Place,  
Utica, New York.  
Remains (Carpenter, Robert S.)

1. In reply to your request of October 8th, 1921, regarding your late son, Robert S. Carpenter, Headquarters Bat. 106th M.G. Bat., I am inclosing herewith a communication which was forwarded to Washington, requesting that investigation of and report on this case be made. Any further information or assistance you may request from me will receive my personal attention.

By authority of the Adjutant General of the  
State of New York:

SIDNEY F. BUCK,  
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.N.Y.G.  
Executive Officer, Gens. Div.  
New York Guard.

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October 11th, 1921

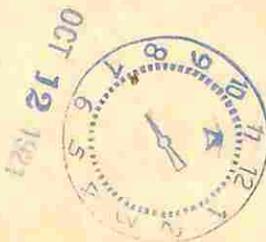
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Incl.



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GENERAL DIVISION

July 19 1921

CASE OF CARPENTER, 1216407, Robert S. Wag. Hd. Det. 106th M. G. Bn.

GRAVE Grave #12, Plot 1, Row H, Block R, Cty. 56.

DECISION That body is that of Wag. Carpenter.

*(See other side)*

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O. Missing	Dental Work	Emergency Address Dental Work	Missing E.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
U.R. #8		No report.	None	#6 sil. fil.	
U.L. #8			#6	#5 Sil. Fil	
L.R. #8			None	None	
L.L. #8			#6	none	

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:  
 This soldier was only 18 yrs of age at enlistment. Wisdom teeth could have grown in. #6, U. P and #6 L. L. Could have been extracted after enlistment.

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height 5ft. 10. ins.	No report.	Not shown
Weight 134 lbs.		Not shown
Hair dk. brown		Evidently Lt. brown.
Fractures None		Right leg amputated at hip.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

Found on Cross

No

Yes

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

None shown.

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Not a concentration.  
 This man reported buried originally Grave #12, Bl. R, plot 1, Row H,  
 Organizations of other men buried around original location various organizations.

See other side.

*Dona Bliss*  
 Investigator

Concur:

*[Signature]*

APPROVED:

*Donald R. Good*  
 7/21

ADDRESS REPLY TO

Division  
DIRECTOR OF STORAGE  
MUNITIONS BUILDING

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

No: A-Series 360 reports that Wag. Carpenter is buried in Grave #12  
From: Block B, Plot 1, Row H, Qty. 56. Form 114, shows that body was  
To: hospital case and that right leg was amputated at hip. Wag. Carpenter  
is reported to have died of Broncho Pneumonia, although he could  
Subject: have contracted pneumonia <sup>after</sup> from the operation. Identification tag was  
attached to grave marker.

*A. H. O. states that there is no record to show that wag. Carpenter had leg amputated.*  
*OR 7/21/21.*

*Dora Bledsoe*  
Dora Bledsoe,  
Investigator.

*9/15/21 7/21*

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C. IN EUROPE  
8 avenue d'Iena, Paris.

1st April, 1921.

NO. 373.

MEMORANDUM TO: Board of Review.

1. Office Memoranda Nos. 126, 204, 218 and 261 are hereby amended as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel G.V.S. Quackenbush, Q.M.C., appointed, vice Lieut. W. H. Quarterman, F.A., relieved.

Major G. F. Waugh, Inf., appointed, vice Major A. J. Davis, Q.M.C. relieved.

2. The personnel of Board now stands as follows:

Lieut. Col. G. V. S. Quackenbush, Q.M.C.  
Major G. F. Waugh, Inf.  
Lieut. C. S. Denny, C. A. C.

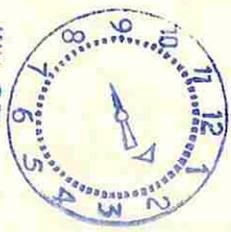
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EDGAR A. FRY  
Colonel, Inf.

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6-29-21 - M.H.S.*

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JUN 27 1921  
G. H. S.



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6-28-21  
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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C. IN EUROPE  
8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris.

May 11, 1921.

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing order at 9:00 a.m. this date.

PRESENT : All members with the exception of Lieut. Col. Quackenbush, QMC.

The case of Wagoner Robert S. CARPENTER, 1216407 Hdqrs. Det. 106th M.G. Bn. exhumed from Grave #12, Row H, Block R, Cemetery #56, Rouen (Seine-Inferieure) and held for further identification due to the fact that no tag was found on body was investigated by the Board and the following documentary evidence considered: GRS Form #114; GRS Form #16-A, and Drawing showing relative position of graves in this row.

CONCLUSION : The Board is of the opinion that there has been irregularity of burial in that section of the row from which this body was exhumed, substantiated by the following:

a. In Grave #9 supposed to contain the remains of Pvt. Frank J. Simmermeyer, was identified the body of Pvt. Louis G. Proctor.

b. In Grave #11 supposed to contain the remains of Pvt. Louis G. Proctor, a body bearing no means of identification was located.

In view of the foregoing and the fact that these remains were buried next to the body in Grave #11, the Board concludes that identity in this case cannot be safely assumed without more thorough comparison of original burial records and tooth chart.

RECOMMENDATION : The Board recommends that this case be referred to the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C. for decision.

Enclosures pertaining to this case:

GRS Form #114  
GRS Form #16-A

APPROVED:

*F. A. Fry*  
F. A. FRY  
COL. INF.

OPERATIONS DIVISION

*G. F. Waugh*  
G. F. WAUGH  
Major, Infantry  
President

*Chas. S. Denny*  
CHAS. S. DENNY  
1st Lieut. C.A.C.  
Recorder

*RHR*  
RHR/mt.

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8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris.

May 11, 1921.

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MEMORANDUM : All members with the exception of Lieut. Col. Quackenbush, G.M.C.

The case of Wagoner Robert E. CARPENTER, 121640V Hqtrs. Det. 108th M.G. Bn. exhumed from grave #13, Row H, Block R, Cemetery #86, Rowen (Seine-Inférieure) was held for further identification due to the fact that no tag was found on body was investigated by the Board and the following documentary evidence considered: G.M.C. Form #114; G.M.C. Form #15-A, and drawing showing relative position of graves in this row.

CONCLUSION : The Board is of the opinion that there has been irregularity of burial in that portion of the row from which this body was exhumed, substantiated by the following:

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RECOMMENDATION : The Board recommends that this case be referred to the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C. for decision.

Enclosures pertain to this case:

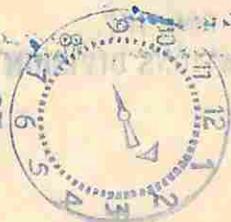
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G.M.C. Form #15-A

Central Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section

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G. R. S.  
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Handwritten signatures and stamps, including "CHIEF, D.M.C." and "1st Lieut. D.M.C.".

FROM, O. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
~~Munitions Building~~  
Relief Trade  
Room

2009

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

Date July 2, 1921.

File No. 44125 Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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

a. Surname. Carpenter *OK* f. Date of death. 10-16-18 *OK*  
b. Christian name. Robert S *OK* g. Cause of death. Broncho, Pneumonia *OK*  
c. Serial number. 1216407 *OK* h. Authority (C. C. No.) 303 *OK*  
d. Organization. Hq. Det. 106th MG. Bn *OK* i. Emergency address. W. H. Carpenter, 1118 Summit Pl. *OK*  
e. Rank. Wagoner. *OK* j. Relationship. Utica, N. Y. Father. *OK*

**BODY DESCRIPTION.**

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

a. Age at enlistment. 18 yrs.  
b. Color of eyes. Brown  
c. Color of hair. Dk. Brown  
d. Height. 5ft. 10 ins.  
e. Weight. 134 lbs.  
f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.) none.

**DENTAL CHARTS.**

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

a. Strike out teeth missing:  
 § 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
 Upper right. Upper left.  
 § 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
 Lower right. Lower left.

*Royally (A.C. 711)  
 E.P.S. 7/7/21  
 109.7.*

Dora Bledsoe.

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

By

*H. J. Conner*  
 H. J. CONNER,  
 Captain, Q. M. C.

Rec'd World War Div.  
 Date.....  
 JUL 7 1921

JUL 6 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

Date July 8, 1921.

Location

Serial

The Quartermaster General of the Army (Quartermaster Division)

The Adjutant General of the Army, South and West Branches, Washington, D. C.

For information required for G. H. S.

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

How shown

Date of death 10-26-10

Name

Cause of death - pneumonia

Location

Name (G. No.)

Serial number

Name of address

Telephone

United States

Relationship

Residence

UNIVERSITY

HOW DEFINITION

(For physical report of examination later or attachment)

(For physical report of examination later or attachment)

Details of last illness

Name of hospital

STANDARD LAST ILLNESS

Upper right

Location of last illness

STANDARD LAST ILLNESS

Lower right

Location of last illness

Height

Weight

Performance tests and physical

status at confinement

Particulars as follows

H. L. ROBERTS

JUL 8 1921

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H. L. ROBERTS

Handwritten notes and stamps at bottom right.

June 6, 1921.

From : Chief.  
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Board of Review Cases on which identity could not be determined.

1. Enclosed herewith are copies of Proceedings of Board of Review, including original GRS Forms #114 and #16-A for the following bodies exhumed from Cemetery #56, Rouen (Seine-Inferieure) for which identity could not be determined :

BRUNNER, Albert G. 1243938 Pvt. Co. C. 117th Infantry  
PURCELL, Joseph H. 1206952 Wag. Supply Co. 106th Infantry  
CARPENTER, Robert S. 1216407 Wag. Hdqrs. Det. 106th M.G. Bn.

2. It is requested that this Office be advised as to disposition of these remains and that the enclosed papers be returned with such action.

*H. F. Rethers*  
H. F. RETHERS  
Colonel, Q.M.C.

RHR/mt.  
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Form #114 3  
Form #16-A 3

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June 6, 1921.

From : Chief.  
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Board of Review Cases on which identity could not be determined.

1. Enclosed herewith are copies of Proceedings of Board of Review, including original GRS Forms #14 and #16-A for the following bodies examined from Cemetery #56, Rowen (Seine-Inférieure) for which identity could not be determined :

BRUNNER, Albert G. 124328 Pvt. Co. G. 117th Infantry  
FURCHILL, Joseph H. 120822 Wgt. Supply Co. 108th Infantry  
CARPENTER, Robert S. 121647 Wgt. Hdqrs. Det. 108th M.G. Bn.

2. It is requested that this Office be advised as to disposition of these remains and that the enclosed papers be returned with such action.

H. P. BENTON  
Colonel, G.M.C.

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CARPENTER, R.S. #1216407

Wag. 106th, MG. Bn.

DD: 10-16-18

Blk.R. Plot 1. Row H.

Gr. # 12

St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen

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Carpenter R. S. 1216407

Wgnr. 106/M.G.C.

D.D. 16.10.18

Buried St. Sever Rouen.

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Carpenter R.S. #1216407

Wgnr. 106th M.G.C.

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Buried St Sever, Rouen

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D: C.

January 27, 1920.

Hon. James D. Smith,  
Mayor of Utica,  
Utica, N. Y.

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Graves Registration Service contain the following information as to grave location:

Case of: Robert S. Carpenter Pvt.  
Co. B. 106th M. G. Co.

Place of burial: St. Sever Cemetery  
Rouen, Department of  
Seine Inferieure.  
Grave 12. Block R. Plot 1 Row H.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CARPENTER, R.S. 44425

Wagoner. 106th, MG.Bn. U.S.A.

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Buried St. Sever Cem. Ext. Rouen  
Cumme Grand Quevilly.

Block R.            Plot 1.

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