

FULL NAME CARUSO, Ralph W. ✓

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL 1517241 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. H, 145th Inf. ✓ 37th Div.

DATE OF DEATH 11-4-18 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Ohio

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. None

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 6-22-22 8 2 D
Date Grave Row Block

..... 1252 - Flanders Field
..... Cemetery

Foreign

*2-16 for disinterment from # 5, city 1254
will be found in unknown for 1254*

Date June 23, 1919.

reb in # 9, city 1254

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

2-16-a filed with 30144

Remains of:

Name ~~Kohler, Samuel~~

see 3/28/22
Cause, Ralph W.

Number unknown

(1517241)

Rank unknown

Organization: unknown

Co #. 145 Inf

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3

Unit 302

Disinterred (Date)

From: (give complete location)

June 10, 1919.

Grave #9. Eyne Communal Cemetery, Eyne,

East Flanders, Belgium.

city 1254

B.M.1/40.000 Sheet 29-L-5-B-7-3

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

June 10, 1919.

Grave 39, Plot C. American Mill Cem.

Waereghem, West Flanders, Belgium.

B.M.1/40.000 Sheet 29-D-28-d-6-9.5

1252

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

Body buried in coffin, badly decomposed.

for 16-A - See D 30144, city-1752-

Was one identification tag found upon the body? no

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

CONFIRMED N° D/1545-

Note:

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

Supervised by: Cpl. O.E. Beck.

H.E. Felter, 2nd Lieut, OMCUSA

C.O. Group 3

Unit 302

Weseghem, Belgium

Date June 23, 1919.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REINTERMENT

Name: unknown

Organization: unknown

Unit: 302

Organization: unknown

Disinterment and Reinterment made by Group 3

From: (give complete location)

Disinterred (Date)

Grave 79, Ryan Communal Cemetery, Ypres.

June 10, 1919.

West Flanders, Belgium.

B.M. 1/40.000 Sheet 29-I-5-B-7-3

To: (Give complete location)

Reinterred (Date)

Grave 29, Plot G, American Mill. Cem.

June 10, 1919.

Weseghem, West Flanders, Belgium.

B.M. 1/40.000 Sheet 29-D-28-d-e-9-5

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

CONFIRMED W. D. ...



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W. D. ...

Unit 302

Date April 19, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of: *Caruso, Ralph W.*
 Name: ~~Kohler, Samuel~~ Number: Not Known
 Rank: Unknown Organization: Unknown *14th Inf.*

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3 Unit 302

Disinterred (Date) From: (Give complete location)
April 17, 1919. Grave 5 in Plot on South side of Eyne Communal Cemetery, Eyne, East Flanders, Belgium. British Map. 1/40,000, Sheet 29, L.5.b.7.3.

Reburied (Date) in: (Give complete location)
April 17, 1919. Grave 9, Row 1, American Plot, Eyne Communal Cemetery, Eyne, East Flanders, Belgium. British Map 1/40,000. Sheet 29, L.5.b.7.3.

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Grave was three feet deep, body clothed in uniform, and badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

What other means of identification were found on the body?

Height about 5 ft. 8in. Dark hair Weighed about 150 lbs.

1254
Dno 6141

Note:

CONFIRMED No. D.....

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Supervised by: *L. Britubach* *H. E. Miller* 2nd Lt. OMCUSA
 Sgt. 1/cl. Engrs. C.O. Group 3 Unit 302

Date: April 12, 1918

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Correspondence

Remains of:

Name: Unknown
Rank: Unknown
Organization: Unknown
Number: Not known

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3 Unit 303

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

April 12, 1918
Graves 2 in lot of North side of West Cemetery
Graves 2 in lot of North side of West Cemetery
Graves 2 in lot of North side of West Cemetery

Reburied (Date)

To: (Give complete location)

April 12, 1918
Graves 2 in lot of North side of West Cemetery
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Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Graves were three feet deep, body clothed in uniform, and body decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body?
What other means of identification were found on the body?
Height about 5 ft. 6 in. Dark hair. Weighed about 150 lbs.



It was disinterred, unless are found upon disinterment, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in which case it will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration.

Disinterred by: C.O. Group 3
Reburied by: C.O. Group 3

CODE SLIP

Magnesium carbon

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME CARUSO	CAR	3	318 ⁰
BURIED <i>Ralph W.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1252</i>	1	8
	GRAVE <i>8</i>	2	08
	ROW <i>2</i>	2	02
	BLOCK <i>10</i>	1	4
STATE	<i>Ohio</i>	2	41
RANK	<i>Prst</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>37</i>	2	37
ORGANIZATION	<i>145</i>	3	145
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME <i>No Record</i>	<i>Relatives</i>	3	55
<i>Lillian</i>	STATE <i>Ohio</i>	2	41
	COUNTY <i>Cuyahoga</i>	2	18
	CITY <i>Cleveland</i>	3	02
RELATION	<i>Sister</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>Other</i>	1	3
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Foreign</i>	1	4
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514/		1	

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AUDITED
MAY 25 1958
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER
WASHINGTON

*no mo
no paid
no record of rel*

DATE February 15, 1930.

3-17-33

NAME Caruso, Ralph W. RANK Pvt. SERIAL 1517241 ORGANIZATION Co. H-145th Inf. DATE OF DEATH Nov. 4, 1918

STATE Ohio CTY. NO. 1252 GRAVE 8 ROW 2 BLOCK D

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
	MOTHER	<i>no rec.</i>	<i>any relation</i>
NAME	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)		<i>write.</i>
AND	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)		<i>Mrs Lillian Mueck</i>
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)		<i>1935 W. 50th St</i>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)		<i>Cleveland Ohio.</i>

Single

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156/

C 124655

any/20

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 8, 1930

Caruso, Ralph W. 1252-0

Mrs. Lillian Meek
1935 W. 50th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

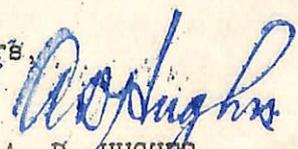
3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment


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

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE 4-30-29

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>CARUSO, Ralph W.</u>	<u>Pvt.</u>	<u>1517241</u>	<u>Co. H, 145th Inf.</u>	<u>11-4-18</u>

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
<u>Ohio</u>	<u>1252</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>D</u>

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
	MOTHER	:	:	:
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	:	:	:
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS	:	:	:
	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
	WIDOW	:	:	:
	(Who has not remarried)	:	:	:
		:	:	:

Foreign

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Veterans Bureau Claim Number _____

29/156

QM 293 A-C

CARUSO, Ralph W., Pvt.

February 5, 1924

Miss Eva Shire,
General Delivery,
Berea, Ohio.

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1-Incl.
Record card.

O. O. M. G.
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM.



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FEB 5 1924

R. O. C.

G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.
TO : C.O., Co. H, 145th Inf.
SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

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

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note:



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

Nearest relative of deceased:

Relationship:

Address:



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE

CARUSO 1571241 Ralph W

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

Pvt Co. H 145th Inf.

(Rank). (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL:

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

See correspondence - Micko, Stanley
1518978

GRAVE NUMBER:

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

5-8220

1571241



August 8, 1922.

293.8 G-R (Caruso, Ralph W.) Cty. 1252 - 670. File No. 58220.

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Chief, American Graves Registration Service, G.M.C., in Europe.

Case of Private Ralph W. Caruso.

1.

1. It is the decision of this office that the body buried in grave 39, plot C, cemetery 1252 and reburied in grave 81, section D, same cemetery, is that of the deceased soldier named below:

Cable
Ref.No.

670 Caruso, Ralph W. Pvt., #1517241, Co. H, 145th Infantry.
This body is not to be returned to the United States.

2. It is requested that the records of your office be revised accordingly.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

George H. Penrose,
Assistant.

HBC
HBC

MAILED

AUG 7 1922

G.R.S.

293.8 C-R#58220-
(Caruso, Ralph W. Pvt.)

4th Ind.

O.Q.M.G., Washington, D.C., July 29th 1922--To the Chief, American Graves
Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. Returned. The records of this have been adjusted to show that
the body in Grave 81, Plot D, the American Cemetery at Flanders Field,
Wareghem, Belgium, is that of Private Ralph W. Caruso, Company H, 145th
Infantry.

2. Attention is invited to the fact that the correct serial number
of the deceased is "1517241" and not "1521241", as reported in the preceding
indorsement.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

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293. Kohler, Samuel.

3rd. Ind.

HW/xm

Hqrs. American G.R.S., Q.M.C. in Europe, 8, Avenue d'Iena, PARIS, May 10th.
1922. - To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON, D.C.

1. Returned, inviting attention to preceding indorsement, and to
G.R.S. Form #16-A. attached thereto.

2. The records of this Office have been corrected to show :

CARUSO, #1571241, Ralph W. Pvt. Co.H. 145th. Infantry.
Grave #81, Plot D. Cemetery #1252, WARREGHEN,
Belgium.

R. P. HARBOLD

H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief.

1 Incl.



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June 1 1922

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OFFICE
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE
DIVISION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

The records of this office have been collected to you :

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

General Investigative Division

Washington, D. C.

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293. Kohler, Samuel

1st Ind.

HW/nm

Hqs. American, G.R.S, Q.M.C. in Europe, Operations Division, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris. April 24th 1922--To: Commanding Officer, Somme American Cty. Cambrai, (Nord)

1. Forwarded.

2. The records of this office show body originally buried in Grave 39, Plot C, Cty. 1252, Waereghem, Belgium, as Samuel Kohler, #2666970, Pvt. Co. A, 146th Inf. to have been exhumed March 21st 1921 and reburied March 22nd 1921 in Grave 81, Plot D. Cty. 1252, Waereghem, Belgium.

3. You are, therefore, directed to prepare new aluminium strips correct the records of your Office, and change ~~inscription~~ inscription on cross marking Grave 81, Plot D, to read Unknown American Soldier. You will exhume body buried in Grave 81, Plot D, change designation thereon from Samuel Kohler, #2666970, Pvt. Co. A 146th Inf. to read unknown American Soldier, rebury in same grave, and submit G.R.S. Form 16 -A, in triplicate, covering disinterment and reburial when completed.

4. When these instructions have been complied with, so state by indorsement hereon.

R.P. Harbold,

Major, Q.M.C.

Chief, Operations Division.

2nd Ind.

C.O. Somme Cty. AGRS QMC in E. Cambrai (Nord) May 6th 1922; To: Chief, AGRS QMC in E. Paris,

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in preceding indorsement, form 16-A covering the exhumation and reburial of the above mentioned remains, is enclosed herewith.

2. It will be noticed that an identification tag was found on these remains showing the name of "Ralph W. Caruso, No. 151724". In accordance with the foregoing instructions, however, these remains have been reburied as an Unknown American soldier.

R.L. Fain,

Capt. QMC

RLF.RL.

Encls. 1 in tripl.

July 24, 1922.

MEMORANDUM:

CASE OF : CARUSO, 1517241, RALPH W.
PVT., CO. H, 145th INF.
(D#11545 - Gr. 39, Plot C, Cty. #1252)
(D#30144 - Gr. 81, Plot D, Cty. #1252)
FILE NO. 58220.

Reference 3rd ind. from GRS in Europe, dated May 10, 1922, it is recommended that they be advised by 4th ind. that our records have been adjusted to show that the body in Grave # 81, Plot D, The American Cemetery of the Flanders Field # 1252; ~~xxxxxx~~ is that of Pvt. Ralph W. Caruso, 1517241, Co. H, 145th Inf. Their special attention should be called to the correct serial number, as the one given in 3rd ind. is erroneous.


HARRY SIEGEL
INVESTIGATOR
ADJ. BRANCH

July 24, 1922.

MEMORANDUM:

CASE OF : CARUSO, 1517241, RALPH W.
PVT., GO. H, 145th INF.

(D#11545 -Gr 39, Plot C, Cty. 1252)
(D#30144 -Gr 81, Plot D, Cty. 1252)

FILE NO. 58220.

This was previously "without grave location" case. (White Card).

There is no request on file in re disposition of the body.

Inasmuch as there is no request for disposition on file and that the E/A has not been advised of the Grave Location, it is recommended that the E/A should not be informed of the Grave Location until the Concentration work in this Cty. has progressed so far that the relatives of other cases of this Cty. ~~concentration~~ will be advised of the concentrated grave locations.


HARRY SIEGEL
INVESTIGATOR
ADJ. BRANCH

O P I N I O N

July 6, 1922.

CASE OF CARUSO, 1517241, RALPH W., PVT., CO. H, 145th INF.

GRAVE 39, PLOT C, THE AMERICAN CEMETERY OF THE SOMME # 1252 (30,000 series
(Grave # 81, Plot D

DECISION THAT THE BODY IS THAT OF PVT. RALPH W. CARUSO.

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Report on Disinterment			
A.G.O.	Emergency Address	Dental Work		Miss A.D.	
Missing	Dental Work	Dental Work	Missing B.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
U.R. 1, 2 & 3			1 & 3	4 decayed	
U.L.			15 & 16	13 cavity	9
L.R. 17			17		21, 22 & 23
L.L. 31			31	30 cavity	

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows: The inconsistency in re tooth # 2 is probably due to the fact that the Examiner at the time of enlistment reported # 2 out in error. This is deduced from the fact that nearly all the rest of the Dental Chart checks, excepting Nos. 15 & 16 which were probably extracted after & that subject's tag was found on BODY DESCRIPTION the body. enlistment,

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Height 5' 2"	No report	Impossible to determine
Weight 123 #	" "	" " "
Hair Black	" "	" " "
Fractures None	" "	" " "

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body
 YES (OVER)

Found on Cross
 NO (OVER)

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body
(OVER)

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from Grave # ⁵ 9, Eyne Cty., Eyne (Belgium) Cty. # 1252.
This man reported buried originally NEAR EYNE. (See D # 6141 & 1278 re Samuel Kohler)
Organizations of other men buried around original location 145th Inf. et al.

(OVER)

Investigator

Concur:

Snowheller

APPROVED:

[Signature]

7-18-22

This body was found under the cross of SAMUEL KOHLER, # 2666970, Pvt., Co. A, 146th Inf. Pvt. Kohler was discharged and consequently eliminated from this matter. On May 4, 1922 this body was exhumed and a WRIST TAG WAS FOUND ON THE BODY which reads: "RALPH W. CARUSO, 151724," reverse side of tag reads: " O. A. S."

In view of the dental chart information and that subject's tag was found on the body the writer is of the opinion that it is that of PVT. RALPH W. CARUSO.

smw
7-18-22

HARRY SIEGEL
INVESTIGATOR
ADJ. BRANCH

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

Date 6-6-22

File No. 5-82 20 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. Caruso ✓ f. Date of death. Nov 4, 1918
- ✓ b. Christian name. Ralph W ✓ g. Cause of death. KIA
- ✓ c. Serial number. 15-171241 ✓ h. Authority (C. C. No.) 327
- ✓ d. Organization. Co H. 175-2nd ✓ i. Emergency address. Eva Shire
Berea, Ohio
- ✓ e. Rank. Pvt ✓ j. Relationship. Friend

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- ✓ a. Age at enlistment. 27 yrs. 1910.
- ✓ b. Date of enlistment. July 29, 1917
- ✓ c. Color of eyes. Brown
- ✓ d. Color of hair. Black
- ✓ e. Height. 5ft 2in.
- ✓ f. Weight. 123 lbs
- ✓ g. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.)
Tattoo U.S. flag
eyebrow

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

✓ a. Strike out teeth missing:

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
Lower right.	Lower left.

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

By

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

Summerville

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Robert C. Davis
acting the Adjutant General
ik

1210 with file 1/17/22

CLASSIFIED BY: O. M. C.
H. T. ROBERTS

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL
H. T. ROBERTS

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15342018

BODY DESCRIPTION

DEVELOPMENT

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(Faint handwritten notes and markings)



It is requested that the items ordered below be completed. Report confirmation of all information to postmaster general. Registered mail will be used for all correspondence.

Subject: Information required for G. E. S.

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

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

File No. 2-83-20 Registration

Date 2-2-55

WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
ARMY DEPARTMENT

April 5, 1922.

FILE

File: 293.8-C-R. Unknown Files.
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S.Army (Graves Registration Service.)
To: The Chief, American G.R.S., Q.M.C. in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris.
Subject: Unknown American Soldier, Grave 39, Plot C, Cty. 1252.

1. The records of this office have been adjusted to show an Unknown American soldier buried in Grave 39, Plot C, Cty. 1252, Waereghem, West Flanders, Belgium.

2. This soldier was previously reported as Samuel Kohler, however, our records as verified by the Adjutant General's Office show Pvt. Samuel Kohler, #2666970, Co. A, 146th Infantry, has been discharged, and the name of this soldier should therefore be eliminated from the records of your office.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. Corps.

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CEMETERIAL DIV.
Q. M. C.

"Unknown Files", Gr. 39, Plot C, Cty.
1252.

March 25, 1922.

Memorandum.

It is requested that a letter be written to Europe stating that our records have now been adjusted to show an "Unknown Soldier" buried in Gr. 81, Plot D, American Cemetery #1252, Waereghem, West Flanders and their records should be adjusted accordingly. Disinterred from Gr. 39, Plot C, Cty. 1252. Previously reported as Kohler, Samuel. There was a Samuel Kohler who served as Pvt., in Co. A, 146th Infantry, Serial #2666970 and has been discharged.

J. M. Wilson
Investigator.

W. M. J.

February 27, 1922.

MEMORANDUM:

File #101862 - Blue card case

Case of Kohler, Samuel, 14th Inf.

The records of this office show original grave location for this man is Grave #5 Eyne Cemetery #1254, Eyne, Belgium reburied April 17, 1919 into Grave #9, Eyne Cty.. #1254, Eyne, Belgium and again reburied June 10, 1919 into Grave #39, Plot C, American Military Cemetery #1252, Waereghem, West Flanders.

A.G.O. report no record of above man but state Samuel Kohler, Private, Serial #2666970, 146th Infantry was discharged April 9, 1919 at Camp Dix, N.J. They also reported the 14th Infantry was not a part of the American Expeditionary Forces inasmuch as it was not overseas but remained in this country.

Form 16-A covering grave #39, Plot C, Cemetery 1252 shows no means of identification found on body. *3 over 2000 Series*

It is recommended that this grave be now carried as an unknown.

T. M. WILSON,

T. M. Wilson

INVESTIGATOR.

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summary*

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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

February 5, 1920.

No:
From: Graves Registration Service, Washington, D. C.
To: The Adjutant General of the Army.
Subject: Private Samuel Kohler, #2666970, Co. H, 146th Infantry.

1. On January 21, 1920, this office in a letter called attention to the fact that your records show the above man was gassed and admitted to Field Hospital #148, about October 8, 1918; also that records of this office show that a Samuel Kohler, 14th Infantry, was buried November 8, 1918 in Grave No. 5, of the Eyne Cemetery, Eyne, Belgium, and on June 10, 1919, was disinterred and reburied in Grave No. 39, Plot C, American Cemetery at Waereghem, West Flanders #2012; and requested that this office be advised as to any change that may be made in your records.

2. Information is requested at this time whether any information has developed on this case.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

E. E. Davis
E. E. DAVIS,
Assistant.

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Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

E. E. DAVIS,
Assistant.

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WASHINGTON

Jan. 21, 1920.

No:
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To: The Adjutant General's Office, 6th & B Sts., Washington, D. C.
Subject: Pvt. Samuel Kohler, 2666970, Co. H, 146th Inf.

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3. This information is forwarded to you as an aid in establishing a dead status on the above case. It is requested that this office be advised as to any changes that may be made on your records.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By: *E. E. Davis*
E. E. DAVIS,
Assistant.

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C. M. NOETZEL,
1st Lieutenant, Q. M. G.,
Graves Registration Service.

CMN/bet

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service,

By:
E. E. DAVIS,
Assistant.

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Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By: *EED*
E. E. DAVIS,
Assistant.

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CENTRAL RECORDS OFFICE
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
A.P.O.#902. FRANCE.

June 13th, 1919.

From: Central Records Office, A.P.O.#902.
To: Graves Registration Service, Tours.
Subject: Unidentified Burial.

1. Your Daily Report #420, Sheet 9, reports Samuel Kohler #2666970, buried November 18, 1918. This soldier is reported returned to U.S. on S.S. "Maine" via Base Section #5 on March 1st, 1919.

2. Case is referred to you for correct identification of man buried under this name.

H.M. Kelly
H. M. KELLY
Adjutant General.

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A.P.O.#902
JUN 15 1919



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City: [illegible]
State: [illegible]

DATE 1969 12 15

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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Adjutant General.

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ARMY INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20315
GENERAL RECORDS OFFICE

June 15th, 1919.

From: General Records Office, A. I. O. #302.
To: Graves Registration Service, Fortis.
Subject: Unidentified Serial.

- 1. Your Daily Report #430, Sheet 9, reports Samuel Kohler #286290, buried November 18, 1918. This soldier is reported returned to U. S. on S.S. "Albatross" via Base Hospital #8 on March 1st, 1919.
- 2. Case is referred to you for correct identification of man buried under this name.

[Handwritten signature]
H. H. KELLY



Co.H.145th.Infantry

CARUSO, Ralph, W. Pvt.1517241
Home address: Berea, Ohio.

Killed November 1st.1918.

Pvt.Caruso was killed instantly by a shell from French Artillery which fell short. This happened on November 1st.1918. during the Flanders Offensive. This happened near Eyne, Belgium. Buried near Eyne.

Informant: GARIBY, Francis. Sgt.1518894
Co.H.145th.Infantry
Home address: 405 N.Main Street
Findland, Ohio.

Next of Kin:
Miss Eva Shire(Freind)
Gen.Del. Beren, Ohio.

Searcher: Mark D. Fowler
Captain 145th.Infantry

HJM

FILE UNDER NO.

"Unknown Files", Gr. 39, Plot c, Cty. 1252,
Waereghem, West Flanders.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

See Case of Samuel Kohler, Pvt., Co. A, 146th Inf., Alph. Files.

Identified as Caruso, Ralph W
File # 58220

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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Supp letter to Europe
saying the body
was formerly in 39-C
& trfd to 81-D

Yours file to
Mrs. Dandary

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Date

To Room

All Officers,
Col. Penrose
Lt. Col. Davis, O. R. C.
Capt. Wynne
Capt. Conner

Principal Clerk
Personnel Clerk
Files Clerk
Cemeterial Clerk

Prepare reply(Sec'y of War
 for(General Rogers
signature of(General Krauthoff
 (Col. Penrose
 (Lt. Col. Davis
 (Capt. Wynne
 (Capt. Conner

FOR:

To note
Information. Need not be returned
Information and return
Action or reply
Approval
Returned
Remarks and recommendation
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File
Investigation and report
Copies.....(State number)
Papers in case
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Draft of letter or endorsement .
Signature
Check for correction
See other side for remarks

Final return to:.....

From:

NOTE: This form may be used a number of times on same case by crossing off previous marks and inserting new marks (and date) in different colors.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File-58220

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CARUSO, RALPH W. Ser. No. 1517241
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 145th Inf. } TYP. MME
(c) Date of death 11-4-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. _____

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

(a) Grave No. 39 Row _____ Plot G Sec. _____ TYP. _____
(b) Emerg. Address Miss Eva Shire (Friend) Gen. Del. Berea, Ohio.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: No card located Date of receipt _____

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____

Reburied in Grave 81 Row _____ Plot _____ Sec. D Cty. # 1252
Sheet 670 Date _____ Authority File No. 16-a. (30144)

this information NOT to be released to N/R

7/31/22 M.J.D.

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

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

_____, dated _____

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

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(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 192

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

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

IX.

REMARKS

*8-8-22 Europe advised of identity. Body not
to be returned. IHC 8-8-22*

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(a) Grave No. 39 Row ----- Plot C Sec. ----- TYP. -----
 (b) Emerg. Address Miss Eva Shire (Friend) Gen. Del. Berea, Ohio.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR.

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

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

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., 192

COUNTRY Belgium

CEMETERY No. #1252

SHEET No. 670

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File ----

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Prev. rept. KOHLER, Samuel
(b) Rank -- Organization --
(c) Date of death -- (d) Cause of death --
TYP. db
CKR. MEH

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(a) Grave No. 39 Row -- Plot C Sec. -- TYP. db
(b) Emerg. Address --

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt -----

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Cancelled as buried, Ralston, Pa. 7/21/22
Identified as buried, Ralston, Pa. 7/21/22

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COUNTRY ~~XXXXX~~ BELGIUM

CEMETERY No. 1252

SHEET No. 670

Checked MEH 4/5/22

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 192

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

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

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IX.

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D.B. 4-5-22.

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COUNTRY BELGIUM

CEMETERY No. _____

SHEET No. 670

Place Waereghem Belgium

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date June 22, 1922

1. REMAINS OF CARUSO, Ralph W. SERIAL NUMBER 1571241
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. H. 145th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : June 22, 1922 From (give complete location) : Gr. 81 Plot D. Cem 1252
By : Group 3 Unit Sec 2.

3. Reburied (date) June 22, 1922. In (give complete location) : Grave #8, Block D, Row #2, Flanders Field American Cemetery #1252, Waereghem, Belgium.
By : Group _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial _____

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box, blanket.
Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? no On grave marker? no
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Wrist watch on body reads: Ralph W. Caruso 151724-
Bottle record dated May 4 1922 on body.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?
(a) Height (actual measurement) estimated 68 inches
(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine
(c) Hair—Color do
Quantity do
Characteristics do
(d) Hair on face—Color do
Location do
Quantity do
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None visible

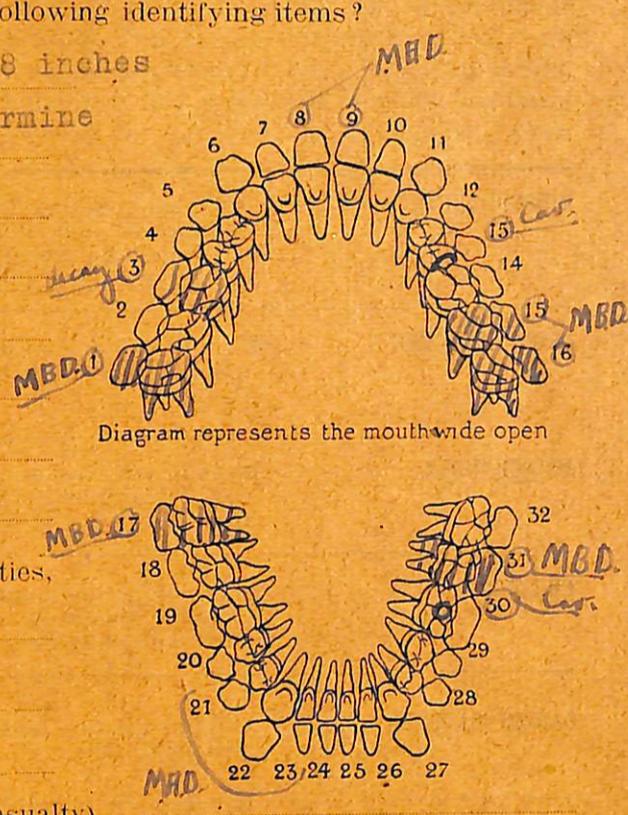


Diagram represents the mouthwide open

7. Disinterment supervised by H.C. Follmer Approved: O. E. Davis
(Title) 1st Lt. U.S.A.C.

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved: [Signature]
(Title) Chaplain U.S. Army

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

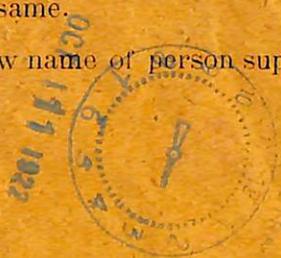
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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

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

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

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



Place Waereghem, Belgium.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 3-22-21. JED.
3/21/21.

1. REMAINS OF ~~Unknown~~ KOHLER, SAMUEL Carnes, Ralph W. SERIAL NUMBER 1517241

RANK Pat. ORGANIZATION Co. H, 145 Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 3/21/21. From (give complete location): Grave 39, Plot C, American cemetery 1252. Waereghem, Belgium. 7-24-22

By: Group 2 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date): 3-22-21. JED. In (give complete location): Grave 81, Plot D, American cemetery 1252. Waereghem, Belgium. ✓

By: Group 2 Unit Section 4. Nature of reburial In burlap, wooden box, with bottle and metal strip.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Buried in wooden box, burlap, overcoat and uniform. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Cross reads: Samuel Kohler, Grave 39, No disc on cross. G.R.S. strip on cross reads: Kohler, Samuel, Grave 39, Plot C, Cemetery 1252. No disc on body. No effects found.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? Nos. 1, 16, 17

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine. Not grown.

(b) Weight (estimated) -

(c) Hair—Color -

Quantity -

Characteristics -

(d) Hair on face—Color -

Location -

Quantity -

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

missing parts) -

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

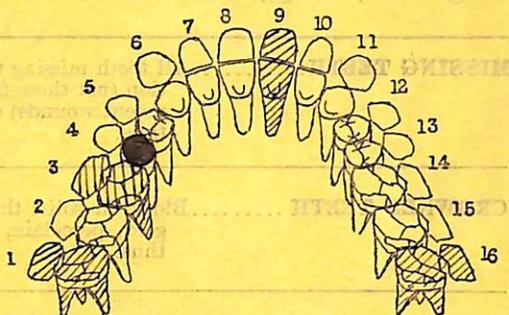
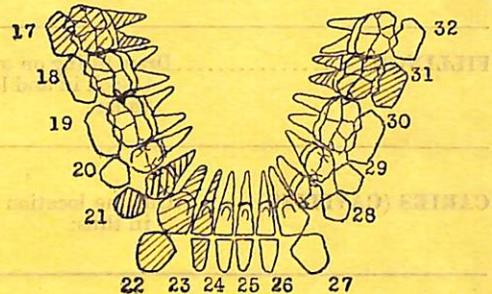


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



Nos. 3, 31 Extracted.

Nos. 4, Decayed.

Nos. 9, 21, 22, 23 Missing after death.

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7. Disinterment supervised by J. E. Benson Approved: F. B. Daniel hem
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8. Reburial supervised by J. E. Benson Approved: F. B. Daniel
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(Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

E. P. DOYLE

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1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.

2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

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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.

<p>MISSING TEETH.....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>CROWNED TEETH.....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>BRIDGE WORK.....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>FILLINGS.....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>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:</p>	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>

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

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

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CARUSO Ralph W

American Cemetery #1252

Waereghem (Belgium).

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

Place

May 4, 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date

UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER

Identified as:

1. REMAINS OF R. W. CARUSO, #151724

SERIAL NUMBER 1517241

RANK

ORGANIZATION

Put. Co. H, 145th Inf 724-22

2. Disinterred (date): May 4, 1922.

From (give complete location):

Grave #81, Plot D, American Cemetery #1252, Waereghem (Belgium).

C.O. Somme Cemetery

By: Group

Unit

3. Reburied (date): May 4, 1922.

In (give complete location):

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C.O. Somme Cemetery

By: Group

Unit

Nature of reburial

Blanket & pine box.

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

Badly decomposed-Skeleton disarticulated. Pine Box and burlap and uniform.

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5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? YES On grave marker? NO

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Found under the cross of Samuel Kohler, #2886970, Pvt. Co. A. 146th Inf. Wrist Tag on body reads: RALPH W. CARUSO, #151724. Reverse side of tag reads: C.A.S. Reburial record of Samuel Kohler; found on body, states: "No means of identification found."

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity None visible

Characteristics None visible

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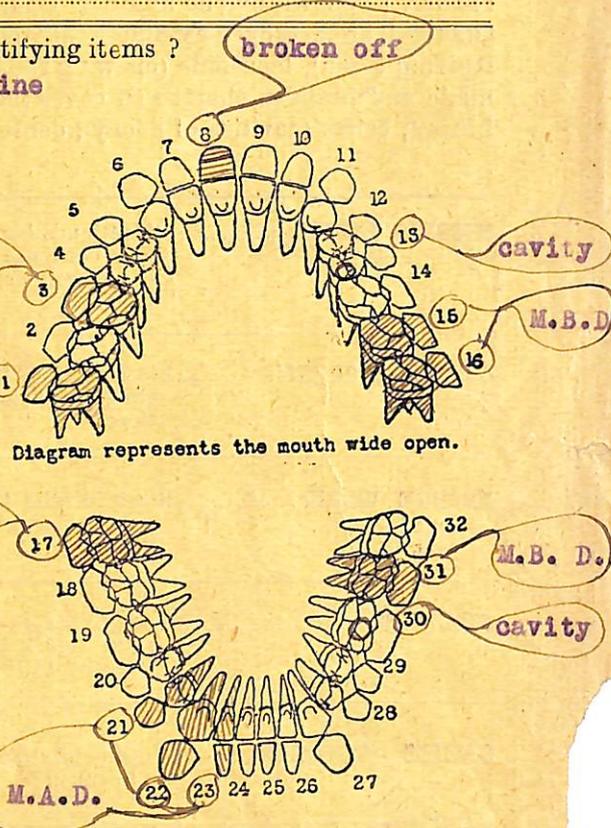


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7. Disinterment supervised by Ben A. Bradford

Approved: R.D. Fain

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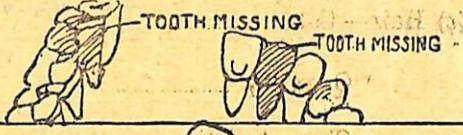
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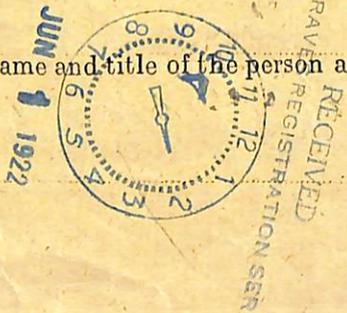
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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE June 22, 1922

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 <u>CARUSO, Ralph W.</u> | 10. Name _____ |
| 2. No. <u>1571241</u> | 11. No. <u>151724</u> |
| 3. Rank <u>Pvt</u> | 12. Rank _____ |
| 4. Org. <u>Co.H 145th Inf.</u> | 13. Org. _____ |
| 5. D.D. <u>11-4-18</u> | 14. (a) D.D. _____ |
| 6. C.D. <u>K.I.A.</u> | (b) D.B. _____ |

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| 7. Grave No. <u>81</u> Sec. _____ | 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____ |
| 8. Plot <u>D</u> Row _____ | 16. Plot _____ Row _____ |
| 9. _____ | 17. <u>none</u> |
| 18. Cemetery <u>Flanders Field Amer.</u> | 19. Commune or town <u>Waereghem</u> |
| 20. Dept. or County _____ | 21. Country <u>Belgium</u> |
| 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>1252</u> | |
| 23. Disinterred (Date) <u>June 22, 1922</u> | By <u>W.C. Follmer</u> |
| 24. Inscription on grave marker: | |
| Name <u>Caruso, Ralph W.</u> | Serial No. <u>1571241</u> |
| Rank <u>Pvt.</u> | Organization <u>CO. H. 145th Inf</u> |
| 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? <u>NO</u> On body? <u>No</u> | |

C.T. Brown
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
 C.T. Brown.

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).
Wrist tag on body reads: Ralph W. Caruso 151724. Bottle record on body dated May 4, 1922
27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable
28. Nature of burial Wooden box and blanket.
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Yes see par 11.
30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date June 22, 1922 By W.C. Follmer
31. Casket sealed by W.C. Follmer

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

MMB

W.C. Follmer
W.C. Follmer

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 31643

32. Designation of body:

Name Ralph W. CARUSO Serial No. 1571241

Rnk Pyt Organization Co. H 145th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Flanders Fields Amer. Cty. 1252 Waereghem, Belgium

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) June 22, 1922 By W.C. Follmer

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 *W.C. Davis*
W.C. Davis, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) June 22, 1922

To point of Concentration _____ (Name)
Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery Flanders Field, Amer Cem 1252 Waereghem, Belgium. (Name)
Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer *W.C. Davis*
W.C. Davis, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date June 22, 1922.

G.R.S. Representative *W.D. Cleary*

41. Reinterred June 22, 1922. W.D. Cleary, Chaplain.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 8 Section _____

43. Plot P106K D Row 2

G.R.S. Representative *W.D. Cleary*
W.D. CLEARY
Chaplain, U.S. Army

AUDITED BY
LDK 5-17-23