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To The A. G. C.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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~~Underwood~~  
FULL NAME ..... CHRISTIANSEN, Herbert C. ✓ CHRISTIANSEN, Herbert C. ✓ SEE OVER

RANK ..... Pvt. ✓ Pvt. ✓<sup>1st</sup> SERIAL ..... 2154753 ✓ 215 4753

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co. F, 139th Inf. - 35. Div ✓  
Co. F, 139th Inf. ✓ 35

DATE OF DEATH ..... Sept. 29, 1918 ✓  
Sept 29, 1918 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Iowa ✓

✓ MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ..... None ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 11-29-27 ..... 36 ..... 11 ..... D  
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By RVO

MAY 18 1943

MAY 15 1943

1st Ind.

Dec. 13, 1927. To: The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. Reference paragraphs 1 and 2 above, forwarded herewith are GRS Form 16-A, Nov. 29, 1927, covering examination of body-carried as U-412 from grave 27, Row 43, Block G, Mause-Algonne Cemetery and reburial into grave 36, Row 11, Block D, same cemetery as Private Herbert C. Christiansen, Co. F, 139th Inf., and Form 16-A for body exhumed from grave 36, Row 11, Block D, previously carried as Pvt. Christiansen and reburied in Grave 27, Row 43, Block G, as Unknown U.S. Soldier U-3825.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CIMITERIAL DIVISION  
INQUIRY SECTION.

File No.

*Christman*

Date 1/27/21

Time \_\_\_\_\_

TO REGISTRATION SECTION,  
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION.

Attention of Mr. Good

FOR VERIFICATION OF

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grave location	Spelling of
<input type="checkbox"/>	(a) original	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) first name
<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) reburial	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) last name
<input type="checkbox"/>	Serial number	Date of
<input type="checkbox"/>	File number	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) death
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) burial or reburial
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cause of death	<input type="checkbox"/> Condition of Body
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Burial of Body
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identification	<input type="checkbox"/> Other burials in same vicinity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rank	<u>M. M. E.</u>

REGISTRATION SECTION  
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION

Date \_\_\_\_\_

TO INQUIRY SECTION:

Time \_\_\_\_\_

Attention of: Supervisor

- No action to be taken by this office.
- REPLY and 109-a to be returned to Inv. & Adj.
- REPLY and return to Inv. & Adj. for investigation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Examiner

Remarks:  
See other side.

File Number

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 1/27/21.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: *Christiansen, Herbert* Serial Number

RANK: *Pvt.*

ORGANIZATION: *Co. F, 139th Int.*

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	(1), no record,
2.	Date of death.	(2), " "
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3), " "
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	(4), " "
5.	Date buried.	(5), " "
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	(10) - a, " " (10) - b, " "
9.	Report as to grave marker.	(11), <i>Ruthven, Iowa,</i>
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(12), no record,
11.	Complete emergency address?	
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	(14), " "
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	
14.	What is the photograph number?	<i>Mr. Lynch - 13 FF,</i>
15.	Inquiry made by.	

RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

..... Confirmed.

..... Unconfirmed.

*ET*

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Christianson	3	3-8-08
	Herbert C		
	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 36	2	36
	ROW 11	2	11
	BLOCK D	1	4
STATE	Iowa	2	16
RANK	Priv 1cl	1	2
DIVISION	35	2	35
ORGANIZATION	139	3	139
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	W	1	2
NAME	Christianson	3	
	Mt. J.C.		
RESIDENCE	R.F.D.#1 Box 96		
	Ruthven, Iowa		
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	(No loco or S.M.)	1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

Father

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M.A.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Christiansen, Herbert C. 1232 F

July 8, 1930

Mr. J. C. Christiansen  
R. F. D. #1, Box 76  
Rubhven, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

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:

No

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

If so, give her name and address:

No

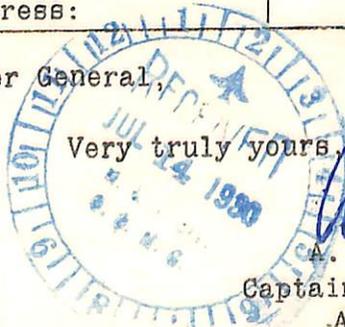
3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

No

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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The records of this office show that you are the father of the late **Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen, Co. F, 139th Inf.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.**

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 202 A-C  
Christiansen, Herbert C.

June 29, 1929

Mr. J. C. Christiansen,  
RFD #1,  
Ruthven, Iowa.

R.F.D. 1 Box 76

Ruthven, Iowa, July 6-1929.

Dear Sir:

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 29-1929.  
The late Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen, Co. F, 137th Inf.,  
is not survived by a mother, widow or  
stepmother.

Very Truly yours

J. C. Christiansen

Father of the late Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen,

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no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

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Major, 9th M. Corps,  
Assistant

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Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

B.R.D. 7-36-R11-232

293 Christiansen, Herbert C.

January 28, 1928

Subject: Correct Name.

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

1. Reference to paragraph 3, 1st Indorsement, your letter of December 12, 1927, you are advised the correct name of decedent is Christiansen and rank is Private 1 class.

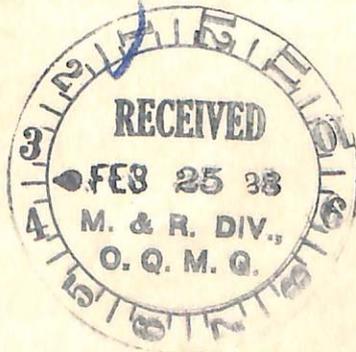
2. All records and inscription should be adjusted accordingly.

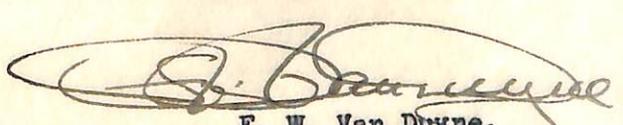
By order of The Quartermaster General:

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14 FEB 1928  
K.J. Hampton,  
Lt. Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant

293.6 M.A. (Block D). 1st Ind.  
Hdqs., American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in E., 20, rue Molitor,  
Paris, France, Feb. 14, 1928. To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

Receipt acknowledged. Lists of inscriptions and all other records have been corrected. The necessary correction of inscription on cross will be made at such time as a stonecutter is sent to the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery.



  
F. W. Van Dyne,  
Colonel, Q.M. Corps,  
Chief.

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*2-29-28*

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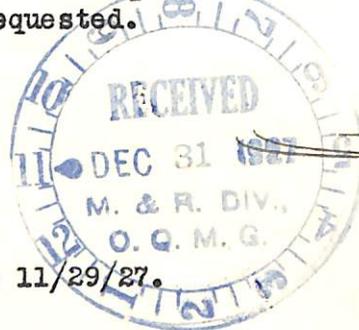
293 Christiansen, Herbert C.  
X-293 U-3825.

1st Ind. to Q.M.G., 12/13/27, cont'd.

2. All records and inscriptions on grave markers have been adjusted accordingly.

3. Attention is invited to name as shown on basic letter, viz: Christianson. List of inscriptions from your office for permanent grave markers and all records on file here carry this decedent as Christiansen. Correct name is requested.

4. Reference paragraph 3 basic letter, a thorough search of the body of Unknown U-3825 was made but no evidence of value was found by which identification could be made. In this connection, an investigation of the records in this office reveals the fact that U-3825 was concentrated to Meuse-Argonne Cemetery from a point indicated by coordinates E.301.5 N.280.9 Map Verdun 35 NE. The body of Corporal Logan Wheeler, Company D, 364th Infantry, was reported buried at same coordinates, and is the only remaining unlocated case among names listed in letter your office of February 2, 1921, par. 2, (293.8 Cem.Div.#59605. Registration). Dental information on file for Corporal Wheeler checks with that of U-3825. Your decision is requested.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F.W. Van Duyne".

F.W. Van Duyne,  
Colonel, Q.M.G.,  
Chief.

Incls:

2 Forms 16-A. 11/29/27.

file  
3/1/28

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-G  
Christianson, Herbert C.

October 19, 1927.

SUBJECT: Identification.

TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service,  
Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. Unknown U-4112 now interred in grave 27, row 43, block G, Meuse-Argonne Cemetery has been identified as Private Herbert C. Christianson, Co. F. 139th Infantry. The body buried in grave 36, row 11, block D, same cemetery as Private Christianson is now carried as an Unknown American Soldier; the father had been notified that the body was in this grave.

2. It is requested that the bodies be exhumed and that of Private Christianson interred in grave 36, row 11, block D.

3. A thorough search of the body of the Unknown will be made for means of identification and this office advised when the above has been accomplished.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

*cc*  
*for*

*0 Q.M.C.*  
*293 - Christianson and Herbert C.*

RECEIVED  
3 NOV. 1927  
H.Q., A.G.R.S., Q.M.C.  
in Europe

*[Signature]*  
E. J. HAMPTON,  
Lt. Col. Q.M.C.  
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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 29, 1927.

**CHRISTIANSON,**

1. REMAINS OF ~~CHRISTIANSON~~, Herbert C.  
Formerly Unknown U.S. Soldier U-4112.  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. F 139th Inf.

SERIAL NUMBER 2154753

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov. 29, 1927. From (give complete location) : Gr. 27 Row 43 Bl. G Meuse-Argonne Am. Cemetery #1232.

By : Group Stine Unit Meuse-Argonne Sector.

3. Reburied (date) : Nov. 29, 1927 In (give complete location) : Gr. 36 Row 11 Bl. D. Meuse-Argonne Am. Cemetery #1232.

By : Group Stine Unit M.A. Sector. Nature of reburial Reg.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment : Buried 6 feet deep in metallic casket, shipping case, body wrapped in OD blanket. Skeleton disarticulated flesh decomposed.

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

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

None

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Est. 64 inches

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp to det.

(c) Hair—Color Do

Quantity Do

Characteristics Do

(d) Hair on face—Color Do

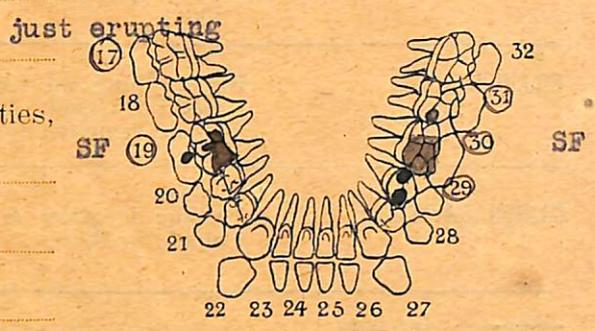
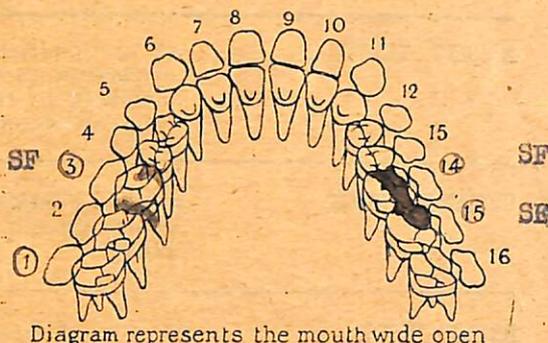
Location Do

Quantity Do

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

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

None visible



7. Disinterment supervised by

W.B. Sheild  
Superintendent.

Approved : W.B. Sheild  
(Title) Superintendent

8. Reburial supervised by

W.B. Sheild  
Superintendent

Approved : W.B. Sheild  
(Title) Superintendent

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File 37727 ✓

Christiansen, Herbert Christian 2,154,753

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co F, 139th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

R. R. 1 Box 6 J. C. Christiansen  
Puthouse Iowa

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

changed to Williams 6-4

~~Memo.~~

1232 - See 90 - Plot  
Grave 196.

Drawn by *RF*  
8-2-21

checked 8/12/21 *Red*

*mm*  
QM 293 A-C  
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K. J. HAMPTON,  
Lt. Col. Q.M.C.  
Assistant.

SWS *led*

*mm*

*Correct name  
is Christianson*



*10/21/27*

*file  
10/20/27*

Aug. 12, 1927

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
Audit Report.

Cem. 1232

Gr.

27- Row 43 -G

36- " 11 - D

previously reported

Unknown #U 4112

Christiansen, Herbert C.

Identified. ✓

Christiansen, Herbert C.  
139 Infantry.

Under Invest.

*file with*

REMAIN CASE.

*S. W. Sechrest*  
S. W. Sechrest





To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 28th, 1926.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

*Christiansen, Herbert*

1. Name ~~UNKNOWN U.S. SOLDIER U-4112~~

10. Name

2. No. --- *2154753*

11. No.

3. Rank --- *Pvt*

12. Rank

4. Org. --- *7-139*

13. Org.

5. D.D. --- *KA*

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. --- *9/29/18*

(b) D.B. No discrepancies.

Isolated grave, Bois de Montrebeau (Ardennes).

Map Foret d'Argonne 1/20000, E-302.880, N-279.770.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

*Came, Exerment.*

7. Grave No. Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17.

18. Cemetery ---

19. Commune or town Exerment.

20. Dept. or County Ardennes.

21. Country France

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

23. Disinterred (Date) May 8th, 1924

By Philip N. McCabe.

24. Inscription on grave marker: No.

Name Serial No.

Rank Organization

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

*Philip N. McCabe*  
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).

*Cellar ornament on blouse collar, "Crossed rifles F". No effects.  
Teeth very white, solid, regular and well cared for. Very large head for a small man. Height est. 62 to 64 inches.*

27. Condition of body *Flesh of body entirely decomposed-skeleton disarticulated.*

*Buried in parts of OD US uniform, without shoes in 'made' grave about 2 feet deep. About 40 meters from grave of PFC Wilhelm PETERSON, Co. D, 140th Inf.*

28. Nature of burial

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date May 24, 1924. By G.T. Parker.

31. Casket sealed by G.T. Parker.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

G.T. Parker.

*9/17/27*

*AUDITED BY  
9/24/27  
G.T.P.*

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-33079

32. Designation of body:

Name Christiansen, Neber C  
UNKNOWN U.S. SOLDIER U-4112

Serial No. ---

Rank --- Pvt

Organization --- 7-139 Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. #1232, Romagne-s/Montfaucon (Meuse).

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) May 24, 1924. By G.T. Parker.

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector G.T. Parker.

36. Remarks I certify that data shown under paragraphs 10-14 incl., 15-17 incl., 23-31 incl., 34 & 35, was taken from GRS Form 16-A, dated May 24th, 1924, covering the preparation of these remains for burial by Philip N. McCabe, T.A., and G.T. Parker, Sup. Emb., & Inspector, and that it is impracticable to secure the signature of the Sup. Emb., and Inspector, as this employee is no longer on duty at this station.

W.B. Sheild,  
Caretaker.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred March 1st, 1926.

(Date)

42. Grave No. Twenty-seven (27), Section Block "G",

43. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row Forty-three (43).

G.R.S. Representative

W.B. Sheild,  
Caretaker.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 24th, 1924.

1. REMAINS OF Christiansen, Herbert C. SERIAL NUMBER CS. 7 139 24  
UNKNOWN U. S. SOLDIER, No. U-4112  
RANK Priv. ORGANIZATION us 8/6/27

2. Disinterred (date): May 8th, 1924. From (give complete location): Isolated grave, Bois de Montrebeau (Ardennes) Map Foret d'Argonne 1/20000 East-302.880 North-279.770 Cms. Exerment.  
By: Group Four Unit Meuse-Argonne Sector.

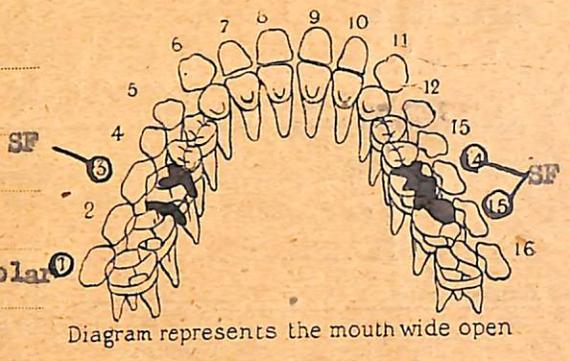
3. Reburied (date): March 1st, 1926. In (give complete location): Grave 27, Block G, Row 43, Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cemetery, #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.  
By: Group W.B. Sheild, Caretaker, Unit AGRS. QMC in E., Nature of reburial GRS case, casket, sheet & Blanket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Buried in parts of OD US uniform, without shoes, in a 'made' grave about 2 feet deep. Flesh of body entirely decomposed--skeleton disarticulated. About forty (40) meters from grave of PFC Wilhelm PEPERSON, 1460363, Co. D, 140th Infantry.

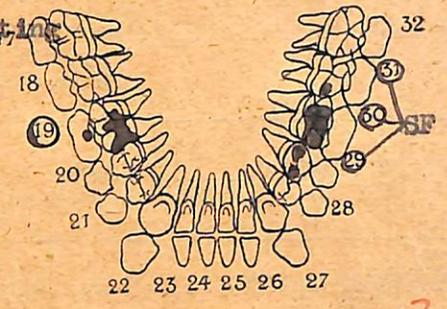
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? No  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Collar ornament on collar of blouse, "crossed rifles".

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) Est. 62 to 64 inches.
- (b) Weight (estimated) Imp. to det.
- (c) Hair—Color None visible.
- 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) Teeth very white, solid, regular, and well cared for.  
Very large head for a small man.



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

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7. Disinterment supervised by Philip N. McCabe,  
Investigator.

Approved: G. T. Parker,  
(Title) Chief Investigator.

8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild,  
Caretaker.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 24th, 1924.

1. REMAINS OF *Christiansen, Herbert*  
~~UNKNOWN U. S. SOLDIER, No. U-4112~~ SERIAL NUMBER *2154783*  
RANK *Pvt* ORGANIZATION *C. F. 139 B/ Ebermohltz*

2. Disinterred (date): May 8th, 1924. From (give complete location): Isolated grave, Bois de Montrebeau (Ardennes) Map Foret d'Argonne 1/20000 East-302.880 North-279.770

By: Group Four Unit Meuse-Argonne Sector.

3. Reburied (date): \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location): \_\_\_\_\_

By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial \_\_\_\_\_

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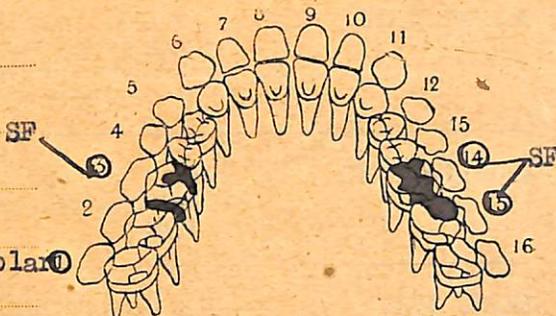
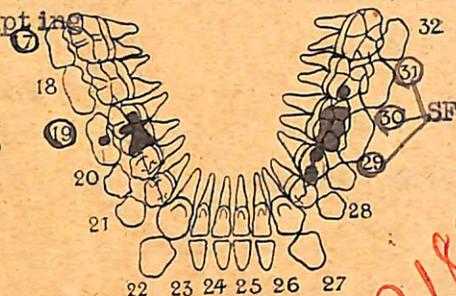


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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

None visible.

7. Disinterment supervised by *Philip N. McCabe*  
PHILIP N. McCABE,  
Investigator.

Approved: *G. T. Parker*  
G. T. PARKER,  
Chief Investigator.

(Title)

Approved:

(Title)

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA.

I. Location Index Card

(a) Name ~~UNKNOWN U-4112~~ *Christiansen, Herbert C* Ser.No. *215-4753*  
(b) Rank *Pat* Organization *7-1392nd* TYP. \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Cause of Death \_\_\_\_\_ CKR \_\_\_\_\_

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II. Registration Card

(a) Grave No. *Morgue 1232* Row \_\_\_\_\_ Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Emerg. Address *J. C. Christiansen (Father)*  
*Rt # 1 Ruthven Iowa*

III. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

(a) Name *J. C. Christiansen* (b) *(Father)*  
(c) Address *Rt # 1 Box 6, Ruthven, Iowa*  
(d) Remains to be brought to U.S.? *no*  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U.S. at \_\_\_\_\_  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival in U.S. \_\_\_\_\_  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

IV. G.R.S. Files, Correspondence-shows as follows

Examiner's Initials *ident* Date *2/22/27*

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ Cemetery No. \_\_\_\_\_ Morgue 1232 Sheet No. 298

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

**I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:**

96/27
 (a) Name Christian, Herbert Ser. No. 215 4753  
 (b) Rank Pvt Organization 7 139 Inf } TYP. ....  
 (c) Date of death 9-29-18 (d) Cause of death K/A }

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

(a) Grave No. Morgue 1232 Row \_\_\_\_\_ Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ TYP. ....  
 (b) Emerg. Address J. C. Christian (Father)  
R # 1 Ruthven, Iowa

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.

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

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

In reply refer to:  
C.R.



Central Mail & File  
U.S.M.C.

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
the permanent grave of

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

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

Very truly yours,

*Handwritten signature: H. J. Conner*

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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*Handwritten number: 3777*

*Handwritten number: 293*

293-Unk.U.S.Soldier U-4112

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to suggest to your office in the event of an Unknown being found, just who he might be of the number still unlocated.

1 enclosure.



*Robt Sterrett*

ROBT. STERRETT,  
Chief.

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Unknown

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*See other dates check cases  
not family  
not kid  
not else*

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C. IN EUROPE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE  
20 RUE MOLITOR

SDC/epm

File No. 293-Unknown U.S. Soldier U-4112.

PARIS, FRANCE. May 29, 1924.

SUBJECT: Recovery.

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

1. Herewith is enclosed GRS Form 16-A for Unknown U.S. Soldier U-4112, recovered by the Research personnel of this office from an isolated "made" grave in the Bois de Montrebeau (Ardennes) Map Foret d'Argonne 1/20000 East-302.880 North-279.770. These remains are being held in the Mortuary at Romagne pending advice from your office as to identification and disposition.

2. Inasmuch as the shoes had been removed before burial these remains are, no doubt, those of a deceased member of the 35th Division, killed and buried by the Germans. It is noted that collar ornament, "crossed rifles F" was found on collar of blouse in which remains were clothed, and it is possible these remains are in reality one of the four members of a Company F in the 35th Division reported kia or mia during the first four days of the Meuse-Argonne attack and for whom there is no confirmed grave location, as follows:

EKRE, Selmar T., 2142462, Pvt., Co. F, 139th Inf., mia 9/26/18  
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PEFFLEY, Elba B., 1456870, Pvt. 1/c Co. F, 139th Inf., reported  
buried 10/13/18-- date of death unknown.

It is, however, also possible that this deceased soldier was a recent replacement to this Division and was not serving with a Company F at time of death. The 18th Infantry of the 1st Division also occupied this terrain, relieving the 35th Division, but it is not thought probable these remains are those of a former member of that organization.

3. A thorough examination of the grave soil and terrain in the vicinity failed to discover anything that would aid in the identification of this late soldier.

4. It is the intention of this office, as part of our investigation program, when all burial slips and information as to burial have been furnished us, to so check and arrange them as to cover point of death and burial (such as Bois de Cunel etc.); also to group them by co-ordinate points. This will enable us to ascertain how many bodies were originally buried in any particular spot. The check of Unknowns taken from such points would enable us to prove the number still unlocated at such point mentioned. When this is accomplished, we will be in a position

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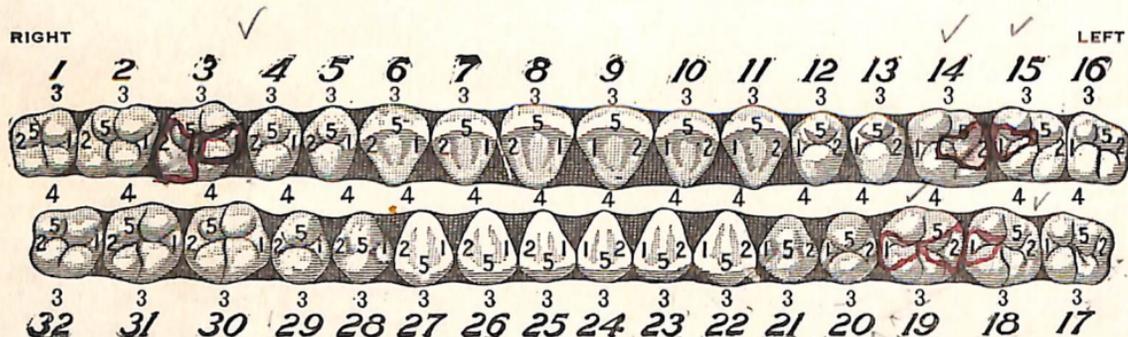
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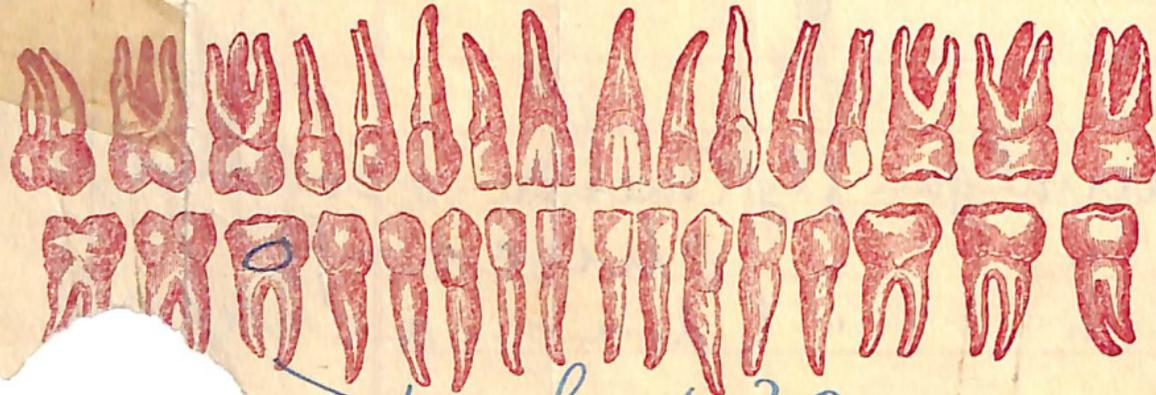
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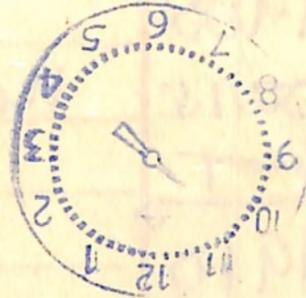
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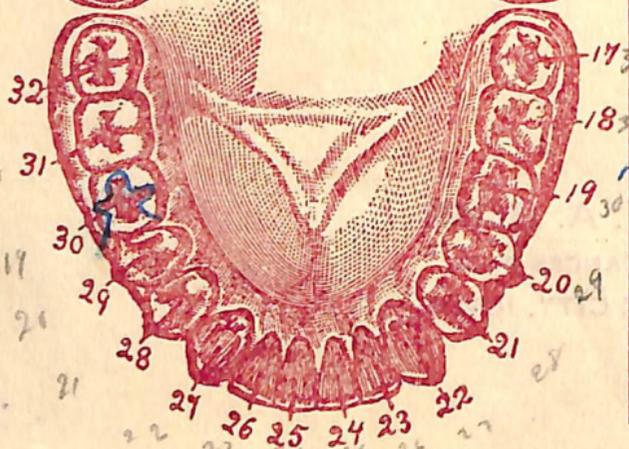
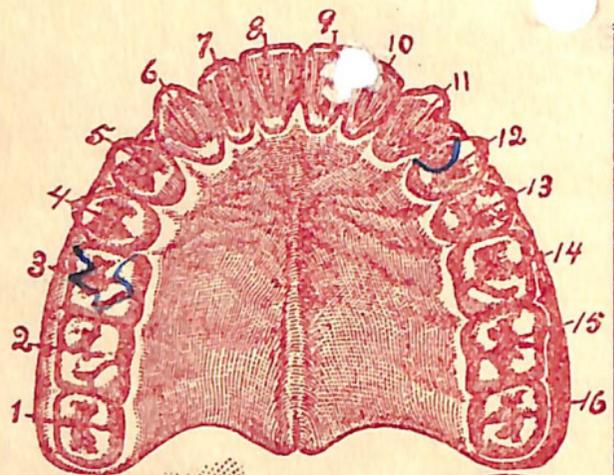
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Christiansen Bert C. #2154753

From report of ARC- 2/20/19

List of December 23/18, received from Mr Husband, ARC. Rep. at Berlin, states that Christiansen and ten others fell in battle and were buried on the 1st and 2nd of Oct. 1918, near Exermont (Argonnes) partly in single graves and partly in Collective graves. Reg. No. 28595-7.

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Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Christensen, Herbert C. 10-24-21

Do not take any  
action on this  
case until fur-  
ther advice is  
received from  
Investigation  
Section. Suspended  
for further in-  
vestigation.

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July 5, 1921.

REVISED REPORT ON CTY. 1232      Sec. 90

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

Sec. 90 - Last report 5-28-21 (With 2 susp.)	9	0	197	0	0
Unknown in Gr. 196 now identified as Herbert C. Christiansen.	1		-1		
Unknown in Gr. 192 now ident. as Joseph C. Botz.	1		-1		
Section 90 now reads (With 2 susp.)	11	0	195	0	0

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September 3, 1921.

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File No. 293.8 Gen.Div. - #37727 - Registration.  
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Gen. Div).  
To: Mr. Myron S. Collins, Burlingame, Kansas.  
Subject: Case of Private Herbert C. Christiansen, #2154753, Company F,  
139th Infantry.

1. The records of this office do not indicate that reply has been received to our communication dated July 30, 1921, copy of which is attached hereto.

2. Your prompt attention to this important matter will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

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1 Copy of letter  
1 Penalty envelope.

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

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July 30, 1921.

293.8 Gen. Div. - #37727 - Registration.

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

Mr. Myron S. Collins, Burlingame, Kansas.

Case of Private Herbert C. Christiansen, #2154753, Company F,  
139th Infantry.

1. This office is conducting an investigation for the purpose of locating the grave of Private Herbert C. Christiansen and an American Red Cross Searcher's Report on file in this office states that the Chaplain of the 2nd Battalion, 139th Infantry buried this soldier. Our records show that you were on duty with the 139th Infantry during all of October, 1918 and this soldier was reported to have been buried the 1st or 2nd of October, 1918. Therefore, it is the opinion of this office that in all probability you conducted the burial of Private Christiansen.

2. The following named soldiers were reported to have been buried in the immediate vicinity of the original grave location of Private Christiansen :

Private Joseph C. BOYZ, #2141528,  
Company A, 129th Machine Gun Battalion.

Private James LANDPHERE, #2560427,  
Company E, 139th Infantry.

Corporal Logan WHEELER, #2286298,  
Company D, 364th Infantry.

Private George W. MEW, #2560455,  
Company B, 139th Infantry.

Private Floyd W. SUSSEX, #1456884,  
Company F, 139th Infantry.

3. It is requested that you forward to this office a report giving any information you may be able to furnish relative to the place of burial of Private Christiansen. It is also requested that you furnish the names of other soldiers whom your records may show were buried in the immediate vicinity of the original grave location of Private Christiansen.

Mr. Myron S. Collins, Burlingame, Kans.

7/30/21

4. The information requested is to be used as a basis for an investigation for the purpose of locating the graves of the above named soldiers and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

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

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Millersburg Mo.  
July - 19 - 1921

Quartermaster General  
Cemeterial Div.  
Washington D. C.

In reply to your inquiry of the death and burial place of Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen 293.8 Cem. Div. # 37727, you have the report of his death correct. I understand he was buried where he fell but do not know who buried him. I have a clear memory of the spot where he died but could not direct one to the place as in the excitement of battle and constantly moving day and night I lost all sense of direction. Although I could go directly to the spot from Exermont from memory of the ground. If I can be of further assistance I am yours to command.

Frank J. Cooper

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., U. S. M. G.  
File # 37727-888

Christiansen, Herbert C.

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July 5, 1921.

293.6 Cem. Div. -#37727 - (CHRISTIANSEN, Herbert C.)

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

Mr. Frank J. Cooper, Millersburg, Missouri.

Information for Identification.

1. This office is conducting an investigation for the purpose of locating the grave of Private Herbert C. Christiansen and there is on file in this office an American Red Cross searcher's report giving you as Informant, which states:

"Pvt. Christiansen died about 11:00 A.M. September 29th, 1918. He had started with Company F, in their attack on Exermont, and had been wounded and gassed and was evidently trying to get back to the hospital, when we met him. He was shot through the body and was wearing his gas-mask. He fell just before we got to him. We took his mask off, although he fought to keep on. He tried to talk but could not, and he died without saying a word in about 15 minutes.

He was buried, so the Chaplain 2nd Bn. 139th Infantry states, near Exermont, and almost the same spot, where he fell."

2. In view of the fact that you were acquainted with the circumstances surrounding the death of Private Christiansen, it is the opinion of this office that you may be able to give valuable information that will be of material aid to this Department in locating the grave of this soldier. Therefore, it is requested that you forward to this office a report giving detailed information relative to the place of death of Private Christiansen. Please also furnish this office with the name of the Chaplain, who conducted the burial of Private Christiansen in order that we may communicate with him as to the exact location of the grave of this soldier.

3. The information requested is to be used in matters of identification and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

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8-6-21

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

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Co F. 139th Infantry  
35th Div.

CHRISTIANSEN, Herbert C. - Pvt 1st Cl.  
( 2154753 )  
Home : RUTHVEN, Iowa . -

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Informant : COOPER, Frank, J. - Mech I456850  
Co F. 139th Infantry  
Home : MILLERSBURG, Missouri  
Searcher : HULPHILL, Noob - Cpl  
Co F., 139th Infantry.

Emergency adress :  
J.C. CHRISTIANSEN,  
RUTHVEN, Iowa.-

H.P.

File #37727

July 2, 1921.

CASE OF:

CHRISTIANSEN, #2154753, HERBERT C.  
Pvt., Co. F, 139th Infantry.

It is requested that a Form #122 be forwarded to Europe for change of inscription on Cross erected over Grave #196, Section #90, Plot #4, Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, to read as shown above. DD 9/29/18.

*Ethel C. Cawley*  
Ethel C. Cawley.

CEMETERY DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

July 1, 1921

MEMO FOR: Cards Department.

1.  
CASE OF:

Co. F, 139th Infantry  
ORGANIZATION (Old)

Christiansen, Herbert C.  
(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.	-----	Cty. No. not given.	D-
1st Reb.	3/28/19	Cty. 1232	D- 10707
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new data and data correcting previous information)

BY: Ethel C. Cawley

Investigation & Adjustment

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By *E. C. Cawley*

S/1105/LML

O P I N I O N

June 3, 1921

CASE OF Christiansen, Herbert C. #2154753, Co. F, 139th Inf.

GRAVE 196. Sec 90, Plot 4, Coy 1232

DECISION Opinion that the body of the above named soldier is contained in Grave 196.

DENTAL CHART

Date of Enlistment		Emergency Address		Report on Disinterment	
A.G.O.	Dental Work	Dental Work	Missing E.D.	Dental Work	Miss A.D.
Missing		#3 amal flg.	#1	#3, #4 & #5 Amal. flg.	
U.R.					
U.L.		#12 Amal. flg. #14 and #15 flg.	#15 & #16	#12, #13 & #14 Amal. flg.	
R. #17		#19 Amal. flg.	#17	#18 Silver flg. #19 & 20 silver flg.	
L.L.		#29 Amal flg #30 & #31 flgs.	#32 & 29	#30 silver filling	#31

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows: Above teeth reported missing may have dropped out after death or have been extracted after Soldier enlisted.

BODY DESCRIPTION

A.G.O. Report	E/A Report	Report on Disinterment
Weight 5 ft. 2 1/2 ins.		Impossible to determine
Weight 130 1/2 lbs		" "
Hair Brown		" "
Fractures		Brown

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

No

Found on Cross

No

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

N 280.9

Body in this Grave concentrated from Isolated Grave, Exermont, Ardennes 35 NR. E301.5  
This man reported buried originally Near Exermont

Organizations of other men buried around original location. Five other men reported to have been buried at the same time and place as Christiansen disinterred from same coordination.

F.V. Williams,

Investigator

Concur:

APPROVED:

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

37727

January 22, 1921.

File No. 37727 Registration. Date

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. **Christiansen**
- b. Christian name. **Herbert C.**
- c. Serial number. **2154753**
- d. Organization. **Co. F, 139th Inf.**
- e. Rank. **Pvt.**
- f. Date of death. **9-29-18**
- g. Cause of death. **Killed in action**
- h. Authority (C. C. No.) **Cas Ablogian 289**
- i. Emergency address. **J. C. Christiansen (father)  
Ruthven Iowa**
- j. Relationship. **father**

**BODY DESCRIPTION.**

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment. **25 yr 1 mo.**
- b. Color of eyes. **Blue**
- c. Color of hair. **Brown**
- d. Height. **5ft 2 1/2 inches.**
- e. Weight. **130 1/2 lb.**

**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.
- M 7-Rec'd  
2-201 Issues of  
Frat. Group  
W-W. Con. Fe.*

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.)  
*P.M. left foot S left front forearm B.M.K.  
Lower left Shldr Blade P.M. lower left*

*Special  
Trans.*

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

By *[Signature]*

**H. J. CONNER,**  
Captain, Q. M. C.  
*1st Lt.*

*Donnelly Eric - EPS - 1/25/21*

Rec'd World War Div  
Date **JAN 24 1921**

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2-201 Survey of  
Field Draft  
W-W. Con Fe.*

*Checked LRS*

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.) *P.M. left foot S left front forearm B.M.K - Lower left Shldr Blade P.M. lower left*

*Special  
Hms.*

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

By *[Signature]*

**H. J. CONNER,**  
Captain, Q. M. C.  
*1st Lt.*

Rec'd World War  
Date **JAN 24 1921**

*Donnelly ERNE-EP5-1105/21*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

January 22, 1921.

Date

Registration

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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

Christiansen

b. Christian name

Herbert G.

c. Social number

2184753

d. Organization

Co. F, 138th Inf.

e. Rank

Pvt.

f. Relationship

g. Emergency address

h. Authority (C. O. No.)

*Castalagon 289*

i. Cause of death

*Killed in action*

j. Date of death

*9-22-18*

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page 2 of the Service Record)

a. Age at enlistment

b. Color of eyes

c. Color of hair

d. Height

e. Weight

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS  
(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Striking or teeth missing:

Upper right 12345678

Upper left

Lower right 12345678

Lower left

*M. J. Cozner  
2-5-21  
Capt. Co. F*

H. L. ROGERS

**RECEIVED**

**JAN 28 1921**

H. J. COZNER

**JAN 24 1921**

**FILE**

February 2, 1921.

Case of Logan Wheeler, 2286298, Corporal,  
Company D, 564th Infantry. DD - 9/28/18

It is the opinion of the investigator that the body contained in Grave 77, Section 90, Plot 2, Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse is not that of Corporal Wheeler, inasmuch as dental chart on file in the Office of The Adjutant General shows no teeth missing at date of enlistment and letter from the mother of this soldier states that she is unable to obtain a dental chart of any dental treatment performed for this soldier, altho she has made inquiries of her local dentists and the dentist where her son attended college, and Form 16-A shows a number of teeth missing and an unusual lot of dental work.

2. Further investigation reveals the fact that Mr. Husband, A.R.C. representative, states Private Meredith B. White, 1460174, Company C, 140th Infantry, Private Fred E. Bunkle, 2175538, Company B, 149th Infantry, Private l/c Dale I. Peace, 2220804, Company C, 140th Infantry, Corporal H. Ward Hunter, 1469717, Company A, 140th Infantry, Private Joseph C. Bots, 2141528, Company A, 129th Machine Gun Battalion, Private Herbert G. Christiansen, 2154753, Company F, 139th Infantry, Private James Landphere, 2560427, Company E, 139th Infantry, Private George W. Now, 2560455, Company B, 139th Infantry, Private Floyd W. Sussex, 1456884, Company F, 139th Infantry and Corporal Logan Wheeler, 2286298, Company D, 564th Infantry, fell in battle and were buried on the first and second of October 1918, near Exermont (Argonne) ----- they were buried partly in single graves and partly in collective graves.

3. The records of this office show the first four of the above named soldiers to have been disinterred from isolated graves, Commune of Exermont, Ardennes 35 N.E., E-301.5, N-280.9 and to have been reburied in Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse. There is no confirmed burial for the last six above named soldiers; however, a search thru the records of Unknowns reported buried in Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, reveals the fact that six Unknown American Soldiers were disinterred from Commune of Exermont, Ardennes 35 N.E., E-301.5, N-280.9 (the same coordination as given for original grave location of the four above named soldiers who have confirmed burials) and were reburied in Graves 191, 192, 193, 194, 195 and 196, Section 90, Plot 4, Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, and it is the opinion of this investigator that the bodies of Private Bots, Private Christiansen, Private Landphere, Private Now, Private Sussex and Corporal Wheeler are contained in these graves.

4. It is requested that a letter be written to France requesting that Graves 191, 192, 193, 194, 195 and 196, Section 90, Plot 4, Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, be exhumed in an effort to identify them as being the bodies of Private Bots, Private Christiansen, Private Landphere, Private Now, Private Sussex and Corporal Wheeler.

Florence V. Williams

Investigator.

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
~~DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE~~  
WASHINGTON



February 1, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. - <sup>37727</sup> 27727 (Christensen, Herbert C.)  
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).  
To: Mr. J. C. Christensen, Ruthven, Iowa.  
Subject: Dental chart.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.  
File # 293.8 - # 37727

1. It is requested that you secure from your local dentists and forward to this office a chart of all dental treatment performed for your son, Herbert C. Christensen, prior to his entry into the service-- the chart to include fillings, crowns, bridges, etc. It is further requested that you furnish information relative to fractures of bones this soldier may have sustained which you recall.

2. The information requested is to be used in matters of identification and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

*M. N. Greeley*  
M. N. GREELEY,  
Captain, Q.M.C.  
Executive Officer,  
Cemeterial Division.

*Christensen, Herbert C.*



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Inv. S. S.  
Inv. & Adj.

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M. N. GREELEY,  
Captain, Q.M.C.  
Executive Officer,  
Cemeterial Division.

*JDA*  
FVW

*OK*

SUSPENDED FOR 3/1/21

MAILED  
FEB 2 1921  
G.R.S.

File #37727

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

February 1, 1921.

MEMORANDUM TO A. G. O. WORLD WAR DIVISION CORRESP. SECTION  
Mr. Lynch, Branch 1388.

Confirming telephonic conversation of January 31, 1921,  
re. case of Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen, Co. F. 139th Inf., Ser.#2154753,  
the records of this office show that Pvt. Herbert C. Christiansen, Co. F.  
139th Infantry, Ser.#2154753, is buried in: Commune of Montfaucon, Depart-  
ment of Meuse, C-238.

This information is unconfirmed by this office, and is  
together  
subject to a confirmation with a report of reburial.

Original burial as given above

Date of original burial no record

Date of reburial no record

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lt. Col., U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.  
By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
2nd. Lt. Q. M.C.,

S/289/LML

37727

**REGISTRATION SECTION**  
**CEMETERIAL DIVISION**

Date 1-28-21

To—

Lieut. Noetzel.  
  
Mr. C. M. Peck.  
Card Dept.  
Cty. Audit Dept.  
Inv. & Adj. Dept.  
Prep. of Data Dept.  
Overseas Project Sub. Sec.  
Files Dept. (Admin. Br.).

Necessary adjustment.

Investigation.

Remark.

Suspension.

Note and return.

Information—101—A.

Action as noted.

MEMO. ....

Preparation of letter. Indorsement.

Signature.

File. *for future*

Recording. *investigate*

Coding.

File papers.

Report to .....

**FILE**

Stamp: **FILE**

Return to .....

From .....

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CIMITERIAL DIVISION  
INQUIRY SECTION.

File No.

Date 1/27/21  
Time \_\_\_\_\_

TO REGISTRATION SECTION,  
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION.

Attention of Mr. Good

FOR VERIFICATION OF

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grave location	Spelling of
<input type="checkbox"/> (a) original	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) first name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) reburial	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) last name
<input type="checkbox"/> Serial number	Date of
<input type="checkbox"/> File number	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) death
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> (b) burial or reburial
<input type="checkbox"/> Cause of death	<input type="checkbox"/> Condition of Body
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Burial of Body
<input type="checkbox"/> Identification	<input type="checkbox"/> Other burials in same vicinity
<input type="checkbox"/> Rank	<u>M. M. E.</u>

REGISTRATION SECTION  
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_

TO INQUIRY SECTION:

Attention of: Supervisor

- No action to be taken by this office.
- REPLY and 109-a to be returned to Inv. & Adj.
- REPLY and return to Inv. & Adj. for investigation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Examiner

Remarks:  
See other side.

File Number 37727

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 1/26/21.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: Christiansen, Herbert C. Serial Number 2,154,753

RANK: ORGANIZATION: Co. F, 139th Inf.

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	(1) Yes Pvt.
2.	Date of death.	(2) 9/29/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K/A
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	(4) CC- #289
5.	Date buried.	(5)
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Cmme. Montfaucon (Meuse) Memo. C-238 SHT 35 NE Coord. Communal List No. 238-2643
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) (a) (b)
11.	Complete emergency address?	(11) Jens Christiansen (father) Ruthven, Ia.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	(12)
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	(14)
14.	What is the photograph number?	
15.	Inquiry made by. <i>Mr. Lynch</i> <i>Dec-1-35-21</i>	

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

RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

..... Confirmed.  
fkw. .....  ..... Unconfirmed.

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

Reference-37727.

April 21.1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Chaplain 349th Inf. Regt. A.P.O.#795. American E.F.  
SUBJECT : Pvt. Herbert, C. Christianson, Co. 139th Inf. American E.F.

1. In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these headquarters he is buried in Commune of Exermont, Department of ARDENNES.

2. The grave location has not as yet been confirmed by the field force of this Service, but the notification of burial has been made to us, as herein stated, and is officially entered.

By direction

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

(Enclosure-G.R.S)O  
( 10-B. .00-5.)

Per MAURICE B. DIX,,  
Captain, American Red Cross  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

BD-jej.

(Original request in file no  
38469)

WAR DEPARTMENT.

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

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

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FILE

Herbert C. Christiansen  
2154 753

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