

Colobant,  
(Surname.)

Philip R.  
(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

1st Lieut. Company F, 147th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes

(Yes or no.)

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

no  
(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

Joseph Smith's Son Adams, Western Union  
2547 Vine St. Cincinnati Ohio

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Emma R. Colobant

2905 Robertson Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Fremont City,

# C-208

Transcript  
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checked by es  
5-6-21

Rank

G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

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COLEBANK, Philip

FEB 18 1926

FULL NAME

Posthumous Commission of Captain  
1st Lieut.

RANK

SERIAL

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION

Co. F, 147th Inf.

374

DATE OF DEATH

Sept 29, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Ohio

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

D. S. C.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

20

2

A

Date

Grave

Row

Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General

By *[Signature]*

FEB 24 1926

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WORLD WAR DIV. A.G.O.  
FEB

U.S. World War I  
MAR 30 1926

ST. LOUIS, MO. FEB 25 26  
M. & R. BRANCE  
O. Q. M. G.

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

OR

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

COLEBANK ..... Philip, R.  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

1st. LT., Co. "F", 147th Inf, Regt., USA,  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Battle-Field N. of Ivoir

CAUSE OF DEATH: H. E. Shell

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept. 29th, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Abt 400 yds N. of Ivoir

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

88.25 - 78.83 Map References VERY 21

Groupe des Canevas De Tir, 7th Bd.

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? No Cross? Yes

Headboard? No Bottle? No

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs Philip R, Colebank

ADDRESS: 2905 Robertson Ave.  
Oakley Park  
Cincinnati, Ohio

RELATIONSHIP: Wife

REPORTED BY:

H. E. Foltz, 2nd. LT., 147th Inf, Regt.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer). AEF.

Co. "F". 147th Infantry.

COLEBANK, Philip R. 1st. Lieut.

Home Address: Oakley Park,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

In the Meuse Argonne offensive about 2 P. M. Sept. 29th, 1918 on the brow of hill just north of Ivory Lt. Colebank was instantly killed by fragments of a H.E. shell. He was buried near the place where he had fallen.

Informant: Foltz, Harry E. 1st. Lieut.  
Co. "F". 147th Infantry.

Home Address: Canton, Ohio.

Searcher: Lt. Harry E. Foltz,  
Feb. 19, 1919.

Next of kin:  
Oakley Park,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Burial Report: Colebank, Philip R. 1st. Lt. 147th Infantry. Sept 29, 1918  
Buried by 2nd Lt. H. E. Foltz 147th Inf. About 400 yds north of Ivory  
Map reference very 211 Groupe des Canevras de Tir, 7th Ed. O.8.25-78.83.

Place NEUFCHATEAU

Date 28th June, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name COLEBANK, P.R.

Number:

Rank 1st Lieut. organization: Unkn

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

Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ From: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

13th June, 1919

Grave ISOLATED: EPINONVILLE, MEUSE

Map 35 SE E 308.5 N 278.75

Reburied (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ in: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

13th June, 1919

Grave #57 Section #56 Plot #2

ARGONNE AMER. CTY., #1232

ROMAGNE, MEUSE

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

Burial good. Body buried in officer's uniform and badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon body? NO

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

Note:

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

Supervised by Lt. Eby

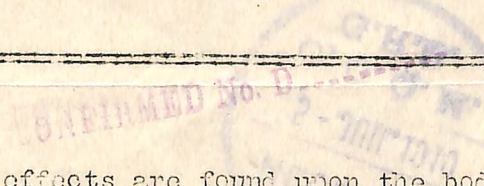
R. H. ROSENTHAL  
2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

AEB

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1919

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF INVESTIGATION

Name

Rank

Organization

Unit

Grade

Assignment and location

From (give complete location)

to (give complete location)

Grave location

Date

Map

in (give complete location)

Date

Grave location

Date

REPORT

Report as to a line of evidence which and condition of body upon disinterment:

Funeral home. Body buried in officer's uniform and daily decomposed.

The one identification tag found upon body. NO

that other means of identification were found upon the body. None



It was determined, officers are to be sent to the War Department, after being carefully examined for classification, retention, disposal will be made and referred to Chief, General Investigation Service.

R. H. ROSENTHAL  
Red Cross O.C.O.M. G.R.S.

Approved by J. E. Rhy

Unit

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*File*

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R # 26200

Nov. 24, 1922.

Mrs. Emma R. Colebank,  
2905 Robertson Ave., Oakley Park,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Philip R. Colebank, 1st Lt., Co. F, 147th Infantry, is Grave 20, Row 2, Block A, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. CONNER,  
Assistant.

*H. J. Conner*

MAILED

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G.R.S.

22/1281/ARK

DATE Nov 9th, 1921.

1. <sup>nem</sup> NAME COLEBANK, Philip R. SERIAL No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 RANK 1st Lieut. ORGANIZATION Cof 147th Infantry.  
 GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse. 1232 - 56

CTY. NAME NUMBER  
57 Sec. 56. 2

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Cierges, Meuse

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 35SE 278, 75N 308.5E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/13/19 57 56 2

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross. Lt. bars, Officers insignia, "US-Inf." data f-1/pfb

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Nov 9th, 1921. 20 Block A. 2.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

AUDITED BY

*M.M.E.*  
*9-6-22*

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty # 1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

CEMETERY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

RECEIVED  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SER.  
JUL 19 1922

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

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF COLEBANK PHILIP R. SERIAL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
RANK 1st. Lt. ORGANIZATION 147th Inf. Co. F

2. Disinterred (date) Nov, 9, 1921. From (give complete location) :  
Gr. 57 sec 56 pt 2 Cem., #1232.

By : Group 7 Unit Sec.1

3. Reburied (date) : \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location) :  
Nov. 9th, 1921, Grave 20, Row 2, Block A, Cemetery 1232.

By : Group Reburial S Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Unlined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Uniform burlap and wooden box, 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 :  
Lt. Bar , officers insignia "U.S." and Inf." tag on marker reads : " ~~PHX~~

P. R. Colebank 1st. Lt. Inf."

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det.
- (b) Weigh, (estimated) do
- (c) Hair—Color do
- Quantity do
- Characteristics do
- (d) Hair on face—Color do
- Location do
- Quantity do

*No tooth Chart possible*

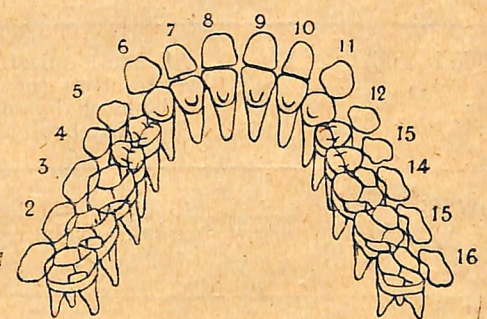
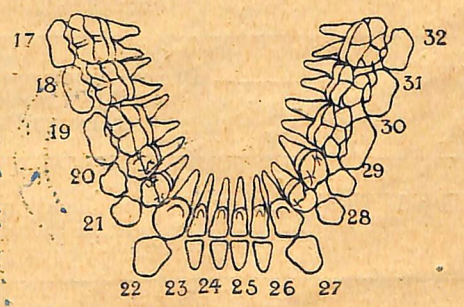


Diagram represents the mouth wide open

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



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)  
head shattered jaws missing. left femur and right

radius fractured.






7. Disinterment supervised by A. C. Dawe Approved H. S. Harpole  
A. C. Dawe Dawe H. S. Harpole 1st. Lt.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault Approved James W. Younger  
A. U. Dufault concentration James W. Younger  
(Title) James W. Younger,  
Captain Q.M.C.

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

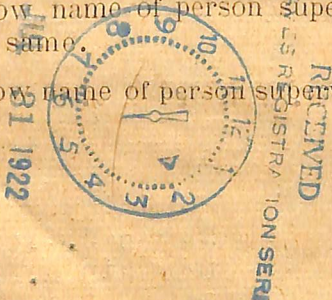
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Questions 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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 :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED</p>
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

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



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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

MAY 27 1921

*This is not a notice that body has arrived in U.S.*

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

To: Mrs. Emma R. Colebank, 2905 Robertson Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.

SUBJECT: Remains of 1st Lt. Philip R. Colebank, Co. F, 147th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named officer ~~be returned to the United States and shipped to Joseph Ruth's Sons, 2547 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio.~~ *Remain in Europe 6/10/21 E.C.S.*

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,  
Colonel, Q. M. G.

*4/17/21 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 328*

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

JUN 9 1921

Was soldier married? .....

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

Date .....

Signature .....

Address .....

Relationship .....

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

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MAIL UNIT

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1. ~~As stated on first page of this sheet.~~

2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~

(Name) Cemeterial Division

(R. R. station.)

Overseas Project Sub-Station

(State.)

3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in~~

~~National Cemetery.~~

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

Signature Mrs. Emma R. Colebank

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 9, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name COLEBANK, Philip

2. No. ---

3. Rank 1st Lieut.

4. Org. 147th Infantry.

5. D.D. Sept. 29th.

6. C.D. KIA

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

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

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

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

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

(b) D.B. No discrepancies.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 57 Sec. 56

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

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

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

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

17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne American

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Mont-faucon.

20. Dept. or County Meuse.

21. Country France.

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

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23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 9, 1921.

By A.C. Dawe

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Philip Colebank

Rank 1 Lt.

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

Organization 147 Inf.

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

Clarence J. Hughes  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

Clarence J. Hughes.

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).

Lt. bar, officers insignia "US" and "Inf". Tag on marker reads, "P. R. Colebank, 1st Lieut. US Inf."

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Uniform, burlap and wooden box.

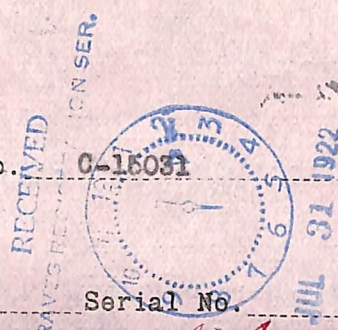
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 9, 1921. By A.C. Dawe

31. Casket sealed by A.C. Dawe

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) A. C. Dawe  
A. C. Dawe

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-15031



32. Designation of body:

Name COLEBANK, Philip R Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank 1st Lieut. Organization 147th Infantry. Co A

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 9, 1921. By A.C. Dawe

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 H. S. Harpole, 1st Lieut. QMC.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 9, 1921. d

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne.

Convoyer W.J. Royed. Signature Shipping Officer G. F. Spauld, Capt. QMC. (Name G. F. Spauld)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name \_\_\_\_\_)

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

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

41. Reinterred Meuse-Argonne Cemetery 1232, Nov. 9th, 1921. (Date)

42. Grave No. 20 Section \_\_\_\_\_  
Block. \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot A Row 2

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger  
James W. Younger,  
Captain Q.M.C.

JBL

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# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 26200

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COLEBANK, Philip R. Ser. No. -  
 (b) Rank 1st Lt. Organization Co. F, 147th Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 9-29-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

TYP. b  
 CKR. 30

*2/20/22 Exhumed  
 2/22/22  
 for Concentration  
 Camp - Argentine  
 at 3/11/22  
 #1237*

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

(a) Grave No. 57 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 56 TYP. b  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Emma R. Colebank (wife) 2905 Robertson Ave.,  
 Oakley Park, Cincinnati,  
 Ohio.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / CKR. 30

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

Date of receipt \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Name Mrs. Emma R. Colebank (b) Relationship wife  
 (c) Address 2905 Robertson Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes  
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Joseph Huth's son,  
 2547 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 (Adm. Exp. U.S. Dept., Cincinnati, Ohio)

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

Examiner's Initials Om Date 5-6-21, 1920.

V. A. G. G. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_  
 confirming request in Par. IV., item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes  
 Examiner's Initials Om Date 5-6-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 56 SHEET No. 32

MAY 20 1921

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*Dec 1921  
 28-6-21*



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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by *YOR*, **JUN 15 1921**, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

**MAY 25 1921**

Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on **5-16-**, 1920

*Section - 56*  
*Par - 1 - To be returned (JEH)*

IX.

**CORRECTIONS**

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*GLB wa. (wife) Mrs. Philip R. Colebank, 2905 Robertson Ave., Oakley Park, Cincinnati, Ohio. (Pm 5-6-21)*

*Form 129 to hold body Fred Wash 6/11/21 13.7.*  
**6/17/21 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 328 TO EUROPE-BODY TO REMAIN** *att 6/23/21*

*Let from Europe 7/5/21 states return cancelled as per cable <sup>att</sup> 11/2/21*

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

file 26200

See Form 115  
at 3/11/22

**I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:**

(a) Name COLEBANK, Philip K. Ser. No. -  
 (b) Rank 1st Lt. Organization Co. F, 147th Inf. } TYP. b  
 (c) Date of death 9-29-18 (d) Cause of death k/a } Go

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

(a) Grave No. 57 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 56 TYP. b  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Emma K. Colebank (wife) 2905 Robertson Ave.,  
Oakley Park, Cincinnati  
Ohio.

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

**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  
Section 56 letter of transmittal on 5-16-, 1921  
Par. 1. To be returned (JEN)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., MAY 23 1921, 192

**VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.**

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
<u>6/11/21</u> <u>Form 129</u>	<u>Widow 6/9/21</u> <u>Mrs Emma R. Colebank</u>	<u>Remain</u> <u>in France.</u>	<u>6/17/21. Europe</u> <u>advised by</u> <u>proposed cable</u> <u>#328. "Do not</u> <u>return." at</u> <u>6/20/21.</u>

Ltr from Europe 7/5/21 states return cancelled as  
per cable at 4/2/21

VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. 6-15-21, 192

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

MAY 20 1921

FRANCE

1232-800.56

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*[Handwritten signature]*

June 14, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Re: Colebank, Philip R., 1st  
Lieutenant, Co. F, 147th  
Infantry.

Mrs. Emma R. Colebank,  
2905 Robertson Avenue,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

Your shipping inquiry of recent date, requesting that the remains of the deceased officer named above be left in France has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

It is requested that any further communications concerning the disposition of the remains be addressed to that office for reply.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

Mailed - G.F.D.  
MRS/RR  
JUN 14 1921

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G.R.S. FORM 129  
Transmittal Supplementary Advice  
Hoboken to Washington

WAR DEPARTMENT  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
HOBOKEN, N. J.

June 11th-1921 1921.

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.  
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.  
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name Colebank, Philip R. Ser. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Rank 1st Lieut. Organization Co. F., 147th Infantry  
Cemetery No. 1232-Sec. 56 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 32

Request shown below dated June 9th-1921 is latest in this case:

Name of Relative	<u>Return</u>	<u>Remain</u>	<u>Special</u>
	to	in	
Widow	<u>Mrs. Emma R. Colebank,</u>	<u>FRANCE.</u>	
	<u>2905 Robertson Avenue,</u>		
Children	<u>Cincinnati, Ohio.</u>		
Guardian			
Father			
Mother			
Brother			
Sister			
Others			

Body ~~to be shipped to~~ or for interment in P.A.C.

Mailed P.O.  
JUN 17 1921

MMN

B.7.

Cable Letter June 17 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched \_\_\_\_\_ 1921.

S-744 EB *att*

*RR-6-15-21 m*



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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**COLEBANK** ..... **Philip R.** .....  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

**1st. LT., Col.** ..... **147th Inf. Regt., USA.** .....  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Battle-Field N. of Ivory**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Shell**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Sept. 29th, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **abt. 400 yds N. of Ivory**

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

**08.25 - 78.83** Map References **VERY 211**  
**Groupe des Canovas De Tir, 7th Ed.**

GRAVE NUMBER: **0**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **No** ..... Cross? **Yes** .....

Headboard? **No** ..... Bottle? **No** .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: **U**

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

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

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

**CMME Leopoldville (Moose)**  
**(208) HT. 35.86 COORD. E. 308.25**  
**M. 278.83**

NEAREST RELATIVE: **Mrs. Philip R. Colebank**

ADDRESS: **2905 Robertson Ave.**

**Oakley Park**

RELATIONSHIP: **Cincinnati, Ohio**  
**Wife**

REPORTED BY:

**H. E. Foltz, 2nd. LT., 147th Inf. Regt.** .....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer). **AEF.**

COLLEBANK - PHILIP, R.

Int. L. Co. "T", 147th Int. Regt., USA.

Battle-Field N. of Ivory

H. E. Shell

Sept. 20th, 1918.

Apt 400 yds N. of Ivory



08.25 - 78.83 Mtd References VERY 11  
Groupe des Carreaux De Tir, Yth Bd.

Yes No

No No

Yes

Yes

Mrs Philip R. Collebank

702 Robertson Ave.  
~~Communal List No.~~

~~Divisional Report No.~~

Wife

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H. E. Toles, 2nd Lt., 147th Int. Regt.  
INT.

American

26-2-50

- 1 C.H.S. Form no, 1, Number.....
- 2 Name..... COL. BANK ..... P.R.....
- 3 Rankist... LtL... Co..... Regt. 5, 3, Inf.....
- 4 Date of Death.....
- 5 Date of Burial.....
- 6 Town..... IVORY ..... Dept..... MEUSE.....
- 7 Grave No! Isolated. Blot No.....
- 8 Marker?... Cross & Tag.....
- 9 TAGS On Body? Yes..... On Marker.. Yes...
- 10 Sketch No... 20 McClure.. Cam.. American..
- 11 Map Ref... 3 S.E. ... 279.2 N. X 193 E. ....
- 12 Remarks... 1/4 Kilo Northwest of Ivory...  
In a small valley in open field.
- 13 Chaplin.....

EPINONYVILLE (Meuse)  
35 SE BOUND  
E 279  
N 308

Signature... Walter W. McClure..

PA  
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roup... 3... Unit. 306....

American

1 G.I.S. Form no. 1, Number

2 Name.....GOLDBANK.....P.R.

3 Rankist. 1st. Co.....Regt. U.S. Inf.

4 Date of Death.....

5 Date of Burial.....

6 Town.....IVORY Dept.....MEUSE

7 Grave No. Isolated. Plot No.....

8 Marker? Cross & Tag.....

9 TAGS On Body? Yes..... On Marker? Yes.....

10 Sketch No. 20 McQuire. Gen. American

11 Map Ref. S. E. 279. 2 N. X 198 E.

12 Remarks. 1/4 Mile Northwest of IVORY In a small valley in open field.

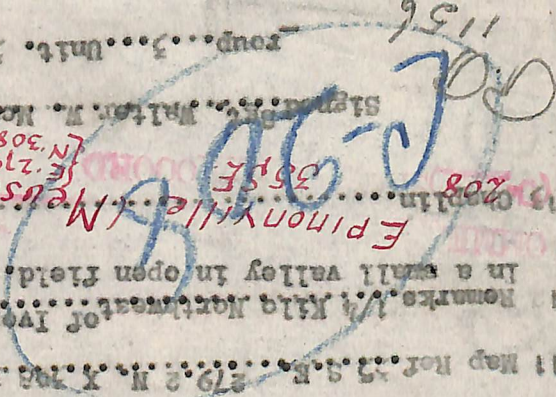
13 Origin.....EPHONYVILLE (M. (use))

14.....355 ft. (N. 219 E. 308)

Stephens, Walter W. McQuire

3. Unit. 306

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G.R.S. Form No. 8.

## CENTRAL RECORDS LIAISON

MEMO FOR : G.R.S. representative,  
C.R.O.SUBJECT : Information required for  
G.R.S.1. Items checked are to be  
completed:Surname: COLEBANK  
Number:  
First name: ~~Philip~~ (Philip R.)  
Rank: 1st. Lieut.  
Company: F  
Organization: 147 Inf.  
Date of death: 9-29-18  
Cause:  
Place:

## Location of Hospital:

Number " "

Class " "

Relative: Mrs Emma R. Colebank

Relationship: wife

Address: 2905 Robertson Ave  
Oakley Park, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Authority:

Cablegram No:

Telegram from:

dated:

Reported to Wash'n:

C.C. Nos: 278 & 279.

(Underscore the "Official" C.C.)

Note present status of case on  
reverse side hereof.

REMARKS:

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

Initials of reporter:

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: [Illegible]



Organization: [Illegible]  
Date of report: [Illegible]

Location of hospital: [Illegible]

Author: [Illegible]

Reference: [Illegible]

Report to: [Illegible]

(Classification: [Illegible])

Reference to: [Illegible]

REMARKS: [Illegible]

QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Philip R. (MA)

November 21, 1932

Postmaster,

Burkburnett, Texas.

Dear Sir:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who are eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is realized that matters of this kind do not come within the province of your duties, but inasmuch as it is desired to obtain information relative to these mothers and widows from thoroughly reliable and dependable sources, your assistance in procuring the address of Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank, formerly of Burkburnett, Texas, is solicited.

Mrs. Colebank is eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of her son, the late Captain Philip R. Colebank, in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France, but we have been unable to communicate with her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Philip R. Capt. (M-A) RW

March 16, 1932.

Mrs. Emma R. Smith,  
P. O. Box #85,  
Overpeck, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office in the case of the late Captain Philip R. Colebank, Co. F, 147th Infantry, it will be greatly appreciated if you will advise, if possible, the present address of his mother, Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank. Several communications addressed to her at Burkburnett and McLean, Texas, have either been returned to this office unclaimed or remained unanswered.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Colebank, Philip R. (M-A) M-

September 30, 1931 d

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Colebank, Philip R., Capt. (M-A) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
McLean,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colebank, Philip R. Capt. (M-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
McLean, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this \_\_\_\_\_ pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Condition \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip R. 1st Lt. 1232-M

December 11, 1930

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
McLean, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age  
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
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October 13, 1930

QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Phillip R. Capt. 1232 M

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank  
Burburnett  
Texas

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cometeries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the <sup>mother</sup> of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip R. 1232 M

June, 3, 1930

Mrs. Bettie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colebank, Philip R.

Nov. 4, 1929.

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late First Lieutenant Philip R. Colebank, Co. F, 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Remagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Colebank, Philip R. 1232 M

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colobanc, Philip R.  
1232

Sept. 10, 1929.

Mrs. Anna R. Smith,  
P. O. Box 85,  
Overpeck, Ohio

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 21, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colebank, Philip R.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Emma R. Smith,  
P. O. Box 85,  
Overpeck, Ohio

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt, Philip R. Colebank, Co. F. 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?
2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?
3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?
4. If so, give her name and complete address.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip H.

June 27, 1929.

Mrs. Emma R. Colebank  
2905 Robertson Ave.,  
Oakley Park,  
Cincinnati, O.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt. Philip R. Colebank, Co. F. 147th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagneux-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.  
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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Colebank	3	3 3-02
BURIED	Philip R		
	CEMETERY	123 2	1
	GRAVE	20	20
	ROW	2	02
	BLOCK	a	1
STATE	Ohio	2	41
RANK	Capt	1	1
DIVISION	37	2	37
ORGANIZATION	147	3	147
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	Remarried	1	3
NAME	Walter M. Colebank	3	3 3-02
RESIDENCE	STATE	Texas	2
	COUNTY	Tarrant	2
	CITY	Burkburnett	3
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
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Neeley R. Haught

Postmaster

United States Post Office

Second CLASS

Burkburnett, Texas November 29, 1932

War Department,  
Office Of The Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

Sir;

In reply to your inquiry of Nov. 21, 1932  
in reference to QM 293 A\*-M, Colebank, Philip R. (MA)

You are advised that we have no record of this party receiving mail here, Have also made inquiry of the American Legion and others and have been unable to locate the whereabouts of Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank.

Am very sorry that it is unable to furnish your Department with the information desired. Assuring you of co-operation and service,.

Respectfully yours,



*N. R. Haught*  
Postmaster.

QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Philip R. (MA)

November 21, 1932

Postmaster,

Burkburnett, Texas.

Dear Sir:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who are eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is realized that matters of this kind do not come within the province of your duties, but inasmuch as it is desired to obtain information relative to these mothers and widows from thoroughly reliable and dependable sources, your assistance in procuring the address of Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank, formerly of Burkburnett, Texas, is solicited.

Mrs. Colebank is eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of her son, the late Captain Philip R. Colebank, in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France, but we have been unable to communicate with her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Philip R. Capt. (M-A) RW

March 16, 1932.

Mrs. Emma R. Smith,  
P. O. Box #85,  
Overpeck, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office in the case of the late Captain Philip R. Colebank, Co. F, 147th Infantry, it will be greatly appreciated if you will advise, if possible, the present address of his mother, Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank. Several communications addressed to her at Burkburnett and McLean, Texas, have either been returned to this office unclaimed or remained unanswered. ✓

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Colebank, Philip R. 1232  
1st Lt., Co. F, 147th Inf. C-53511

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Mother

Hattie A. Colebank (no address)

Widow

Rem - Emma P. Smith

~~Loco~~

P. O. Box 85

~~Step-M~~

W. Perfect. Ohio

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know address of M.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Colebank, Philip R. (M-A) M-

September 30, 1931

1st St. Co. 7, 147th Inf.  
C-53511

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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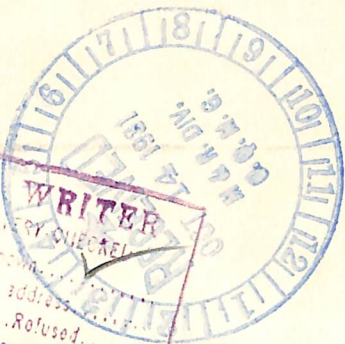
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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Colebank, Philip R. Capt. (M-A) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
McLean,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Phillip R. 1st Lt. 1232-M

December 11, 1930

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
McLean, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your  
health.

Age  
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 13, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Colebank, Philip R. ~~Capt.~~ 1232 M

1st Lt.

~~Tracy McLean, Inf~~

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank  
Burkburnett  
Texas

Co. F, 147th Inf.

9-29-18

gr. 20, Row 2, Col. A

N. 20.

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

*A. D. Hughes*

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

*Do not send to UB any more*

Encls:  
Act  
Amendment  
Envelope

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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
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**WASHINGTON**

DATE October 31, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Colebank, Philip R.	1st Lt.		Co. F, 147th Inf.	9-29-18

*Married*

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Texas	1232	20	2	A

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

NAME AND ADDRESS

\* (M) Mrs. Hallie M. Colebank  
Burkburnett  
 Texas

Widow Remarried (gen to 2 children)  
 Mrs. Emma R. Smith  
 Owerspeck, Ohio  
 P.O. Box 85

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156/

XC 53511

\* Mail sent to this add-in

1925 returned unclaimed - no later add found file 11-29-30

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE 6-20-30

NAME Colebank, Philip R. Capt. RANK Capt. SERIAL 1477 ORGANIZATION Co. F, 147th Inf. DATE OF DEATH Sept. 29, 1918

STATE Ohio CTY. NO. 1232 GRAVE 20 ROW 2 BLOCK A

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - 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 <del>not</del> remarried)	:	:
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(M)  
Mrs. Hallie M. Colebank  
Burkburnett  
Texas

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip R. 1232 M

June, 3, 1930

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett, Texas.

XC 53511

Dear Madam:

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

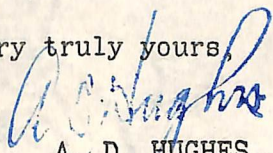
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

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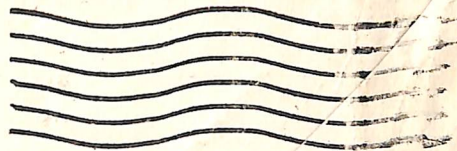
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip R.

*renewed*

Mrs. Emma R. Colebank  
2905 Robertson Ave.,  
Oakley Park,  
Cincinnati, O.

*ren. wife - Adm to C*

June 27, 1929.

*Mrs. Emma R. Smith  
P. O. Box 85  
Overpeck, Ohio*

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt. Philip R. Colebank, Co. F. 147th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnepous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

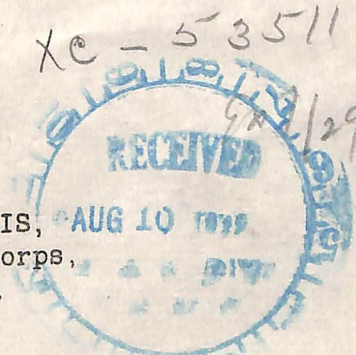
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

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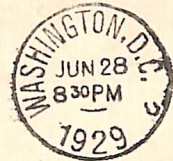


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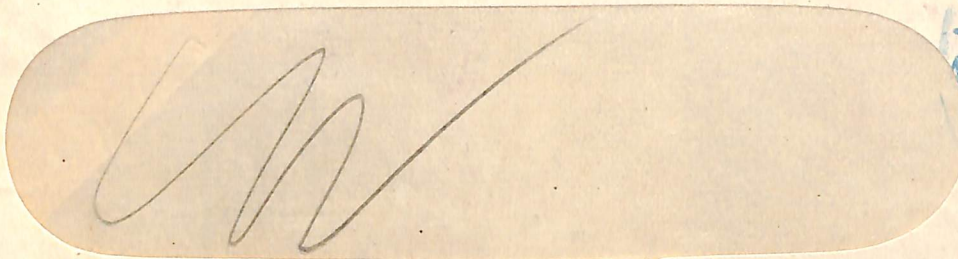
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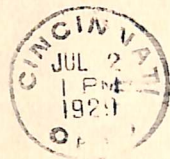
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colebank, Philip R.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Emma R. Smith,  
P. O. Box 85,  
Overpeck, Ohio

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt, Philip R. Colebank, Co. F. 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?

Yes

2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?

3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

Yes  
Do not know.

4. If so, give her name and complete address.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

COLEBANK, Philip R.

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53511

1st Lt. Co F. 147 Inf.

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Mrs. Hattie M Colebank,

Mrs. Leary

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Mrs. Emma R  
Smith

P. O. Box 85

Overpeck

Ohio

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Colebank, Philip R.

Nov. 4, 1929.

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett,  
Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late First Lieutenant Philip R. Colebank, Co. F, 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:


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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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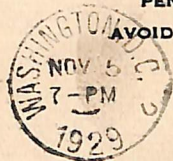
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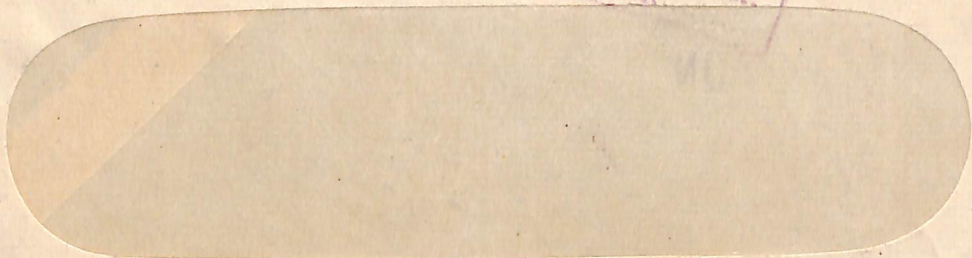
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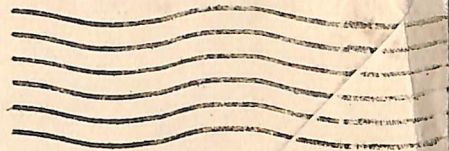


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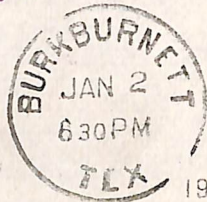
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Colebank, Philip R. 1232 M

Mrs. Hattie M. Colebank,  
Burkburnett, Texas.

*mail returned  
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Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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