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To The A. C. O.

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FULL NAME... **CORNWELL, Arthur G.**

RANK... **Private** *1st Lt*

SERIAL... **1414690**

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... **Company C, 59th Infantry** *4th*

DATE OF DEATH... *Aug 3, 1919*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... *Illinois*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... *None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION...

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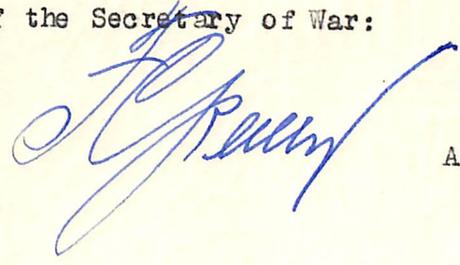
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War Department, A.G.O., January 29, 1928. To: The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that Arthur G. Cornwell, A.S.#1414690, held the rank of private first class at time of death.

By order of the Secretary of War:



Adjutant General.

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	COUNTY Delaware	2	28
	CITY Greeley	5	xxx
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Cornwell, Arthur G. OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
c/o Nellie Ingles,  
Box 572, Greeley,  
Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, 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 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>No</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>78</i> Health: <i>Poor</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

  
CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
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

Cornwell, Arthur G. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
c/o Nellie Ingles, Box 572,  
Greeley, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-M  
Cormwell, Arthur G. (CA)

January 26, 1932.

Mrs. Nellie Ingles,  
Greeley, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 16, 1932, advising that Mrs. Kate Cormwell is physically unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of her son, the late Private first class Arthur G. Cormwell.

There is no provision of law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow in lieu of the pilgrimage, even in the case where a mother or widow is ill and unable to make the trip.

It is deeply regretted that Mrs. Cormwell's health is not good, and it is hoped that she will recover rapidly.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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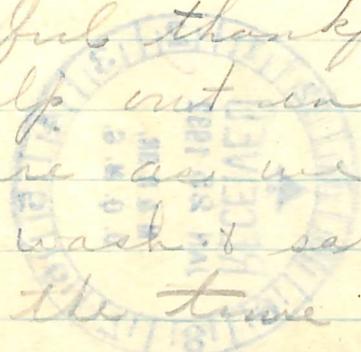
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Jan 16 1939

P. Nellie Hughes

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter just received. Mrs. Cornell could not make the trip to her sons grave under any condition as her mind is so bad we have to take care of her just like a little child and someone has to be with her every minute. We would be awful thankful if you would help out on this medical care as we have to buy foot wash & save for her foot all the time.



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nerve tonic as her mind  
is just awful bad and I  
am not able to work out any  
on account of having to be  
with her every minute and  
all we have to go on is what  
I get for taking care of her  
so it makes it hard for  
me to scratch enough for  
her medicine so would  
gladly appreciate some  
medical help. And if you  
don't care to take my word  
for it you can write our  
home doctor for he knows  
her conditions.

Mrs Nellie Doyle  
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QN 293 A-M  
Cornwell, Arthur G. (OA)

January 9, 1932

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
% Nellie Ingles,  
Greeley, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class Arthur G. Cornwell. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

In the event you change your mind and later decide to visit your son's grave, it is requested that you so notify this office. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured that the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Cornwell, Arthur G. (C.A)

GILMAN, WIS.  
JUN 27 1931

War Department.  
Quartermaster General.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

This office is in receipt of a letter from your Dept and addressed to Mrs. Kate Cornwell. I wrote a relative at Boyd, Wis and got her address and have forwarded the letter.

For your benefit I am giving you the address as follows:

Mrs. Kate Cornwell.

Greeley, Iowa.

C/O Nellie Ingles.

Respectfully,

J. C. TAYLOR, P. M.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Cornwell, Arthur G. Pvt 1/cl(OA) M

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Box 73,  
Gilman, Wisc.

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. *No Undecided No*

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. *No Did not No am not*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Write answer here

*By Mrs Henry  
Box 572 Jingles*

*Mrs Kate Cornwell.*  
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*cher X* Sign here *Mark*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Cornwell, Arthur G. - 608 M

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
~~Box 75,~~  
~~Gilman, Wis.~~

*C/o Nellie Hughes  
Greely, Iowa*

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

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(Write answer here)

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(Sign here)

*no*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Cornwell, Arthur G 608 -M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Box 73,  
Gilman, Wisconsin.

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)
		X
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
		X
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)
		X
4. Please give your age and state of health. <i>75</i>	Age <i>75</i> (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
		X
5. What language do you speak? <i>English.</i>	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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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cornwell, Arthur G.

Sept. 26, 1929.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell, Box 73,  
Gilman, Wisc.

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 Pvt. 1/c Arthur G. Cornwell, Co. C, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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?

*no.*

2. If so, give her complete address.

*no.*

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

*no.*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress  
Envelope

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



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cornwell, Arthur G.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Manchester, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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

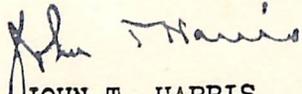
1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

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,

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

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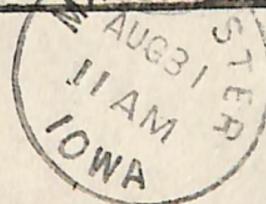
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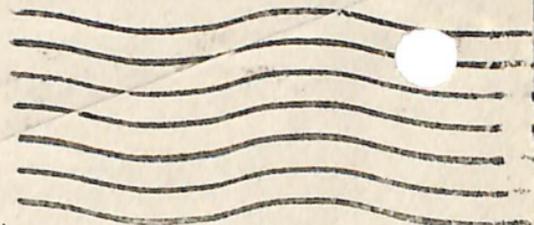


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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cornwell, Arthur G.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Manchester, Iowa.

*Mother*  
*Kate Cornwell* June 24, 1929.

*Box 73*

*Gilman wife*  
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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 Pvt.1/cl. Arthur G. Cornwell, Co. C, 59th Inf., whose remains are interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Cornwell, Arthur G. OA

September 6, 1932.

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c/o Nellie Ingles,  
Box 572, Greeley,  
Iowa.

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CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-N  
Cormwell, Arthur G. (QA)

January 26, 1932.

Mrs. Nellie Ingles,  
Greeley, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

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It is deeply regretted that Mrs. Cormwell's health is not good, and it is hoped that she will recover rapidly.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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QM 293 A-M  
Cornwell, Arthur G. (OA)

January 9, 1932

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
% Nellie Ingles,  
Greeley, Iowa.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Cornwell, Arthur G. Pvt 1/cl(OA) M

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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

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Sign here

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Cornwell, Arthur G. - 608 H

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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

October 7, 1929.

Cornwell, Arthur G 608 -M

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Box 75,  
Gilman, Wisconsin.

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,

Encl.  
Act  
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

Cornwell, Arthur G.

Sept. 26, 1929.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell, Box 73,  
Gilman, Wisc.

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 Pvt. 1/c Arthur G. Cornwell, Co. C, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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

Cornwell, Arthur G.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Manchester, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 24, 1929.

Cornwell, Arthur G.

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Manchester, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

Date May 19/19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Arthur G. Cornwell

Number: 141489 0

Rank: None

Organization: None

Co. C 57 27

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1

Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 19/19

From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #164 Cemetery #21-Forsberg.

#33 SE N282.4 E200.8

Reburied (Date) May 19/19

in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 9 Section G. Plot #5 Cemetery #18 Fismes (Marne)

Map #34 Reims. SW. 286.25N-205.75 E

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

Buried 5 feet deep--- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No tags.

What other means of identification were found upon the body?

Identified by name on cross.

CONFIRMED No. D

70637

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.2, 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: Cpl. C.A. Gammon

1st. Lt. Oscar W. Forsberg.

C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

file 7/23/21



REPORT OF DISTURBANCE AND REBURIAL

Place: Query - (Reverse side)  
Date: May 19/19

Number: 14148

Arthur G. Cornwall

Rank: None  
Organization: None

Disturbance and Reburial made by Group I Unit 304

Reburied (Date) May 19/19 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #144 Cemetery #21 - Fortberg.

423 22 2222.4 2200.8

Reburied (Date) May 19/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 9 Section G. Plot #5 Cemetery #18 James (Marine)

Map #24 Reims. SW. 286.25N-202.75 E

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disturbance.

Buried 5 feet deep. Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No tags.  
What other means of identification were found upon the body?  
Identified by name on cross.

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Note:

If upon disturbance, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 17, U.S. 1918, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in hospital cases, notation thereof will be made and reported to Chief Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Cpl. G. A. Gannon

1st Lt. Oscar W. Fortberg

C.O. Group I Unit 304

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WH-1g-1-217

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

WASHINGTON

AG 201 Cornwell, Arthur G. (WW)

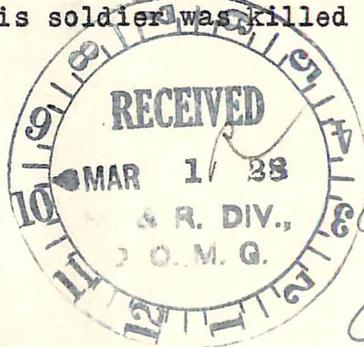
February 29, 1928

SUBJECT: Date of death

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

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Arthur G. Cornwell, Army serial number 1,414,690, Private 1st class, Company C. 59th Infantry, who was reported to have been killed in action August 10, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action August 3, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:



*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Adjutant General.

*AD D Row 20  
2/25/*

*file  
JRC*

*H-17-29*

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Adjutant General.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C  
IN REPLY REFER TO  
Cornwell, Arthur C. Pvt.  
Co. C, 59th Infantry

November 3, 1926.

Mrs. Pat Cornwell,  
408 Cand St.,  
Manchester, Iowa.

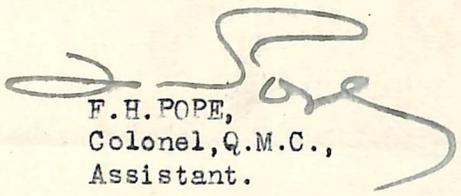
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Record card.

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Cornwell, Arthur C*

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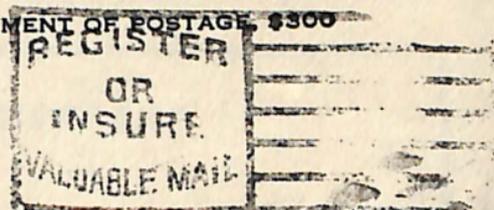
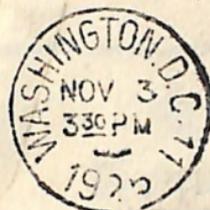
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID

PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300



Mrs. Pat Cornwell,  
408 Cand. St.  
Manchester, Iowa.





Soldier's  Overseas  
Grave

Name ..... Arthur C. Cornwell

Rank ..... Private

Organization ..... Company C, 59th Infantry

Grave No. .... 25 ..... Row ..... 23 ..... Block ..... D

Cemetery ..... Oise-Aisne American

Location ..... Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France

Cornwell,

(Surname.)

Arthur G.

(Christian name in full.)

1,414,690

(Army serial number.)

Pvt Co C 59 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

(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.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Pat Cornwell  
Manchester 408 East  
City

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by Mrs

617-241

12-2-30

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checked H H

12-2-30

Mr. George N. Cornwall  
36 Edison St.,  
Duluth, Iowa

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

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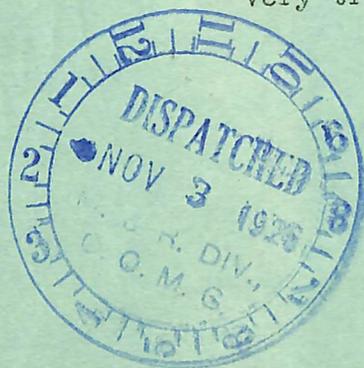
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1 Incl.  
Record card.

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #9511

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CORNWELL, Arthur C. Ser. No. 1414690
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 59th Inf.
(c) Date of death 8/3/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. HB

CKR. [initials]

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

(a) Grave No. 9 Row - G Plot 5 Sec. G TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Kate Cornwell (mother) Manchester, Iowa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. [initials]

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Kat Cornwell (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address 408 Canal St - Manchester - Ia
(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 of body in U. S.

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

Examiner's Initials [initials] Date 12-2, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials [initials] Date 12-2, 1920.

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

No request for disposition E.O. Mother, Mrs. Kate Cornwell, Manchester, Iowa. Yes all

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials [initials] Date 12-2, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 617

SHEET No. 241

G. R. S. Form No. 115 Amended Apr. 16, 1920

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

89-17-21

checked [initials] 12-2-20

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

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 Mrs. Kate Cornwell (mother) Manchester, Iowa.  
 (b) Emerg. Address

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. CKR

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

Mother - Mrs. Kate Cornwell - 408  
 Canal Street - Manchester Ia - Does  
 not desire return of remains  
 1-8-21 JB

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 12/192  
 (Letter of transmittal on 1/22/192  
 Paragraph 2  
 Not to be returned JB

JAN 18 1921 192

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 5-16 192 1.

COUNTRY G.R.S. FORM 115-A August 1920 France  
 CEMETERY NO. 617  
 SHEET NO. 241  
 S-666/AB  
 141-17-21

Place Fismes, Cem. 617

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 18th, 1922

1. REMAINS OF CORNWELL, Arthur C. SERIAL NUMBER 1414690

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 59th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 18th, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 9, Sec. G, Plot 5, Cem. 617

By: Group 5 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 28, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 25, Block D,

Row 23, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined casket

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

Entirely decomposed, skeleton disarticulated. 6 ft. of earth. Uniform.

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

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

Gold watch found on body with initial: "J. H. C." Case No. 2123458" Inscription:

Harry and Josie" Gold chain and Elks watch charm. Elgin Watch No. 10018165"

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) " "

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location

Quantity

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

or missing parts) None

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

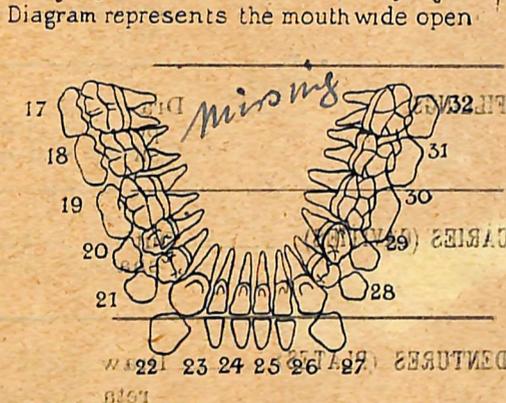
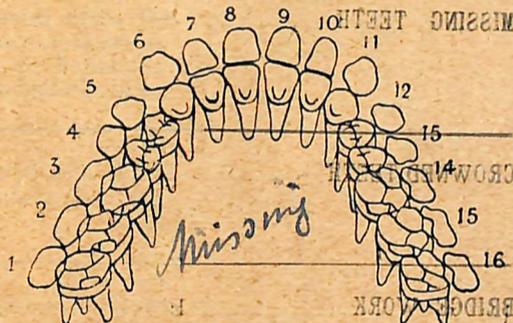
Skull completely fractured, fragments missing. Left femur fractured in lower third. (R. de Montozon)

7. Disinterment supervised by Roy M. Perry  
Roy M. Perry, Sup. Emb.

Approved: R. Richards  
R. Richards, 1st Lt., OMC.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays

Approved: W. D. Cleary  
(Title) Lt., Chaplain, USA.



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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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

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

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 18, 1922

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

DISINTERMENT je.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

FISMES 617  
D. G. 127

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CORNWELL, Arthur C. 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. No. 1414690 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Org. Co. C. 59th Inf. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. D.D. Aug. 3rd 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. C.D. KIA. (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 9 Sec. G. 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot 5 Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. No discp  
 18. Cemetery American Cty. 19. Commune or town FISMES  
 20. Dept. or County Marne 21. Country France  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617  
 23. Disinterred (Date) 1-18-22 By Roy M. Perry  
 24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name Arthur C. Cornwell Serial No. 1414690  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 59th Inf.  
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? No

R. L. de Monteton  
 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).  
Gold watch on body with initial "J.H.C." Elks watch charm National Guard Medal presented by City of Parkersburg, W. Va.  
 27. Condition of body Entirely decomposed Skeleton disarticulated.  
 28. Nature of burial Six foot of earth and uniform  
 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 1-18-22 By Roy M. Perry  
 31. Casket sealed by Roy M. Perry

AUDIT BY  
8/8/22  
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor Roy M. Perry)

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22828

32. Designation of body:

Name Arthur C. CORNWELL Serial No. 1414690

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 59th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. 608 SERINGES-et-NESLES(Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 1-18-22 By Roy M. Perry

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

*R. Richards*  
R. Richards, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

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 Oise-Aisne, Am. Cty 608 Seringes et Nesles, Aisne (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer *R. Richards*  
R. Richards, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date JAN 19 1922

G.R.S. Representative R. W. Woods

41. Reinterred Aug. 28, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles(Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 25 Section -----

43. Plot -BLOCK D Row 23

G.R.S. Representative

*W. D. Cleary*  
W. D. Cleary  
Lt., Chaplain, USA.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 11-27-23

File No. Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, Graves Registration Service.

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., 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 Cornwell

f. Date of death 8-3-18

b. Christian name Arthur S.

g. Cause of death KA

c. Serial Number 1414690

h. Authority (C.O.#) CC 223 8/16/18

d. Organization Co. C, 59 Inf

i. Emergency address Mrs. Kate Cornwell

e. Rank Pvt.

Manchester, Iowa.  
j. Relationship Mother.

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

a. Age of enlistment 2 yrs. 8 mos.

b. Date of enlistment Sept. 18, 1917

~~b. Color of eyes~~

c. Color of hair Brown

d. Height 5ft. 10 in.

~~supple~~ e. Weight Not a record.

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at

g. enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

h.

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Strike out teeth missing

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upper right upper left

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lower right lower left

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

WASHINGTON D C

QUARTERMASTER BY: Charles J. Wynne,

Major Captain, C.M.C., U.S.A.

Received A. G. O. Nov 27 1923



CEMETERY NO:

SHEET NO:

TYPED BY:

S/3310/LML

12/1/23

Robert C. Davis  
The Adjutant General  
By [Signature]

11/13/23

*[Handwritten signatures and notes]*

CLASSIFIED  
SERIAL NO:  
OFFICIAL NO:

WAR DEPARTMENT  
FIRST DISTRICT OFFICE, CONSTRUCTION SERVICE  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

No.

From: [Faint text]

To: [Faint text]

Subject: [Faint text]

DEC-1 1923



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(See page 45 of the service records)  
BODY DESCRIPTION

- 1. Name
- 2. Organization
- 3. Service Number
- 4. Classification
- 5. Substance

- 1. [Faint text]
- 2. [Faint text]
- 3. [Faint text]
- 4. [Faint text]
- 5. [Faint text]

CONFIRMATION OF ALL INFORMATION...

Subject: [Faint text]

To: [Faint text]

From: [Faint text]

File No: [Faint text]

Information requested of [Faint text] Date: 11-11-23

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Co. C, 59th Inf.,  
4th Div.

Cornwell, Arthur G. - Pvt. 1414696

Killed in action Aug. 10, 1918, Aisne and Marne Offensive.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

JAN 28 1921

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

To: Mrs. Kate Cornwall, 408 Sand St., Manchester, Iowa.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Arthur C. Cornwall, Ser. No. 1414690, Co. C, 59th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

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

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Relationship.)

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name.)

(R. R. station.)

(State.)

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

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

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.

Cornwell, A. C.

mother

Mrs Kate C,  
Colesburg, Ia.

Sadie C. <sup>Taylor</sup> 30.

Grady, Ia

Eddie C. Deywood,

500  
241

36 C

Dubuque Ia

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Albert C

"

John C. Dub. Ia

Bro. Geo. C.

" Sam " — 133

Father, Geo Mil

*The American Red Cross*

*National Headquarters*

*Washington, D.C.*

*With deep sympathy in your loss*

617-241  
8-23-21

March 26th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Corr. Br.  
(CORNWELL, Arthur C. )

Mrs. Kate Cornwell,  
Manchester, Iowa.

Dear Madam:-

Kindly inform this office at your earliest convenience whether or not the late Arthur C. Cornwell, Private, Serial Number 1414690, Company C, 59th Infantry, is survived by widow, children or father, and if so, furnish the name and address of each.

This information is desired in order that the Department may be assured that the proper person to determine the disposition of remains of the late soldier is given an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes.

If the late soldier is not survived by any of the above mentioned relatives, please state whether you desire the body left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you at Government expense, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

The Department desires to convey to you assurance of sympathy in your bereavement.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

J. F. BUTLER,  
Captain, Infantry.

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BY:

Cemeterial Division Overseas Project Sub-Section

TO: DIRECTOR OF THE CEMETERIAL DIVISION

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX

RE: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

PHOENIX, ARIZONA, MAY 16, 1921

TO: DIRECTOR OF THE CEMETERIAL DIVISION

RE: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

(SIGNED) W. H. ...

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

95-11  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**CORNWELL 1414690 Arthur C**

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

**Pvt. Co C 59th Inf.**

(Rank).

(Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

*Mr Ville Savoy*

CAUSE OF DEATH:

*Shell*

DATE OF BURIAL:

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

GRAVE NUMBER:

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

*J. Johnson  
Capt. 59th Inf.*

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).



*Killed Aug 10/18*

*aug 3/18*



G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.  
TO : C.O., Co. C, 59th Inf.  
SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

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

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis  
Adjutant General.

Note:

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

Nearest relative of deceased:

*July replacement*  
Relationship: *No record of nearest relative*  
Address: *relative*



Date March 26, 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

95-11

Remains of:

Name: Arthur G. Cornwell Number: 1414690Rank: None Organization: NoneDisinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304Disinterred (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 From: (Give complete location)From 281.15 N 199.20 E Chery Chartreuve (Aisne)Map #33 Soissons S.E. Sketch #57-Forsberg. Grave #2Reburied (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 in: (Give complete location)Grave #164 Cemetary #21 Chery Chartreuve (Aisne)Map #33 Soissons S.E. 282.40 N 200.80 E

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

Buried 18 inches deep in sandy soil Body badly decomposed.Only small part of skull found.Was one identification tag found upon the body? NoneWhat other means of identification were found on the body? NoneIdentified by name on cross

CONFIRMED No. D. 7301

Note:

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

Supervised by: Sgt. James E. Murff
1st. Lieut. Oscar W. Forsberg  
 C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

Date: March 26, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: Arthur G. Cornwell

Number: 1414880

Rank: None

Organization: None

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group I Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 from: (Give complete location)

From 881.15 N 139.20 E Chery Quartrave (Alamo)

Map #33 Solsona S.E. Section #57-Forsberg. Grave #2

Reburied (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #154 Cemetery #21 Chery Quartrave (Alamo)

Map #33 Solsona S.E. 385.40 N 200.80 E

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

Buried 18 inches deep in sandy soil. Body badly decomposed.

Only small part of skull found.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? None

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

Identified by name on cross

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies they should be sent to the Effects Dept direct as is required by G.O. 1324, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in duplicate, which will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration, Office.

Supervised by: Sgt. James E. Murff

1st. Lieut. Oscar W. Forsberg  
C.O. Group I Unit 304



Classification

Adjustment

CEMETRIAL DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 9511

*City 617*

Date 9/13/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative <i>5X8</i>		✓
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative <i>5X8</i>		✓
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-13-20-ew

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

**FILE**

Cemetery Audit Department  
✓ Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By *Johnson*

1 Cards attached.

Classification \_\_\_\_\_

Adjustment \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 9/8/20

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Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number			<i>From J.W.C.</i>		✓

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-16-20-Few

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

**FILE**

✓ Cards Dept  
Cemetery Audit Department  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By E.H.P.

1 Cards attached.

Card Department.  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE AR.  
WASHINGTON

FROM: O. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 1131

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date September 7th, 1920.

File No. 9511 Registration.

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- |   |  |
|---|--|
| ✓ a. Surname <u>CORNWELL.</u>             | ✓ f. Date of death <u>8/3/18</u>   |
| ✓ b. Christian name <u>Arthur C.</u>      | ✓ g. Cause of death <u>K/A</u>   |
| ✓ c. Serial number <u>1414690</u>         | ✓ h. Authority (C.C.#) <u>223</u>  |
| ✓ d. Organization <u>Co. C. 59th Inf.</u> | i. Emergency address <u>Mrs. Kate</u><br><u>Cornwell - Manchester, Ia.</u> |
| ✓ e. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>                     | ✓ j. Relationship <u>mother.</u>   |

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)

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(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Strike out teeth missing  
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upper right upper left  
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lower right lower left

*Donnelly - 3rd Co and Personnel Sec.*  
*Room 7 3rd Floor 9/10/20*

L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A. Rec'd World War Div.  
Date: 9-9-20

BY:

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

Card Department.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
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*Donnelly - PM Co Encl Personnel Sec*  
*Aug 7 3rd Floor 9/10/20*  
L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

**FILE**

Rec'd World War Div  
Date *9-9-20*

BY:

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

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