

March 14, 1919.

Major General P. G. Harris,
The Adjutant General of the Army,
Washington, D. C.

My dear General:

I have been asked by Mr. Daniel Spellacy, of New York City to request the War Department to furnish any information they may have regarding the death of his brother-in-law, Thomas J. Cotter, formerly of Company G, 325th Infantry, 82nd Division, A.E.F., who was reported dead October 27, 1918.

I will greatly appreciate any additional information you may be able to furnish me regarding the death of this soldier.

Yours very truly,

William M. Calder.

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293-8 Letter, Thomas J.

201 (Cotter, Thomas J.) Enl.

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JEH-AC-64.

War Department, A. G. O., March 17, 1919. To - Cemeterial Branch, Q. M. G. O. and the Surgeon General in turn.

1. For all available information concerning the death of the soldier referred to herein.

By order of the Secretary of War.

W. V. Carter,

Adjutant General.

Synopsis



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In answer refer to file No. 293.3-Cemeterial Office, Quartermaster General of the Army, March 19, 1919-- To the Adjutant General of the Army, through the (Surgeon General of the Army) War Dept.

1. The records of this office afford no information regarding the above named soldier.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

H. R. Lemly,
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

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G.R.S. Form #114 B

OCT 9 - 1926

DATE March 27, 1922.

1. NAME Cotter, Thomas J SERIAL No. 1898932

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co.G. 325th Inf
& DIVISION 82

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty. Senoncourt (Meuse) NUMBER 607

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

86 Sec.D.

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Not known

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Nothing of record

CONCENTRATED TO Not known

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Oct 27-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME N.Y.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Nothing of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm M. Cline

Wm M. CLINE
Captain Q.M.G.

rhj

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION March 27, 1922. 15 23 H

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Block

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY
m.j.w. 3/6/23

A. G. O.
OCT 11 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

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Robert G. Davis,
Major General,
Adjutant General,

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AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
STATION 500

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, 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.



OCT 13 1926

Cool Card changed to read Theodore J.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cotter 1898932 Theodore J.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. Co. G, 325 Inf
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Evac. Hosp. #8
Petit Maujouy, Meuse.

CAUSE OF DEATH: GSW Mult

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct. 27, 1918.

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

American Cemetery 1 1/2 K east of
Senoncourt, Commune of Senoncourt,
Meuse.

GRAVE NUMBER: 86 Section D

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:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY: *Chas B Lore*
CHAS. B. LORE

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Cotton</i>	<i>Co t</i>	3	<i>3-05-12</i>
<i>Thomas J.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	<i>15</i>
	ROW <i>23</i>	2	<i>23</i>
	BLOCK <i>H/</i>	1	<i>8</i>
STATE	<i>N.Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>82</i>	2	<i>82</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>325</i>	3	<i>325</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>Mo</i>	1	<i>2</i>
<i>ditto</i> NAME <i>Spillacy</i>		3	
<i>Mrs. Francis</i>	STATE	2	
<i>544 A 16 St</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>RESIDENCE</i>	CITY	3	
<i>Brooklyn, N.Y.</i>	RELATION <i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
<i>(father dead)</i>	OTHER	1	
<i>(Mrs. M.)</i>	ELIGIBILITY <i>dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
<i>29/514/PJ.</i>			

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QM 293 A-M
Cotter, Thomas J. (MA)

June 3, 1932

Mrs. Frances T. Spellacy,
544-A - 16th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Madam:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who may be 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 therefore requested that you advise whether or not the late Private Thomas J. Cotter is survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him for a period of five years at any time prior to his reaching eighteen years of age, and if so, her name and address. It will be appreciated if you will also furnish the dates of death of the parents of this late veteran.

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.

Enclosure:
Envelope.

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1232

Cotter, Thomas J - Pvt. Co G. 325 Inf.
Date mother's death? (died before 1918)
Father living? ~~_____~~
sister - Spellacy, Frances J., 544 A-16 St, Brooklyn, N.Y.

SMo Loco? no record
C 94608

Born - 10-26-94
and 9-29-17

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 8, 1930.

Cotter, Thomas J. 1232 S

Mrs. Frances T. Spellacy,
544A 16th St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cotter, Thos. J.
1232.

Sept. 6, 1929

Mrs. Frances T. Spellacy,
544A - 16th St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

No

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.

No -

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
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WASHINGTON

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The records of this office show that you are the **sister of the late Private Thomas J. Cotter, Co.G, 325th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France,**

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
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Assistant.

In reply refer to:

293 C-R

49532

April 17, 1923.

Mrs. Frances T. Spellacy,
544a 16th St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
Private Thomas J. Cotter, Company G, 325th
the permanent grave of
Infantry is Grave 15, Row 23, Block H, 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, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State
from which he came. The headstones will be placed at all graves in
connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as
possible and without waiting for special action or request on the
part of relatives.

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

O.Q.M.G.

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Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

September 29, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.
(COTTER, Thomas J.)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #607, Sheet No.
63. Transmittal Memorandum H-1408.

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to
the case of the late Thomas J. Cotter, Private, Serial Number
1898932, Company G, 325th Infantry.

2. It is recommended that the remains be left in
France in view of the fact that no request for disposition of
the remains has been made.

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

BY:

F. C. Pallas

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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Inscribed, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.
File # 293.8 # 49532

Cotter, Thomas J.

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BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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September 29, 1921

File No. 222, Gen. Div., Oct. 27.
(COTTER, Thomas J.)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Central Division, O.C.M.O.,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of records - Company 507, Street No. 62, Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

- 1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to the case of the late Thomas J. Cotter, Private, Serial Number 180932, Company 5, 388th Infantry.
- 2. It is recommended that the records be left in place in view of the fact that no request for disposition of the records has been made.

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, W.M.O.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

R. O. KILPATRICK,
Executive Assistant.

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Central Postal Directory

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

APR 9 1921

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

To: Mrs. Frances T. Spellacy, 544 a 16th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of ~~vt. Thomas J. Cotter, Ser. No. 1898932, Co. G. 325th Inf.~~

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named ~~no~~
~~request has been made for the disposition of his remains.~~

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. C.

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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

*Revised
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Harlow C.W.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Cotter, Thomas J., Pvt.

607 - 63

1/25/21.

C-94608

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

1898932

Co. G, 325th Inf.

Date of death - 10/27/18.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy fwd to Adj Dept.

DATE

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NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Address

Mrs. Frances J. Spellacy

Sister

544 A, 16th St.

Brooklyn, N.Y.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

Harlow C.W.
NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER CEMETERY NO. DATE

Cotter, Thomas J., Pvt.
SERIAL NUMBER ORGANIZATION

607 - 65 1/25/21

Adjustment Made

1898932

Co. G, 325th Inf.

Date of death - 10/27/18.

5-8 1922

File No. 49532

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Orig attached to F115

DATE

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NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

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Address

Sister

544 A 16th St.

Brooklyn N.Y.

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF
Cotter 1898932 Theodore J.

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).
Pvt. Co. G, 325 Inf
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF BURIAL:..... Evac. Hosp. #8
Petit Hanjour, House

CAUSE OF DEATH:..... GSW Milt

DATE OF BURIAL:..... Oct. 27, 1918.

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

American Cemetery 1 1/2 K east of
Senoncourt, Commune of Senoncourt
House.

GRAVE NUMBER:..... 86 Section D

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:.....

ADDRESS:.....

RELATIONSHIP:.....

REPORTED BY: *Chas Lore*

CHAS. B. LORE

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).
Capt. Q. M. C.

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



49532

NAME...COTTER....I898952...THEODORF... J.

RANK...FVT....CO. G....REGT. 325 INF.....

DATE OF DEATH....10--27--18.....

PLACE...SENONCOURT.....MEUSE.....

CAUSE.

DATE OF BURIAL.....10--27--18.....

GRAVE NO.86. PLOT NO.2. SEC. D.....

CEMETERY...AMERICAN MILITARY.....

IDENTIFIED BY. INDT. TAG..

607

FIELD RECORD MADE BY. SGT.SR.GD.....

James Roberts

COMPANY..301. GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE....

Place **SENONCOURT (Meuse)**

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date **Nov. 14, 21.**

1. REMAINS OF **COTTER, Thomas J.** SERIAL NUMBER **1898932**

RANK **Pvt.** ORGANIZATION **Co. G., 325th Inf.**

2. Disinterred (date): **Nov. 14, 21** From (give complete location):

Grave 86, Section D., Plot 2, Cemetery 607.

By : Group **2** Unit **Field Section 3.**

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

Mch 27, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 15, bl H, row 23

Reburial **S** lined casket

By : Group Unit Nature of reburial

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

Shroud; badly decomposed; recognition impossible.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? **Yes** On grave marker? **Yes**

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

No effects.

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

MBD.1,5.

(a) Height (actual measurement) **Impossible to determine** Shot away **8,9,10,11,12,13.**

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

(c) Hair—Color **Apparently dark brown**

Quantity **Impossible to determine**

Characteristics **Straight**

(d) Hair on face—Color **None visible**

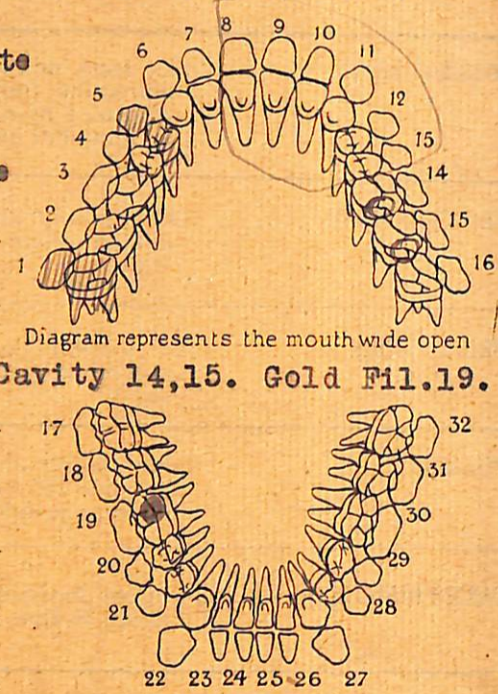
Location **None visible**

Quantity **None**

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) **Not cut 17,32.**

Part of upper jaw shot away.



7. Disinterment supervised by

H.L. HURLBUT.

Approved :

W.H. ROACH, 1st Lt. QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by

W.B. Sheild

Approved :

A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt, QMC.
(Title)

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






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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

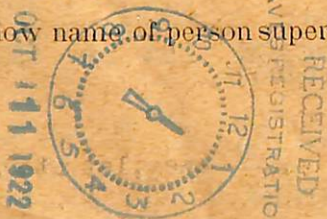
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying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

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), 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 November 14-21

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 Cotter, Thomas J

10. Name T.J.Cotter

2. No. 1898932

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co.G.325th Inf

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. 10-27-18

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. DOWRIA

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 86 Sec. D

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot 2 Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. None.

18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Senoncourt

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 607

23. Disinterred (Date) November 14-21

By H.L.Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Thomas J. Cotter

Serial No. _____

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co.G.325th Inf

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? yes

H.L.Hurlbut
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).

None.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Shroud under cross.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Tag on body reads T.J.Cotter

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date November 14-21 By H.L.Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by _____

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.L.Hurlbut

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. 0-12989



32. Designation of body:

Name Cotter, Thomas J Serial No. 1898932

Rank Pvt Organization Co. G. 325th Inf

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Arg. Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 14-21 By H. L. Hurlbut

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector W. H. Roach, 1st Lt. QMC.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) November 14-21

To point of Concentration Verdun, Meuse.,

Convoyer James Flynn Signature Shipping Officer W. H. Roach, 1st Lt. QMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date November 14-21

By G.R.S. Representative J. P. Glendon, 1st Lt. QMC.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov 22, 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne 1232

Convoyer O. Seeliger Signature Shipping Officer R. RICHARDS, 1st Lt. QMC.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, Mch 27, 1922 (Date)

42. Grave No. 15 Section

43. Plot H Row 23

G.R.S. Representative A. E. Dewey

A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #49532

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COTTER, Thomas J. Ser. No. 1898932
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G, 325th Inf.
(c) Date of death 10/27/18 (d) Cause of death DWARIA

TYP sh
CKR

*1-26-22 Examined
for Concentration
Morse - Argonne 1232
at 7/10/22*

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

(a) Grave No. 86 Row - Plot 2 Sec. D TYP. sh
(b) Emerg. Address Francis T. Spellacy, Friend, 228 Windsor Pl.,
Brooklyn, N.Y. (over)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. 31

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Received in file 1-24-21 MMS

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
(c) Address _____
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials MMS Date 1-24-21, 1920.

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

No Request for Disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials EB Date 1-24-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 607 SHEET No. 63

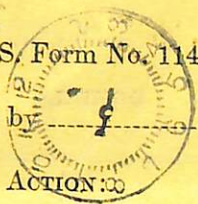
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MAR 8, 1921

Checked 2/25/21 C

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION: 

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **JAN 29 1921**, 1920

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned *H*

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *B.A.N.P. - Mrs. Frances Spellacy (sister)
544 A. 16th St. Brooklyn, N.Y.
2-75-20*

Rank _____
Serial No. _____
ORL _____
Remarks _____

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

A. G. O. Card & Corr. *Stevens*

Discrepancies *1-24-21*

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

E. A.

G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

S-1357/MB

*Robert
1-24-21
OMB*

COMPLETION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #49532

*Form 115
See 2/15/21
Att*

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

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

*No card in file - No request for disposition
 MS 3/7/21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on JAN 29 1921
 (letter of transmittal on 1921)

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR 12 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 10-3-21 192

COUNTRY G.R.S. FORM 115-A CEMETERY NO. August 1920 SHEET NO. 63

S-666/MB France 607 PRIORITY 104

MAR 8, 1921, J. L.