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DEC 24 1925

DATE

1. NAME DECKER, Wellington D.

SERIAL No. 765074

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION & DIVISION 104th Amm. Trn. Co. G.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Meucon, Morbihan

20

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

28

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

28

Meucon

Morbihan

As shown by AGRS Form #1-A, May 19, 1919.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Not given

CONCENTRATED TO Nothing of record

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.

Nothing of record

DATE OF DEATH Sept 18, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mich

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY



SIGNATURE AREA SUPERVISOR

Stanley J. Grogan STANLEY J. GROGAN, CAPT. INF. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 9/25/22

15

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Blk. A

PLOT

Oise Aisne American Cty #608, Seringes-&-Nesles, Aisne

CEMETERY

THE ABOVE IS CORRECT BY [Signature] DEC 8 1925

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 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

..... Becker 765074 Wellington D.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

..... Pvt. Co. G. 104th Ammunition Train
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... Sept. 19, 1918......

PLACE OF BURIAL... Camp De Meuson Cemetery

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

GRAVE NUMBER..... 28.....

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

Headboard? Bottle?

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:

REPORTED BY:

Capt. C. B. Debees
Chaplain 110 F. A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Decker</i>	<i>Dec</i>	3	<i>453</i>
<i>Wellington D.</i> BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	<i>15</i>
	ROW <i>25</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	BLOCK <i>a</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Mich</i>	2	<i>26</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>29</i>	2	<i>29</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>104</i>	3	<i>104</i>
AFM	<i>amm In</i>	1	<i>8</i>
MARITAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	<i>3</i>
NAME <i>Decker</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	3	<i>453</i>
<i>Mrs. Annie L.</i> <i>907 Wheeler St.</i>	STATE <i>Mich</i>	2	<i>26</i>
	COUNTY <i>Wexford</i>	2	<i>83</i>
	CITY <i>Cadillac</i>	3	<i>016</i>
RELATION	<i>Step-Mother</i>	1	<i>3</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE <i>29/514/</i>	<i>no age</i>	1	<i>2</i>

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Mother Dead

66. audited FEB 5 1932 VD

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 8, 1932


Decker, Wellington D. (OA) s

Mrs. Annie L. Decker
907 Wheeler St.,
Cadillac, Mich.

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.

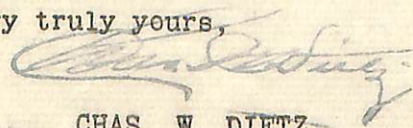
1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>no</i>		
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	<i>66 years old Health Poor</i>		Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	<i>Yes</i>		
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>		

Annie L. Decker
Sign here

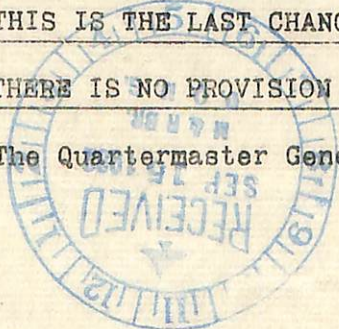
NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

Encl:
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Decker, Wellington D. (OA) s

July 18, 1932.

Mrs. Annie L. Decker,
907 Wheeler St.,
Cadillac, Mich.

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) _____

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Decker, Willington D. (OA)

February 13, 1932

Mrs. Annie L. Decker,
907 Wheeler Street,
Cadillac, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 10th, advising the date of your marriage to the father of the late Private Willington D. Decker.

There is enclosed, herewith, a copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, which provides for pilgrimages to be made to the cemeteries of Europe by the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces whose remains are interred in Europe or who were lost or buried at sea.

In view of the information submitted, you are eligible to visit the grave of your stepson, the late Private Decker, at the expense of the Government. It will therefore be appreciated if you will answer the following questions, in order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made accordingly.

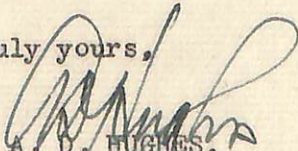
1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?
2. What is your age and condition of health?
3. Do you speak English?
4. What other language do you speak?

*My health is too poor
Mrs Annie L. Decker*

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey, and doctors and nurses will be available from the time of arrival in New York City until return thereto. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured 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.

Enclosure:
Act-Amendment.
Envelope.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Decker, Willington D. (OA)

February 6, 1932

Mrs. Annie L. Decker,
907 Wheeler Street,
Cadillac, Michigan.

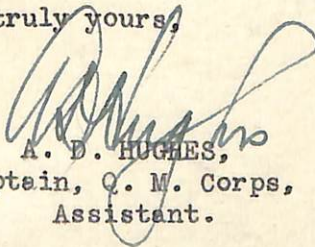
Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it will be appreciated if you will advise the date of your marriage to the father of the late Private Willington D. Decker.

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.



Cadillac Mich Feb 10/32

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

February 9, 1932

Mr Decker and myself
were married at East Lake Transistee Co -
- Mich

Feb 18 / 1899

By Rev. C. J. Ferguson
Minister of the Gospel

Your obedient

It is requested that the records of this office may be complete

and correct. It will be appreciated if you will advise the date of

whether of the late private Willington D. Decker.

is enclosed for your convenience in reply.

for the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Assistant
Captain, Q. M. Corps

Respectfully

Mrs Annied L. Decker
907 Wheeler St

1932 Ins etc

DM
OR
BB



Decker, Wellington D.
Pvt, 104th Amm Tr

OA

Born 3-2-97

vd

enl 5-23-16

765974

MOTHER

Dead

Xc-55-35-9.

WIDOW

rem 6-17-21

Elbata Jay - Evangeline, Louisiana

~~LOCO~~

STEPMOTHER

Annie L Decker

resides 907 Wheeler st
depud.
Comp Cadillac - Mich

father living

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Decker, Wellington D. (Q-A) W-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. ^eAlberta Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Decker, Wellington D. Pvt (OA) H-

July 13, 1932.

E
Alberto Decker,
Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline,
Louisiana.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

QM 293 A-M
Decker, Wellington D. Pvt. (O-A) W-

April 10, 1931.

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Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Private Wellington D. Decker is survived by a natural mother, stepmother or any woman who stood in loco parentis to him, and if so, the name, address and relationship of each.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosures:
Questionnaire
Act - Amendment
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 4, 1930.

Decker, Wellington D. - 608 W

e. Dean
Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Decker, Wellington D.

June 24, 1929.

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Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Pvt. Wellington D. Decker, 104th Amm. Train, whose remains are now 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 mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Decker, Wellington D. (OA) s

Sept. 8, 1932

Mrs. Annie L. Decker
907 Wheeler St.,
Cadillac, Mich.

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")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

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.

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Decker, Wellington D. (OA) s

July 13, 1932.

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907 Wheeler St.,
Cadillac, Mich.

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.

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Decker, Willington D. (OA)

February 13, 1932

Mrs. Annie L. Decker,
907 Wheeler Street,
Cadillac, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 10th, advising the date of your marriage to the father of the late Private Willington D. Decker.

There is enclosed, herewith, a copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, which provides for pilgrimages to be made to the cemeteries of Europe by the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces whose remains are interred in Europe or who were lost or buried at sea.

In view of the information submitted, you are eligible to visit the grave of your stepson, the late Private Decker, at the expense of the Government. It will therefore be appreciated if you will answer the following questions, in order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made accordingly.

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

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey, and doctors and nurses will be available from the time of arrival in New York City until return thereto. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured 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.

Enclosure:
Act-Amendment.
Envelope.
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QM 293 A-M
Decker, Willington D. (OA)

February 6, 1932

Mrs. Annie L. Decker,
907 Wheeler Street,
Cadillac, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it will be appreciated if you will advise the date of your marriage to the father of the late Private Willington D. Decker.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Decker, Wellington D. (O-A) W-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
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Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Decker, Wellington D. Pvt (OA) E-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline,
Louisiana.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

QM 293 A-M
Decker, Wellington D. Pvt. (O-A) W-

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Private Wellington D. Decker is survived by a natural mother, stepmother or any woman who stood in loco parentis to him, and if so, the name, address and relationship of each.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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ADJ. GEN.
U.S. ARMY

APR 10 1931

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Decker, Wellington D. Pvt. (O-A) W

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

U.S.M.G. & F. DIV.
1931 APR 11 AM 10 28
DISPATCHED

QM 293 A-M
Decker, Wellington D. Pvt 608 W

October 14, 1930

Mrs. Alberto Decker
Evangelina
Louisiana

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

Encls:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 4, 1930.

Decker, Wellington D. - 608 W

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Decker, Wellington D.
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

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,

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

Decker, Wellington D.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangeline, La.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Pvt. Wellington D. Decker, 104th Amm. Train, whose remains are now 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 mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

Dup.

Decker

Wellington Decker

765,974

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

104 Ammn Train

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you 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)

Elmer B. Decker

907 Wheeler St

Cadillac

Mich

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by *Th*

20 - 24

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REVIEWED

OSP SS.

~~7-10-18-21~~

QM 293 A-C

March 29, 1924

DECKER, Wellington D., Pvt.

Mrs. Alberto Decker,
Evangelina.

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1- Incl.
Record card.

Central Mail & Files Div.



Assistant.

MAR 29 1924 HARBOLD
B.

MFK
707

AGO reports serials.

763074-No record.

765074- Belongs to dischg. man.

765974-OK Pvt. Decker.

12/12/23.

BW.

The American Red Cross
sends you the photograph of the grave of
this American Soldier
who gave his life for his country

8
Feb. 4, 1921.

G. O. Form No. 111
TRANSMISSION OF INQUIRIES.

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D. C.

For information of: **539 Greenwich St. N.Y.**
(a) Chief, Effects Bureau, Hoboken, N.J.
(b) Auditor for the War Dept., Wash. D.C.
(c) Director of Finance, Washington, D.C.
(d) Chief, War Risk Insurance Bureau,

Case of:

Pvt. Wellington D. Decker,
#765974, Co. G, 104th Amm. Train.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Personal Effects
- (b) Accrued Pay
- (c) Liberty Bonds
- (d) War Risk Insurance

has been made by:

Mrs. Alberto Decker (widow)
Evangelina, La.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

LN CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

File copy

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Decker, 765074, Wellington D.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. G., 104th Ammunition Train
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept. 19, 1918.

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

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

GRAVE NUMBER: 28

HOW MARKED: ~~Name Peg~~ Cross? Cross

~~Headboard~~ ~~Bottle~~

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:

W

REPORTED BY: Capt. C. B. Ducee
Chaplain 110 T. A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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



22389

February 8, 1921.

FILE

293.8-Com.#33184-(Clapp, Benjamin D. Pvt.)
#23046-(Parrott, James L. Pvt.1/cl)
#23992-(Schneider, Leo C. Pvt.)
#22389-(Decker, Wellington D.Pvt.)

From: The Quartermaster General, U.S.Army, (Comatorial Division)
To: Edwin C. Feigenspan, Formerly Captain Co.G, 104th Ammunition Train,
29th Division, Newark, New Jersey.
Subject: Information.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 21st 1921, requesting information concerning the grave location and personal effects of a number of our soldier dead who were formerly members of the 104th Ammunition Train, 29th Division.
2. The remains of the late Private Benjamin D. Clapp, Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, were returned to this country for interment in the Arlington National Cemetery, Va.
3. The remains of the late Private 1st class James L. Parrott, Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, were returned to Mr. James Lloyd Parrott, Springfield, Kentucky, for private interment.
4. The remains of the late Private Leo C. Schneider, Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, are now interred in Grave 42, Plot A, American Cemetery, Camp of Meuse, Department of Morbihan.
5. The remains of the late Private Wellington D. Decker, Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, are now interred in Grave 28, Plot A, American Cemetery, Camp of Meuse, Department of Morbihan.
6. The Chief, Personal Effects Bureau, 530 Greenwich St., New York City, New York, will be requested to return to the emergency addresses any personal effects belonging to the above mentioned deceased soldiers.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

LN

CHARLES J. WYNN,
2nd Lieut. Q.M.G.

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HV

COPY

EDWIN C. PRIGERSPAN
Newark New Jersey

January 21st, 1921.

Graves Registration Department,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:-

Information is requested as to the location of grave and disposition of personal belongings of Private James L. Parrott, Serial No. 2,001,244, formerly a member of Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, 29th Division, who died on September 20th, 1918 at Camp De Moncon, France.

Like information is also requested of the following Privates, who died at Camp De Moncon, France, and who were members of Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, 29th Division:-

W. B. Decker,	Serial No.	765,974
Leo C. Schneider,	" "	1,139,168
B. D. Clapp,	" "	1,175,444

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

EDWIN C. PRIGERSPAN,
Formerly Captain Co. G,
104th Ammunition Train,
29th Div.

HCP/SCC.

C O P Y

EDWIN C. FEIGENSPAN
Newark New Jersey

January 21st, 1921.

Graves Registration Department,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:-

Information is requested as to the location of grave and disposition of personal belongings of Private James L. Parrott, Serial No. 2,001,244, formerly a member of Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, 29th Division, who died on September 20th, 1918 at Camp De Meucon, France.

Like information is also requested of the following Privates, who died at Camp De Meucon, France, and who were members of Company G, 104th Ammunition Train, 29th Division:-

W. B. Decker,	Serial No.	765,974
Leo G. Schneider,	" "	1,139,158
B. D. Clapp,	" "	1,173,444

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

EDWIN C. FEIGENSPAN,
Formerly Captain Co. G,
104th Ammunition Train,
29th Div.

EGF/EGG.

Copied by L.C.

JAN 21 1921

RECEIVED

G.R.S. Form #120
Shipping Inquiry.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON.

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.
TO: Mr. Elmer B. Decker, 907 Wheeler Street, Cadillac, Michigan.
SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Wellington D. Decker.

Records of this office show your request to be as follows:

Remains to be ~~not returned to United States~~ ~~Interred~~
~~Shipped to~~

If any modifications of the foregoing are desired please write same fully on the other side of this sheet.

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of remains to homes for burial; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in France.

You are requested to fill out the following without delay and return in enclosed penalty envelope, which does not require postage.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow			
Children(Name oldest first)			
Father			
Mother			
Brothers			
Sisters			

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

JUL 6 1920

Handwritten initials and date: "H Jul 7 1920"

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.V.C.
TO: Mrs. Alberto Decker, Evangeline, La.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Wellington D. Decker

Rush Answer

The records of this office show that you have requested that this ~~body~~ ~~not expressed~~ your wish as to disposition of remains

Remain in France

no change

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow <i>Alberta Decker</i>		<i>Evangeline</i>	<i>La.</i>
Soldier's Children 1. (Name oldest first) 2.			
<i>Wellington D. Decker</i>			
Father			
Mother			
Brothers 1. (Name oldest first) 2.			
<i>not living</i> <i>Sgt Decker</i>		<i>Canada</i>	<i>Mich</i>
Sisters			
<i>Mrs Oline Ash</i>		<i>Cadillac</i>	<i>Mich</i>
Date <i>7-9-20</i>		Signature <i>Alberta Decker</i>	
Address <i>Evangeline La</i>		Relationship <i>wife</i>	

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

jdb

(OVER)

JUL 12 1920



INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. 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.
4. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

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File 22589

Bulletin G.R.S. 004.5 Sent April 30th 1919

Evangeline, La., January 7, 1919

Chief, Graves registration service,
Headquarters services of Supply,
A.P.O. 717, American H.F., France.



Dear Sir:-

I thank you for your kind communication of
December 17, 1918 giving the place of burial of my
deceased husband Private Wellington Decker as at
MEUCON, MORBINAN.

In line with your information contained
therein I beg to make application from your department
for a photography of his grave.

Thanking you again for your kindness and
for your attention to this request, I am

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. Alberto Decker,

Evangeline P.O. La.



COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Decker, Wellington D. Ser. No. 763074)
 (2) Rank Pvt. Organization 104th Amm. Train.) TYP. T.W.
 (3) Date of death 9/18/18) CKR. TH

B. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(4) Cause of death Lobar Pneumonia) TYP. ESW
 (5) Grave No. 28 Row --- Plot A Sect. ---) CKR. J.W.

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt None

(6) Relationship Father
 (7) Name Elmer B. Decker
 (8) Address 907 Wheeler St., Cadillac, Mich
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? No
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at _____
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? _____

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication _____

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card?
 If so, specify such information. No correspondence
 (13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by att (Date) 3/20/20

D. (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos.? Yes - G.C. Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? Yes - G.C. (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

Mrs. Alberto Decker (wife) Evangelina, La.
(1-7-19) asks for photograph of grave.
Grave Location Blank

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by G.C. (Date) 3-22-20

rechecked
7-10-1-24-21

III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date)

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to.....

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed

(18) Typed by Checked by (Date)

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date)

(19) Typed by Checked by (Date)

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

7-9-20 - Form 114 - Wife Alberta Deakes,
requests remains to be left in France.
+ D.

D. Dispatched (Date) (Let. Trans. No. APR 12 1920)
no.

Approved by

(Date)

Letter Jan 21/21 from Capt. Edwin O Feigenbaum
Newark N.J. request information concerning
grave location and disposition of personal
belongings. LHM. 1-26-21

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov 19, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name DECKER, Wellington D.

10. Name

2. No. 765074

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. 104th Amm. Tr. Co. G.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9/18/18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Lobar Pneu.

(b) D.B. No discrepancy.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 28 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discrepancy.

mg 18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Meucon

20. Dept. or County Morbihan

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 20

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov 19, 1921.

By W. G. Follmer.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Decker, Wellington D.

Serial No: -----

Rank Pvt.

Organization 104th Amm Tr. Co. G.

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

W. G. Follmer
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 Decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and U.S. 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 Nov 19, 1921. By W. G. Follmer.

31. Casket sealed by W. G. Follmer.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

HEB.

W. G. Follmer
SUBMITTED BY
W. G. Follmer
Nov 19 1921

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17228

32. Designation of body:

Name Wellington D. DECKER Serial No. 765074

Rank Pvt. Organization 104th Amm.Tr. Co.G.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. # 608, Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 19, 1921 By W. C. Fallmer.

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 C. S. Denny, 1st Lt. OAC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov 19, 1921.

To point of Concentration Lacon Morgue.

Convoyer XXXXXXXX R. Trux Signature Shipping Officer C. S. Denny, 1st Lt. OAC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov 19, 1921.

By G.R.S. Representative H. B. Birdseye, 1st Lt. OMC.

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

To Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer Cty 608.

Convoyer F. DeWesch. Signature Shipping Officer H. B. Birdseye, 1st Lt. OMC.

40. Received: Date 28 NOV 1921

G.R.S. Representative G. F. WAUGH

41. Reinterred 9/25/22, Oise-Aisne Ven. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)

(Date)

42. Grave No. 15, Blk. A. Section

43. Plot Row 30

G.R.S. Representative

I. H. Joffe,
1st Lt. - Charleain-Us4 OMC
gs

Place Meuse No 20.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov 19, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF Decker, Wellington D. SERIAL NUMBER 765074
RANK Svt. ORGANIZATION 104th Amm T. Co. G.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov 19, 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 28, Cem No 20.

By: Group 3 Unit Det sec 6.

3. Reburied (date): 9/25/22, In (give complete location): Gr.15, Blk.A.Row 30
Oise-Aisne Cem.608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)

By: Group reburial group Unit _____ Nature of reburial metal lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
D. composed, features unrecognizable. Wooden box and U.S. Uniform.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
None.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) Imp to det.

(c) Hair—Color None visible.

Quantity None visible.

Characteristics None visible.

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.

Location None visible.

Quantity None visible.

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Imp to det.

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

None visible.

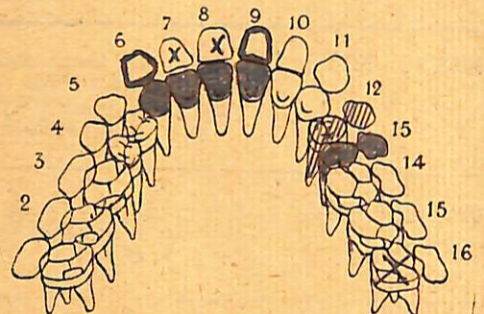
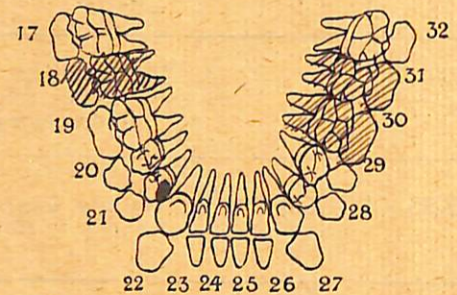


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



Richmond teeth 6, 9,
One Art Tooth, 7, 8, MBD.
12, 19, 30, 31, Gold crown.
13, Con fill 21.

7. Disinterment supervised by J. B. Lee

Approved: C. S. Denny

(Title) 1st Lt. CAC.

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays

Approved: I. H. Joffe
(Title) 1st Lt. OMC

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

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

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

MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :



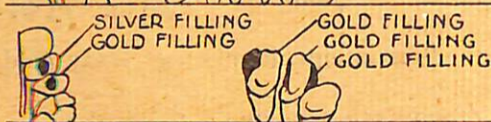
CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :



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: Inquiry Section.
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. 20-24 (furnished by: SRM) (date 1-26-21)
Data sent Overseas Body not to be returned Let trans. 4/12/20
Operations to commence (approx.) Some bodies returned, date next exhumation
Operations to be completed (approx.) _____
Bodies shipped from European Port _____
Bodies arrived at Hoboken _____

II. CASE OF Decker, Wellington D. Pvt. 104 Am. Inf. 765974
The following information was abstracted (Date) 1-26-21 from: Form 115

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		Clk.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	<u>att</u>	<u>yes</u>	Shppg. Inquiry (sent <u>July 6/20</u>)		
A.G.O. Corresp.	<u>att</u>	<u>no</u>	To <u>widow</u>	<u>SRM</u>	<u>yes</u>
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.	<u>SRM</u>	<u>yes</u>	OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

Agro. card DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN			REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt.	Int.		
Widow					
Children (Name oldest first)					
Father <u>Elmer B Decker</u>				<u>✓</u>	
Mother <u>907 Wheeler St.</u>					
Brothers <u>Cadillac Mich</u>					
Sisters					

Body to be shipped to _____
was shipped (Date) _____

REMARKS City 20 Dispt 4-19-20 Some bodies returned
date of next exhumation not known, 12/26/20
conesp Jan 2/21 ruled on Form 115. SRM 1-26-21
Form 120 sigd by widow Alberta Decker, O.K. No 7
Evangeline Decker requests body remain in France
SRM 1-21-21