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8 June 1976

Mr. John J. Nangle
29 Pequot Avenue
Port Washington, New York 11050

Dear Mr. Nangle:

This is in reply to your letter of recent date requesting information on Private Frank E. Dempsey, SN 4084588, 76th Provisional Company, Sept. Replacement Draft, World War I.

Records indicate remains of Private Dempsey, who died on 4 October 1918, of pneumonia, are buried in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery and Memorial, Fere-en-Tardenois, France, in compliance with his mother's request that he be permanently interred overseas.

The American Battle Monuments Commission, Forrestal Building, Rm: 4A-057, Washington, D. C. 20314, will provide you additional information as to your uncle's grave location and general information on the cemetery.

You may communicate with the Commander, U. S. Army Administration Center, 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63132, in regard to Private Dempsey's "Statement of Military Service".

I hope the information furnished will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

cc: ABMC-Wash., D.C.

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WILLIAM R. FLICK
LTC, GS
Chief, Memorial Affairs Division

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Dear Sir,

April 20, 1976

My uncle, Frank Dempsey died during world war one in France October 4, 1918.

My mother who is 75 years of age would like to have a copy of his service record, his death certificate and to know where his grave is now located in France. I told my mother that I would do all I could to take care of this.

Regretfully, I do not know Frank Dempsey's birth date - believe he was born in Keating Summit Pennsylvania - about six years before my mother - would have been about 1894 or earlier I believe

Frank Dempsey Father James or Florenz Dempsey
Mother Sophia Louise (Wolfanger) Dempsey
Step father Joseph Wehler

Died October 4, 1918 France

Other information that I have is from an Army photo of his grave site.

On the cross is his name followed by I believe his serial number 408-4588 and PVT CO 76 PROV. ARD & date of death.

There is also a marker in the ground
on the grave site L 6525.

Any help at all will be greatly
appreciated.

Thank you for any consideration

Sincere Regards

Mr. John J. Nangle

My mother's name is
Margaret Mary (Dempsey) Nangle

John J. Nangle
29 Pequot Avenue
Post Office Washington
New York 11050

John Joseph Nangle
29 Pequot Avenue
Port Washington
New York 11050



U. S. Army Graves Registration
Washington, D. C.



JAN 21 1926

DATE

1. NAME Dempsey, Frank E

SERIAL No. 4084588

RANK Pvt

ORGANIZATION 76th Prov. Co. Sept. Repl. Dft
& DIVISION none

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty Lambezellec (Finistere)

531

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

8

4

E

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 17, R2, Pl @ Lambezellec Finistere

Per grs Form #16. 6/15/20.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Not given

CONCENTRATED TO 6/15/20.

8

4

E

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Lambezellec

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

#531

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

Tag found on body. Per ERS Form #612 16, 6/15/20. signed W.E. Shipp, Capt. Caf.

DATE OF DEATH Oct 4, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Pa

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none found

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 7/22/22

30

31 Block D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Oise-Aisne American Cemetery #608, Seringes-et-Nesles,

Rec'd World War Cemetery

Major General Aisne.

The Adjutant General

5 JAN 13 1928

By OK

JAN 25 1928

AUDITED
JAN 23 1928
WORLD WAR DIV.

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.



Rptd Dying Pneumonia Oct 4/18 ee 287

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Dempsey

..... **Dempsey, # 4084588, Frank.. (?)**

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

..... **Pvt. Co. 76 Taly Prov. A. R. D.**

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **B.H. # 65.**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Pneumonia.**

DATE OF BURIAL: ~~XXXX~~ **Oct. 8th, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **A. R. D. Cemetery.**

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

..... **Lambzellec Finistere.**

.....

GRAVE NUMBER: ... **Grave 17, row 2, plot G.**

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

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?

.....

NEAREST RELATIVE: .. **Miss Margret Dempsey**

ADDRESS: **Amporium Penn.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Sister.**

REPORTED BY: *Paul H. Segur*

..... **1st. Lieut. 2nd Pioneer Inf.**

(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>Hempsey</i>	3	453°
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>30</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	ROW <i>31</i>	2	<i>31</i>
	BLOCK <i>10</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Pa</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RANK	<i>Prvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Replacements</i>	2	<i>5-8</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>X</i>	3	<i>XXX</i>
AFM	<i>Draft</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Wehler</i>	3	<i>3² 5-8</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Pa</i>	2	<i>44</i>
	COUNTY <i>Lycoming</i>	2	<i>41</i>
	CITY <i>Williamsport</i>	3	<i>306</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>

AUDITED

DEC 21 1941

Follow up
Bad heat

Rm

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29/514/PJ.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Dempsey, Frank E. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Sophina Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Pa.

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?

No
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs Sophina Wehler

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 18, 1931

Dempsey, Frank E. Pvt. (OA) M

Mrs. Sophina Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Perma.

Dear Madam:

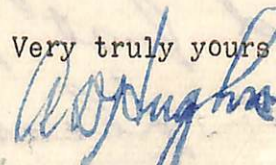
Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Over

August 19th 1931

Williamsport Pa

To the War Dept,
I will answer this at once and hope
you will understand it to be final
for this year next year and for ever
I have given you to understand different
time that I am unable to make the
trip by my Drs Orders I have a bad
heart and cannot go on that account
I have three boys here who need my
care as they are ~~Fatherless~~ Fatherless
and I do not care to bring back
that terrible heart ach of the War
of 1918 the time of my boys death
it is too terrible to go and not be
able to see his face nothing but
a green spot and a cross tho I
would rather stay here where I am
needed and just pray for my boy
over there please do not ask
me again I cannot go

Res yours

Mrs Sophia Wheeler



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 22, 1931

Dempsey, Frank E. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Sophina Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Pa.

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



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

No
Write answer here

unable to go on account of poor health
Mrs Sophina Wehler
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dempsey, Frank E. 608 M

June 9, 1930

Sophia
Mrs. Joseph, Wehler
693 7th Avenue
Williamsport, Pa.

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,

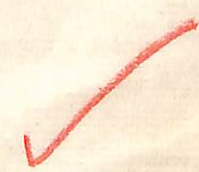
Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No

(Write answer here)

Poor Health Prevents my making the trip
Mrs Sophia Wehler
(Sign here)



693 7th ave
Williamsport Pa
Sept " 1929

office of War Department
& Will Day now in
regards to the last notice
& received which came
to my former address
513 Maple st and forwarded
to my address at
693 7th ave Williamsport
Pa where I moved seven
year ago the 28th of
March 1921 after my
husband death on the
30th of January of that
same year so please
if there is any more
corrosporing please send
to the above address

I am sorry to say I
Will be unable to take
the trip with the War
Mothers as my health
is too poor I would
rather not go at any
time

Res yours

Mrs Sophia Wehler

698 7th ave

Williamsport Pa

Mother of Frank E Derry



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

(Dempsey, Frank E.)
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
513 Maple St.,
Emporium, Pa.

*693 - 7th Ave
Williamsport, Pa.*

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

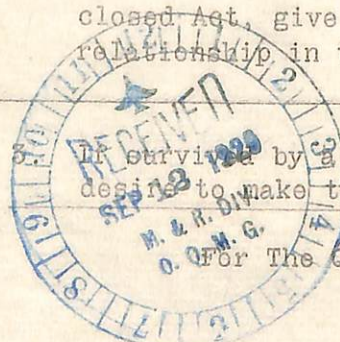
1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

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.

Mother

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
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
(Dempsey, Frank E.)

June 24 1929.

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
~~513 Maple Street,~~
~~Emporium, Pa.~~

693 7th Ave
Williamsport
Pa

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 Private Frank E. Dempsey, 76th Prov. Co. Sept. Repl. Dr., 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 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 re-married 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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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Dempsey, Frank E. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Sophie Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Pa.

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.

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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) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 18, 1931

Dempsey, Frank E. Pvt. (OA) M

Mrs. Sophina Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Penna.

Dear Madam:

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Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

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Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 22, 1931

Dempsey, Frank E. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Sophina Wehler,
693 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Pa.

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.

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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

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dempsey, Frank E. 608 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Joseph Wehler
693 7th Avenue
Williamsport, Pa.

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.

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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.

Dempsey, Frank E. 608-M.

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
595 7th Ave.,
Williamsport, Pa.

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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

(Dempsey, Frank E.)
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
513 Maple St.,
Emporium, Pa.

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,

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
(Dempsey, Frank E.)

June 24 1929.

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
513 Maple Street,
Eporium, Pa.

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 Private Frank E. Dempsey, 76th Prov. Co. Sept. Repl. Dr., 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 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 re-married 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.

Dup.

Demosev,

Frank E.

4,084,588

(Name.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Arm. number.)

Pvt.

76th Prov. Co., S.R.D.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

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.)

Mrs Joseph Keller

American

Western Union

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Joseph Keller

24 W Second St

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

See 1.

PA

Drawn by pm

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QM 293 A-C

DEMPSEY, Frank E. - Pvt.

March 20, 1925

Mrs. Joseph Wehler,
513 Maple St.,
Euporium, Pa.

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 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,

R.P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q.M.G.

Assistant.

✓
1-Incl.
Record card.

RD
KDK



Place Lambezellec Cometary #531

Date June 15, 1920

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: Frank E. Dempsey

Number: 4064588

Rank: Pvt

Organization: 76 Prov. Co. S.R.D.

Disinterment and Reburial made by: Section II

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

June 15, 1920

Grave #17, row #2, plot C

in Cemetery #531

IDH

commune of Lambezellec, Finistere, France

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

June 15, 1920

Grave #8, row #4, plot E

in Cemetery #531

FGS

commune of Lambezellec, Finistere, France

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Wooden box (Uniform) Badly decomposed IDH

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

Remarks:

Tag on cross corresponds with stencil on cross

IDH

W.E.
 W.E. Shipp,
 Capt., Cavalry,
 Inspector.

Supervised by

Zone Commander

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

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

tvh

APR 14 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Mrs. Joseph ^{Weller} (513 Maple St.), Emporium, Pa.
SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Frank E. Dempsey

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

Remains to be ~~not returned to United States~~ ~~XXXXXXXX~~ *Left*
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ *In France* *change address*

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 home 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.

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 11-16-20 *S.C.*

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow			
Children (Name oldest first)			
Father			
Mother	513 Maple	Emporium	Penn
Brothers	1		
Sisters	1		

Date April 17 - 1920

Signature Mrs. Sophia J. Weller

Address 513 Maple St. Emporium Pa.

Relationship Mother

OJB

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

513 Maple St

Emporium Pa

April 17 1920

I am returning this and I dont know if I have done it right or not I have decided to let my son sleep his last long sleep in France under his White cross. as I do not know what his wish would be but Oh how hard it has been to make up my mind to this but if God is willing I'll be with him some day I could not see him if he was brought home and it would almost kill me not to be able to see him again ~~to~~ I always try to remember him as he left me well big strong and oh how happy it has been hard enough to bear as it is now I'll leave him in God's care or ~~for~~ France altho his memory is very dear to me we have changed our street No 11 was 24 West Second

Res yours

Mrs Joseph Meller

APR 20 1920
G. K. S.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Dempsey, # 4084588, Frank, (X).
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Prov. Co 2nd
Pvt. ~~Co. 76 Taly Prov. A.R.D.~~
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **B.H. # 65.**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **B. Pneumonia.**

DATE OF BURIAL: **XXXX Oct. 8th, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **A. S. F. Cemetery.**

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

Lambzellec Finistere.

GRAVE NUMBER: **Grave 17, row 2, plot C.**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **yes** Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

yes

Was one buried with body?

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?

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NEAREST RELATIVE: **Miss Margaret Dempsey**

ADDRESS: **Emporium Penn.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Sister.**

REPORTED BY: **Charles H. Seger**

1st. Lieut. 2nd Pioneer Inf,

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

**REVIEWED
531 SS.**

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



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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1 Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 4084588

3. Dempsey, Frank
Surname First Name & Initials

4. Pvt. Co. 76 Prov. ARD
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Oct. 4, 1918 Pneumonia
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Oct. 8, 1918 AEF
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Lambezellec Finistere
Town or Commune Department

8. 17 Row 2 C
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard?
Bottle? (Check method of marking)

10. Buried with Body?
Attached to Grave Marker?
(Identification Tags)

11. If name unknown and tags missing
give marks and description.

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12. Map Reference, if interment is
outside of cemetery.

13. Lt. E. H. Segur
~~Give name of Chaplain or~~
Burial Officer

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Signed [Signature]
Group 2nd SR Q Co. Unit [Signature] G. R. S.

128 OCT 1918

Drawn by P.M.

531-411

11-18

24 W second St
Emporium Pa
Nov 2 1919

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MC

To the Adjutant General
Dear sir I am sending you
the card I just found it
among some papers as I
was going through them
I didnt get the other ones
right and as I have been
very sick since the last day
of July and only just
came from the Hospital
the 30th day of October
and they did not tell me
the the card was here it
was sent in my Daughter
name Margaret Demsey
is why I didnt get I
hope this one will be
all right it has been
a hard matter to decide
but mabe for the best
but oh how hard to
know he is so many miles

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File 401
12-2

REC'D RECORDS BR. A. G. O. NOV 5 1919

mark

PJ 2-201

293.8 (Dempsey, Frank E) DR

November 20, 1919.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: Mrs. Joseph Wehler, 24 W. Second St., Exeter, Pa.

Subject: Final disposition of the body of Frank E. Dempsey, #4,084,588.

1. In response to your letter of November 2nd, relative to the final disposition of the body of your son, the above named soldier, you are advised that the card Form 3-6713, upon which you indicated your wishes with respect to the final disposition of the body, has been placed on file in this office for future reference when the general work of the transfer is begun.

2. Permit me to express the sincere sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss you have sustained in the death of your son, and to commend you for the contribution made to the cause for which this soldier gave his life.

P.O. Harris
Per

1 incl.

file
PJ 2-201
11/20/19

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G.R.S. Form No. 115

COUNTRY FRANCE

Cemetery No. 531

Sheet No. 411

File No. 33946

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Dempsey, Frank E. Ser. No. 4084588

(2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. 76 Prov. Sept. Repl.

(3) Date of death 10-4-18

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

(4) Cause of death Broncho Pneumonia

(5) Grave No. _____ Row _____ Plot _____ Sect. _____

*7/28/22 Examined
for Concussion
Dise - Aiene - 608
att 3/17/22*

TYP. ESW
CKR. MEH

TYP. JS
CKR. JS

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 Mother

(7) Name Mrs. Joseph Weller

(8) Address 24 W. Second St. Emporium, Pa

(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? _____

att 3/24/20

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication 11/2/19

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card? If so, specify such information. Mrs Joseph Weller

(Mother) 24 W. Second St., Emporium, Pa corroborates card.

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by L. B. (Date) 3/24/20

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

*No request for disposition
Grant Location Blank only.*

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by G.C. (Date) 3-25-20

(over)

*Checked
10/25
11/22/20*

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:

*Form # 120, 4-17-20, change telegraphic address to
Mrs. Joseph Wehler, mother in law,
Emporium, Pa. & she requests body remain
in France. S.C. 11-16-20*

D. Dispatched (Date) _____ (Let. Trans. No. APR 15 1920)

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (S)

Approved by _____

(Date) _____

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov 3, 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 Dempsey, Frank E

10. Name

2. No. 4084588

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. 76th Prov. Co. Sept. Repl. Dft

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10.4.18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Broncho pneumonia

(b) D.B. No discrepancy.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 8 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot E Row 4

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discrepancy.

18. Cemetery American City

19. Commune or town Lambazellec

20. Dept. or County Finistere

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 531

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov 3, 1921.

By F. G. Kelly.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Frank E. Dempsey.

Serial No. ---

Rank Pvt.

Organization 76th Prov. Co. SRD.

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

William H. Warren
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).

Bottle record reburial found on body checks with GRS records.

27. Condition of body Decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial In uniform blanket and pine box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov 3, 1921. By F.G. Kelly.

31. Casket sealed by F.G. Kelly.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

F.G. Kelly

AUDITED BY
HEB
\$ 4.00
11/6/21

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-10338

32. Designation of body:

Name Dempsey, Frank E Serial No. 4084588

Rank Pvt Organization 76th Prov. Co. Sent. Repl Dft.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery OISE-AISNE AMER. CEM. No 608, SERINGES & NESLES (AISNE)
(Corrected per Letter, Hdqrs., AGRS., Oct. 25, 1921)
Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty #1764 Belleau, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov 3, 1921. By F.G. Kelly.

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.F. O'Leary, 1st Lt. CMC.

36. Remarks Tag on body reads Frank E. Dempsey USA, 4084588.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov 3, 1921.

To point of Concentration Brest Morgue.

Convoyer A. Dewasch. Signature Shipping Officer R.F. O'Leary, 1st Lt. CMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov 3, 1921.

By G.R.S. Representative M.B. Birdseye, 1st Lt. CMC.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 12 NOV 1921

To Permanent Cemetery OISE-AISNE AMER. CEM. No 608, SERINGES & NESLES (AISNE)

Convoyer Ball Signature Shipping Officer WALTER F. BROWN, Captain, Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

40. Received: Date 25 NOV 1921

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

41. Reinterred July 22, 1922. - Grave Oise-Aisne Cty. 608, Seringes-

(Date) Nesles, (Aisne)

42. Grave No. 30, Block D. Section

43. Plot 4084588 Row 31

G.R.S. Representative C.S. Blake, Captain Q.M.C.

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Place Libezellec 531.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov 3, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF Dempsey, Frank E. SERIAL NUMBER 4084588.
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 76th Prov. Co. Sept. Repl. Dft.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov 3, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 8, Plot E. Row 4, Cem 531.
By: Group 4 Unit Sec 6.

3. Reburied (date): July 22, 1922. In (give complete location): Grave 30, Blk.D.Row 31, Oise-Aisne Cem.608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)
By: Group _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Blanket and metallic casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Decomposed, features unrecognizable.
In uniform blanket and pine box.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Bottle record reburial found on body checks with GRS records.

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) None visible.

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

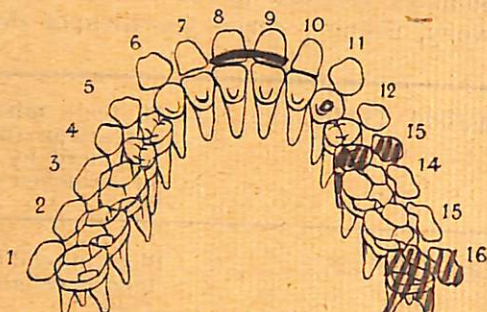
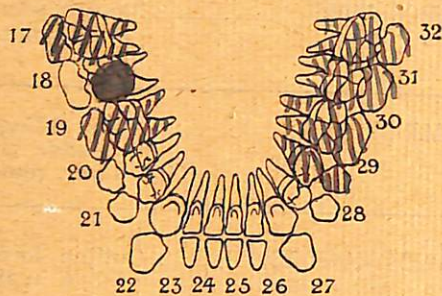


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



- 16, undeveloped.
- 8, 9, broken teeth
- 11, cavity, 13 MBD.
- 17, 32, undeveloped.
- 19, 29, 30, 31, MAD
- 18, metal filling.

7. Disinterment supervised by T. J. Keay

Approved: R. F. O'Leary,
(Title) 1st Lt. GMC.

8. Reburial Supervised by L. D. Hays, Checker

Approved: G. J. Blake,
(Title) Captain, Q.M.C.

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






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

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

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

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or in 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.