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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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APR 27 1926

FULL NAME DESMOND, Steve: C.....

RANK Cpl..... SERIAL..... 38555.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION 2nd Co., ^{OK} Repl. Bn., ^{OK} 7th Army Cps. _{no div.}.....

DATE OF DEATH..... *Nov 1, 1918*.....

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *N.Y.*.....

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... *2*..... *36*..... *C*.....
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis,
Major General
The Adjutant General.

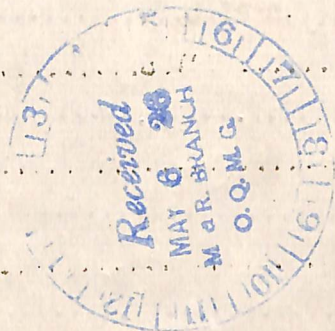
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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE AMERICAN CONSUL.

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE,
Southampton, England.

May 6, 1919.

U.S. Army Headquarters,
Washington, D.C.,

Sirs:

We have had an application from Mrs. Charlotte Rose, of
26 Kingsfield Road, Southampton, for two certificates of the death
of her son, Corporal Steve C. Desmond, U.S. Army.

Mrs. Rose presents a private letter received from her son
for our examination, in which he describes himself as;
"Cpl. Steve C. Desmond, 2nd Company, Provisional Replacement
Battalion, 7th Army Corps, A.P.O. No. 722, American E.F."
She states that he enlisted in the U.S. Army in America and
died in hospital, France, on November 4th, 1918.

Mrs. Rose requires the two death certificates so that she may
be in a position to draw certain insurance moneys due to her.

I have the honor to be, Sir

Your obedient servant,

Albert W. Swann, ?
American Consul.

293.3 Desmond, Steve C

1st Ind.

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Office, Q.M.G., May 26, 1919. -- To The Adjutant General of the Army.

1. Forwarded.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

H.R. Lemly,
Major, Q.M. Corps.

MAY 26 1919
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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

10 DEC 1918

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.

TO : Mr. Michael Norton, Warton, N.J.

SUBJECT: Place of Burial:

Corporal Steve C. Desmond, Co. C, 9th Infantry

Died: November 4, 1918

American Cemetery, Contrexeville, Vosges, France

I am sure that you will pardon the use of a form letter such as we are sending to-day, when you try to realize under what great stress this office is working in order to give as prompt advice as possible concerning facts which are of such very vital importance to our sorrowing friends, whose brave men have suffered martyrdom on battle-fields within our sphere of European operation.

It is with great sorrow that I am writing you, and only the urgency of your desire to know, prompts me to push forward this notification when my note is required to be so formal because of the great number to which my name has to be signed.

You have probably already received official advice concerning the death of the one whom you gave to your country and the world for the saving of civilization.

You will be comforted in knowing that his body has been recovered, that it lies buried in a spot which is under our care and control, and that there will be no danger of its loss or neglect.

We are sending you, herewith, a note which gives general answers to a number of questions which our bereaved friends are often asking, and it will probably give information concerning some of the things you are anxious to understand.

Please be sure of our earnest desire to guard your interests in every possible way, and our satisfaction in being able to care for the resting places of our dead.

CCP-

W. B. Dix
CHARLES C. PILRCE
Lieut. Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

298.3 - Desmond, Steve C.

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
F R A N C E

G. R. S.)
BULLETIN)
NO. 10)

INFORMATION FOR THE FRIENDS OF OUR DEAD.

THE GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, a branch of the Quartermaster Corps, is the official organization of the War Department, charged with the acquisition of cemeteries in every country embraced within the Field of Operations. It likewise has the care and control of these cemeteries and is responsible for the marking and preservation of all graves. No other organization shares this authority, or has power to effect arrangements or make promises concerning this work.

OUR FIELD FORCE operates within all troubled areas, and every effort is made to perfect identifications and to guard the resting places of our dead. The Government has undertaken to do everything which is humanly possible, in view of the extreme difficulties involved in the stress of war.

THE EXACT LOCATION OF A GRAVE is communicated, whenever possible, to the person whom the soldier has previously registered as the proper one to be addressed in case of casualty. The interests of the military service frequently demand that the name of the town in which burial was made shall be withheld. When this becomes necessary, the burial place is referred to by a number, which is duly registered in this office, and by which the cemetery is officially known. Friends of the dead need not fear that any danger of losing a grave is involved in the temporary withholding of these names.

FLOWERS, FLAGS, ETC. We are frequently asked to accept commissions to place flowers, flags and other gifts on separate graves, but such requests must necessarily be denied because of the wide extent of our territory, the exhausting nature of the work, and the impossibility of reaching so many hundreds of places under the difficult conditions which obtain in a country ravaged by war. Such requests are also discouraged for the reason that there should be no inequality in the treatment of the nation's dead.

MONUMENTS. For the same reason it is not permitted to erect any permanent monument during the continuance of war; all graves being temporarily marked with a cross or the regulation headboard, such as is used in National Cemeteries in the United States.

PERSONAL EFFECTS. Disposition of personal effects is not a matter pertinent to this Service. Inquiries concerning the same should be addressed to the Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C. If such inquiries are received by the Graves Registration Service, they will be promptly referred to the proper office.

DISINTERMENTS. The exhumation of bodies is absolutely prohibited during the continuance of hostilities, by the laws of the countries in which we are operating. No exception can be made so long as war exists.

PHOTOGRAPHY OF GRAVES is entirely controlled by the Chief of the Graves Registration Service. No photographs can be taken within two miles of the battle-front, nor can such photographs be made elsewhere except by the special photographers of this Service, who, under the operation of military orders, are assigned to the Staff of its Chief, by the American Red Cross.

An officer of the American Red Cross, designated as Director of Photography, is assigned to the Staff of the Chief of the G. R. S., for this work, under military censorship, and funds are provided through the War Chest contributed to the Red Cross by the American people. No funds should be sent to the Graves Registration Service, the Red Cross, or individual officers for this purpose from any private source.

Application for photographs will be filled as soon as possible, but owing to extreme difficulty of operation in the field, it will often happen that months will elapse before favorable action can be taken. This work, already instituted in France and Belgium, will be extended to Great Britain and Italy when it becomes practicable.

While some of these restrictions may seem unreasonable to friends in the first outburst of their sorrow, experience has shown the same to be necessary, and our people are asked to accept the sacrifice which they impose, in the same spirit in which our men on the world's battle-field are offering up their lives, viz, for the good of a great cause.

By authority:

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

Any enquiries with regard to Photographs and Grave Location should be addressed to:

Chief, Graves Registration Service,
Headquarters Services of Supply,
A. P. O. 717,
American E. F., FRANCE

and not to any other Department of the Service.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Cemeterial

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$ 300

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
American Expeditionary Forces

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Mr. Michael Norton

~~Warton~~

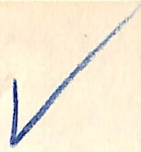
~~N.J.~~



2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.

38535
11-1-18

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Desmond	3	45 9
BURIED	Steve C.	1	1
	CYMETERY 1232	2	02
	GRAVE 2	2	36
	ROW 36	1	3
	BLOCK C	2	37
STATE	N.Y.	1	2
RANK	Cpl	2	67
DIVISION	Gen. Hdqrs	3	007
ORGANIZATION	7	1	2
ARM	Army Corps	1	2
MARITAL	No	1	2
NAME	Mrs. Charlotte	3	859
	Rose	2	
RESIDENCE	Rose	2	
	No less	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Foreign	1	4
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
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AUDITED
FEB 17 1918
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Steve C.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Michael Norton
Walton, N.Y.

Mother
Mrs. Charlotte Rose,
4 E. Loftus,
46 Oxford St.,
So. Hampton, England

1125-5-1
7/29 PPM

Dear Sir:

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 friend of the late Cpl. Steve C. Desmond, 2nd Co. 7th Army Corps ReplBn., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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



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

Desmond,

Steve C.

38,555

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Corpl

Co. C, 9 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(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)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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In reply refer to:

293.8 C-R #56364

February 21, 1923.

Mrs. Charlotte Rose,
Causewayend, Commercial Road,
Totter, Hants, England.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
the permanent grave of the late Corporal Steve G. Desmond, 2nd Company,
7th Army Corps Repl. Bn., is Grave 2, Row 36, Block C, Meuse-Argonne
American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

MAILED

FEB 21 1923

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

22/1423/ARK

G.R.S.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to:
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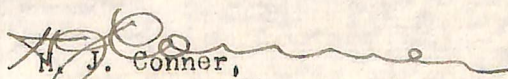
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293.8 C-R
#56364

File
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Assistant.

MAILED

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DATE 12/5/21.

1. NAME Desmond, Steve C SERIAL No. 38555
 RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION 2nd Co. 6th Inf. 7th Army Corps. Repl. Bn.
 GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty. Contrexeville - Vosges 94
 CTY. NAME NUMBER
142
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 243. Contrexeville Vosges.
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES .363/65. N.154-95. Map: Mirecourt S.E.84.

CONCENTRATED TO Feb. 14, 1921. 142.
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
Contrexeville 94.
 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.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record.
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

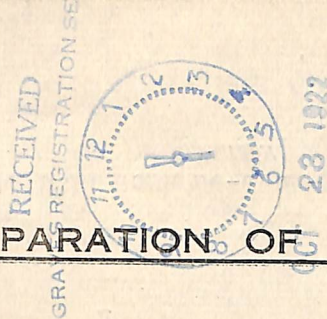
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm. H. Quarterman
Wm. H. QUARTERMAN. Capt. F.A. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/5/21. 2 36 C.
 DATE GRAVE ROW Block ~~not~~

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

AUDITED BY
 M.J.D. 12/19/22
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 11th 1921.

1. REMAINS OF DESMOND, STEVE C. SERIAL NUMBER 38555
RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION 2nd Co. 7th Army Corps Repl. Bn.
G 9th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : October 11th 1921. From (give complete location) Grave 142.
American Cemetery, G.R.S. Code 94, Contrexeville, (Vosges) France.

By : Group 3 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date) : Dec. 5, 1921 In (give complete location) : Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 2, Block C, row 36.

By : Group Reburial S Unit _____ Nature of reburial Lined casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Buried in blanket, uniform and wooden box. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? Yes, (2) On grave marker ? Yes.

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

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

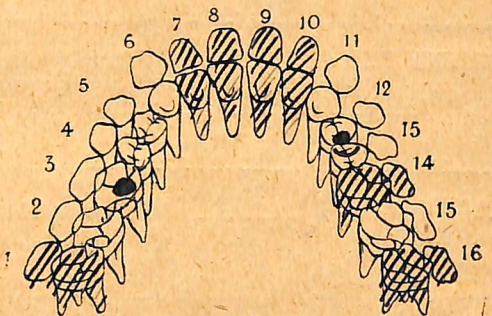
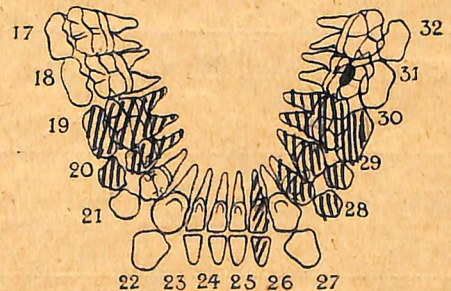


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



Nos. 1, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 20, 26, 28, 29, Missing after death.
Nos. 14, 19, 30 Missing before death. Nos. 3, 12, 31 Silver fillings.
Nos. 13, Cavity.

7. Disinterment supervised by Theo Miller
THEO. MILLER,

Approved ; R.L. Fain hem
gcd. (Title) Capt. Q.V.C.

8. Reburial Supervised by A.U. DUFALT.

Approved James J. Younger
(Title) CAPT. J. J. C.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
 2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

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

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

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

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



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



BRIDGE WORK..... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS..... Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



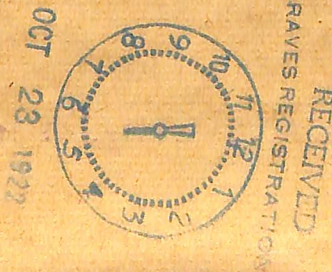
CARIES (CAVITIES)..... Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)..... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate; block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE October 11th 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 Desmond, Steve C

10. Name STEVE DESMOND.

2. No. 38555

11. No. _____

3. Rank Cpl.

12. Rank Pvt.

4. Org. 2nd Co. C 9th Inf. 4th Army Corps Repl. Bn.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. 11-1/18.

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. Drowned (Body recovered)

(b) D.B. _____

COPY FILE

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 142 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. No Discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Contrexeville

20. Dept. or County Vosges

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 94

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 11th 1921.

By THEO. MILLER.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name STEVE C. DESMOND.

Serial No. ---

Rank Cpl.

Organization Co. C 9th Inf. Grave 142.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes, (2) On body? Yes.

Glenn C. Dorsey
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

GLENN C. DORSEY.

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).

No effects found Formula accomplished.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial In blanket, uniform and wooden box.

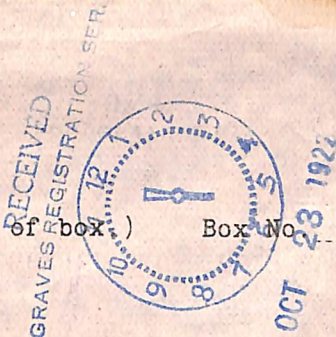
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? See number 10 and 12.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 11th 1921. By THEO. MILLER.

31. Casket sealed by THEO. MILLER.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

Theo Miller
THEO. MILLER.



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-11381

32. Designation of body:

Name Desmond, Steve C Serial No. 38555

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. C 9th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) October 11th 1921. By THEO. MILLER. Meuse

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.L. FAIN, Capt. Q.M.C. hem

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) October 11th 1921.

To point of Concentration Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 3 OCT 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, (Meuse) France.

Convoyer C. L. RIELEY Signature Shipping Officer W.R. Buckley, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred Dec. 5, 1921 Meuse-Argonne Ctry. #1232. (Date)

42. Grave No. 2 Section _____

43. Plot Block C Row 36

el

G.R.S. Representative

JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.

Original

Place *Contreperville (Verges)*

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date *2/14/21*

1. REMAINS OF *DESMOND, STEVE C.* SERIAL NUMBER *38555*

RANK *Cpl* ORGANIZATION *Co C-9th Inf*

2. Disinterred (date): *2/14/21* From (give complete location): *Contreperville (Verges)*

Grave 243 Amer. Cty. #94

By: Group *4* Unit *Sec. One*

3. Reburied (date): *2/14/21* # *94* In (give complete location): *Contreperville (Verges)*

Grave 142 Amer. Cty. 94

By: Group *4* Unit *Sec One* Nature of reburial *Blanket pine box*

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

Infantry uniform, shoes and leggings, wrapped in two blankets, in pine box, badly decomposed, unrecognizable.

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

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

No indications of having been hospital case. One disc on body reads "S.C. DESMOND, the other STEVE DESMOND, both read Pvt. Co. C-9th INF.

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

Disc on crown reads "STEVE DESMOND, CORP"

(a) Height (actual measurement) *Impossible to determine*

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

(c) Hair—Color *No hair on skull*

Quantity *None*

Characteristics *None*

(d) Hair on face—Color *No hair on face*

Location *None*

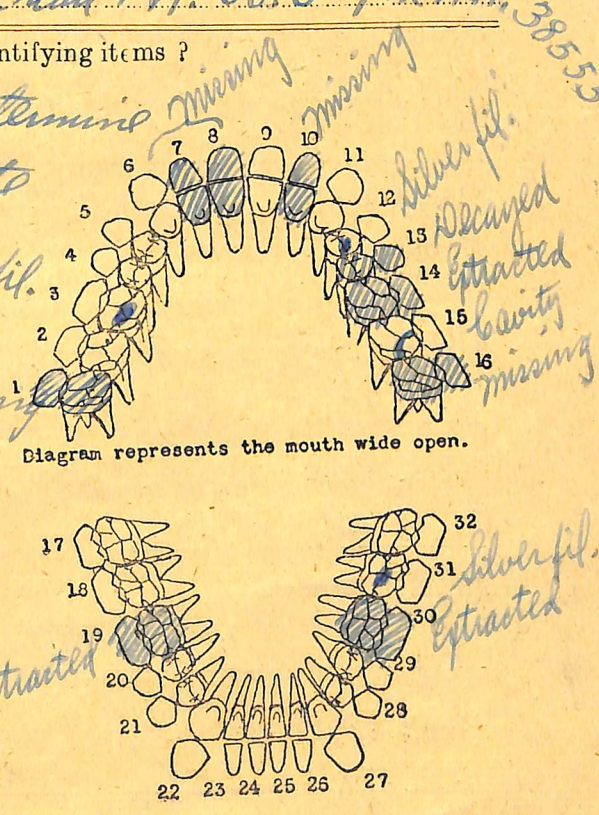
Quantity *None*

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

Impossible to determine

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

Impossible to determine



7. Disinterment supervised by *G.D. Gamble* (G.D. Gamble 1st Lt. QMC Insp)

Approved: *Val E. Miltenberger* (Title) Major M.C. Mc of S #1.

8. Reburial supervised by *G.D. Gamble* (G.D. Gamble 1st Lt. QMC Insp)

Approved: *Val E. Miltenberger* (Title) Major M.C. M of S #1.

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

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

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

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

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

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



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



BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

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

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

Examined
1-16-22
Centralization
For
Merrill, Argonne 1282
att 2/7/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File No. 56364

(a) Name DESMOND, Steve C. Ser. No. 38555
2nd Co. 7th Army Corps (P.P.) B.T.
(b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. G, 9th Inf. (D.T. 9-3-21) TYP. als.
(c) Date of death 11/4/18 (d) Cause of death Drowned (Body recovered) CKR.

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

(a) Grave No. 243 Row - Plot H Sec. - TYP. als.
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs Michael Norton, (friend) Walton, N.J. *(5-17-22)*

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

No card in file 10-21-20 mks

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

_____, dated _____

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials mks Date 10-21, 1920.

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

24 Bellevue Road, Southampton, Hants, England.

Asks details of death date and place of burial.

personal effects et-c.
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes att

Examiner's Initials att Date 10-22, 1920.

COUNTRY France

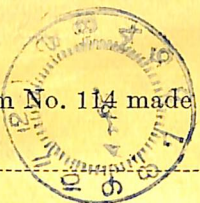
CEMETERY No. 94

SHEET No. 53

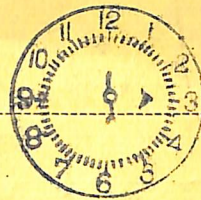
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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____ Checked by _____, 1920.



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VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____ 1920
letter on 11-16 - DEC 4 1920

Par. # 2. Not to be returned (LCS)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

RECEIVED

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be
*5-23-21 Mother states that mother
desire permanent burial
Body to be shipped to
in France U.S. 7-26-21*

*JAN 6 1921
1-6-21 Hotokeu referred case
to Europe for follow-up +
necessary action
LCS 1-21-21*

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

June 30, 1921.

MEMORANDUM for: Mrs. Lewis, Preparation of Data Dept.

CASE OF: Cpl. Steve C. Desmond, #38555,
Co. C. 9th Inf.
Cty. #94 - 53

Letter from Col. Rethers states that mother desires
body of son left in France for final burial in a permanent American
Cemetery.

*rem
rem*

F.E. Boland,
Clerk in Charge, O. S.P. S.S.

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File No. 293.8 (Foreign Shipments)

January 6th, 1921.

FROM: The Graves Registration Service Officer, Hoboken, N.J.

TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldiers whose next of kin reside in Foreign countries.

1. The following information concerning deceased soldiers whose next of kin reside in Europe is furnished so that your office can obtain their latest desires and take whatever action is necessary:

Cen.#1-A Sheet 43 - VAUGH, Gordon, Private, Hdq.Co., 5th P.A. Mrs. Wilton Vaugh (mother) Dromahair Co., Leitrim, Ireland requests that body be sent to her.

Cen.#94 Sheet 6 - ASTONE, Gastano, Private, 559099, Co.B, 11th M.S.En. Mr. Filippo Astone (father) Minturno per Tremosuoli, Prov. di Caserto, Italia, requests body not to be returned to the United States.

Cen.#94 Sheet 29 - CHAMIE, Joseph, Private, 3126371, Co.I, 361st Infantry. Mr. Mohmid K.Chamie (Uncle) 431 North Weber Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota, requests body be sent to Hassan Chamie (father) Karahn, Syria, Turkey.

✓ Cen.#94 Sheet 53 - DESMOND, Steve C., Corporal, 38555, Co.C, 9th Infantry. Mrs. Charlotte Rose (mother) 24 Bellevue Road, South Hampton, Hante, England.

Cen.#272 Sheet 13 - SULLIVAN, Patrick J., Private, 1680041, Co.C, 308th Inf. Miss Hannah Sullivan (sister) 56 East 87th St., New York City, requests body be sent to Michael Sullivan (father) Charleville, Co.Cork, Ireland.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
 Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
 Officer in Charge.

Noted on Form No. 115
 Date 1-21-21 *W.S.A.*

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File No. 238,9 Disp. Ser. 194.

May 25, 1921.

Mrs. Charlotte Rose,
Overseas Commercial Co.,
Totton, Hants,
England.

Dear Madam:

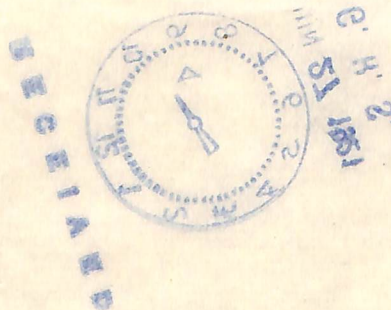
Receipt is acknowledged of your favor of May 14, 1921,
requesting that the body of your son, the late Corporal Steve G.
Demond, be left in France for final burial in a permanent American
Cemetery.

We are pleased to inform you that your wishes have been
made of record and will be complied with. When the body has been
placed in a permanent American Cemetery, you will be advised as to
its location.

Yours sincerely,

CHAS. A. MOURON,
Captain, U. S. A.

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Office of the
General Director

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See Form 115
att 7/7/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File No. 56364

(a) Name DESMOND, Steve C. Ser. No. 33555
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization 2nd Co. 7th Army Corps Rep. B. EXP als.
 (c) Date of death 11/4/18 Cause of death Drowned (Body recovered)

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

(a) Grave No. 243 Row _____ Plot H Sect. _____ TYP als.
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Michael Norton, (friend) Warton, N.J. *Walton N.Y. (3-17-22) m. m.*

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

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

No card in file - No request for disposition (LCS) 11/26/20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on _____ 192
 (Letter of transmittal on 11-16-1920)

Par #2 - Not to be returned (LCS)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. DEC. 3. 1920 *returned JAN 15 1921*

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
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*5-23-21 - Col. Rathus states that mother desires permanent burial in France.
 R.E. 7-26-21*

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *JAN 8 1921* 192

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

G.R.S. FORM 115-A August, 1920

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France

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*6 checked
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J.D.
12-1-20*

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL.. Nov. 6, 1918.

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

Contrexeville, Vosges.

GRAVE NUMBER.. 243

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? ..

Headboard? .. Bottle? ..

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? ..

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

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

Body found drowned and brought to B.H. #31

not a patient in B.H. #31. No tags. The

Matter is being investigated.

REPORTED BY:

WILLIAM C. PRESS

CHAPLAIN, B.H. #31.

.....
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT EB 1-210
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

IN REPLY
REFER TO

201(Desmond, Steve C.)WW

WASHINGTON

August 30, 1921.

SUBJECT: Notification of date of death.

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To adjustment Made
The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D.C.

SEP 3 1921

FILE

File No.

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div. O. O. M. G.
File # 233.5
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Desmond Steve C

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained by the War Department that Corporal Steve C. Desmond, #38555, 2nd Company, 7th Army Corps Replacement Battalion, who was reported in Casualty Cablegram 323 as drowned, body recovered November 4, 1918, was accidentally drowned November 1, 1918. A notation to that effect has been placed upon the official records.

2. It appears from the records that the deceased enlisted July 17, 1917 and designated his friend, Mr. Michael Norton, P.O.G.D., Warton, N. Y., as the person to be notified in case of emergency.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W. W. Woodlief
Adjutant General.

Warton, N.Y.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'IENA

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File No. 293.9 Disp.Cem.#94.

PARIS May 23, 1921.

From: Chief.

To: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Disposition of remains of Cpl. Steve C. De... #38555,
Co. C, 9th Inf., Cem. #94, Contrezeville, Vosges France.

1. Reference letter Cem.Div.Hoboken dated January 6th, 1921, (File #293.8) to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that reply has been received from Mrs. Charlotte Rose, Causewayend Commercial Rd., Totten, Hants, England, indicating that she desires the body of her son to be left in France for final burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

2. There is inclosed herewith for your records copy of the letter from this office to Mrs. Rose, advising her that her wishes have been made of record and will be complied with.

1. ~~W. H. C.~~
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H. F. RESTLERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

A. E.
7-26-21

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WAR DEPARTMENT

293.8 Cem. #56364
(Desmond, Steve C., Cpl.)

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

FILE

O.Q.M.G., Cemeterial Division, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. April 13, 1921. To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

1. Returned. The records of this office show the present address of the emergency addressee of Corporal Steve C. Desmond Serial No. 38555, Company C, 9th Infantry to be Mrs. Charlotte Rose, Causewayend Commercial Road, Totten Hants, England.

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General.

By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.

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File No. 293.9 Disp. Com. #94.

March 18, 1921.

From: Chief.

To: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Disposition of remains of Cpl. Steve C. Desmond, #38555, Co. C, 9th Inf., Com. #94, Contrezeville, Vosges, France.

1. Reference letter Gen. Div. Hoboken dated January 6th, 1921, File #94/122) to these Headquarters, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letter was written to Mrs. Charlotte Rose, 24 Bellevue Road, South Hampton, Hants, England, as instructed, which was returned with the notation, "UNKNOWN."

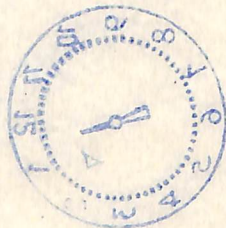
2. It is requested that a better address be furnished this office in order that we may communicate with the next of kin and secure their desires as to the disposition to be made of the body of Corporal Desmond.

C. L. SAMPSON

H. F. Rethers,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

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March 16, 1921.

File No. 202, 9 Div. Gen. 494.

From: Chief.
 To: Quartermaster General, Ordnance Building, Washington, D.C.
 Subject: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Steve G. Demond, #8835, Co. 2, 25th Inf., Gen. 494, Contrabands, Vicksburg, Kansas.

1. Reference letter Gen. Div. Hopkins dated January 6th, 1921, file 494/122) to these headquarters, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letter was written to Mrs. Charles Ross, 24 Bellevue Road, South Hampton, Hants, England, as instructed, which was returned with the notation "UNKNOWN".

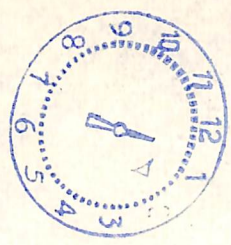
2. It is requested that a better address be furnished this office in order that we may communicate with the next of kin and secure their desires as to the disposition to be made of the body of Corporal Demond.

C. L. SAMPSON

H. T. Rogers,
Colonel, G.M.G.

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Graves Registration Service, Office of the Quartermaster General, 18th St. & Virginia Ave., Washington, D. C.- January 8, 1920- To: The Adjutant General's Office, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. Enclosed are copies of the original papers and the missing endorsements desired in your memorandum under date of December 9th, 1919. The original ones were forwarded to your office by sixth indorsement from this office under date of November 15, 1919.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

BY:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C.,
Graves Registration Service.

encls

G. R. S. MAILER
JAN 10 1920

Address reply to
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

293.3

6th Ind.

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(Desmond, Steve C., Cpl.) G.R.S.
Graves Registration Service, Office of the Quartermaster General, 18th &
Virginia Avenue, Washington, D.C., November 15, 1919. To:- Adjutant General's
Office, War Department, Washington, D.C.

The records of this office show Corporal Steve C. Desmond, #38555,
Co. C., 9th Infantry, drowned body recovered November 4, 1918, buried November
6, 1918 in Grave #243, Plot H, American Cemetery, Contrezeville, Vosges.

Third, fourth and first part of fifth indorsement not received in
this office:

By authority of the Quartermaster General, Director of Purchase
and Storage:

Charles C. Pierce,
Major, Q. M. C.,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

Charles J. Wynne,
Captain, Q. M. C.,
Graves Registration Service.

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SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: Feb. 3, 1919 DATE RECEIVED IN
FROM: Pat Murphey, Capt, M.C., Attending Surgeon, Hq. 7th Army Corps.
TO: Corps Postal Officer, 7th Army Corps.

1. In re attached letter would say that I know nothing of contents of same.
2. We have on duty at this Informary an ambulance driver who was formerly attached to the Provisional Replacement Battalion, and who remembers having picked up this man in a river about 9 miles from Bains-les-Bains and took him to the morgue at Centrexville. The ambulance driver has turned over to the Quartermaster Corps personal effects found on the person referred to.
3. It is my opinion that this letter should have been addressed to the Central Records Office.

Pat Murphey

G. I. S. MAILED
NOV 15 1919

201.Desmond, Steve C.
(S.F.5/9/19)

1st Ind.

BCN/hw

Central Records Office, A.G.D., A.P.O.#902, April 24, 1919 -
To Base Quartermaster, Base Section #1, A.E.F., for
report with prompt return of papers to this office.

By command of General Pershing:

Wm. A. Woodlief,
Adjutant General.

1 incl.

(Desmond, Steve C.)

2nd Ind.

O.Q.M. Base Section No. 1, S.O.S. France, April 30th, 1919. -To
Central Records Office, A.G.D., A.P.O., 902, American E.F.

1. Returned. This depot has no record of having received any effects
of the late Corp. Steve C. Desmond.

By direction:-

Wm. Korst,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Asst. To Base Quartermaster,
In charge of the Effects Depot.

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FILES.

SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: 19-1-19

DATE RECEIVED IN

FROM: B. A. Rose, W.R.A.F. 24 Bellevue Road, Southampton, Hants, England.

TO: Officer Commanding, Camp Infirmary,

Sir:

I write on behalf of my mother, Mrs. Charlotte Rose, late of Belmont, Station Rd. Torton, Hants and now residing at the above address. She received yesterday a small packet from your infirmary together with an inventory which I enclose, the packet containing the effects of her son (C.E. Rose) alias Cpl. S.C. Desmond.

I beg to state that the above-mentioned Corporal formerly E.C. Rose, Seaman, went to America 2 years ago and on landing, assumed the name of Steve C. Desmond for what reason I cannot say, there being no reason why he should wish to hide his identity. We have had no news from him since the end of last September. Will you kindly inform me, the date of his death, whether he died of wounds or sickness, and if the latter what complaint he had and how long he was ill. I would also be very grateful if you would forward me the names and addresses of any Americans or others who may have been his friends if it is possible for you to obtain such information, and could you kindly make inquiries if there are not some other effects of his as we think he must have possessed more than the pocket-book, thanking you at the same time for having sent that. Will you please treat this matter as very urgent, as my mother is deeply affected by the loss of my brother, her chief supporter, my father being drowned in the first year of the war. As he is insured could you supply a death-certificate or tell me where to obtain it.

Sir,

I have the honour to be,

Yours V. Respectfully,

B. A. Rose, W.R.A.F.

for Mrs. Charlotte Rose.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 11/3/19

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Desmond, Steve C.

Serial Number 38555

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION Co C 9th Inf

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<u>1. Yes</u>
2.	Date of Death.	<u>② 11/4/18</u>
3.	Cause and place of death	<u>③ Drowned (Body recovered)</u>
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	<u>④ #323</u>
5.	Date buried	<u>⑤ 11/6/18</u>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<u>⑥ Original burial Gr #243 Plot H, City #94 Ams, City, Contrezeville, Mosque</u>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	<u>⑦ a - b - Yes</u>
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	<u>⑧ Mr Michael Norton (Friend) Warton N.J.</u>
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	<u>⑨ 12/19/18</u>
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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3rd Ind.

C.R.O., A.G.D., A.P.O. 902, A.E.F. May 23, 1919. - Through: Commanding General, 2nd Div. To: Commanding Officer, 9th Inf., for report.

1. Records at this office show Pvt. 1/c Steve C. Desmond, Co. C, 9th Inf. (No. 38555), was drowned and body recovered Nov. 4th, 1918, the body being found at Fonteney, Vosges, France.
2. Papers to be returned to this office with the least practicable delay.

4th Ind.

Hq. 2nd Div., A.E.F., Germany, June 3, 1919 - To Commanding Officer, 9th Inf., for compliance with 3rd Ind. and return of all papers to these headquarters with the least practicable delay.

5th Ind.

Hq. 9th Inf., June 5, 1919. - To Commanding General, 2nd Div.

1. Returned. Pvt. Steve C. Desmond 38555, Co. C, 9th Inf. was evacuated sick to hospital March 30, 1918. Nothing further was heard of him until 1st Lieut. M.G. Neale, ING, Personnel Officer, 5th Corps Replacement Battalion on Aug. 13, 1918, wrote to the Personnel Officer, 9th Inf. requesting soldier's service record and stating that he had been transferred to the Permanent Personnel of the 5th Corps Provisional Replacement Battalion, by authority of the Commanding General, 5th Army Corps. In our 2nd Ind. of Sept. 4, 1918 we forward Desmond's service record to Personnel Officer, 5th Corps Replacement Battalion.
2. Under date of Sept. 7, 1918 Pvt. Desmond wrote to the Statistical Officer, 2nd Div., for his service record, stating

6th Ind.

Hq. 2nd Div., A.E.F., Germany, June 6, 1919 - To C.R.O., A.E.F., inviting attention to 5th Ind.

7th Ind.

C.R.O., A.G.D., A.P.O. 902, A.E.F., June 21, 1918 - To: Ch., G.R.S., A.P.O. 717, A.E.F., for burial report of Private Steve C. Desmond together with name of person in charge of burial party which buried this soldier in order that investigation may be made to locate his personal effects.

Original communication, 1st and 2nd indorsements and part of 5th indorsement were not received in this office.

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293.3 (Desmond, Steve C., Pvt.) 8th Ind. CJW:im
Graves Registration Service, Office of the Quartermaster General, 18th &
Virginia Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C., Dec. 6, 1919.
To: The Adjutant General's Office, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. Records of this office show Corporal Steve C. Desmond, serial number 38555, Co. C, 9th Inf., date of death November 4, 1918, cause of death, drowned, and buried in grave #243, Plot H, American Cemetery Contrexeville, Vosges; one identification tag attached to grave marker.

2. There is no grave location blank on file in this office from which we could obtain the name of the person in charge of the burial. However, it is known that Base Hospitals Nos. 31 and 32 were located at Contrexeville, and our records show the following Chaplains on duty with these Hospitals, respectively: Wm. C. Press, 170 Willis Ave., Youngstown, Ohio and A. Cornelius Corcoran, General Hospital #19, Oteen, N. C.; Wm. C. Press, 170 Willis Ave., Youngstown, Ohio (Mr. Press being President of both these Hospitals). Personal effects in all cases at Hospital Center Contrexeville, ^{were} Vittel are handled by the Hospital Quartermaster.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Graves Registration Service.

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7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	<i>(10) (a) not given</i>
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