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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

MAY 14 1925

DATE 11/18/21

1. NAME **✓** DESMOND, Walter P.

SERIAL No. ---

RANK 1st Lieut.

ORGANIZATION Med. Det. 18th FA.

**& DIVISION**

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne American Cty., Romagne-sous- 1232 Sec.46

CTY. NAME Montfaucon (Meuse) NUMBER

121

Sec.46

3

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 2 (Boala) Montfaucon (Meuse)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35SE, 278.58N, 311.05E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/3/19

121

46

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DATE

GRAVE

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PLOT

Meuse-Argonne

1232.

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Officers collar insignia

DATE OF DEATH Oct 6, 1918

DATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mass

Data Form 1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

no record of decoration found

Robert O. Davis,

Major General,

The Adjutant General,

By

MAJ 18 1926

DATE

GRAVE

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CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

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CEMETERY

Robert O. Davis  
1st Lt., Q.M.C., U.S. Army

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/18/21

7

44

Block D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Meuse-Argonne American Cty #1232, Romagne-s-Montfaucon, Meuse

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

Smc  
4-10-20

**8 A.G.O.**  
**MAY 15 1926**  
**WORLD WAR DIV.**

WORLD WAR DIV.  
MAY 28 1927  
A.G.O.

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

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M & R BRANCH  
O.C.M.C.

**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

12/9/18  
Desmond

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

D. R. C. 18th F.A.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 6, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL France

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

Verdun Map - A 1

18th F  
3rd Div

X 311040  
Y 274540  
Bear Montcaumon-Gierges Road

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

October  
Montfau

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: 0

Was one buried with body? 0

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? 0

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

Next of  
No name

REPORTED BY:

/NJM/

J. A. MANLEY CHAP. 18th F. A.  
J. A. Manley  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Walter  
~~Lieutenant P.~~ Lieutenant.  
HOME: No address given.

ER 6th. 1918.

SMOND was instantly killed on  
y shell fire.. This was at

oward, Leroy T., Major.  
Med. Corps 18th F.A.  
911 R. T. Avenue  
WASHINGTON, D.C.,

L. T. Howard.

/M/M / *Mustford, Mass*

*40 Oakland St*

No name nor address given.

Next of kin:

L. T. Howard.

Signed:

WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
911 R.I. Avenue  
Med. Corps 18th F.A.  
Major L. T. Howard, Informant

HOME:

INFORMANT: Howard, L. T., Major

Montfaucon, France.

October 6th-1918 near regimental infirmary by shell fire. This was at  
Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond was instantly killed on

KILLED IN ACTION OCTOBER 6th-1918.

Desmond, ~~Lieutenant~~ P., Lieutenant.  
Walter  
HOME: No address given.

18th F.A.  
3rd Division.



Date 14th June. 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: DESMOND. Walter.

Number

Rank: 1st. Lt. Organization ukn.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

from (Give complete location)

6 4th June. 1919. Grave. 2. Isolated.

Montfaucon, Meuse.

35SE. E. 311.05 N. 278.58.

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

1832

4th June. 1919. Grave, 121, Sec 46 Plot 3.

A RECORDED AMERICAN? SERVICE # 1252.

ROMANCE, MEUSE.

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

Burial good. In Uniform. Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? no

What other means of identification were found on the body?

Officers Uniform and collar Insignia 1st Lt. Bars.

12/32

Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. Stein.

R. H. ROSENTHAL

1st Lt. G.M.C.S.A.

G.O. Group Unit

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5 - JUL 1919  
O. C. Q. M.  
G. R. S.

Pres. Harding

5-17-33

MA

1st Lt. Walter P. Desmond

I decline the invitation extended  
(on account of poor health)  
(Accept or decline)  
me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

-----  
Mrs. Helen Desmond

(Name)

-----  
522 W. 185th St., New York, N.Y. Co., N.Y.

(Town or City)

(State)



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M. & R. DIV.  
O.Q.M.G.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Desmond	3	45 09
	Walter P.		
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 7	2	07
	ROW 44	2	44
	BLOCK D	1	4
STATE	Miss	2	25
RANK	1st Lt.	1	1
DIVISION	3	2	03
ORGANIZATION	18	3	018
ARM	F.A.	1	3
MARITAL	yes	1	1
NAME	Desmond	3	45 09
	Mrs. M. Helen		
RESIDENCE	STATE N.Y.	2	37
	COUNTY N.Y.	2	31
	CITY N.Y.	3	101
RELATION	Widow	1	5
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	poor	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
. TRIP	YR. 1933	1	4
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
29/514/	age		45

Mother Dead

Declared for 6-28-32  
" 5-17-33

AUDITED  
DEC 8 1931  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Desmond, Walter P. (MA)

February 13, 1933

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

No reply has been received to the invitation forwarded you to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe, sailing on the **President Harding, May 17th.**

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you accept or decline the invitation. It is requested therefore you complete AT ONCE the card enclosed with the invitation forwarded you, signifying whether you accept or decline the invitation. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

PLEASE REPLY PROMPTLY.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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6-28-32  
ma

Desmond, Walter P.

I Decline by wire 4-4-32 - ill health  
(Accept or decline) the invitation extended

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the  
Government of the United States under the provisions of  
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Helen Desmond

(Name)

522 W. 185<sup>th</sup> St., N. Y. C. N.Y. Co. N.Y.

(Town or city)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. (M A)\*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

Yes, if health permits  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Helen M. Desmond

# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at

War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

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REGRET THAT I AM TOO ILL TO ACCEPT INVITATION TO SAIL JUNE  
TWENTY EIGHTH THANK YOU=

HELEN M ESMOND.

Desmond Helms P.

*Declines her June 28*

RECORD ATTACHED



Washington, D. C., April 4, 1932

MRS. HELEN DESMOND,  
522 W. 185TH ST.,  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JUNE TWENTY EIGHT NOT RECEIVED

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DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 414206M

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293A-M Desmond, Walter P. (M-A) W  
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Washington, D. C., April 4, 1932

MRS. HELEN DESMOND,  
522 W. 185TH ST.,  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JUNE TWENTY EIGHT NOT RECEIVED

DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 414206M

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293A-M Desmond, Walter P. (M-A) W  
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QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. MA W

Feb. 15, 1932.

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Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, sailing on the LEVIATHAN, June 28, 1932.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation, signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office immediately. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before April 16, 1932, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make a pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

65A Ashland Street  
Medford, Mass.  
December 21, 1931

A. D. Hughes  
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps  
Assistant  
War Department  
Washington

Dear Sir: -

In reply to your in-  
quiry of December 19, 1931  
whether my brother, the late  
First Lieutenant Walter F.  
Desmond is survived by a  
stepmother or by any wom-  
an who stood in loco  
parentis to him, I wish to  
state that his mother and  
father were living until  
he was several years past



thirty years of age and he made his home with them continuously and no where else. There was no woman who stood in loco parentis to him except his own mother, who died in October 1913, five years before he was killed in action. His father did not marry again; he died in September 1921.

The answer to your question is emphatically no.

Yours very truly,

(Miss) Martha J. Desmond.

QM 293 A-11

Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt. (MA) S

December 19, 1931.

Miss Martha T. Desmond,  
65 A, Ashland St.,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, please advise whether the late First Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond is survived by a stepmother or by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his reaching the age of eighteen, and if so, kindly furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosure:  
Inv.

Widow + S. - Burf.  
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Desmond, Walter F. 1st Lt. Med Det. 18 F.A. Mass.

W- Helen

father died 9/9/21

Natural Mother

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no record

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S. Martha T. Desmond  
65 a. Ashland St  
Medford Mass

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QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. (MA)

October 27, 1931

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th Street,  
New York City, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the questionnaire completed by you relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1932.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to visit the cemeteries of Europe next year, and you will be communicated with later relative to your desire to visit the last resting place of the late 1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, at that time.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey, and medical attention and nurses will be available from the time the mothers and widows arrive in New York City until they return thereto. Should you make the trip, you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited therefrom.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Desmond, Walter P. (M-A) W-

September 30, 1931

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

2. Please state your age and condition of health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

*If health permits*

Age: *44*

Health: *Poor*

*Yes.*

*French (some)*

*Helen Manning Desmond*  
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt. (M-A) W-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P 1232-W

June 3, 1930

Mrs. Helen Desmond  
522 West 185th Street  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

February 15, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P. 1232--W

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

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. 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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Act  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

January 23, 1930

Desmond, Walter P. 1232

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt. Walter P. Desmond, Med. Det., 18th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. 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.

Yes  
522 W. 185 Street  
New York City

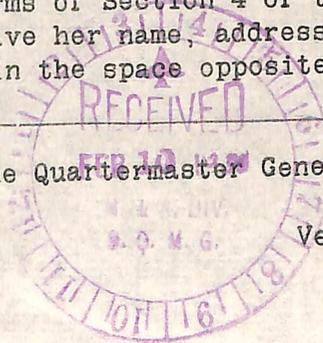
None

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Desmond, Walter P.

June 29 , 1929.

Mrs. M. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt. Walter P. Desmond, Med. Det. 18th F.A., 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 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.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. (M A)\*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-M

Desmond, Walter P. MA W

Feb. 15, 1932.

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Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, sailing on the LEVIATHAN, June 28, 1932.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation, signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office immediately. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before April 16, 1932, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make a pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt. (MA) S

December 19, 1931.

Miss Martha T. Desmond,  
65 A, Ashland St.,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, please advise whether the late First Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond is survived by a stepmother or by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his reaching the age of eighteen, and if so, kindly furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Desmond, Walter P. (MA)

October 27, 1931

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th Street,  
New York City, New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the questionnaire completed by you relative to the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1932.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to visit the cemeteries of Europe next year, and you will be communicated with later relative to your desire to visit the last resting place of the late 1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, at that time.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey, and medical attention and nurses will be available from the time the mothers and widows arrive in New York City until they return thereto. Should you make the trip, you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited therefrom.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

QM 293 A-M

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Desmond, Walter P. (M-A) W-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt. (M-A) W-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt. (M-A) W

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

October 14, 1930

Desmond, Walter P. 1st Lt 1232 W

Mrs. Helen Desmond  
522 W. 185th Street  
New York City

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P 1232-W

June 3, 1930

Mrs. Helen Desmond  
522 West 185th Street  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

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(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

February 15, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P. 1232--V

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

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. 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

January 25, 1930

Desmond, Walter P. 1232

Mrs. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st Lt. Walter P. Desmond, Med. Det., 18th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter P.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. M. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th. St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

Write answers in space below

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

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

QM 293 A-C.

June 29, 1927

(Desmond, Walter P.)

Mrs. Charles T. Daly,  
55 Summit Road,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In reply to your letter of June 25, 1927, The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the records show that your brother, the late 1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, Medical Detachment, 18th Field Artillery, is buried in Grave 7, Row 44, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

The nearest railroad station to the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery is the town of Dun-Doulcon, which is approximately 313 kilometers (195 miles) from Paris on the Est Railroad, changing at Verdun. Automobiles may be hired at Dun-Doulcon for transportation to the Cemetery, or the rail trip may be terminated at Verdun and the balance of the journey to the Cemetery, a distance of approximately 50 kilometers (31 miles), made by automobile. Information as to train service, railroad rates, hotel accommodations, etc., may be obtained from the office of the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, 20 rue Molitor, Paris, (16<sup>e</sup> eme), France, where an information service is maintained for the purpose of assisting visitors to the graves of relatives and friends in the overseas cemeteries.

The enclosed Certificate of Grave Location if attached to your application for a passport will enable you to obtain it without payment of the customary passport fee.

Very truly yours,

J. BIGGAR,  
Captain, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Desmond, Walter P.

June 29 , 1929.

Mrs. M. Helen Desmond,  
522 W. 185th St.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 1st.Lt. Walter P. Desmond, Med.Det. 18th P.A., 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 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.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

55 Summit Road  
Medford, Mass.  
June 25, 1927.

Quartermaster General  
War Department - of the United States  
of America

Dear Sir: -

I expect to visit the grave  
of my brother, Lieutenant Walter  
P. Desmond, 18th Field Artillery  
Medical Corps, buried in the  
Meuse-Argonne American Ceme-  
tery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,  
France.

Will you kindly advise  
me of the address of the Ameri-  
can Graves Registration Service  
in Paris. May I obtain there  
definite directions for train travel  
to Romagne-sous-Montfaucon?  
As my visit in France is limited

could I obtain such information from any French or American office in America before I sail on July tenth? I am anxious to economize on my time.

Yours very truly

Gertrude P. Daly E. M. D.

(Mrs. Charles T. Daly  
formerly Gertrude P. Desmond)



1st Lt  
Walter P. Desmond  
med. Det. 187. A.  
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MAIL AND RECORDS DIVISION  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

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Previous record attached.

B. QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter, P. 1st Lt.

May 25, 1925.

Miss Emily M. Desmond,  
3 Forest St.,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your letter of May 20th, 1925.

Please be informed that as the matter of passports is handled by The Secretary of State, Washington, D. C., it is suggested that you communicate with him with reference to the subject outlined in communication to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. P. HARROLD,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

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3 Forest Street  
Medford, Mass.

May 20, 1925-

IM 293 A-C  
Desmond, Walter P., 1st Lt.

Major R. P. Harbold

D. M. C.

War Department

My dear Major Harbold,

Thank you for the location of the grave of my brother, Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, and for the "Certificate of Grave Location" to be attached to application for my passport. I have already received my passport, and

learned only now through  
your letter, that the  
government was mak-  
ing no charge for  
the passports of those  
who intend to visit the  
graves of their relatives  
buried overseas.

I am interested to  
know if the charge  
could be refunded to  
me. On my application  
I gave as my purpose  
of going to France travel  
or study, I don't know  
which. My primary  
purpose is to make the  
visit to the cemetery,  
but shall stay and  
study at the summer  
school of the University

of Lunenburg, as I teach  
in a public school,  
and take a course some-  
where every summer.

My passport is  
no. 22,898, dated April 15,  
1925.

Thanking you for  
the prompt attention  
you have given this  
matter, I am

Yours, very truly,  
Emily M. Desmond.

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QM 293 A-C

Desmond, Walter, P. 1st Lt.

May 18, 1925.

Miss Emily M. Desmond,  
3 Forest St.,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your letter of May 14th, 1925.

Please be informed that the remains of your brother, the late 1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, Medical Detachment, 18th Field Artillery, have been permanently buried in Grave 7, Row 44, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe, and you may be assured that the grave will be properly and tenderly cared for.

If you will call at the office of the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C., in Europe, 20 Rue Malitor, Paris, (16eme) France, information will be gladly furnished concerning all matters pertaining to the cemeteries and visiting the graves of our soldier dead. An information service is maintained there for the purpose of assisting visitors to the graves of relatives or friends.

The inclosed "Certificate of Grave Location" if attached to your application for a passport, will enable you to secure it free of charge, subject to the regulations of the State Department concerning visits to other countries and the inclusion of other purposes in the journey.

There is also inclosed a card giving the permanent grave location of your brother.

Very truly yours,



R. P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q. M. C.,  
Assistant.

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Incl. 1-Certificate

" 2-Record card.

3 Forest Street  
Medford, Mass.

May 14, 1925.

Quartermaster General  
Graves Registration Service

Dear Sir: -

Will you please advise  
me as to the location of  
the grave of my brother,  
First Lieutenant Walter P.  
Desmond, Medical Corps,  
Eighteenth (18th) Field Artil-  
lery? He was killed at  
Montfaucon on October 6, 1918  
and in 1920 reburied in  
the Argonne American Ceme-  
tery. I wish to visit the  
grave in July.

Yours very truly,  
(Miss) Emily M. Desmond.

Desmond  
Walter P.



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Desmond,

(Surname.)

Walter P.

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number)

1st Lieut. Med. Det. 18th F. A.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *wife*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *no*

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*M. Helen Mary Desmond  
3-22 West 185 St. New York City - N.Y.*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

France -  
City # D-238

Drawn by PF  
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In reply refer to:  
QM - 293 C-R

July 28, 1923.

Mrs. M. Helen Mammix Desmond,  
522 West 185th St.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of 1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, Medical Detachment 18th Field Artillery, is Grave 7, Row 44, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.



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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF DESMOND, Walter P. SERIAL NUMBER.....  
 RANK 1st Lt. ORGANIZATION Med. Det. 18th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov 18, 1921 From (give complete location) : gr 121, sec 46, plot 3.

By : Group 1 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date) : Nov. 18, 1921, Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232, Grave 7, Row 44, Block D  
 In (give complete location) :

By : Group Re-burial S Unit..... Nature of reburial Unlined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
wooden box and burlap and uniform, badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

G.R.S. plaque on body reads : "Walter Desmond Lieut. " Officers uniform and collar ornaments.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do *MBD*

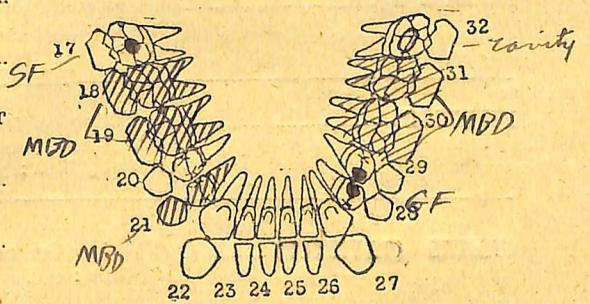
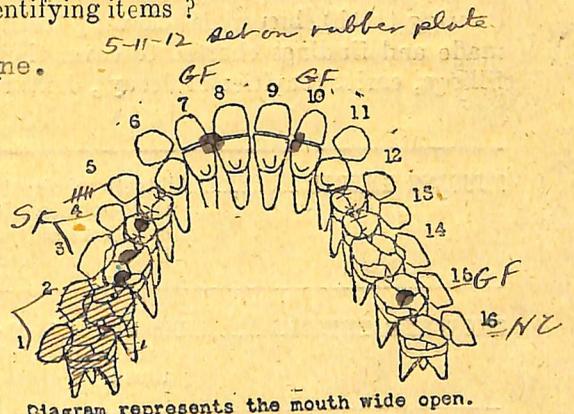
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(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.



7. Disinterment supervised by H.H. Foster

H.H. Foster.

Approved : Geo. C. Bland  
 (Title) 1st Lt., M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Dufault

A.U. Dufault  
cbr

Approved : James W. Younger  
 (Title) Captain, G.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 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".

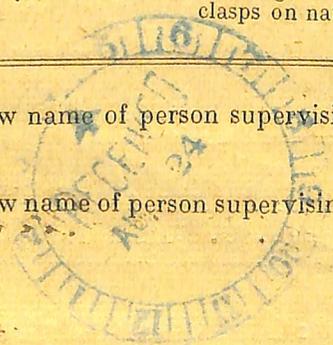
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying 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), bicuspid (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.

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

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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G.R.S. FORM #114-A.

STATION Romagne Cemetery #1232.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 18, 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, Walter P.

10. Name

2. No. --

11. No.

3. Rank 1st Lieut.

12. Rank

4. Org. Med. Det. 18th FA.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10.6.18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. No discrepancies.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 121 Sec. 46

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 3 Row --

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne American

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 Sec. 46

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 18, 1921.

By H. H. Foster

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Walter P. Desmond

Serial No. --

Rank 1st Lieut.

Organization Med. Det. 18 FA.

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

C. T. Brown  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
C. T. Brown.

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).

G.R.S. plaque on body reads, "Walter Desmond Lieut". Officers uniform and collar ornaments

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box, hurlan and uniform.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 18, 1921. By H. H. Foster.

31. Casket sealed by H. H. Foster

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

H. H. Foster  
H. H. Foster.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-15599**



32. Designation of body:

Name **Walter P. DESMOND** Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank **1st Lieut.** Organization **Med. Det. 18th FA.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne American Cty. #1232  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Nov. 18, 1921.** By **H. H. Foster**

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

*Geo. C. Bland*  
Signature of G.R.S. Inspector **Geo. C. Bland, 1st Lieut., QMC.**

36. Remarks **None.**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Nov. 18, 1921.** d

To point of Concentration **Morgue, Romagne.**

Convoyer **W. J. Royed.** Signature Shipping Officer **J. Gerald Cole**  
**GERALD COLE**  
Captain, G. A. C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232, Nov. 18, 1921**  
(Date)

42. Grave No. **7** Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. ~~Block~~ **Block** **D** Row **44**

G.R.S. Representative *James Younger*

ebr

**James Younger**  
Captain, QMC





Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

A. G. O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

*checked for*

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 35426

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name	DESMOND, Walter P.	Ser. No.	-----	} TYP. <span style="font-size: 2em; vertical-align: middle;">HMP</span> <i>OB</i>
(b) Rank	1st. Lt.	Organization	Med. Det. 18th F.A.	
(c) Date of death	10-6-18	(d) Cause of death	K/A	

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

(a) Grave No.	121	Row	----	Plot	3	Sec.	46	TYP.	hmp
(b) Emerg. Address	Mrs. Walter P. Desmond, <del>Bedford</del> <sup>Medford</sup> , Mass.								

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

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter of transmittal on 5/14/21, 192

*Section # 46*  
*par # 2 - Not to be returned - HTO*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. \_\_\_\_\_, 192

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. #106  
DISPOSITION OF BODY

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

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of:

1st. Lt. Walter P. Desmond,  
Med. Corps, 18th. FA.

Grave Location:

Reburied: Grave #121, Sect. 46,  
Plot 3, Argonne American Cty.,  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France. *H.T. 11.7.40*
- (c) Cancellation of former requests
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Mr. John Desmond,  
40 Oakland St.,  
Medford, Mass.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

*C. C. Pierce*  
CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, G.R.S., U.S.A.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service  
NS-2992/L

LMD



Commercial List No. 238-604  
Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sketch 10

Isolated Burials.

Soldier's No. Officer

Surname, Desmond Walter

Rank, Lieut.

Date of death, Oct 6, 18.

Date of burial, Oct 6, 18.

Town or commune, Montfaucon

Meuse

Grave no 1, Isolated

Cross x

Grave located about 75 ft from Shrapnel cemetery, which is located at foot of hill 1/2 kilo N. fr Montfaucon, in flat near German barracks and forks of Clerges and Nantillos roads. 278. 5 by 311.5 Map used Lambert Projection. Verdun S.E. 35

Signed. Pvt. Sam Di Miere

Group 1, GRS 306

CMME. MONTFAUCON (MEUSE)

(C-238) SHT. 35 S.E. COORD {E-311.5}  
278.5} N-278.5}



File 35426  
Reg. Cards.  
March 10 1919

G.R.S. Form No. 8; Central Records Liaison.  
Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.  
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- ( ) Surname: **Desmond**
- ( ) Number:
- ( ) First name: **Walter P**
- ( ) Rank: **1st Lieut**
- ( ) Company: **Med Det**
- ( ) Organization: **18th Field Artillery**
- ( ) Date of death: **Oct 6th 1918**
- ( ) Cause:
- ( ) Place:

Location of hospital:

- ( ) Number " "
- ( ) Class " " *OK. M.C.*
- ( ) Relative: **Mrs. Walter P. Desmond**
- ( ) Relationship: **wife**
- ( ) Address: **Bedford, Mass.**

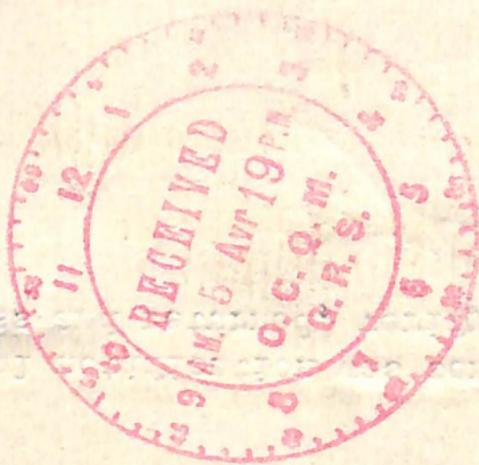
- ( ) Authority: *Try Bedford maine.*
- ( ) Cablegram No:
- ( ) Telegram from:

dated:

- ( ) Reported to Washington:  
C.C. Nos: **293**  
(Underscore the "official" C.C.)
- ( ) Remarks:
- ( ) Show present status on reverse side.  
**Funeral notification was sent to this address and returned, verify address**

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut.-Colonel, C.M.C., U.S.A.

Initials of Reporter: *Di*



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BORDER PROTECTION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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FILE

4-30-21

(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 46

FORM 115 Sheet No. 41

MC  
(Initials)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 11, 1920.

FILES.

Mr. John Desmond,  
40 Oakland St.,  
Medford, Mass.

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Graves Registration Service contain the following information as to grave location:

Case of:

1st. Lt. Walter P. Desmond,  
Med. Corps, 18th. FA.

Place of burial:

Reburied: Grave #121, Sect. 46, Plot 3, Argonne American Cemetery  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades, it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

Your request for permanent burial of your son in France has been noted.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

3-4-20

*LD*

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

\_\_\_\_\_ Circumstances of Death  
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Liberty Bonds  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Flowers, Flags, etc.  
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ War Risk Insurance  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Monument  
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Photographs  
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Discrepancies in Inscription  
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Burial In  
✓ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (b) Other Countries.

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Effects  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Accrued Pay  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Return of Bodies From  
\_\_\_\_\_ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)  
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (b) Other countries

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance  
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

*GL*

*Aug. + pres. 113*

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

*M. B.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Analysis Clerk.

A. G. 201 b. D (Desmond, Walter P.)

Rec'd  
Office  
Mar. 27/20

40 Oakland St,  
Medford, Mass,

War Department,  
The Adjutant General's Office,  
Dear Sirs;

I hereby  
request that the remains of my son,  
1st Lieutenant Walter P. Desmond, Medical  
Corps, 18th Field Artillery, who was  
killed in action on Oct. 6, 1918 - and  
buried in grave #1, cemetery #238,  
at Verdun, near Montfaucon - Bierges  
Road, - be allowed to remain in  
said grave, as I do not wish them  
removed.

Respectfully yours,  
John Desmond

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Graves Registration

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

Date 3-8-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Desmond, Walter P. Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

RANK 1st Lieut. ORGANIZATION Med Corps, 18th F.A.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 10-6-18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K-A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) #293
5.	Date buried	(5) 10-6-18
6.	Grave Location (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Isolated grave #2, C 238, Comm. Montfaucon (Meuse)
7.	Who reported burial?	Reburied: 6-3-19.
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	Grave #121, Sec 46, Plot 3, Argonne Amer. Cty., Pommegny-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse
9.	Report as to Grave Marker	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	10/a no ✓
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	6 yes
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	11) Mrs. Walter P. Desmond Bedford, Mass.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	12) 1-21-19 Rtd. 3-5-19 Rtd. 2-25-20-107 Rtd.
15.	Inquiry made by?	

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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Cards 5 x 8  
Cards 4 x 6

*[Handwritten signature]*

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

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

American Expeditionary Forces

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MRS. WALTER P. DESMOND,

BEDFORD, MAINE.

U. S. A.



UNKNOWN

No such city in  
State of Maine

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FILE



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300.

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Mrs. Walter P. Desmond,  
Bedford, Mass.

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2-25-20

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35426

FROM : ~~G.R.S. OFFICER, PARIS.~~

FILE NUMBER 35426

TO : Chief, G.R.S., (Registration Branch), Tours, DATE

SUBJECT : Location, grave of:

NAME ~~DESMOND, Walter P~~

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK 1st Lt.

ORGANIZATION

D.O.

NO.	Question	Reply
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. Yes Med. Det. 18th F.A.
2.	Date of death.	2. 10/6/18
3.	Grave location:	3. Commune of Montfaucon, Grave #1, (Mouse) (isolated) Map reference: Map 35 SE. Co-ordinates: E311.5: N270.5.
4.	Who reported burial?	4. Chaplain J.A. Manly, 18th F.A.
5.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	5. Yes
6.	How is grave marked?	6. Cross
7.	Identification tags:	7. No records
	(a) Buried with Body?	
	(b) Attached to grave Marker?	
8.	Emergency address:	8. Mrs Walter P. Desmond Bedford, Maine
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	9. 5/5/19

REMARKS:

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

European address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to deceased \_\_\_\_\_

Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER

35426  
35426

FROM:-

DATE:

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME DESMOND, WALTER P. NUMBER  
RANK 1ST LT. ORGANIZATION D.C.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① - yes, MED. DET. 18TH FA.
2.	Date of Death.	② - 10/6/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	③ - 10/4
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	④ - 293
5.	Date buried.	⑤ - 10/6/18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ - Commune - e-238 GRAVE#1 ISOLATED, Commune of MONTFAUCON (MEUSE) 35 S.E. N. 298.5
7.	Who reported burial.	⑦ J.A. Manly, Chap. 18TH F.A.
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	⑧ - yes
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	⑨ - CROSS
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑩ - O
11.	Who is nearest relative?	⑪ - MRS. WALTER P. DESMOND Bedford, Maine
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	⑫ - yes 3/5/19
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑬ - NOTIFIED AT BEDFORD MAINE 6/10/19
14.	What is the Photograph No. ?	

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

J.C.H.  
6/10/19

June 5th., 1919.

From: Office of the Chief Surgeon, Amer. E.F., Hdqrs. S.O.S.  
To: The Chief, Graves Registration Service, Hdqrs. S.O.S.  
Subject: Intermment of Dental Officers.

1. Information is requested as to the place of interment and identification markings on the graves of the following named Dental Officers:

1st Lt. Delmer H. Stocker, D.C.  
Capt. Max Soul, D.C.  
1st Lt. George W. Hutton, D.C.  
1st Lt. Frank G. Leonard, D.C.  
1st Lt. Alexander H. Jones, D.C.  
1st Lt. Earl E. James, D.C.  
1st Lt. George E. Wilcox, D.C.  
1st Lt. Alexander S. Harris, D.C.  
1st Lt. Joseph H. Parsons, D.C.  
1st Lt. Leslie P. Ambelang, D.C.  
Capt. Melvin H. Augustain, D.C.  
1st Lt. Walter F. Demond, D.C.  
1st Lt. Howard H. Merrissey, D.C.  
1st Lt. Lester A. Stone, D.C.  
1st Lt. Woodson E. Osborne, D.C.

By direction of the Chief Surgeon.

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Robt. C. Oliver,  
Colonel, D.C., U.S.A.,  
Chief Dental Surgeon.

1st Inf.

ACI/RI.

Chief, Graves Registration Service, Hdqrs. S.O.S., A.E.F. June 16, 1919.  
To: Office of the Chief Surgeon, Amer. E.F. Hdqrs. S.O.S.

Returned. Burial information as shown on records of this office regarding Officers mentioned in the foregoing letter, as shown on information sheets attached.

