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1. NAME DE WOLF, Martin F. SERIAL No. 102358

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. L 168th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. Thiaucourt M&M 1233

CTY. NAME NUMBER

49 Sec. 12 1

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Near St. Baussant (M et M) C-135

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 233.28 N 359.65 E 525W

CONCENTRATED TO 6/9/19 49 Sec 12 1

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel Cty. Thiaucourt (M et M) 1233

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body and cross.

DATE OF DEATH Sept. 12, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Iowa

Data form 1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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WALTER F. BROWN

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Captain, Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

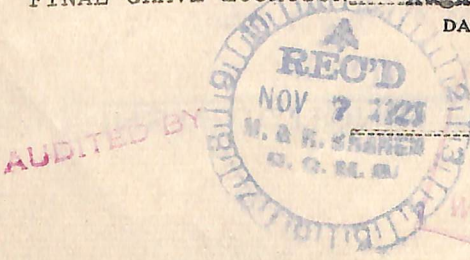
3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION August 21, 1922 12 18 Block B

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Major G. Davis
The Adjutant General
By CLR

St. Mihiel Cemetery #1233

CEMETERY



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.

Co. L., 168th Inf.,
42nd Div.

DeWolf, Martin F.-Pvt.1/cl- 102358.
Home: Sioux City, Iowa.

Pvt. First Class Martin F. DeWolf, 102358, was instantly killed by machine gun fire on September 12, 1918 northwest of Flirey, France.

Buried: Grave No. 7-B, Map of Pannes.

Informant: Lainson, Percy A., -Capt.-
Co. L., 168th Inf.
Home: Council Bluffs, Ia.
Feb. 20, 1919.
Signed: Percy A. Lainson.

Emergency address:
~~XXXX~~ W. 6th St.,
Sioux City, Ia.

G. G. C.

Place NEUFCHATEAU

Date 16, JUNE 1919

REPORT OF DISINTEMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: DE WOLF, Martin E. F.

Number 102358

Rank: Pvt. 1/c

Organization Cp. L. 168th Inf.

Disinment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

6 9, JUNE 1919

Grave# ST. BAUSSANT, M et M

Map 52 SW E 359.9 N 233.08

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

9, JUNE 1919

Grave# 49 Sec 12 Plot 1

1233

ST. MIHIEL AMERICAN CEMETERY #1233

THIAUCOURT, M et M

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

Body buried in uniform and badly decomposed.

Was any identification tag found upon the body? Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body? None

CONFIRMED

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Notes:

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 will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt. Matthey.

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. G.M.C.U.S.A.

G.O. Group _____ Unit _____

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NAME	De Wolf	3	4 5 ¹² / ₃
BURIED	Martin F.	1	3
	CEMETERY 1233	2	12
	GRAVE 12	2	18
	ROW 18	1	2
	BLOCK B	2	16
STATE	Iowa	1	2
RANK	Port	2	42
DIVISION	42	3	168
ORGANIZATION	168	1	1
ARM	Inf	1	2
MARITAL	no	3	7 9 8
NAME	Gisbers	2	16
Mrs. Minnie DeWolf	STATE Iowa	2	97
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Woodbury	3	071
1201-W. Highland	CITY Sioux City	1	1
RELATION	Mother	1	
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	Yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

DeWolf, Martin F. (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Mimmie DeWolf Gisbers,

S. Sioux City, Nebr.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
DeWolf, Martin F. (StM)

August 19, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gishers,
1201 W. Highland
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 15, 1932, advising that you cannot make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Martin F. DeWolf, during the summer of 1933.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of comfort and solace to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice for their country, and it would seem from the many letters of appreciation received from women who have made the trip that the effort has not been in vain. It is believed that you too would derive comfort and peace from a visit to your son's grave.

It is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the journey on account of your health as competent personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided. Doctors and nurses will be available to render any medical assistance required by the mothers and widows. During the past three years a number of women in very poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

I sincerely hope that you will change your mind and make the pilgrimage next year. If so, it is requested you advise this office and arrangements will be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
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
DeWolf, Martin F. (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City, Nebr.

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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.

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

Sioux City, Iowa
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers
1201 W. Highland

Saint City Iowa, August 15-

1932.

The Quartermaster General

Washington, D.C.

Well I receive your letter & I was glad to

to get the invitation but I

can't thank I can stand it to

go and to make the pilgrimage

My health is so poor I don't

thank I can stand it and I

have a full big family here to

look after and I can not do

My Dear Sam every good and

he can not do me every good

so I thank I better that try it

but thank ever so much for

the invitation every way I

would like to go but my health is

so poor so good my from

Chris Annie & the whole family

My address is 1201 W. Highland

Saint City

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Please answer love them

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
DeWolf, Martin F. (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City, Nebr.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 16, 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?

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Grant city Jawa

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

August 15 - 1932

July 15, 1932

The Quartermaster General

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 295 A-M
Dewolf, Harry
2. Sioux City, Iow.
D.C.

Well I reserve your letter
Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 9, 1932, as amended March 9, 1933, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemetery or cemeteries during the years 1930, 1931 and 1932 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 in 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 1932 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 1932, 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 re- turn 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,
De Walt Gresham

Very truly yours,

Grant city Jawa



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

1201 W. Highland

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

Grant city Jawa

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

QM 293 A-N

December 15, 1931.

DeWolf, Martin F. (StM) M

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
113 South Myrtle Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 5, 1931, in which you state that you cannot make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Martin F. DeWolf, on account of your health. It is believed however, if you were acquainted with the excellent care and attention you would receive, you would not hesitate to make the journey.

In the event you desire to make a pilgrimage, an identification badge will be forwarded you to wear while on the journey. The wearing of this badge assures you every attention while on the trip, the railroad personnel rendering special care to the wearers of this emblem. Your local railroad agent will deliver your Pullman and railroad tickets and you will be furnished a detailed schedule of your trip. A check to cover cost of your meals and incidental expenses to New York will be delivered to you about two weeks before you are scheduled to leave your home. Upon arrival in New York, you will be met at the station by an officer of the U. S. Army who will escort you to the hotel at which reservation has been made for you. It is probable that a number of other mothers and widows from Iowa will make the journey at the same time and you would find congenial companions. Medical attendants, nurses, and all other necessities will be provided. The journey will be made without cost to you except for the purchase of any small articles of a personal nature which you might desire to obtain as souvenirs.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and comfort to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones gave their lives in their Country's cause and it is evident from the number of letters received from women who have made the journey that this effort has not been in vain. A number of women have also advised that they returned in better health than they had enjoyed in years.

In view of the foregoing, it is possible you may change your mind and desire to make a pilgrimage. If so, it is requested you advise this office as promptly as possible in order that proper arrangements may be made.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

DeWolf, Martin F. (St-M) M <

Nov. 4, 1931

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City,
Nebr. 113 S Myrtle St

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

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Giant City Java

December 5 - 1931

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

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Mr Hughes i am going
to answer this letter about
to take that trip to the
Pilgrimage i dont thank i
can not stand it my times
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is ofell bad and i dont thank
that i can stand it i share
like to take the trip my
~~helt~~ helt is so poor i
can not hardly git around
the hose i am ofell fraid i
can not make the trip but
i thank iam ever so much
i share like to take the
trip and oblige ever so
much imely how emly way
and oblige this Minnie De
Wolf gibbes plese answer this
letter will you my address is
Giant City Java 112 South
Myrtell Street



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

DeWolf, Martin F. (STM) M-

October 1, 1931

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
s. Sioux City,
Nebraska.

1125 Myrtle St

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?	<i>No can't stand it</i>	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	<i>Poor health heart trouble</i>	Age: Health: <i>66</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>	
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>Holland</i>	

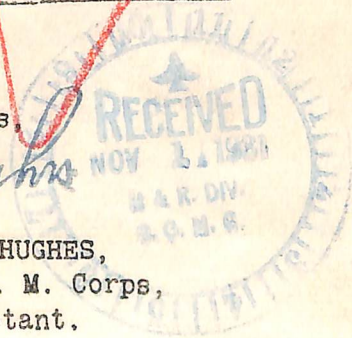
Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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-AM
DeWolf, Martin F. Pvt (StM) M

June 13, 1931.

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City,
Nebraska.

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

DeWolf, Martin F. 1233 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Minnie ^S ~~Gibbers~~ DeWolf
S. Sioux City, Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, U. S. Army,
Assistant.



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

no
(Write answer here)

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gibbers
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

DeWolf, Martin F. 1233

February 14, 1930

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Martin F. DeWolf, Co. L, 168th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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.

No widow
No address
Mrs Minnie DeWolf
Girbers Mother
Does not want to go

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris
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

May , 1929.

DeWolf, Martin F

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Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gibbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska.

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".

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Private Martin F. DeWolf, Co. L, 168th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-M
DeWolf, Martin F. (StM)

August 19, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
1201 W. Highland
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

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I sincerely hope that you will change your mind and make the pilgrimage next year. If so, it is requested you advise this office and arrangements will be made for you.

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Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
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

DeWolf, Martin F. (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,

S. Sioux City, Nebr.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M

December 15, 1931.

DeWolf, Martin F. (StM) M

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
113 South Myrtel Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 5, 1931, in which you state that you cannot make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Martin F. DeWolf, on account of your health. It is believed however, if you were acquainted with the excellent care and attention you would receive, you would not hesitate to make the journey.

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In the event you desire to make a pilgrimage, an identification badge will be forwarded you to wear while on the journey. The wearing of this badge assures you every attention while on the trip, the railroad personnel rendering special care to the wearers of this emblem. Your local railroad agent will deliver your Pullman and railroad tickets and you will be furnished a detailed schedule of your trip. A check to cover cost of your meals and incidental expenses to New York will be delivered to you about two weeks before you are scheduled to leave your home. Upon arrival in New York, you will be met at the station by an officer of the U. S. Army who will escort you to the hotel at which reservation has been made for you. It is probable that a number of other mothers and widows from Iowa will make the journey at the same time and you would find congenial companions. Medical attendants, nurses, and all other necessities will be provided. The journey will be made without cost to you except for the purchase of any small articles of a personal nature which you might desire to obtain as souvenirs.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and comfort to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones gave their lives in their Country's cause and it is evident from the number of letters received from women who have made the journey that this effort has not been in vain. A number of women have also advised that they returned in better health than they had enjoyed in years.

In view of the foregoing, it is possible you may change your mind and desire to make a pilgrimage. If so, it is requested you advise this office as promptly as possible in order that proper arrangements may be made.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

DeWolf, Martin F. (St-M) M

Nov. 4, 1931

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City,
Nebr.

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Dear Madam:

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

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NOV 11 1931
O Q M S T P E R
Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

DeWolf, Martin F. (STM) H-

October 1, 1931 ed

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
s. Sioux City,
Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

2. Please state your age and condition
of health:

Age:
Health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
DeWolf, Martin F. Pvt (StM) M

June 13, 1931.

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Gisbers,
S. Sioux City,
Nebraska.

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

DeWolf, Martin F. 1233 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Girbers DeWolf
S. Sioux City, Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

DeWolf, Martin F. 1233

February 14, 1930

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Martin F. DeWolf, Co. L, 168th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 29, 1929.

DeWolf, Martin F.
1223

M
Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 31, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May , 1929.

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DeWolf, Martin F

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late
Private Martin F. DeWolf, Co. L, 168th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

DeWOLF, Martin F., Pvt.

March 6, 1924

Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers,
South Sioux City,
Nebraska.

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

O. Q. M. G.
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM

1-Incl.
Record card.



Assistant.

R. L. FOSTER

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MAR 6 1924

B. O. C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 21, 1922

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 DE WOLF, Martin F.

10. Name

2. No. 102 358

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. L 168th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-12-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. K.I.A.(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 49 Sec. 12

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 1 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None18. Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer.19. Commune or town Thiaucourt20. Dept. or County M&M21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 123323. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 21, 1922By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name DE WOLF, Martin F.Serial No. 102358Rank Pvt.Organization Co. L. 168th Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

J.T. White

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 agrees with 114A.
Tag on body reads: Martin F. DeWolf, 10235827. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.28. Nature of burial Wooden box, U.S. uniform29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Aug. 21, 1922 By C.V. Russell31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

C.V. Russell

MMB

AUDITED BY
RBF 10-22-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 29648

32. Designation of body:

Name Martin F. DE WOLF Serial No. 102358

Rank Pvt. Organization Co.L 168th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St.Mihiel Amer.Cty. Thiaucourt M&M 1233

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Aug.21, 1922 By C.V.Russell

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 J.J.Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Aug.21, 1922

To point of Concentration

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer

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 St.Mihiel Amer.1233, Thiaucourt, France.

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer J.J.Powers

40. Received: Date J.J.Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred AUGUST 21, 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No. 12 Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Bk. B Row 18

G.R.S. Representative A.E. DEWEY, 1st, Lieut, QMC

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date August 21, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF DE WOLF Martin F. SERIAL NUMBER 102358
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co L 168th Inf

2. Disinterred (date)-: _____ From (give complete location) :

August 19, 1922 Gr. 49 Sec 12 Pl 1 Cem 1233

• By : Group 1 Unit _____ Sec 1

3. Reburied (date) : AUGUST 21, 1922 In (give complete location) : Gr. 12, Row 18, Bk. B

Cemetery 1233, Thiaucourt, (M ET M)

By : Group Reburial Unit _____ Nature of Reburial In casket and shipping case

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

wooden box and U. S. uniform
badly decomposed features unrecognizable.

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

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

GRS plaque on box agrees with form 114-A. Tag on body
reads "Martin F. DeWolf 102358"

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) -do

(c) Hair—Color -do

Quantity -do

Characteristics -do

(d) Hair on face—Color -do

Location -do

Quantity -do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) none visible.

teeth 19 cement filling 32 missing before death
30 cavity.

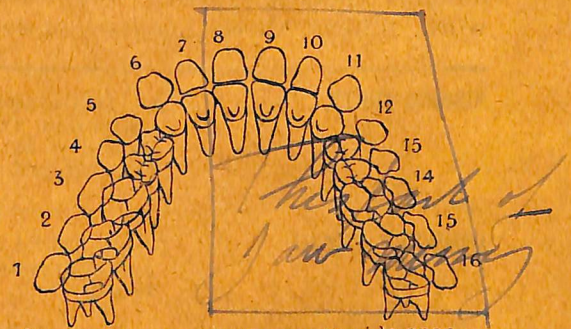
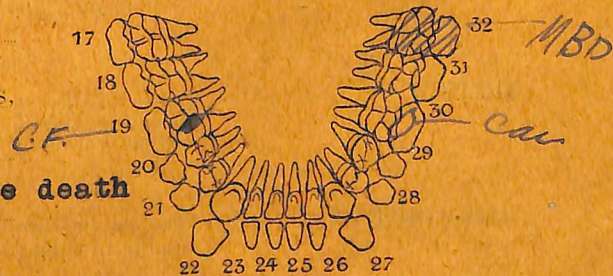


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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

head shattered, part of upper jaw missing jtw

7. Disinterment supervised by C V Russell

Approved : J J Powers

C V Russell

(Title) 1st Lieut OMC

8. Reburial supervised by H.L. KRAMER

Approved : A. E. DEWEY

H.L. KRAMER






(Title) 1st, Lieut, OMC

concentration

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FROM 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 :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity. shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>
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.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 22426

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DEWOLF, Martin F. Ser. No. 102358
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. L, 168th Inf.
(c) Date of death 9-12-18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. DB
CKR. B.T.

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

(a) Grave No. 49 Row - Plot 1 Sec. 12 TYP. DB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. M.G. Dewolf, (Mother) 503 W. 6th St. Sioux City, Iowa

7 Mrs. Minnie K. Wolf Sirber, (Mother) South Sioux City, Iowa
CKR. B.T.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

no card in file L.G. 2/3-21

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials L.G. Date 2-3-, 1920.

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

No request for disposition, E.O. same as II to

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes H.P.

Examiner's Initials H.P. Date 2-3-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1233

SHEET No. 915

FEB 28 1921 ABR

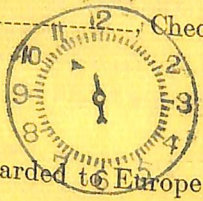
CARDED

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 1 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____ Checked by _____, 1920.

RECEIVED
AUG 8 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:



Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **FEB 18 1921**, 1920

MAR 4 1921

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

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IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *\$120-7121 - Mrs. M. G. Dewolf - 503 W 6 St - Sioux City - Ia - Returned unclaimed - 11/9/21*

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
- (3) _____
- (4) _____
- (5) _____

- IA. _____
- II. _____
- III. _____
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- V. _____
- VI. _____
- VII. _____
- VIII. _____
- IX. _____
- X. _____
- XI. _____
- XII. _____

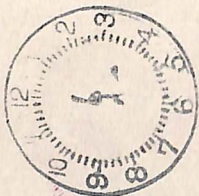
WAR DEPARTMENT

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE, \$300.

POST Graves Registration Service
Hoboken, N. J.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.



CEMETERIAL DIVISION



APR 21

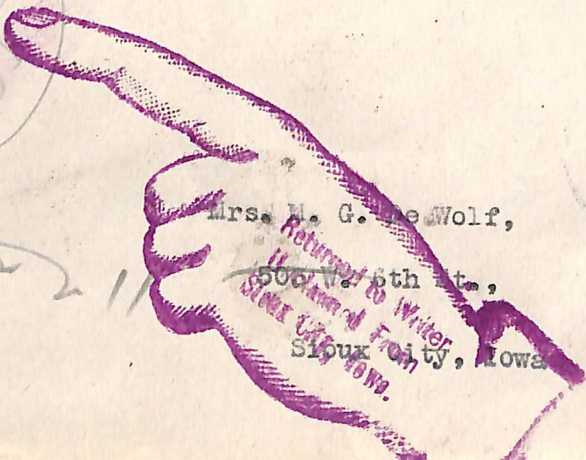


Mrs. M. G. Wolf,

500 W. 6th St.,

Sioux City, Iowa

Returned to Writer
if named from
Sioux City, Iowa.





WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

APR 13 1921

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

To: Mrs. M. G. De Wolf, 503 W. 6th St., Sioux City, Iowa

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Martin F. Dewolf, Ser. No. 102558 Co. I. 168th Inf.

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

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.
GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
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Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
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Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
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Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

Address _____ Relationship _____, 192

Date _____ Signature _____
I, the undersigned, am the _____ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

(Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____
(Name.)

(R. R. station.) _____ (State.)
3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

RECEIVED

OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 22426

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name... **DEWOLF, Martin F.** ... Ser.No... **102358** ... TYP... **DB** ...

(b) Rank... **Pvt.** ... Organization ... **Co. L, 166th Inf.** ... Cause of **B.T.**

(c) Date of death **9-12-18** ... death ... **K/A** ...

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

(a) Grave No. **49** .. Row Plot Sect **12** TP... **DB** ...

Mrs. Minnie De Wolf Barber (Mother) South Sioux City, Iowa.

(b) Emerg. Address **Br. of M.G. Dewolf (mother) 503 W. 6th St. Sioux City, Iowa.**

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

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (letter of transmittal on **FEB 18 1921** (cable on 192

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

MAR 2- 1921

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship and Source, ... and name Desires Action taken

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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 192

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

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

S/666/LML FRANCE

1233

916

PRIORITY 104

FEB 28 1921 *ABR*

De Wolf

Martin F.

102,358

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. L, 168th. Infantry.

(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.)

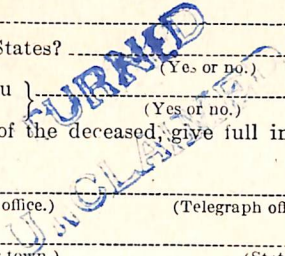
(Sign here)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

De Wolf 102358 Martin F.
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Priv. Co. L. 168 Inf.
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: *near Bois du Jury*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Killed in Action*

DATE OF BURIAL: *9-14-18*

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

CMME
Flirey (M+M)
(C-124) SHIT. 52 SW. COORD. see above.

GRAVE NUMBER: *7 b.*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? *Yes*
Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Mrs. M. G. De Wolf*

ADDRESS: *503 W. 6th St. Sioux City, Iowa.*

RELATIONSHIP: *Walter*

REPORTED BY: *W. E. Robb & R. C. Hatch*
Chap. 168 Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

25 OCT 1918

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Communal List No. _____
Daily Report No. _____

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

December 4th, 1918

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service,
A.P.O. 717, American E. F.

TO : C.O. C^o.L. ~~412DIV~~, I68 INF.

SUBJECT: Query as to Identification Tag.

1. This office has received from

Effects Depot

identification tag as follows:

Name: DE WOLF (I02358) Martin F.

Rank: PVT. Organization: C^o.L. ~~412DIV~~.
I68 INF.

2. It is possible that the wearer of this tag was killed in action. If so, will you please fill out, as far as possible, the enclosed Grave Location Blank, and furnish any other information available which will tend to establish the place of his death and burial, and mail same promptly to office, C.I.S., Hdqrs. S.O.S., with return of this paper.

3. If he was not killed in action please advise as to present status, by notation hereon.

CHARLES C. PIERCE

Lieut. Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

one with the body
on game mark

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

De Wolf 102358 Martin F.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Plt. Co. 2. 168 Inf.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: near Bois du Jour

CAUSE OF DEATH: Killed in Action

DATE OF BURIAL: 9-14-18

PLACE OF BURIAL: Panne Map

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

Com C. 124. Flory (M x M)

Map 52. S.W. E. 359.95

GRAVE NUMBER: 76 N. 233.10

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here: Flory (M x M)

CO. 124. S.W. COORD. E 359.95 N 233.10

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. M. G. Dewolf

ADDRESS: 503 N. 6th St. Sioux City, Ia.

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY: W. E. Roth + R. C. Natch

Chap. 168 Inf.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

26 OCT 1918

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Communal List No. 0-124-446
Daily Report No. _____

Miss Knight;-

Mrs. Ruth told me to send this case to you for adjustment. Note that the mother has remarried and is now Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers.

Aitkens.

E/A Mrs. Minnie DeWolf Girbers (mother)
South Sioux City, Neb.

Get J-115 & adjust

Adjustment Made

MAY 23 1922

File No. 22426

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G.R.S. Form No. 101-A (Information Blank)

File Number 22426

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

Date February 2, 1920

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME DeWolf, Martin F. Serial Number

RANK ORGANIZATION Co. L, 168th Infantry .

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1. Pvt. 102358,
2.	Date of Death.	2. 9-12-18
3.	Cause and place of death	3. K/a
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	
5.	Date buried	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Isolated Grave #2, Cmme. St. Bausant, M-et-M, C135 52 40; N 359.9; N 233.03 Reburied 6-2-19 in Grave #49, Sec. 12, Plot #1, St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. Thiaucourt, M-et-M, #1233
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?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
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?	

FILE

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Cards 5 x 8
Cards 4 x 6

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

2-4-26

G.R.S. Form No. 10.
Notification of Grave Location.

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

Nov. 22. 1919-

FILES

To: Mrs. M. G. DeWolf
503 W. 6th. St.
Sciux City-Iowa

Case of: Private Martin F. DeWolf-102358-
Co.L.168th.Inf.

Place of Burial: Disinterred & Reburied in
Grave #49-section 12-plot-1-
St. Mihiel American Cemetery-#1233-
Thiaucourt M.et.M.

1.- It would be likely to involve further delay if we should write personal letters in each of the many cases of notification of relatives as to the present resting places of their noble dead who glorify the nation's roll of honor.

2.- Will you therefore, please accept this letter as being the best we can do, just now? And will you also accept the sympathy of those who have been working hard for many months to render worthy service to tens of thousands of sorrowing people, in the care of their dead?

3.- Many delays in notification have resulted from our ignorance of proper addresses, shortage of clerical personnel, incomplete and imperfect information, or non-delivery and return of former letters.

4.- Thousands of bodies have been transferred to larger and better cemeteries, for reasons which were deemed imperative by the military authorities of all the Allied Nations, and the great task of improving these cemeteries is well under way. The most diligent care has been exercised to insure accuracy, and this immense project is being carried through as an unquestionable service to the friends of our dead.

5.- In serving you and others, we have been hampered by conditions and consequences of such a war as we hope may never involve our country again.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

CCP/jad.

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WAR DEPARTMENT.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

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

Mrs M.G. DeWolf
503-W-6th. St.
Sioux City
Iowa.

M. G. DeWolf
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SIoux CITY
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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

ADWOLF, J. Martin

File #2244

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON,

August 18, 1919.

Dear Madam:

This is the second request for information concerning this matter that has been sent to you. Inasmuch as no reply has been received to the first request it is presumed you did not receive it, and as the information indicated on the inclosed card is necessary to complete the records it will be appreciated if you will fill in and return the card at the earliest practicable date.

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

AGO CARD
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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Penalty for private use, \$300.

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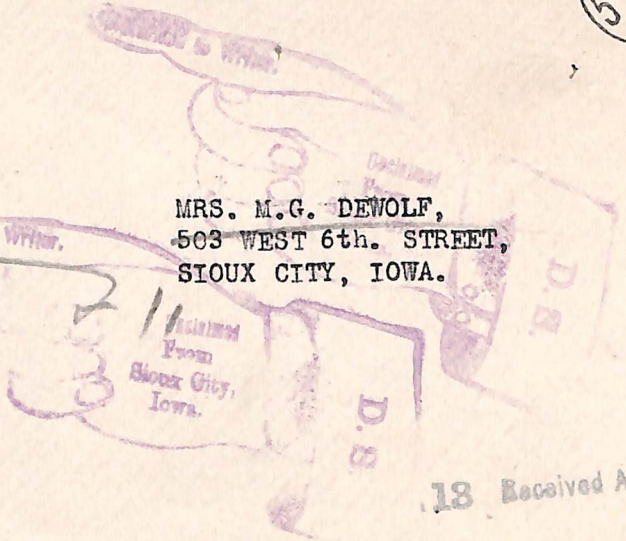
MRS. M.G. DEWOLF,
503 WEST 6th. STREET,
SIOUX CITY, IOWA.

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ENGLAND DIVISION
AGG # 22436
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April 1 - 1919

Dear Giant City



My Dear friend I received
 your card of my dear Sam
 about his being he is been dead
 so long a go I want but
 able to see him at all am
 that will be a fell hard fore
 me I have lost my hand
 the Trevent of May an my ad
 ert father the 26 of Decembe
 that was Marten step father
 the dear is Bored there are
 I thank that he is Inst as well
 as them he is here but I wood
 like to have him have a fell
 an I cant no what to do about
 it but my dear friend I only
 wish that I an wood like an
 tell me what is Bert I share wood
 like to have him have with the
 rest of them but he is been
 dead so long I can not see the
 dear boy in any way so I will
 not fill ant the what is the best
 fore me to have him sent have are
 I will wait till I here from
 you

Lee Wood, Marten 7

Jan Adam but i thank the
bear boy is lay at rest an
i thank to let him rest.

i dont no what to say a
cant bring him home but i
share wood like to have him
home but it will be a fell
hard fare me & Jan i will
be like a new pmall &
Jan i have 2 in 3 month so
it is a fell hard fare me so i
want answer the ^{card} till i here from
Jan & Jan an Jan rite an tell
me what is best fare me to do to
bring him home or love him there
an oblige our Minnie Dewald

Girber 8 month 8 day City

Met under this at one
so i no what is best fare
me to do fare brnty

26 Received A.G.O. APR 4 1919
Charles C. Pierce
Lieut Colonel U.S. Army A

May 8th, 1919.

Mrs. Minnie DeWall Girbers,
South Sioux City, Nebr.

Dear Madam:-

Referring to your letter of April 1, relative to the final disposition of the body of your son, I beg to advise you that the Department prefers to leave the question of the removal to the United States or the retention in France of the bodies of our deceased soldiers to the relatives. Wherever the bodies of our men are placed for permanent burial every effort will be made to care for the graves, as in the case of all of our soldiers.

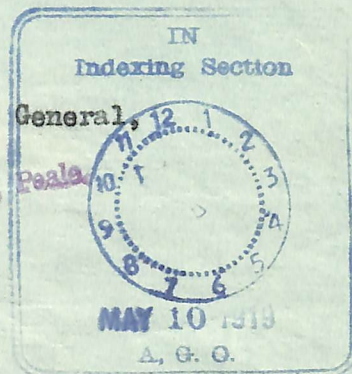
I take this opportunity to express to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss you have sustained and to commend you for the contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very sincerely,

The Adjutant General,

Per.

James N. Peala



*file - J. M.
5/8/19. (23)*