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DATE 1/14/22.

1. NAME CURTIS, Samuel D. SERIAL No. 1456657

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 139th Inf. DIVISION 35

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232
CTY. NAME NUMBER Sec. 26

155 Sec. 26 3

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION ~~Nothing of record~~ 5 2nd. Sperrmont Ardennes

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 281. N 302. 3E Verdun N.E. 35

CONCENTRATED TO 6-9-19 155 Sec. 26 3
DATE GRAVE ROW 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.

DATE OF DEATH Sept 27, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mo

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

Data from Form 1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

ejr.tm

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm M. CLINE
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 1/14/22. 33 18 C.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Robert O. Davis,
Major General,

Block.

AUDITED BY
MAY 5 1926

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucou. Meuse.
CEMETERY

APR 30 1920
WORLD WAR DIV.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 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.



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Curtis 1456657 Samuel
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 10/11/18

PLACE OF BURIAL Exermont district

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

coordinated map 301.8 - 280.15

GRAVE NUMBER 5

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

Squad under Lt Walter V Woddin

REPORTED BY: 53rd Pioneer Inf.

Oliver J. Hart, Chaplain, 5th F.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Curtis 1456657 Samuel
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 11 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL X 301.8004 280.150

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

Exermont

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

Lt W V Woddin, 53rd
Pioneer Inf in charge
of burial detail

REPORTED BY:

Oliver J. Hart, Chaplain, 5th F.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Co E., 139th Infantry
35th Div.

CURTIS, Samuel D. - Cpl I456657
Home : 437 S. 6th St. HANNIBAL (MO)

Corporal CURTIS was leading his squad in advance on Exermont and was killed by machine gun fire about 200 yards from Exermont. Death was instantaneous, and he was buried in this vicinity the following day.

Informant : WILLETT, Robert N. - Pvt I456773
Co E, 139th Infantry
Home : I204 Califax Avenue
HANNIBAL, Mo.-

Emergency adress :
Mrs Edna CURTIS, Mother
437 S.6th St, HANNIBAL, Mo.-

H.P.

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

Curtis, Samuel D.
Cpl.

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY August 5, 1931

Marion County, State of Missouri

Name Curtis, Mrs Edna M (0-6)

Address 1217 Ledford St. Hannibal, Missouri

Route going: Wabash, Buffalo, DL&W ~~New York~~

Return: Same route

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE	
Itinerary going	✓ Lv	Hannibal	Wabash	12	6:25 PM	August 1
	✓ Ar	Chicago	"	"	6:55 AM	" 2
	✓ Lv	"	"	6	10:30 AM	" "
	✓ Ar	New York (Hoboken)	DL&W	2	3:30 PM	" 3
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper Hannibal, Mo to Chicago, Ill and Chicago, Ill to New York, N Y

Elapsed Time: 44 hrs: 5 min *2*

Extra Fare:

H.M.
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Party J.
P. Knowles R. 2.

MEDICAL RECORD

Curtis, Samuel D.
Cpl. Co E 139 Inf.

Station: Hotel Lutetia Paris

Date: 12.8.31

Name Curtis Mrs. Edna

Home address 1217 Ledford St. Hannibal Mo.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband Curtis Rockie

(same address)

Religion Prot. Age 53

History of Present complaint: Fatigue.

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications : (include dates)

Fatigue

Treatment and Progress : (include dates) Seen by Major Kenner
13.8.31. Triple Bromide + K.C.B.

Disposition : (include dates)

Remarks : Treatment continued + pilgrim made all trips.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Curtis</i>	3	3 1 2 0
	<i>Sam'l D.</i>		
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1 2 3 2</i>	1	1
	GRAVE <i>3 3</i>	2	3 3
	ROW <i>1 8</i>	2	1 8
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	3
STATE	<i>Mo.</i>	2	2 9
RANK	<i>Corpl</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>3 5</i>	2	3 5
ORGANIZATION	<i>1 3 9</i>	3	1 3 9
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME	<i>Mrs. Edna M Curtis</i>	3	3 1 2 0
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Mo</i>	2	2 9
	COUNTY <i>Marion</i>	2	6 4
	CITY <i>Hannibal</i>	3	0 2 5
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. <i>1931</i>	1	2
ACCEPTANCE	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
29/514/PJ.	<i>Age 51</i>	1	51

Paired Aug. 5, 1931

AUDITED
NOV 5 1931
R.S.

am

Party "O" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group.

Sailed August 6, 1931 on "SS PRES. HARDING", Major J. F. Cottrell in charge. Arrived in Cherbourg at 6:30AM August 13th. Special tender arrived 6:30AM bearing Major Francis M. Fitts, Capts. Hubert W. Boyette, Frank L. Burns, Myron J. Conway, Lts. James C. Fry, Wm. C. Lucas and Noble J. Willey, Miss Blanche S. Rulon, Capt. A. N. C., three nurses and two civilian employees. Train left Cherbourg at 9:08AM and arrived at the Gare des Invalides at 3:15PM where it was met by Colonel Ellis and members of the Paris staff. Taken in busses to hotels.

August 14th Morning free - Conference with Conducting Officer. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. E. E. Dearing for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.

August 15th 10:00AM Sacre Coeur. Lunch at hotel. PM free. Dinner at hotel.

August 16th Morning church or free. Lunch at hotel. PM free (pack).

August 17th 7:15AM Depart Paris via Porte de Pantin. 10:00PM Arrive Montmirail, rest stop Hotel Vert Gallant. 1:00PM Arrive Chalons s/Marne-Lunch Haute-Mere-Dieu. 5:45PM Arrive Verdun Hotel Nouvel.

August 18,19,20 Daily visits to cemetery, All lunches at cemetery, all dinners at Verdun.

August 21st 7:30AM Depart Verdun via R.N.3. Arrive St. Menehould 8:45 Rest Moderne Hotel. 9:15AM Depart St. Menehould via Suippes. 12:00 Noon, Reims - Lunch Hotel Bristol Crystal. 2:15PM Depart Reims Arrive Chateau-Thierry - Rest Hostellerie du Bonhomme. Leave via Hill 204 and Montreuil. Dinner at hotel, Paris.

August 22nd Morning free. Lunch at hotel. PM free. Dinner at hotel. 9:00 - 11:00PM Night sightseeing trip.

August 23rd Morning free or church. Lunch at hotel. 2:30PM Paris sightseeing Dinner at hotel.

August 24th 9:15PM Depart for Colonial Exposition. Lunch at hotel. 2:30PM Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.

August 25th 9:00AM Shopping or free. Store: Bon Marche. Lunch at hotel. 2:15PM Depart for Versailles. Dinner at hotel. Paris.

August 26th 10:00AM Notre Dame. 12:00 Noon, Lunch at hotel. 2:30PM Louvre or free (pack). Dinner at hotel.

August 27th Leave Gare des Invalides 2:15PM. Arrived Cherbourg 8:30PM. Arrived NY September 4th.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis

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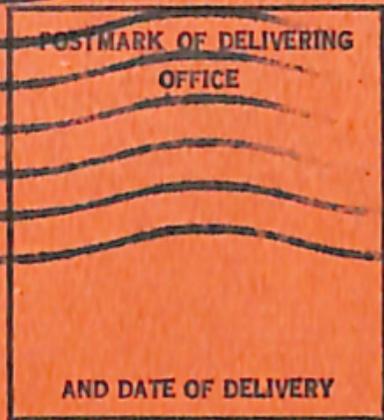
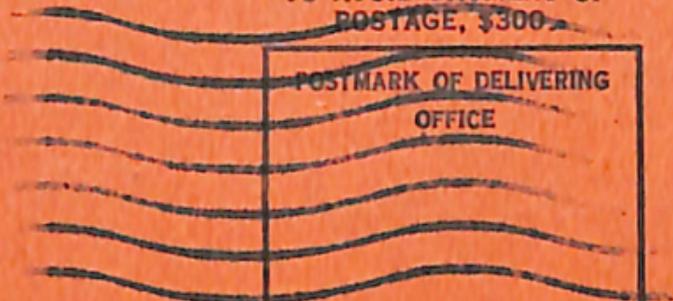
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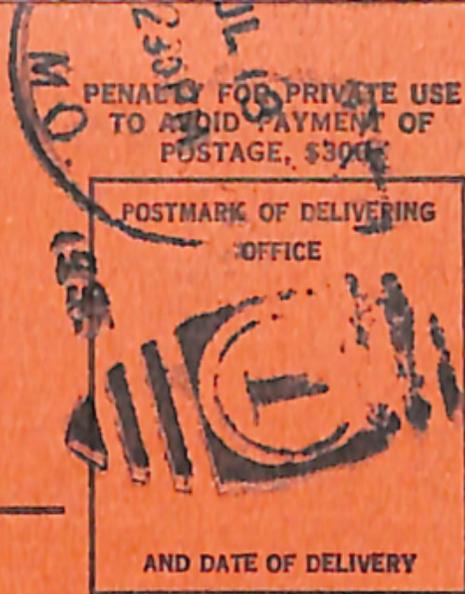
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or Post Office Box,

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WASHINGTON,

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Name CURTIS, Mrs. Edna M.

Paris Hôtel HOTEL LUTÉZIA
BOULEVARD RASPAIL

Home address 1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Marion Co., Missouri

Party 0 Group 0 Unit SS. HARDING

Date of arrival August 13, 1931 Date of departure SS. AMERICA, August 27, 1931

Relationship Mother, age 51

Name of deceased CURTIS, Samuel D.

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E, 139th Inf.

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Gr. 33-C-18

REMARKS

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Mrs. Edna May Curtis

DAILY REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS-1931

Handwritten initials

12-Noon 9/4/31.

SEPT. 5th, 1931.

DATE.....

ROOM NO.....

PARTY..... "O" WESTBOUND

NAME..... Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,

ADDRESS..... Hannibal,

..... Mo.

HOTEL..... PENNSYLVANIA

DIAGNOSIS..... NERVOUSNESS

DISPOSITION..... Leavin g for home.

REMARKS: Patient given Triple Bromides with instructions how to take them before leaving for home.

CIVILIAN DOCTOR IN CHARGE OF CASE.....

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MEDICAL OFFICER.....
JAMES H. ASHCRAFT,
Major Medical Corps. USA
Medical Supervisor.

MEDICAL RECORD

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Party: 0 Hotel PENNSYLVANIA S. S. HARDING Eastbound
AMERICA Westbound

Name Curtis, Mrs. Edna M. (Cpl. Samuel D. Curtis, 33, 18, C.)

Home Address 1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Mo.

Name and address of nearest relative or friend Mr. Rockey Curtis,

1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Mo.

Religion _____ Age 51-M

History of present complaint:

*Westbound 9/5/31. Performed. Pt. leaving
for home. Pt. given triple bundles with instructions
how to take them before leaving for home.*

J.N.A.

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

Party 0
P. Knowles, R.N.

M O D I C A L R E C O R D

Station : Lutetia, Paris

Date : Aug. 13, 1931

Name Curtis, Mrs. Edna

Home address 1217 Lefford St. Hannibal, Mo.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband, Rockie Curtis

same address

Prot.

53

Religion

Age

History of Present complaint :

Fatigue

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications: (incl dates)

Fatigue A. W. K.

Treatment and Progress: *include dates*)

Seen by Major Kenner.

Aug. 13th, Trip. bromides i, tid,

Disposition: *(include dates)*

Remarks:

Treatment continued and pilgrim made all trips.

Aug. 27th to Cherbourg. Beach.

PARTY

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EASTBOUND

STATE

GROUP

MA

MISSOURI

51-M

Mrs. Curtis, Edna M.
(Name of Pilgrim)

Address 1217 Ledford St., Hannibal
(Street & No.) (City or Town)

Missouri Marion
(State) (County)

Mr. Rockey Curtis

(Name of Nearest Kin)

Address 1217 Ledford St. Hannibal
(Street & No.) (City or Town)

Missouri Marion
(State) (County)

*met by Capt Ward H Inaris
2 bags*

ARRIVAL NEW YORK

VIA. R.R. C. RR. OF N. J. Train No. 2 Date Aug. 3, 1931 - 3:30 PM E.S.T.
Hotel Pennsylvania Room No. 1703
Roomed with Mrs. J. E. Adams

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

Date August 5, 1931 Vessel HARDING Cabin No. 104 C
In Cabin with Mrs. Lida R. Graham & Mrs. Carrie E. Keeling
(Over Westbound)

WESTBOUND
ARRIVAL NEW YORK

Date **Sept. 5, 1931** Vessel **AMERICA** Cabin No. **302 C**
In Cabin with **Mrs. A. J. Shoemaker**
Hotel **Pennsylvania** Room No. **1633**
Roomed with **Mrs. Arra J. Shoemaker**

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

VIA. R.R. **DL&W** Train No. **5** Space **L 6** Car No. **L 16** Date **9-5-31**

REMARKS

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(C Eastbound)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



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payment of postage \$300.

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME CURTIS, MRS. EDNA M.

ADDRESS 1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Mo.

DATE Sept 8

TO: Officer-In-Charge,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Mrs Edna M Curtis.

WAR DEPARTMENT
PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS
 225 West 34th. St. New York, N.Y.

Party "0"

Number ~~1502~~

1462

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATIONS.

..... Curtis, Mrs. Edne M.
 Name of Pilgrim

Actual cost of
 Through Pullman at the
 Lower Berth Rate.

..... 1217 Ledford St.
 City Home Address County

..... Hannibal, Missouri
 State

New York, to Hannibal, Mo.

Destination of Ticket Hannibal, Missouri

\$..... 10.88

via DL&W to Buffalo - Wabash to Hannibal

..... Sept. 5, 1931

Date of Departure

..... Nov. 10, 1931

Expiration Date of Ticket

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower Seat or Coach	Car	U.S.G. Order No.	Actual Cost	
Lv. Poboken	DL&W	5	Sept 5	2:20 p.m.			} 1027452		
Ar. Detroit	WAB	1-11	" 6	8:35 a.m.	L 2	L 16			
Lv. Detroit	"	29	" 6	10:30 p.m.				} 1027452	
Ar. Hannibal	"	29	" 7	12:38 p.m.	L 4	37			
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Excess Fare New York, to. Cost \$ Total 10.88

Stop Over
 Escorted to train by Lt. Jesse T. Harris
 Through Rate
 Excess

Curtis, Samuel □, 1232

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From NARRATIVE REPORT PARTY "O" WEST 1931

The following pilgrims were treated at the Hotel under the direction of the Medical Supervisor:

- Mrs. Irene Aker - Indigestion
- Mrs. Minnie Meltner - Gastralgia and occasional Hepatic disturbance
- Mrs. Lovie J. Whitecotton - Carcinoma of the Uterus
- Mrs. Malvina Michaud - Exhaustion
- Mrs. Edna M. Curtis - Nervousness
- Mrs. Ida E. Short - Deaf; migrain; Senility.
(Special nurse, Mrs. Mary H. Turner, accompanied this pilgrim home.)
- Mrs. Martha Snipes - Headache and sick stomach; Pellagra with Melancholia.

Mrs. Curtis



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Mo

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30 days 4.50

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OFFICE **35-45**

FORM **1000-3**

PASSENGER'S CHECK — To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

From **Hannibal Mo.**

To **Chicago Ill.**

Accommodations **L6** Car **76**

Line No. _____ Via **Wab** R. R.

621

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Persons

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

Curtis & M

HANNIBAL, MO.

AUG 31 '31

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UNION DEPOT

THE PULLMAN COMPANY

OFFICE **35-45**

FORM **1000-3**

PASSENGER'S CHECK — To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

From **Chicago Ill**

To **New York**

Accommodations **L 11** Car **W 10**

Line No. _____ Via **Wab** R. R.

621

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Persons

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

Forverts. E M

HANNIBAL, MO.

AUG 31 '31

1
UNION DEPOT

PARTY "O" FILE NO.

NAME **Curtis, Mrs. Edna M.**
1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Missouri

ROUTE OF TICKET

U.P.W. to *Buffalo*
Wabash to *Hannibal*
 to
 to

Expiration date *Nov. 10, 1931*

The following stop overs are requested.
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(Signature of Pilgrim)

J. M.

Edward J. [unclear]

Mr. R. L. Curtis
1217 Ledford Street
Hannibal, Missouri

Sept. 4, 1931

MRS. EDNA M. CURTIS WILL ARRIVE TWELVE THIRTY EIGHT
NOON MONDAY SEPTEMBER SEVENTH VIA WABASH RAILROAD PLEASE
MEET HER.

MAJOR HALPINE

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PARTY "O"
July 17th, 1931

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford Street,
Hannibal, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

There are enclosed herewith two tags and four identification pasters which have been prepared for the purpose of protecting your baggage while in transit, and to insure its safe arrival at the hotel where you are to stop in New York City. Please attach the tags to the handle of each piece of your baggage and place a paster on each end of each piece of your baggage before leaving your home.

Upon your arrival in New York City, you will be met at the railroad station by an Army Officer who will be in uniform. During your sojourn in New York before sailing for Europe, and upon your return from Europe, you will stop at the Hotel Pennsylvania, 33rd Street and 7th Avenue, New York City.

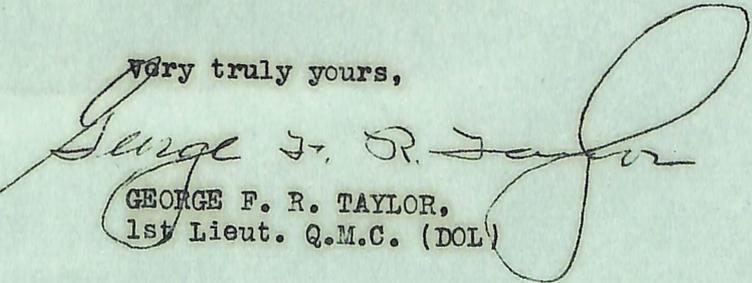
All mail intended to reach you between August 5th, 1931, the day you sail from the United States, and August 27th, 1931, the day you leave Europe, should be addressed to you in care of American Pilgrimage, 146 Avenue des Champs Elysees, Paris, France; for example:

Mrs. Mary Smith,
c/o American Pilgrimage,
146 Avenue des Champs Elysees,
Paris, France.

In making reservations for your journey home from New York City, it is necessary for this office to furnish the railroads with the exact time and date of your departure. The party you are to travel with will be disbanded in New York City on the day following your return from Europe and all arrangements for your accommodations will be made with the railroads by this office accordingly. Upon your return from Europe, it will therefore be necessary for you to remain in the hotel over night as a guest of the United States Government.

There is also enclosed herewith information relative to the cemeteries in Europe.

Very truly yours,


GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL)

7 Incl:
2 Baggage Tags
4 Baggage Pastors
1 Copy Cemeterial Information

DAILY REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS-1931

12-Noon 9/4/31.

DATE... ~~SEPT.~~ 5th, 1931:.....

ROOM NO.....

PARTY..... "9" WESTBOUND.....

NAME..... Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,

ADDRESS..... Hannibal,

..... Mo.

HOTEL..... PENNSYLVANIA.....

DIAGNOSIS..... NERVOUSNESS.....

DISPOSITION... leaving for home.....

REMARKS:

Patient given Triple Bromides with instructions how to take them before leaving for home.

CIVILIAN DOCTOR IN CHARGE OF CASE.....

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MEDICAL OFFICER.....

JAMES H. ASHCRAFT,
Major Medical Corps. USA
Medical Supervisor.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Samuel D. M-A

July 14, 1931

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Missouri

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Hannibal	Wab.	Train	No. 12	6.25 P.M.	Aug. 1
Ar. Chicago	"	"	" "	6.55 A.M.	Aug. 2
Lv. Chicago	"	"	" 6	10.30 A.M.	Aug. 2
Ar. New York (Hoboken)	DL&W	"	" 2	3.30 P.M.	Aug. 3

Accommodations: Standard sleeper Hannibal, Mo. to Chicago, Ill. and Chicago, Ill. to New York, N.Y.

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A C, Cpl. (M-A) M

July 9, 1931.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Missouri

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. ^{671,644}
_{20.00} in the
amount of \$, to pay for your meals and incidental
expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

QM 293 A-M
Curtis, Samuel D. M-A

April 27, 1931

Mr. C. W. Collins,
Deputy Clerk, U. S. District Court,
Hannibal, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 21st, relative to an application for a Special Pilgrimage Passport by Mrs. Edna May Curtis who is scheduled to make a pilgrimage to the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in Europe, sailing from New York on the PRESIDENT HARDING, August 5, 1931.

Please be advised that it is not necessary to enclose a statement from the War Department when application is forwarded to the State Department, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Curtis was requested to present her invitation when she filed application but the invitation should be returned to her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

Hannibal, Missouri.
April 21st, 1931.

Mr. A. D. Hughes,
Captain Q. M. Corp,
Washington, D. C.

Your file QM-293-A.M.

Dear sir;

Mrs. Edna May Curtis, a war mother, has submitted to me the invitation issued to her by the War Department, to make the pilgrimage to the grave of her son, on the President Harding, sailing August 5th, 1931. She states that she accepted this invitation, mailing same on March 3rd, 1931. I have executed her application for passport, and am holding same together with four pictures of herself and her affidavit of birth until I hear from you as to one point in the steps to secure passport, that I am in doubt about.

Your letter of February 21st, to her, giving full instructions as to procedure to obtain passport makes no mention of it being necessary to enclose with the application, a statement from the War Department that she has been invited, and has accepted such invitation, to make the pilgrimage. However, ~~in~~ a pamphlet received by me, from the Department of State containing instructions as to the execution of these applications, states that with the application, there should be enclosed " a statement from the War Department that she has been invited to make the pilgrimage and has accepted such invitation." Will you kindly advise if, in addition to the invitation ~~and its acceptance~~, the War Department, upon receipt of acceptance, mails a statement that she has been invited and has accepted, to each mother, to be enclosed with the passport application, and if I shall hold the application of Mrs. Curtis, until I receive such statement.

Thanking you for your early reply,

Yours very truly,

C. W. Collins,
Deputy Clerk.

Curtis, Edna M. Curtis

President Harding

8-5-31

1232

Curtis, Samuel D.

Cpl.

I ACCEPT the invitation extended
(Accept ~~or decline~~)

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. Edna M. Curtis

(Name)

1217 Ledford St., Hannibal, Marion Co., Mo.

(Town or City)

(State)



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January 28, 1931

Curtis, Samuel D. 1232

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
Hannibal, 1217 *Seaford St.*
Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

Within a reasonable length of time a formal invitation will be forwarded you to make the pilgrimage. Upon receipt of the limitation, application should be made for your passport.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Curtis, Samuel D-1232
Cpl. Co., 139th Inf.

1217 Ledford St.

Hannibal, Missouri.
January 1931

*no boat assigned
probably he reached
in August*

War Department,
Office of Quartermaster General
Washington, D. C.

In re- Your File QM 293-A.M.

Gentlemen;

I am in receipt of the general information in connection with the pilgrimage of mothers to the American Cemeteries in Europe, which you sent me on January 9th, 1931.

Upon preparing to make my application for passport, I note the absence of the formal invitation which such information states must accompany each application for passport. I have not yet received such formal invitation, and would ask if one is to be sent to me from your office, or from my own state, and if it will be necessary for me to await its receipt before executing my application for passport.

Thanking you for information as to this matter,

Yours very truly,

(M)
Mrs Edna M Curtis



IF YOU DESIRE STOPOVER ON YOUR RETURN FROM EUROPE PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE PARAGRAPH, "STOPOVERS IN THE UNITED STATES", ON PAGE 3 OF THE ENCLOSED LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS, FILL IN THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT TO THIS OFFICE.

Curtis, Samuel D. 1232 - Mo. Marion Coutny
Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

On my return from the pilgrimage to American Cemeteries in Europe, I desire to stop over at the point, or points, listed below, for the number of days shown after the name of the town. If these stopovers will cause me any expense I am to be advised of the amount and may then withdraw this request if I so desire.

<u>Cities where I desire to stopover:</u>	<u>No. of days</u>
<i>I do not care to</i>	
<i>stop off anywhere</i>	
<i>between New York</i>	
<i>and Home.</i>	



Very truly yours,

Mrs Edna May Curtis.
(Your name)

1217 Ledford St.
(Your address)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

PLEASE FILL IN THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR BELOW,
AND MAIL THIS LETTER PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED
ENVELOPE WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE.

Curtis, Samuel D. 1282 - Mo. Marion County

Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In the blank space below you will find
the name and address of the person in the United
States whom I desire to be notified in case I be-
come seriously ill or other emergency arises while
I am making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mr Rocky Curtis,

Name

1217 Leaford St.

Address

Hannibal mo

Very truly yours,

Mrs Edna May Curtis,

(Your name)

(Your address)

*1217 Leaford St.
Hannibal mo.*



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis Samuel D. - 1232 M

June 27, 1930.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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 Mother 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?

Yes.

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

Yes.

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age *52*

Condition of Health *Fair.*

4. Do you speak English?

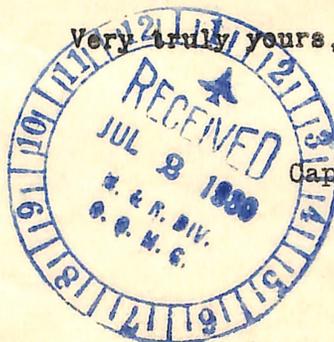
Yes

5. What other language do you speak?

None

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 A-C

June 9, 1930.

Curtis, Samuel D. - 1232 M

**Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Mo.**

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.

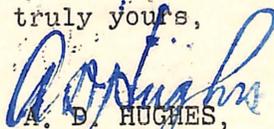
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

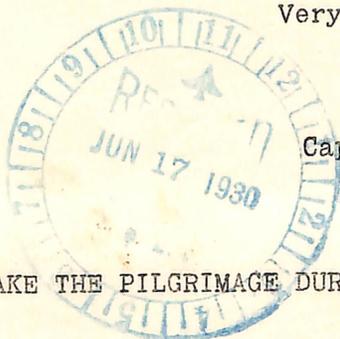
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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?

Yes ✓
(Write answer here)

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Curtis, Samuel D 1232 -M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford Street,
Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) 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 5 / (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,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Samuel D.
1232.

Sept. 4, 1929

Mrs. Edna Curtis,
2701 Chestnut St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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:

No

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

*Mrs. Edna May Curtis
1217 Sedford Street
Hannibal Mo.
(Mother)*

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

No

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Curtis, Samuel D.

Mrs. Edna Curtis,
2701 Chestnut St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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 Cpl. Samuel D. Curtis, Co.E. 139th Inf., 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Curtis, Samuel D., S. N. 1456657
Cpl., Co. E, 139th Inf.
Son

May 18, 1932.

Mrs. Edna May Curtis,
R. F. D. No. 4,
Hannibal, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with your recent request,
instructions have been issued to forward you a
flag in honor of the above named decedent, pro-
vided a flag has not previously been furnished
for him.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lieut. Colonel, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

ESM:CC

Copy to Commanding Officer, Wash. QM Depot

With instructions to furnish flag.

American Gold Star Mothers

OF THE WORLD WAR, INC.

NEW YORK STATE



Headquarters: Pennsylvania Hotel, Seventh Avenue and 33rd Street, New York City

Quarter Master General
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed that I am entitled to an American flag from the Government in memory of
my beloved Son Name of Deceased Samuel David Curtis
SON OR DAUGHTER

Address of Deceased Hannibal Mo.
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

Army, Navy, Marine Corporal 139th infantry E
RANK REGIMENT COMPANY

Stationed at Camp Donaphone Oklahoma

Lost at Sea Among the Missing Or Unknown

Place and Date of Death Meuse-Argonne Sector at Montfaucon.
Sept. 27, 1918.

Where Buried Argonne cemetery.

Name of Mother Edna May Curtis.

Address R.F.D # 4 Hannibal Mo.
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

I will be very grateful if same will be forwarded to me.

Respectfully yours,

Edna May Curtis.

American Gold Star Mothers

OF THE WORLD WAR, INC.
NEW YORK STATE



Headquarters: Pennsylvania Hotel, Seventh Avenue and 31st Street, New York City

Quarter Master General
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed that I am entitled to an American flag from the Government in memory of

my beloved James Earl Smith Name of Deceased

1000 Address of Deceased

Army, Navy, Marine Army, Navy, Marine

Camp Pennington Stationed at

Or Unknown Lost at Sea

Sept 21 1918 Place and Date of Death

Where buried Where buried

Name of Mother Name of Mother

Address Address

I will be very grateful if same will be forwarded

Respectfully yours,



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Samuel D. M-A

July 14, 1931

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Missouri

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Hannibal	Web.	Train No. 12	6.25 P.M.	Aug. 1
Ar. Chicago	"	" "	6.55 A.M.	Aug. 2
Lv. Chicago	"	" 6	10.30 A.M.	Aug. 2
Ar. New York (Hoboken)	DLAN	" 2	3.30 P.M.	Aug. 3

Accommodations: Standard sleeper Hannibal, Mo. to Chicago, Ill. and Chicago, Ill. to New York, N.Y.

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

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-C Cpl. (M-A) M

July 9, 1931.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Missouri

Dear Madam:

671,644

There is enclosed herewith Check No. ^{20,00} in the
amount of \$, to pay for your meals and incidental
expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

QM 293 A-M
Curtis, Samuel D. M-A

April 27, 1931

Mr. C. W. Collins,
Deputy Clerk, U. S. District Court,
Hannibal, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 21st, relative to an application for a Special Pilgrimage Passport by Mrs. Edna May Curtis who is scheduled to make a pilgrimage to the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in Europe, sailing from New York on the PRESIDENT HARDING, August 5, 1931.

Please be advised that it is not necessary to enclose a statement from the War Department when application is forwarded to the State Department, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Curtis was requested to present her invitation when she filed application but the invitation should be returned to her.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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January 28, 1931

Curtis, Samuel D. 1232

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
Hannibal, 1217
Missouri.

Leiford St

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

Within a reasonable length of time a formal invitation will be forwarded you to make the pilgrimage. Upon receipt of the invitation, application should be made for your passport.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis Samuel D. - 1232 M

June 27, 1930.

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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 Mother 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.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 9, 1930.

Curtis, Samuel D. - 1232 M

Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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

October 7, 1929.

Curtis, Samuel D 1232 -M

**Mrs. Edna M. Curtis,
1217 Ledford Street,
Hannibal, Mo.**

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Samuel D.
1232.

Sept. 4, 1929

Mrs. Edna Curtis,
2791 Chestnut St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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,

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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

June 29, 1929.

Curtis, Samuel D.

Mrs. Edna Curtis,
2701 Chestnut St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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 Cpl. Samuel D. Curtis, Co.E. 159th Inf., 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 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.

In reply refer to:
293 C-R

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 27, 1923.

Mrs. Edna May Curtis,
2701 Chestnut St.,
Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of Corporal Samuel D. Curtis, Company E, 139th Infantry, is Grave 33, Row 18, Block C, 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 a 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
H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

RD

23/236/ARK

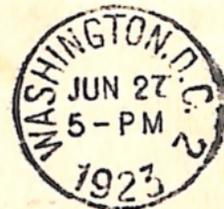
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



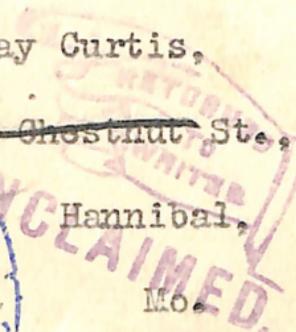
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Mrs. Edna May Curtis,

~~2701 Chestnut St.~~

Hannibal,

Mo.





Curtis

(Surname.)

Samuel D.

(Christian name in full.)

1,456,657

(Army serial number.)

Corp.

Company E, 139th Infantry

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

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

Mrs Edna May Curtis

2761 Chestnut St

(Number and street or rural route.)

Hammil

(City, town, or post office.)

Mo

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card

Mrs. Edna Curtis
2701 Chestnut St
Hannibal Mo

RPR

Drawn S.M.

4-12-21

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4/13/21
RPR

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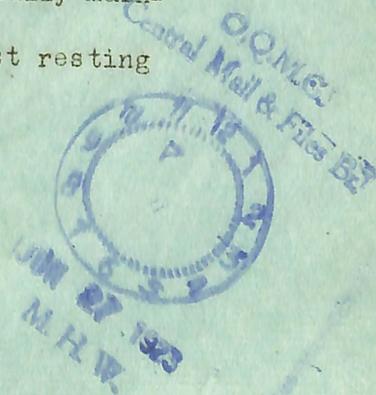
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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of :

NAME: CURTIS, Sameul D.

NUMBER: 1456657

RANK: Unkn

ORGANIZATION: Unkn

DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL MADE BY GROUP:

UNIT:

DISINTERRED: (Date)

FROM: (Give complete location)

9th, June 1919.

Isolated Grave

EXERMONT, ARDENNES.

35 NE 302.3 E 281. N

REBURIED (Date)

IN: (Give complete location)

9th, June 1919.

Grave #155 Sec #26 Flot #3

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1232.

ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

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

Burial good. Buried in uniform; body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body ? Yes

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

Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. Grant.

HLW

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.

C. C. Group Unit

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #33544

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CURTIS, Samuel D. Ser. No. 1456657
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E, 139th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9/27/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. als
 CKR. 13. J.

4/17/22
 1/22
 For Concentration
 Munster - Argonne
 4/20/22
 1232

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

(a) Grave No. 155 Row -- Plot 3 Sec. 26 TYP. als
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Edna Curtis, (Mother) 437 S. 6th St., Hannibal, Mo.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / _____ CKR. 13. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

ok - card - 21
 12-14-22
 Date of receipt none
 (a) Name Mrs. Edna May Curtis (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address 2701 Chestnut St., Hannibal, Mo.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at Yes
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 4-12-, 1921

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

Mrs. Edna May Curtis, mother, 2701 Chestnut St., Hannibal, Mo.
 dated 5-13-19
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that desires to cancel card request and to have body of son remain in France.

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 4-12-, 1921

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

No request for disposition.
 (a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes S.M.

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 4-12-, 1921

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-SEC. 26 SHEET No. 45.

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4-14-21

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan 13, 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT je.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CURTIS, Samuel D.
 2. No. 1456657
 3. Rank Cpl.
 4. Org. Co. E. 139th Inf.
 5. D.D. Sept. 27th 1918
 6. C.D. KIA.

10. Name _____
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. none.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 155 Sec. 26
 8. Plot 3 Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. none.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty.

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232--Sec. 26

23. Disinterred (Date) Jan 13, 1922.

By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Samuel D. Curtis.
 Rank CPL

Serial No. 1456657
 Organization Co. I 139th Inf.

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

J. J. White
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
J. J. 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).
none.

27. Condition of body body decomposed, unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan 13, 1922 By C.V. Russell

31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

C.V. Russell
C.V. Russell

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-20768**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Samuel D. CURTIS** Serial No. **1456657**

Rank **Cpl.** Organization **Co.E.139th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer.Cty.1232,ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse)**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Jan 13, 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

A.E. Dewey
A.E. Dewey 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

none.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Jan 13, 1922.**

To point of Concentration **Romagne Morgue.**

Convoyer **W.J. Royed.**

Signature Shipping Officer

G.F. Spann
G.F. Spann, Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

(Name)

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred, **Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232. Jan. 14, 1922,**

(Date)

42. Grave No. **33**

Section

43. ~~Pink~~ Block **C**

Row **18**

G.R.S. Representative

JEL

James W. Younger
**James W. Younger,
Captain Q.M.C.**

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 13, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF CURTIS SAMUEL D. SERIAL NUMBER 1456657
 RANK Epl. ORGANIZATION Co. C 159th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 13, 1922. From (give complete location):
Gr. 155 sec 26 pt 3 Cem., #1232.

By: Group Russell Unit Sec. 1

3. Reburied (date): Jan. 14, 1922, Grave 33, Block C, Row 18, Cemetery 1232.
Unlined Casket

By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
US uniform burlap and pine box. body badly decomposed features
unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Body tag checks with records.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

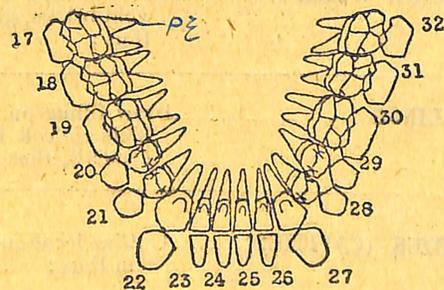
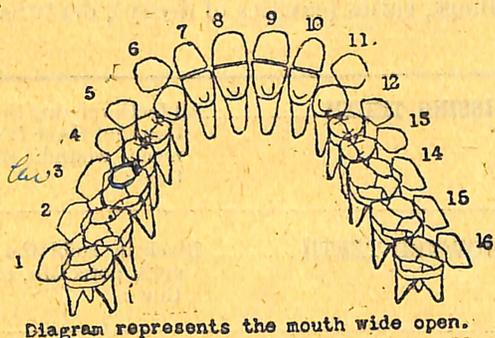
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell
C. V. Russell

Approved: A. E. Dewey
A. E. Dewey 1st. Lt. QMC
 (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault
JEL. A. U. Dufault, concentration

Approved: James W. Younger
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), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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



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



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



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



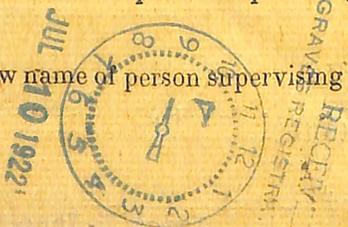
CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



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

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

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



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Curtis 1456657 Samuel
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 11, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL X301.800 y 280.150

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

Exermont

COMME. EXERTMO. (Ordennes)

(C-209) SHT. 35 NE COORD E301.8

GRAVE NUMBER 5 N280.2

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

Lt W. V. Wodden, 53rd P

Inf. in charge of burial detail

REPORTED BY:

Oliver Hart, Chaplain S.F.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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



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Personal List No. 209-477
Daily Report No. _____

Soldiers No. 1456657

33544

CURTIS.....SAMUEL..D..

Rank Co. Regt. Copps

Pl. *E* *139th Coy*

Date death Cause

.....~~American~~ **ISO**
Date burial Cemetery

.....ARDENNES...
Town Department

..5.....~~10~~ **ISO**
Grave No. Plot No.

...Cross...
CMME. Exermont (Ardennes)
Grave Markings **E-3018**

(C-209) SHT. 33 NE COORD N-281
Body Identification tags Grave

RANK
1061

Sketch No. 15.
280.9.N. 301.8.E. (Herbert (35))...
Map reference

East. of. Beauregard. Fme. roadside 3.M.S.
1/2 Kilo N.E. of Church, Exermont
C.M. Daugherty

Groupe 2 Unit 306 G.R.S.

33544

FILE

11/12/01
(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 26

FORM 115 Sheet No. 45

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(Initials)

OSP-SS
Form No. 1011.

S/2053/LML

1919

Hannibal McCoy ^{13th}
to the war Dept.
the adjutant general's office,
Washington.

293.8

Dear Sir in regard to the
card i filled out to haul my
son Samuel David Curtis
Co. E, 139. inf. Brought home
will you cancel the card i
have heard so much about
the boys being brought home
that i have decided that he
would rest where he is it doesn't
matter so much where the body
lies just so the soul was all
right let me know if you get
this letter please.

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293.8 Curtis,
Samuel D.

File ✓

FILE
Date 5/21/19 Sig. Reese

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A.G.O. 293.8 Curtis, Samuel D.

VISION



address
 Mrs Edna May Curtis
 2701 Chestnut Street
 Hannibal Mo ✓

27 Received A G O, MAY 17 1919

File ✓

FILE
 Date 5/21/19 Sig Reuss

May 21, 1919.

Mrs. Bina May Curtis,
2701 Chestnut Street,
Hannibal, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

In view of your wishes as set forth in your letter of May 13th, concerning the final disposition of the body of your son, Corporal Samuel D. Curtis, the card previously sent you is herewith returned, together with a new one. It is requested that you fill out the new card, showing your present wishes, and return it to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

Carter
The Adjutant General A. G. O.
Per *W. V. Carter*



3 incls.

File