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G.R.S. Form #114 B  
MMB

To The A. G. O.

6956

MAY 14 1926

DATE 10/11/21

1. NAME DALE, Cleason M. SERIAL No. 1489506

RANK Mech. ORGANIZATION & DIVISION Co. B 142nd Inf. 36

GRAVE LOCATION French Mil. Cty. LaCheppe, Marne CTY. NAME 31 NUMBER 540

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 31, Fr. Mil. Cty. LaCheppe (Marne)

GRAVE 31 COMMUNE LaCheppe DEPT. Marne

COORDINATES East 261.90 North 256.85.

CONCENTRATED TO \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE \_\_\_\_\_ ROW \_\_\_\_\_ PLOT \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY \_\_\_\_\_ CTY. NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Information in Par. 2, taken from Form 1.)

DATE OF DEATH Oct 11, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Okla

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS \_\_\_\_\_ MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE \_\_\_\_\_ ROW \_\_\_\_\_ PLOT \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY \_\_\_\_\_

Robert O. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

BY RVB  
MAY 18 1926

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR G.F. WAUGH  
G.F. WAUGH, Major, Inf., Supervisor, Area #2.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/11/21 36

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE \_\_\_\_\_ ROW 36 Block 16-a PLOT D

AUDITED BY  
M.M.E.  
2-6-23

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucon

CEMETERY MAY 15 1926

36 accepted as this Row per 16-a

5114-a; also the fact that 2 bodies were reported in rd D, Row 35 since this reburied by authority from Mrs. Rault 2/12/23 328

REGISTRATION SERVICE  
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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Date 1489506 Glaason M.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Rank. Co.B. 142d Inf.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 12, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Cemetery

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

Cemetery la Chepp, Superly Marne France.

GRAVE NUMBER 88

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:

REPORTED BY:

F. B. Celyne 1st. Lt. Chaplain.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

C° B. 142nd Infantry  
36th Division

DALE, Cleason M. - Mech. 1489506  
Home address: Okarche - Okla.

Reports show that Mech. Dale was shot in the feet very severely and died sometime after in hospital. No information other than this available.

No informant given.

Searcher: KIBHN, B. 1st Lieut. 142nd Infantry.

Address next of kin:

Mother: Almeda Dale - Okarche - Okla.

AL

*Dale, Alameda M.  
 Much  
 Co. B 142nd Inf.*

**WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU**  
 ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY May 14, 1930

Canadian County, State of Okla homa

Name Dale, Mrs Almeda

Address 501 N Choctau, El Reno, Okla

Route going: CRI&P, Memphis, So Ry, Bristol, N&W, Lynchburg, Sou Ry, Washington,  
 Pa RR-New York

Return: Same route

	ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE
Itinerary going ✓				
Lv El Reno	CRI&P	42	7:35 PM	May 9
Ar Memphis	"	"	12:45 PM	" 10
✓ Lv Memphis	Sou Ry	26	9:10 PM	" "
Ar Bristol	"	"	1:05 PM (CT)	" 11
Lv Bristol	N&W	"	2:15 PM (ET)	" "
Ar Lynchburg	"	"	7:55 PM	" "
Lv Lynchburg	Sou Ry	"	8:00 PM	" "
Ar Washington	"	"	1:00 AM	" 12
Lv Washington	Penna	108	1:50 AM	" "
✓ Ar New York	"	"	7:00 AM	" "
Lv (Penn Station)				
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper El Reno to Memphis and Memphis to New York.

Elapsed Time: 58 hrs:25 min. *2 1/2*

Extra Fare: *C-3*

*Alameda M. Dale  
 1232*

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	DALE <sup>m</sup> Cleason	3	41 <sup>0</sup> 2
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 36	2	36
	ROW 36	2	36
	BLOCK D	1	4
STATE	Okla	2	42
RANK	Mech	1	2
DIVISION	36	2	36
ORGANIZATION	142	3	142
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	No	1	2
NAME	Mrs Almeda Dale	3	41 <sup>0</sup> 2
RESIDENCE	STATE Okla	2	42
	COUNTY Canadian	2	09
	CITY El Reno	3	021
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	Yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Good	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. 1930	1	1
ACCEPTANCE	Yes	1	1
	Age		67

May 1930  
 1930

AUDITED  
 OCT 14 1931  
 RPS

PaB

RM

ITINERARY - MEUSE-ARGONNE GROUP

PARTY "C"

MAY 23rd

Arrived Cherbourg at 1:53 P.M. on SS REPUBLIC May 23, 1950. Met by Major G.F.N. Dailey, Lt. Freeman and Miss Blanche Rulon, Captain Army Nurse.

Party "C" was originally intended to be transported on the SS "HARDING" sailing from New York on May 14 and arriving at Cherbourg on May 22, but due to the fact that this ship was withdrawn from schedule the members of Party "C" were transferred to the SS "REPUBLIC" sailing from New York on May 13, which ship already bore the pilgrims of Party "B". The "REPUBLIC" was not due at Cherbourg until May 23rd and consequently party "C" lost one day of its originally scheduled stay in France, at the very beginning.

Conducted to their compartments on train which left at 3:45 P.M. as scheduled. Train arrived at the Invalides station in Paris at 9:53 P.M. on time.

The Officer in Charge, his staff, seven conducting officers, four interpreters and two baggage checkers met the train at the station.

Mrs. Margaret Forsyth of Ohio, being dean of the party, was welcomed personally by the Officer in Charge and, accompanied by him, led the party out of the station to the busses. The French Government was represented by Mr. Jean Favier, Special Commissary from the Minister of the Interior.

The Pilgrims were promptly embarked in their busses and arrived at the hotels, followed by their baggage, in a very short time.

MAY 24th The morning was devoted to rest and orienting the pilgrims and personal business. The afternoon was free and was devoted to rest.

MAY 25th Sunday - went to church and sightseeing.

MAY 26th Morning free. In afternoon at 3:30 P.M. Mrs. Margaret Forsyth placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and afterwards they were conducted to Restaurant Laurent where an informal tea and reception was tendered on behalf of the US Government.

MAY 27th Left for cemetery - returned to Paris June 1st.

JUNE 2nd

Day was devoted to a trip to the Parc and Chateau of Fontainebleau.

JUNE 3rd Morning free. Sightseeing in the afternoon.

JUNE 4th Morning free. Visited Napoleon's Tomb. Afternoon free, for shopping and preparation for their trip to Cherbourg next day.

JUNE 5th Left for Cherbourg in care of Captains Haley, Saulnier, Lambert, 1st Lt. Gregory, 2nd Lt. Morin, Dr. P. Columbier, 3 nurses and 2 civilian employees arriving 4:22 P.M. Sailed on the "GEN. WASHINGTON" for New York at 6:45 P.M.

*Call Mrs. Alvin*

WAR DEPARTMENT

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.

=====  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME Dale, Mrs. Almeda

ADDRESS 501 N. Chectau, El Rene, Obl.  
*Canadian Co*

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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 Almeda Dale.

RETURN NEW YORK

JUN 14 1930

DATE .....

501 N. Chetson Bl. Reno

NAME *Dale, Mrs. Almsda* HOME ADDRESS *Oklahoma*

RETURN ON S. S. *S/S GEORGE WASHINGTON* HOTEL *NEW YORKER* ROOM NO. *1137*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *6/14/30*

ROAD *Penn. R.R.* TRAIN *# 149* CAR *K-39* BERTH or SEAT *L-9*

REMARKS .....

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PASSENGER & BAGGAGE LIST  
OUTGOING PARIS TO CHERBOURG

SS GEO. WASHINGTON - June 5, 1930 - Party C

Mrs. Dale

Baggage 1 piece - Car A - Comp. A 6 - Cabin 326-C

Name ..... DALE, Mrs Almeda  
Paris Hôtel ..... **HOTEL CARLTON**  
..... **AV. DES CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES**  
Home address ..... 501 N. Choctau St., El Reno, Canadian County, Oklahoma  
Party ..... C ..... Group 1 ..... Unit S/S REPUBLIC  
Date of arrival ..... MAY 23rd, 1930. ..... Date of departure / ~~By~~ WASHINGTON-June 5-1930  
Relationship ..... Mother  
Name of deceased ..... DALE, Gleason M.  
Rank ..... Mech. ..... Organization Co. B, 142d Inf.  
Cemetery ..... Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS

Desires quarters with Mrs Mary Penwright  
115 N. Admire St. El Reno, Page C-7



STATE

*Cleason M*

OKLAHOMA

*DALE, ~~Cleason~~ M.*

**501 N. Choctaw, El Reno,  
Canadian County.**

**Mother**

**NAME** *Dale, Mrs. Almada*

**HOME ADDRESS** *Canadian County.*

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN**

*Mrs. Corinne Oxford  
Same address as above*

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

**DATE** *May 12, 1930* **HOTEL** *Park Central* **ROOM NO.** *414*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

**DATE** *May 13th, 1930.* **VESSEL** *S/S "REPUBLIC"* **CABIN NO.** *380-B*

*Harding*  
**REPUBLIC**

**DESTINATION** *CHERBOURG, FRANCE* **CEMETERY** *MEUSE-ARGONNE*

*Baggage - 2 pieces*

Post Office Department 1930

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92695

INSURED PARCEL

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box,

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON

D. C.



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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING  
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

431 Harding 5/14/30  
RETURN RECEIPT 1232

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

Mr. Almada Dale

Q. M. GENERAL (no of addressee.)

MUNITIONS BUILDING

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

MAY 9 1930  
Date of delivery, \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

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No. \_\_\_\_\_

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L M General

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RETURN RECEIPT-1232

*RECEIVED BY ADDRESSEE ONLY.*  
Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

*W B Ahmeda Pale*

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

MAY 1 1930

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Form 3811

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QM 295 A-M  
Dale, Gleason M. - 1232

September 4, 1930

C  
Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Okla.

Dear Madam:

The enclosed **passport** used by you on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe has been stamped showing "Pilgrimage Completed" and may be retained by you as an additional souvenir of your trip.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
1 passport

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

Date JUNE 14, 1930

Mrs. ALMEDA DALE

Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

You will be called by telephone at \_\_\_\_\_  
o'clock (Daylight Saving Time).

Please be in the Dining Room promptly at \_\_\_\_\_  
o'clock for Breakfast, Dinner, Supper and at that time have  
your bags packed and ready to go to the railroad station.  
Leave your bags in the room.

Please be ready to leave the hotel at 9:15 PM  
o'clock (Daylight Saving Time).

Your train will arrive at EL RENO, OKLA.

at 7:15 AM o'clock TUESDAY JUNE 17, 1930.  
Time Day Date

OFFICER IN CHARGE

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 -- ROOM 901 --

225 West 34th St., New York, N.Y.

DALE, CHEASON M. M.A.

Party "C"  
 Number 428

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Almeda Dale  
 Name of Traveler  
El Reno, Canadian County  
 Home Address  
Oklahoma

Estimate cost of through Pullman.  
 New York, to El Reno, Okla.

New York, to El Reno, Okla.  
 Destination.

*\$ 12.75  
 No thru rate to El Reno  
 Sum of local rates 18.75*

Via P.R.R. to Wash., D.C. - So. to Lynchburg - N. & W. to Bristol - So.  
 to Memphis - R. I. to dest.

June 14, 1930  
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. NO.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	car	U.S.G. Order NO.	Est. Cost
* LV	Penn. Sta.	PRR	6/14	9:05 P				
AR	WASHINGTON	"	6/15	2:20 A				
LV	"	SOV	"	2:40 A				
* AR	MEMPHIS	"	6/16	6:50 A	L-9	K39		12.75
LV	"	CRIP	"	2:15 P				
* AR	EL RENO	"	6/17	7:15 A	L-7	82		6.00
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AR							WQ 1-020-303	18.75
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AR								

TOTAL 18.75

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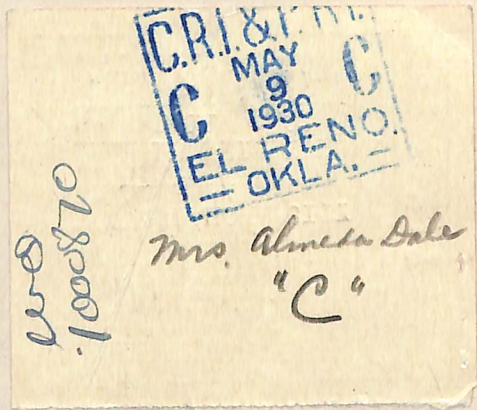
*Thru car  
 Left Hotel 8:15 PM escorted by Mr. Shannon*

Mrs Almeda Dale

THE PULLMAN COMPANY	
<b>PASSENGER'S CHECK</b> —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	OKLAHOMA CITY
To	MEMPHIS, TENN.
Accommodations	L 11 Car 82
Line No.	..... Via ..... R.R.
Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.	
Office	46-12 Form 1000-3
Passengers	1 2 3
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From	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.
To	NEW YORK & CITY & SEA
Accommodations	L 9 Car 38
Line No.	..... Via Sou ..... R.R.
Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.	
Office	46-12 Form 1000-3
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Mrs Almeda Dale



NAME DALE, MRS. ALMEDA

S.S. WASHINGTON JUNE 13, 1930

HOME EL RENO, CANADIAN CO., OKLA.

R.R. Penn to Wash. DC. - So. to Lynchburg

N+W to Bristol - So. to Memphis

STATION

*Rock to dest.*

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

*Mrs Corinne Oxford.**501 North Chocoma  
El Reno Okla.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ROOM 901

PARTY "C"

SS "HANDING"

SCHEDULE OF ARRIVAL OF TRAINS WITH PILGRIMS FOR S. S.....

<u>PENNSYLVANIA R. R.</u> <u>NAME OF RAILROAD</u>	<u>PENNSYLVANIA STATION</u> <u>POINT OF ARRIVAL</u>		
<u>MAY 12th</u>	<u>TRAIN 108</u>	<u>7.00 A.M.</u>	<u>HOTEL</u>
Penwright, Mrs. Mary	El Reno, Okla.		Park Central
Green, Mrs. Virginia Ella	Palenstine, Ark.		"
Jones, Mrs. Madie B.	Little Rock, Ark.		"
Troillett, Mrs. Marie L.	Conway, Ark.		"
Laird, Mrs. Callie M.	Little Rock, Ark.		"
Dale, Mrs. Almeda	El Reno, Okla.		"
<u>MAY 12th</u>	<u>TRAIN 124</u>	<u>12:30 P.M.</u>	"
Vaughan, Mrs. Lenora	Abbeville, La.		"

# Signal Corps, United States Army

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

## WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

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ELRENO OKLA 328PM MAY 12 1930

DEWITT

QM GEN ANS DATE

WASHN DC.

RECEIVED BADGE.

MRS ALMEDA DALE

455P.

*70R 5/13/30*

Record Attached



*293 Dale  
 Pearson M.  
 Pearson M.*

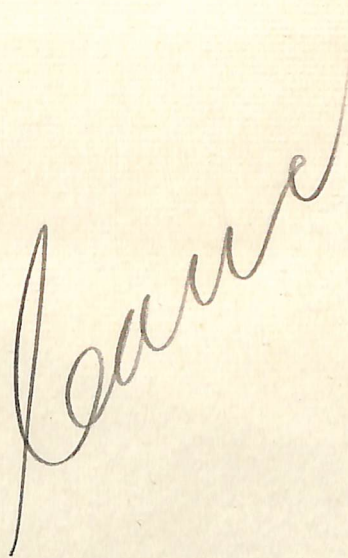
WAR DEPARTMENT  
PILGRIMAGE. WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS  
225 WEST 34TH ST. N.Y.. N.Y., ROOM 901

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctau,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

Canadian County.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- ROOM 901 -----  
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

May 10th, 1930

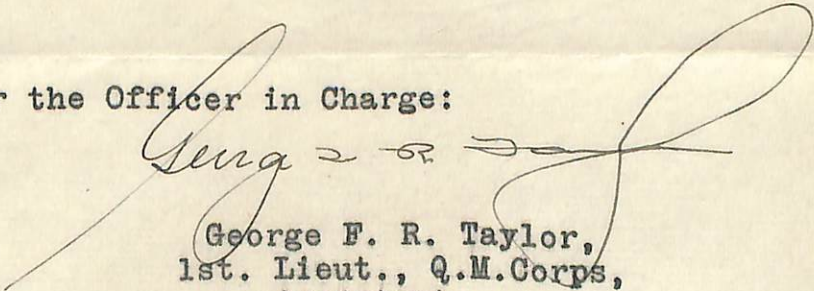
Mrs. Almeda Dale  
501 N. Choctau  
El Reno, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

  
George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags.

May 10, 1930, Washington, D. C.

MRS ALMEDA DALE  
501 N Choctaw  
~~EL RING MICHIGAN~~

*El Reno Okla.*

TELEGRAPH COLLECT WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE RECEIVED IDENTIFICATION  
BADGE TO BE WORN WHILE MAKING PILGRIMAGE.

DEWITT  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

412 GSM

*C*  
*mark. Gleason m. Dale - 1232*

L E S

*USA*  
*LDH*



Mrs. Almeda Dale

501 N Choctaw

~~El Paso,~~

Mich

29 • Dale, Gleason •  
re badge

Feb. sent  
5-10-30  
re badge

A. S. Harding 5/14/30 (1232)

Mrs Almeda Dale

501 N. Choctaw

El Paso

Mich

mountain for badge 431  
mailed 5/5/30

QM 295 A-C

X Dale, Clason H. 1932 H  
O Pennwright, Chas. Albun 1764 H

May 2, 1930

for letter

Mrs. Mary Pennwright,  
621 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 23 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Almada Dale when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Harding" May 14, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of Quartermaster General  
Washington

COPY

In reply refer to QM 516 A-C  
Pilgrimage Gold Star

May 1, 1950

SUBJECT: Pilgrims Quarters

TO: Officer in Charge,  
Pilgrimage Port of Embarkation,  
901 Pennsylvania Building,  
224 West 34th Street,  
New York City, N. Y.

1. The following Pilgrims sailing on the S. S. HARDING, May 14, 1950, desires quarters together and it is requested that every effort be made to comply with their wishes.

PILGRIMS	Page	DESIRES QUARTERS WITH	Page
Mrs. Sarah Ferguson	C-2	Mrs. Emma Thompson	C-2
Mrs. John H. Wambeam Waterloo, Iowa	C-2	Nashua, Iowa	
Mrs. Elsie Jensen Newell, Iowa	C-2	Mrs. William Younie Schaller, Iowa	C-2
Mrs. Almeda Dale <u>El Reno, Oklahoma</u>	C-3	Mrs. Mary Penwright El Reno, Oklahoma	C-7
Mrs. Alice Bye Damascus, Ohio	C-4	Mrs. S. M. Reynolds Damascus, Ohio	C-4
Mrs. Myrtle Merrit Massillon, Ohio	C-5	Mrs. Mayme Prothers Canton, Ohio	C-5
Mrs. Francis G. Becker Oldham, S. Dakota	C-5	Mrs. David Bickett Oldham, S. Dakota	C-7

For The Quartermaster General,

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

C  
Dale, Gleason M. - 1232

April 30, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

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

your ticket to ~~you~~. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Memphis	"	"	7:35 PM	May 9
Ar. Memphis	"	"	12:45 PM	May 10
Lv. Memphis	Sou. Ry.	Train #26	9:10 PM	May 10
Ar. Bristol	"	"	1:05 PM (CT)	May 11
Lv. Bristol	N&W	Train #26	2:15 PM (ET)	May 11
Ar. Lynchburg	"	"	7:55 PM	May 11
Lv. Lynchburg	Sou. Ry.	Train #26	8:00 PM	May 11
Ar. Washington	"	"	1:00 AM	May 12
Lv. Washington	Penna.	Train #108	1:50 AM	May 12
Ar. New York (Penn. Station)	"	"	7:00 AM	May 12

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.

30/1015/

April 29th, 1930

Mrs. Almeda Dale  
501 N. Choctaw  
El Reno, Okla.

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For the Officer in Charge

George F. R. Taylor,  
1st Lieut. U.S. ARMY.  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of The Quartermaster General  
Washington

COPY

April 28, 1930

In reply refer to QM 516 A-C  
Pilgrimage - Gold Star

SUBJECT: Routing Sheets

TO: Col. A. E. Williams, Officer in Charge,  
Pilgrimage Port of Embarkation,  
901 Pennsylvania Building, 225 West 34th Street,  
New York City, N. Y.

1. Enclosed herewith are the duplicate routing sheets for Mrs. Callie M. Laird, Little Rock, Arkansas and Mrs. Almeda Dale, El Reno, Oklahoma, who are to sail on the S. S. Harding May 14, 1930. These sheets will give you their arrival time in New York.

For The Quartermaster General,

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

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Dale, <sup>C</sup>Gleason M. 1232 M

April 26, 1930

Mrs. Almeda Dale  
501 N. Choctaw  
El Reno, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe.

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip.

Please comply as early as possible with the instructions shown in form letter attached, or if you have heretofore taken this action advise this office to that effect.

Should the clerk of the court not have been furnished with "Special Pilgrimage Passport" applications, please request him to take the matter up at once with the Passport Bureau, Room 170, State, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C., and he will be furnished with these forms.

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk  
of the District Court at El Reno, Canadian County, Oklahoma.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, O.I. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Date, Meason M. 1232-M

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April 26, 1930

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. ~~293013~~ in the amount of \$ 25.00 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.

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Check No.

*Cleason*  
Dale, Gelsom M. 1232 - M

April 20, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

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:

Leave El Reno	CRIAP Train No. 42	7:35 PM	May 9
Arrive Memphis		12:45 PM	May 10
Leave Memphis	Sou.Ry.Train No. 26	9:10 PM	May 10
Arrive New York (Pennsylvania station)		7:00 AM	May 12

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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Washington  
5-21-30

Dale, Gleason M.  
C

changed to Harding 5-14-30 to go  
with Mrs. Penwright  
I accept the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline) 1764

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. Almeda Dale  
(Name)

501 N. Choctau, El Reno, Canadian Co., Okla.  
(Town or City) (State)

~~S. E. West~~

Women's Club on May 14  
Dance at Harding  
Coast

copy of letter for Mrs. Burdholder

Mrs. Almeda  
Dale changes  
from Washington  
5-21-30 to  
go with Mrs.  
Penwright  
Harding -  
5-14-30

OK

~~Copy of letter for  
Mrs. Burdholder, please~~

QM 293 A-C  
Dale, Gleason M. - 1232  
Fenwright, Chas. Alburn - 1764

April 23, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

This office has been advised of your desire to accompany Mrs. Mary Fenwright of El Reno, Oklahoma on the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Accordingly, the reservation made for you to sail on the SS WASHINGTON May 21, 1930 has been cancelled and an invitation has been forwarded you to sail on the SS HARDING May 14, 1930 at which time Mrs. Fenwright will make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, R. N. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office Of The Quartermaster General  
Washington

MEMORANDUM April 19, 1930

TO ALL CONCERNED:

Please make the following changes in passenger  
list for:

S. S. HARDING, May 14, 1930

Change #7 Party C

✓ DELETE - Drake, Mrs. A. W. - CALIFORNIA - Page 6 - 10

ADD OKLAHOMA Page C - 3

CANADIAN COUNTY

M Dale, Mrs. Almeda	Mech. Gleason M. Dale
501 N. Choctau, El Reno	Grave 36, Row 36, Block D
(desires quarters with Mrs. Mary	
Penwright, 115 N. Admire St.,	
El Reno, Page C - 7)	

For The Quartermaster General,

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



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM      April 19, 1930

519. Pass. List - Party D

To All Concerned:

Please make the following changes in passenger  
list for:

S. S. WASHINGTON, May 21, 1930

Change #3                      Party D

DELETE - Dale, Mrs. Almeda      -      OKLAHOMA      -      Page D - 6

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For The Quartermaster General,

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



Passport Nos: Penwright, Mary - 539  
Dale, Almeda - 527

Dale, Almeda,  
Mech. Gleason M. Dale  
Meuse-Argonne Cty.  
II-6

April 17, 1930.

Mr. Frank Tailor,  
County Clerk,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

~~Washington May 21~~  
Harding 14<sup>th</sup> as per  
Capt. Shannahan  
(4-19-30)

Sir:

The Department acknowledges the receipt of the applications for Special Pilgrimage Passports executed by Mrs. Mary Penwright and Mrs. Almeda Dale and your communication of April 7, 1930, in which you state that it would be considered a special favor if these two War Mothers are allowed to go together on the Special Pilgrimage and in this connection it is suggested that a request of this nature be directed to the Quartermaster General of the War Department, Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

John J. Scanlan,  
Acting Chief, Passport Division.

Penwright, Mrs. Mary,  
Pot. Chas. A. Penwright,  
Aisne-Marne Cty.  
C-7  
Harding May 14.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Dale, Gleason M. 1232 M

March 25, 1930.

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Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
601 N. Choctau,  
El Reno, Okla.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Harding  
5/14/30  
1232

Dale, Gleason M.  
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I accept *also by letter* 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. Almeda Dale

(Name)

501 N. Choctaw, El Reno, Canadian Co., Okla.

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Dale, Gleason M. 1232 M.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctau  
El Reno, Okla.

*Sailed  
May 14-1930*

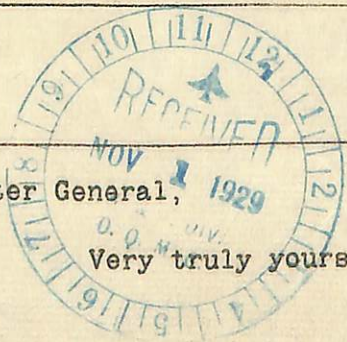
Dear Madam:

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) <i>yes</i> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>yes</i> (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) <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>67</i> Health <i>Good</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i> (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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Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dale, Cleason M.  
1232

Sept. 10, 1929.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
~~600 S. Bickford St.,~~  
El Reno, Okla.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 21, 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:

*none*

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 Almeda Dale  
(Mother)  
501 North Choctaw  
El Reno - Okla*

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

*yes*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

*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

Dale, Cleason M.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
~~898 S. Dickford St.,~~  
El Reno, Okla.

501 - 77. *Charters*

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 Mech. Cleason M. Dale, Co. B, 142nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucou, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

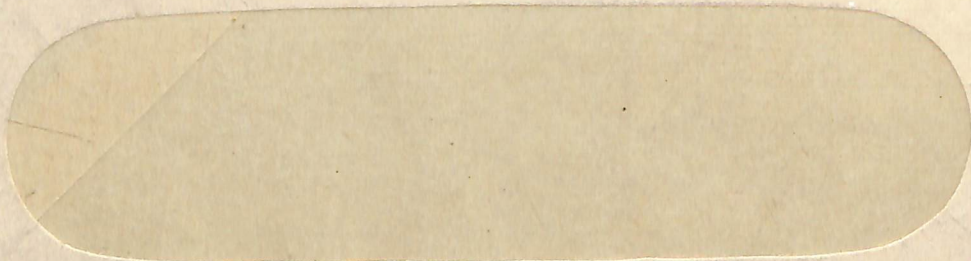
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dale, Cleason M.

Mr. Henry Dale,  
Sparks, Okla.

*Mother*  
Mrs. Alameda Dale,  
600 So. Bickford,  
El Reno, Okla.

June 29, 1929.

*XC 96013*

*7/29 BPM*

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late **Mechanic Cleason M. Dale, Co. B, 142nd 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 mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

*John T. Harris*

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



QM 293 A-M  
Dale, Gleason M. - 1232

September 4, 1930

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Okla.

Dear Madam:

The enclosed **passport** used by you on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe has been stamped showing "Pilgrimage Completed" and may be retained by you as an additional souvenir of your trip.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Dale, Gleason M. 1232 M

April 26, 1930

Mrs. Almeda Dale  
301 N. Choctaw  
El Reno, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe.

It is imperative that every mother or widow making this pilgrimage, whether an American citizen or not, have a passport issued and in the hands of this office before she begins her trip.

Please comply as early as possible with the instructions shown in form letter attached, or if you have heretofore taken this action advise this office to that effect.

Should the clerk of the court not have been furnished with "Special Pilgrimage Passport" applications, please request him to take the matter up at once with the Passport Bureau, Room 170, State, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C., and he will be furnished with these forms.

The person to whom you should apply is the Clerk

of the District Court at El Reno, Canadian County, Oklahoma.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, U.S. Corps,  
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C  
Dale, Glenason M. 1232 M  
Fenwright, Chas. Album 1764 M

May 2, 1930

Mrs. Mary Fenwright,  
621 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 23 relative to your desire to be quartered with Mrs. Almeda Dale when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Harding" May 14, 1930.

Notation has been made of your desire and it is believed that your wishes can be complied with and that you can be placed in the same cabin aboard ship and in the same hotel rooms in New York and Paris.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

*See Court Order*

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April 30, 1930.

F Dale, Gleason M. - 1232

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctau,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

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. El Reno	GRI&P	Train #42	7:35 PM	May 9
Ar. Memphis	"	"	12:45 PM	May 10
Lv. Memphis	Sou.Ry.	Train #26	9:10 PM	May 10
Ar. Bristol	" "	"	1:05 PM(CT)	May 11
Lv. Bristol	N&W	Train #26	2:15 PM(ET)	May 11
Ar. Lynchburg	"	"	7:55 PM	May 11
Lv. Lynchburg	Sou.Ry.	Train #26	8:00 PM	May 11
Ar. Washington	" "	"	1:00 AM	May 12
Lv. Washington	Penna.	Train #108	1:50 AM	May 12
Ar. New York	"	"	7:00 AM	May 12

(Penn. Station)

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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Dale, Gelason M. 1232 - M

April 20, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

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R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
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Dale, Gleason M. - 1252

Penwright, Chas. Alburn - 1764

April 23, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

This office has been advised of your desire to accompany Mrs. Mary Penwright of El Reno, Oklahoma on the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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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  
Dale, Gleason M. 1232 M

March 25, 1930.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
601 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Okla.

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evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

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-C

Dale, Gleason M. 1232-M

March 20, 1930

Mrs. Almada Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw,  
El Reno, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Dale, Gleason M. 1232 M.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
501 N. Choctaw  
El Reno, Okla.

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,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dale, Gleason M.  
1232

Sept. 10, 1929.

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
600 S. Bickford St.,  
El Reno, Okla.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ~~Aug. 21, 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

Dale, Gleason M.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Almeda Dale,  
600 S. Bickford St.,  
El Reno, Okla.

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 Mech. Gleason M. Dale, Co. B. 142nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you 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

Dale, Gleason M.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Henry Dale,  
Sparks, Okla.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Mechanic Gleason M. Dale, Co. B, 142nd 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 mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY  
REFER TO

AG 201 Dale, Cleson M. (WW)

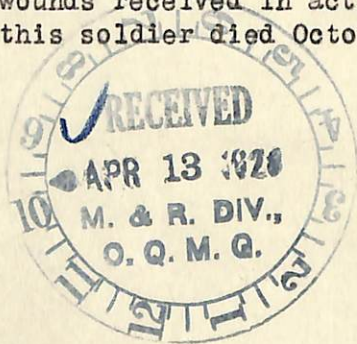
SUBJECT: Date of death

April 12, 1928

To:

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Cleson M. Dale, Army serial number 1,489,506, Mechanic, Company B, 142nd Infantry, who was reported to have died October 12, 1918, from wounds received in action, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier died October 11, 1918, of wounds received in action.



By order of the Secretary of War:

*J. L. Keenan*  
Adjutant General.

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By order of the Secretary of War:



F. C. Reilly  
Adjutant General.

In reply refer to:  
293 C-R

39262

May 6, 1923

Mr. Henry Dale,  
Sparks, Okla.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of **Mechanic Cleason M. Dale, Co. B, 142d Inf.,** is No. 36, Row 36, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American cemetery, Romagnous-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,  
Assistant.

MM  
23/236/ARK

Dale,

(Surname.)

Cleason M.

(Christian name in full.)

1,489,506

(Army serial number.)

Dup.

Sgt. Mech

Co. B, 142 Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes

(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. S. A. Dale  
Okmulgee, Okla.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

drawn by M.H.

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

39262

**Date** ..... **1489508** ..... **Cleasen M.** .....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

**Rank** ..... **Co.B. 142d Inf.** .....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL ..... Oct. 12, 1918 .....

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

Cemetery la Choppe, Superly - Arne France.

GRAVE NUMBER ..... 88 .....

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:

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18 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY:

F. B. Celyne **1st. Lt. Chaplain.**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Soldier's No 1489506

Name : Dale , Cleason M.

Rank : Meckic Co B Reg 14 Inf .

Oct. 11, 1918 . (Died )

Buried : Oct. 12, 1918 .

Military Cemetery of Camp Lafayette.

Commune of la Cheppe .

Grave No 87 Avery sketch No 14

How marked ? Cross tag attached .

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

Map reference : Map 50 N.E.

256.8 N. 262.1 E.

Name of chaplain or burial officer .

Signed-

*Sgt. A. H. Mackey*

Group One, Unit "B", G.R.S

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*RBSH*  
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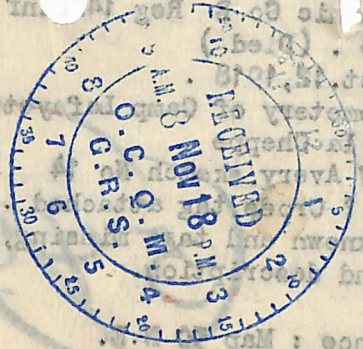
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*Det. A. H. ...*

... of chaplain or burial officer.

... S. W. 252.1 E.

... reference : Map



... name unknown ...  
... and ...

... No 37 ...  
... of ...

... Military ...  
... buried : Oct. 11, 1918.

... Oct. 11, 1918.

... Rank : ...

... Name : Dale ...

... Soldier's No 148200

FROM: O. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 1128

WAR DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the  
Washington

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-9921  
Information Requested of A.G.O.

Date 1-21-21

File No. Requisition.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname Dale
- b. Christian name J. Cleason M.
- c. Serial Number 1,489,506
- d. Organization Co. B, 142 Inf.
- e. Rank Mech. or (Sgt.)
- f. Date of death 10-12-18
- g. Cause of death DWRIA
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

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(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
lower right lower left

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *H. J. Conner*

H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M.G.

CW

CEMETERY NO: 540

SHEET NO: 30

TYPED BY: egp

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Adjustment Made  
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

HOBOKEN, N. J.

FEB 26 1921

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

To: Mr. Henry Dale, Sparks, Okla.

SUBJECT: Remains of Mech. Gleason M. Dale, Ser. No. 1449506, Co. B, 142nd Inf.

Mrs. S. A. Dale (mother) Okarche, Okla. has  
The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier-----  
remain in frame.

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.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

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 .....		
	3 .....		
Father .....			
Mother .....			
Brothers. { (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		
Sisters. { (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		

Date .....

Signature .....

Address .....

Relationship .....

RECEIVED  
AUG 5 1921

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named 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.

NAVY DEPARTMENT

Place La Chapelle Merno

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 9.24.21

1. REMAINS OF Dale Gleason M. SERIAL NUMBER 1489506

RANK Sgt ORGANIZATION Co. B. 142nd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 9.24.21 From (give complete location): Grave 51 Cem 540

By: Group 3 Unit Section 3

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 11, 1921, Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Row 36 Bl. D. Gr. 36.

By: Group Reburia 1 Sec. Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casket

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

In burley and wooden box.

Body decomposed recognition impossible.

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

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

XRAY bottle record found states body identified by disc inspected by V.L. Robinson 21st Lt MC May 6 1921

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated) PACKAGE INTACT BODY NOT DISTURBED.

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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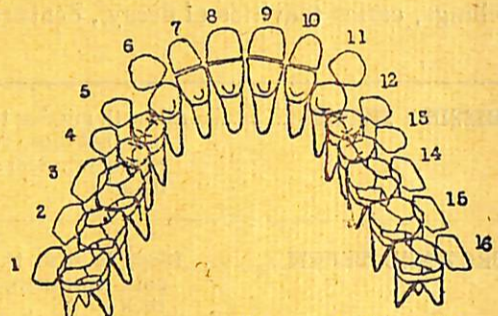
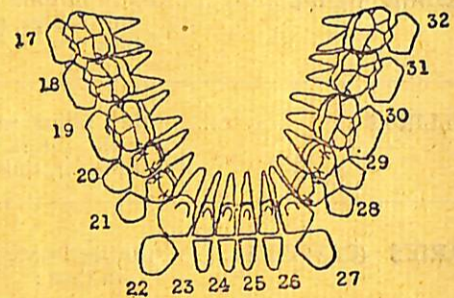


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by D. Bachman

D. Bachman.

Approved: J. W. Glandon

(Title) Capt MC.

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD

W. B. SHEILD

Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER

(Title) CAPT. MC.

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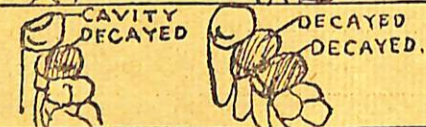
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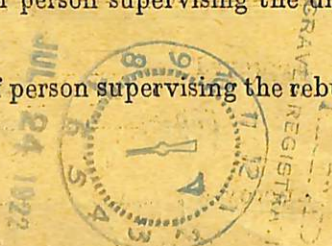
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7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 24-21

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 DALE, Gleason M.  
 2. No. 1489506  
 3. Rank Mech.  
 4. Org. Co. B 142nd Inf.  
 5. D.D. 10-12-1918  
 6. C.D. D.O.W.

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 31 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_  
 18. Cemetery French Mil. Cty.

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. None

20. Dept. or County Marne  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #540

19. Commune or town La Cheppe  
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 24-21

By D. Bachman

24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name Gleason, M. Dale  
 Rank Mech.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. B. 142nd Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes

Frederic L. Le Mont  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).  
Bottle record on body states body was identified by disc inspection by V.L. Robinson, 1st Lt. MC. May 6th 1921.

27. Condition of body Body decomposed recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Hurlap and Pine box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept 24-21 By D. Bachman

31. Casket sealed by D. Bachman

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) D. Bachman

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.



32. Designation of body:

Name **DALE, Cleason M.**

1489506

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Serial No.

59 R nk

**Mech.**

Organization

**Co. B 142nd Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

**Officer in Charge Operations,**

**Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232**

Name of Permanent Cemetery

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date)

**Sept 24-21**

By **D. Bachman**

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.P. Glendon Capt. OMC.**

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Sept 24-21**

To point of Concentration **Romagne sous Montfaucon, Mense..**

(Name)

Convoyer **James Flynn**

Signature Shipping Officer

**J.P. Glendon Capt OMC.**

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

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

**Sept 29 1921**

G.R.S. Representative

*[Handwritten signature]*

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Oct. 11, 1921.**

(Date)

42. Grave No.

**Row 36 Bl.D. Gr. 36.**

Section

43. Plot

Row

G.R.S. Representative

**JAMES W. YOUNGER  
CAPT. OMC.**



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 39262

(a) Name DALE, Cleason M. Ser. No. 1489506  
(b) Rank Mech. Organization Co. B, 142 Inf.  
(c) Date of death 10-12-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. egl  
CKR.

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

(a) Grave No. 31 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. egl  
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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR. aew

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs. S. A. Dale (b) Relationship Mother  
(c) Address Okarche, Okla  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No  
(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 MH Date 1-20-21, 1920.

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials MH Date 1-20-21, 1920.

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes - B.J.

Examiner's Initials B.J. Date 1/21, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 540

SHEET No. 30

FOR HUMED FOR CONCENTRATION in Muse-Argonne, #1232, (12/9/21) aew

Vertical handwritten note on the left margin.

Handwritten signature and date at the bottom right.



Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks:

A. G. O. Card & Corr.

*Hughes*

*1-20-21*

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks:

*Ed.*

G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

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Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

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

*Made "No" case pending advice from father.*

*AP. 2-16-21*

Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on          192  
 (letter of transmittal on JAN 27 1921 192

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

*EW*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. FEB 19 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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

CEMETERY NO. 540

SHEET NO. 30

5-666/MB

France

540

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FEB 17 1921 *4. L.*

EXHIBITED FOR CONCENTRATION in Musée Argonne, #1232  
 1921  
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Place La Chappe, (Marne) France.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 6th 1921.

1. REMAINS OF DALE, CLEASON M. SERIAL NUMBER 1489506.

RANK Mech. ORGANIZATION Co. B 142nd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): May 6th 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 31, American Plot. French Military Cemetery, G.R.S. Code 540, La Chappe, (Marne) France.

By: Group 2 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date): May 6th 1921. In (give complete location): Grave 31, American Plot. French Military Cemetery, G.R.S. Code 540, La Chappe, (Marne) France.

By: Group 2 Unit Section 4. Nature of reburial In burlap, wooden box, with bottle, and metal strip.

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

Buried in blanket. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

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

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

Cross reads: Cleason, M. Dale, Mech. Co. B 142nd Inf. Grave 31. Disc on cross reads: Cleason M. Dale, 1489506. G.R.S. strip reads: Dale, Gleason M. 1489506, Mech Co. B 142 Inf. Grave 31. Disc on body partially corroded, but the following is legible: Cleason M. Dale, 1489506. No effects found.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? Nos. 1, 17, 32 Not grown

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(b) Weight (estimated) -

(c) Hair—Color -

Quantity -

Characteristics -

(d) Hair on face—Color -

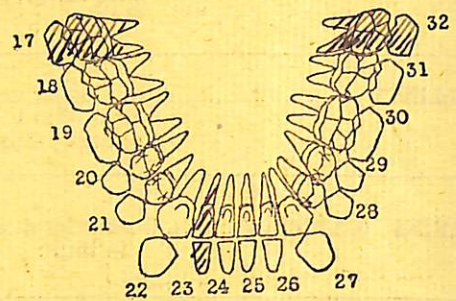
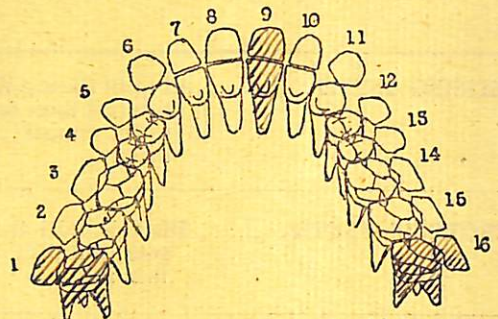
Location -

Quantity -

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Left leg fractured between knee and ankle. Right leg missing from knee down.



Nos. 9, 16, 23 Missing after death

7. Disinterment supervised by J.E. BENSON, thc.

Approved: V.L. ROBINSON, hem (Title) 1st Lt. G.M.C. #50799

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