

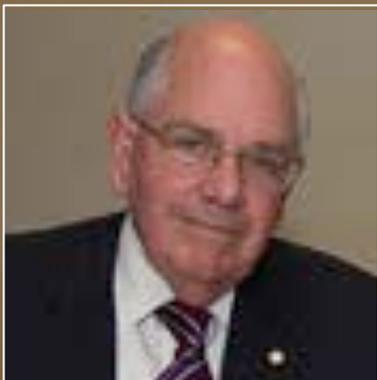
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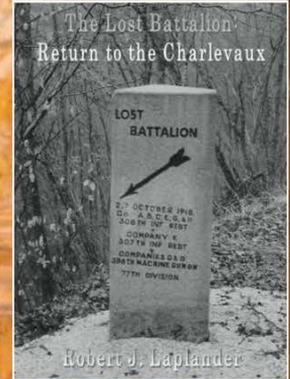
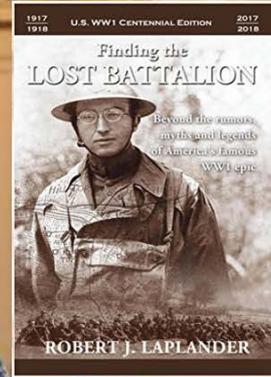
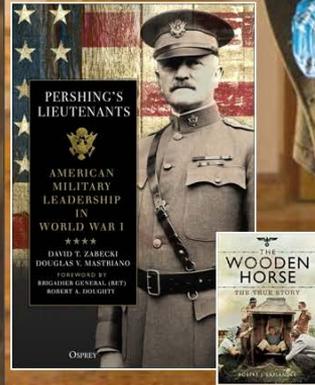
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A sepia-toned historical photograph showing a group of World War I soldiers gathered around a casket. A soldier in the foreground is playing a trumpet. The scene is outdoors, and the overall tone is somber and historical.

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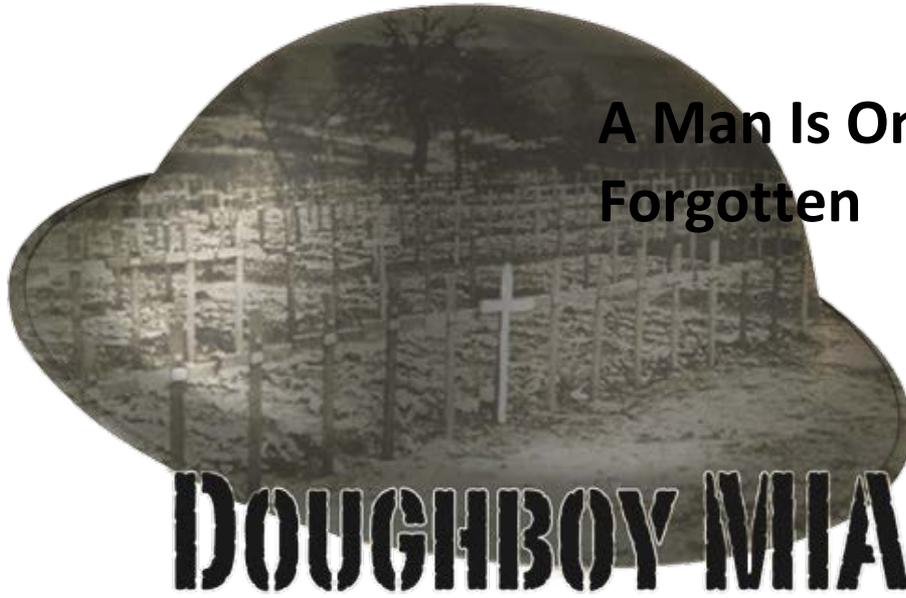
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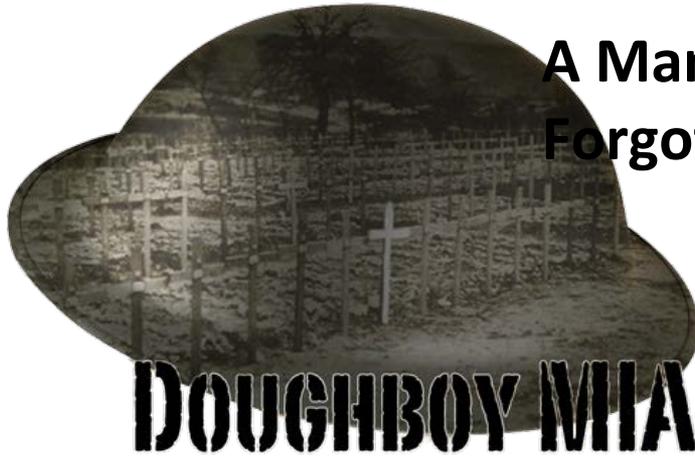


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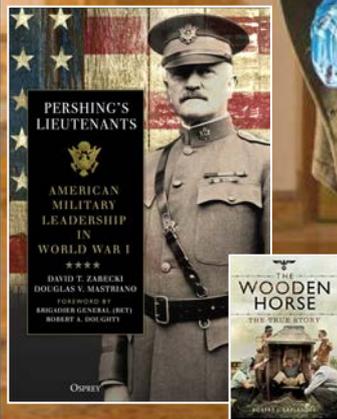
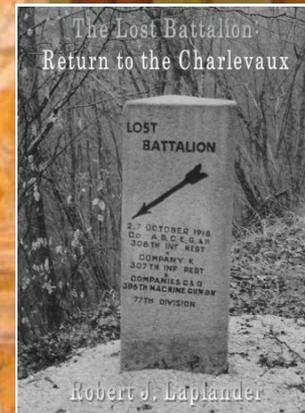
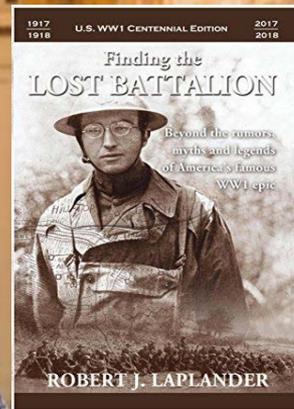
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DOUGHBOY MIA



PVT Eugene McGrath
KIA 05OCT1918



McGrath Eugene M. 5,133,217
 (Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Pvt. Co. C, 308 Inf
 (Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? Yes
 (Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? No
 (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:

John McGrath Armour Armour
 (Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

Armour S. Dak.
 (Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) John McGrath

R.#3 Armour S. Dak.
 (Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card. 3-6713

Eugene

Name McGrath Eugene M- No 5133217
 Rank Pvt
 Organ Co C 308th Inf 81690

Casualty Killed in action
 Date Oct 6th 1918

Duty status

Authority Our 14866 STGE 77th Div 10/17/18

66-1948 327 7001193

RECEIVED
 MAR 14 1930
 NATIONAL OFFICE
 VETERANS BUREAU

RECEIVED
 SIOUX FALLS S.DAK.
 MAR 6 1930

Armour
Feb. 5, 1930.

Veterans Bureau
 Sioux Falls

Dear Sir: I am writing you a few lines to get some information about the Gold Star Mother trip across. My son E. M. McGrath of Douglas Co. was killed during the war but his grave has never been indentified as of course the trip would be useless to me when I don't know where he is buried. My health wouldn't permit me to



**NOVEMBER
11, 2018**

4,452 Reasons



RI	HAYNES ROBERT A	LIEUTENANT	USNR	KANSAS
A	HAYNES TUCKER	CHIEF WATER TENDER	USN	VIRGINIA
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A	HAYS JOHN W	LIEUTENANT (IG)	USN	GEORGIA
	HAYS RICHARD S JR	RADIOMAN 3C	USNR	PENNSYLVANIA
	HAYS WILLIAM C	SEAMAN 2C	USNR	ARKANSAS
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	HAYWARD JOHN P	LIEUTENANT	USNR	VIRGINIA
	HAYWOOD ALFRED W JR	ENSIGN	USNR	NEW YORK
	HAYWOOD JOHN H	BOATSWAIN'S MATE 2C	USNR	KENTUCKY
	HAZARD EDWARD S	FIREMAN 2C	USN	CALIFORNIA
	HAZELTON ELLIS FRANK	PHARMACIST'S MATE IC	USN	MICHIGAN
	HAZEN WILLIAM E	SEAMAN IC	USN	OKLAHOMA
	HAZZARD RICHARD W	AVN RADIOMAN 3C	USNR	MICHIGAN
	HEAD CHARLES JR	AVN MACHINIST'S MATE 2C	USNR	FLORIDA
	HEADINGTON JAMES B	FIREMAN 2C	USNR	IOWA
	HEADLY LAWRENCE	MACHINIST'S MATE IC	USN	SOUTH DAKOTA
	HEAL THOMAS E	RADARMAN 2C	USNR	ILLINOIS
	HEAL HARRY F	SEAMAN IC	USN	MISSOURI
	HEALY EDWARD B	AVN ORDNANCEMAN 3C	USNR	ILLINOIS
	HEALY HOWARD R	LT COMMANDER	USN	MASSACHUSETTS
	HEALY LORIN C	FIREMAN IC	USNR	UTAH
	HEARD TRAVIS H	LIEUTENANT (IG)	USNR	LOUISIANA
	HEARD WILLIAM R	CHIEF RADIOMAN	USN	CALIFORNIA
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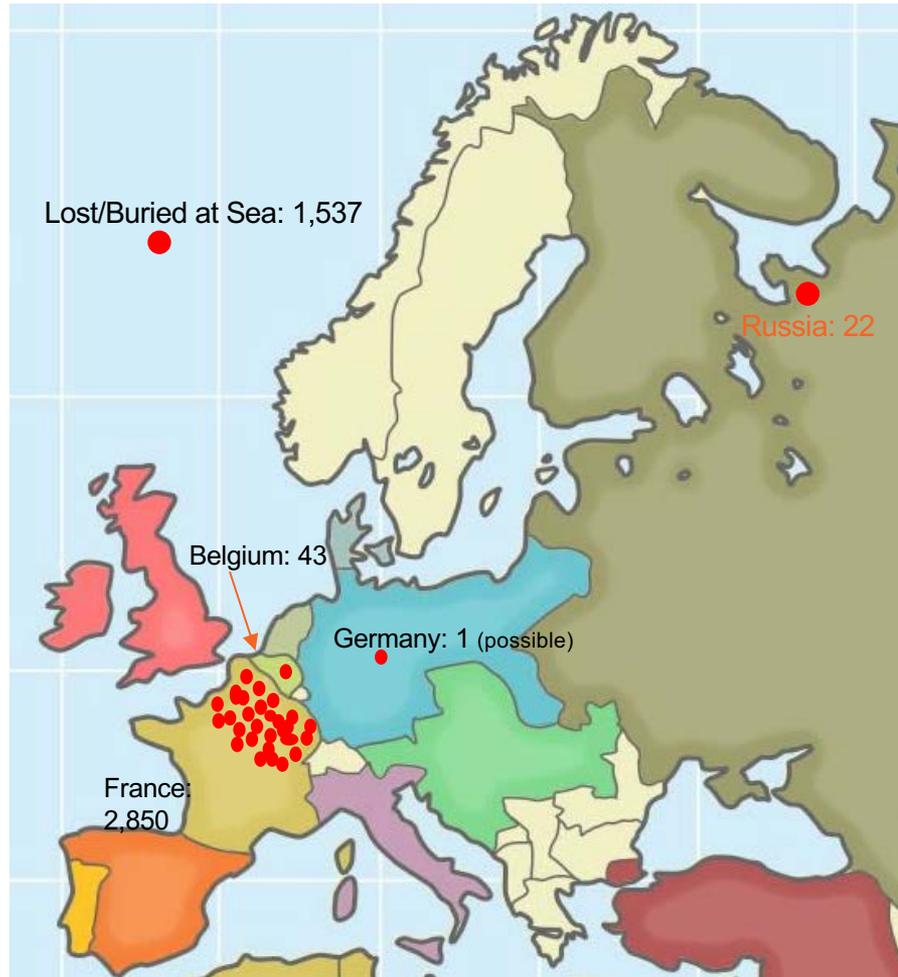


WHERE THEY WENT MISSING

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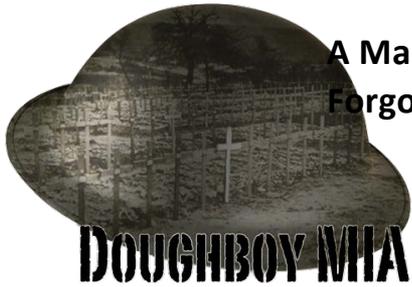
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A man is only missing if he is forgotten.

Doughboy MIA is a site dedicated to those missing U.S. servicemen of WWI. It is a unique site in that it is the only one of its kind to deal exclusively with that subject. Here you find nothing on America's other wars and their casualties. Instead here you will find only information, stories and research tools designed to investigate the American lost of WWI as well as the most accurate and up to date list of those American soldiers, sailors, and marines still listed as Missing in Action from the Great War. This list is ever evolving as new information about these men and their circumstances is discovered. You will also find a list of all recoveries made since 1934 (the only list of US WWI recoveries, in fact), when the active search for these men was officially suspended, as well as cases we have reopened for examination for one reason or another. One hundred years on we have tools and resources they could never even have dreamed of back then, and thus we believe there is still a chance that identifications can be made. And finally, you will find links to other sites which may be of interest to the researcher of the lost, including the fabulous American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) site, and the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) site.

With the 100th anniversary of America's participation in the Great War upon us, it is fitting we should reflect on the lost of that war. It is a war that has largely itself been lost, long overshadowed by the Second World War, while its survivors were stifled within a sea of public ambiguity much of their lives. Then too, in most cases the families of those who were declared missing all died never knowing what happened to their loved one – they simply went Over There and never returned, leaving behind only fading memories, fading photographs and unshed tears.

Yet, while the First World War survivors and their conflict might have gotten lost in the shuffle, it was insured that their comrades who sacrificed did not. By and large, as you'll discover in these pages, the U.S. Quartermaster Corps and the American Battle Monuments Commission have both done a fabulous job at first collecting, identifying and interring nearly 83,000 sets of remains during and after the war, and then keeping the memories of the dead and lost from being forgotten. The beautiful WWI ABMC cemeteries and monuments in France, Belgium and England are testament to the deeds of the men in their care. And the Walls of the Missing which adorn each chapel at each cemetery Over There are the first – and thus far only – way that the lost of that war have been wholly commemorated and their individual memories kept alive. This site is the second and will be, like the Walls on the Missing, a permanent record; one forever kept as part of the United States' WWI Commemoration archives for future generations. We invite you to explore and get to know these men; research and contribute if and what you can; but most of all remember them.

Help Us Find Them

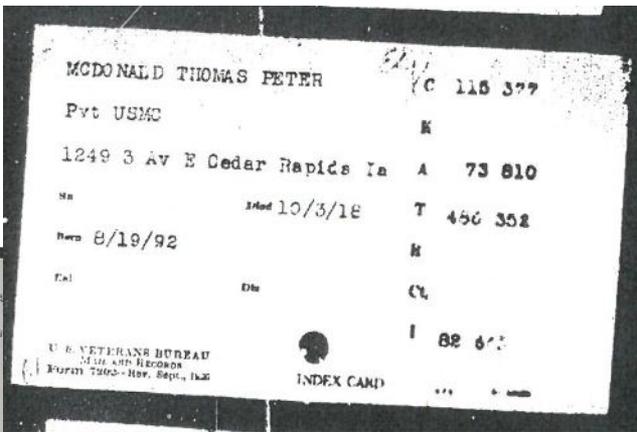
I squatted as they did, and I heard them say

Fig. 5

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	REGIMENT
McDONALD, George Stuart	Cpl.	47th	5th
DIED OF WOUNDS September 13, 1918 in the St. Mihiel Offense vs. Mrs. Helen McDonald (Mother) 316 N. 6th St., Brainerd, Minn.			
McDONALD, John Boone	Pvt.	75th	6th
KILLED IN ACTION June 11, 1918 in the Chateau Thierry Sector. Mrs. Harry McDonald (Mother) Martinsville, Ky.			
McDONALD, Thomas Peter	Pvt.	81st	6th MOBR
KILLED IN ACTION October 3, 1918 in the Meuse Argonne. Edward McDonald (Father) 1249 Third Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.			
McDOWELL, Irvin Bryna	Sgt.	66th	5th
DIED OF WOUNDS November 6, 1918 in the Meuse Argonne. Louis McDowell (Brother) 2923 Bank St., Louisville			
McFARLEY, George Ernest	Pvt.		
KILLED IN ACTION June 6, 1918 Kathryn McFarley Garrison Box 463, Monroe, N.Y.			
McFARREY, Bernard Charles	Sgt.		
DIED OF WOUNDS June 6, 1918 Brother 1438 E. 17th St., Brack			
McMILLAN, Clarence Francis			
KILLED IN ACTION June 11, 1918 Sarah J. McMillan (Mother) Monroe City, Mo.			
McGEE, Joe	Pvt.		
DIED OF WOUNDS June 11, 1918 Ellen McGee (Mother) Slocum, Arkansas.			
McGINNIS, Charles Hesse	Sgt.		
KILLED IN ACTION June 13, 1918 Clamie McGinnis (Mother) RFD #4, Parkersburg, W.			
McGINNIS, Charles Samuel	Pvt.		
KILLED IN ACTION June 13, 1918 Hannah McGinnis (Mother) 827 Columbia Ave., Peche			

Fig. 6

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	REGIMENT	DATE	LOCATION	REMARKS
McDONALD, Thomas Peter	Pvt.	81st	6th MOBR	10/3/18	Meuse Argonne	Killed in action
McDOWELL, Irvin Bryna	Sgt.	66th	5th	11/6/18	Meuse Argonne	Died of wounds
McFARLEY, George Ernest	Pvt.			6/6/18	St. Mihiel	Killed in action
McFARREY, Bernard Charles	Sgt.			6/6/18	St. Mihiel	Died of wounds
McMILLAN, Clarence Francis				6/11/18	Chateau Thierry	Killed in action
McGEE, Joe	Pvt.			6/11/18	St. Mihiel	Died of wounds
McGINNIS, Charles Hesse	Sgt.			6/13/18	St. Mihiel	Killed in action
McGINNIS, Charles Samuel	Pvt.			6/13/18	St. Mihiel	Killed in action





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MIA Report:

McDONALD, Thomas Peter PVT 81st CO, 6th MG BN, USMC, 2nd DIV A.E.F.
KIA 03OCT1918 – MIA/BNR

Presentation of the Case

During the course of our investigations into U.S. service personnel Missing in Action (MIA) from the First World War, an anomaly has come to our attention concerning two names listed on the searchable American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) burial website. These two names are exactly alike, their unit assignments during the war exactly alike and their Date of Death (DOD) exactly alike and in fact only differ from one another in one distinguishing characteristic – one man is listed as originally coming from IOWA and one as originally coming from ILLINOIS. During the course of deeper investigation into this anomaly it has become clear that there was only one man with this name and that the second name is a mistake and thus a listing for a man who never existed. This assertion is substantiated by this report and the fact that only one man by this name is actually inscribed on the Walls of the Missing at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon, France.

Scope of the Case

Attention is drawn to Fig. 1 – This is the ABMC website listing for PVT Thomas P. McDonald, USMC, listed as MIA and commemorated on the Walls of the Missing at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon, France. Please note the DOD of 03OCT1918, the unit designation of 81st CO, 6th MG BN, USMC, and that this man's listed home state is that of IOWA.

Attention is drawn to Fig. 2 – This is the ABMC website listing for PVT Thomas P. McDonald, USMC, listed as MIA and commemorated on the Walls of the Missing at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon, France. Please note the DOD of 03OCT1918, the unit designation of 81st CO, 6th MG BN, USMC, and that this man's listed home state is that of ILLINOIS.

Attention is drawn to Fig. 3 – This is the ABMC website listing for PVT Thomas L. McDonald, listed as MIA and commemorated on the Walls of the Missing at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon, France. This man is the only other Thomas McDonald carried on the ABMC database as MIA from WW1. Note his unit designation of 101st INF, 25th DIV, US Army, the DOD of 27OCT1918, and that this man's listed home state is that of MASSACHUSETTS. Clearly this last man's identity is not in any question. He is merely listed here to exclude any confusion from the other two similar names listed on the ABMC website database.

U.S. AVBI Reg. 79432

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Mc Donald, 112219 Thomas P.
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initial)

Pvt. D 6th U.S. Bn.
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: Blanc Mont, Champagne Sector

CAUSE OF DEATH: Heavy shell-fire

DATE OF BURIAL: No record

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

FILE
GARRISONNET (MARNE)
(0-262) SHI CASE-ORD

GRAVE NUMBER: No record

HOW MARKED: Name Pegged Record Crossed Record
Headboard Record Bottle Record

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? No record

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No record

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: No record

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY: R. P. Young
Etd Lt. U. S. A. C.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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

FIRST MARYLANDER WHO DIED FOR COUNTRY

Herbert H. Renshaw Of This City Was
First To Give Life In This War.

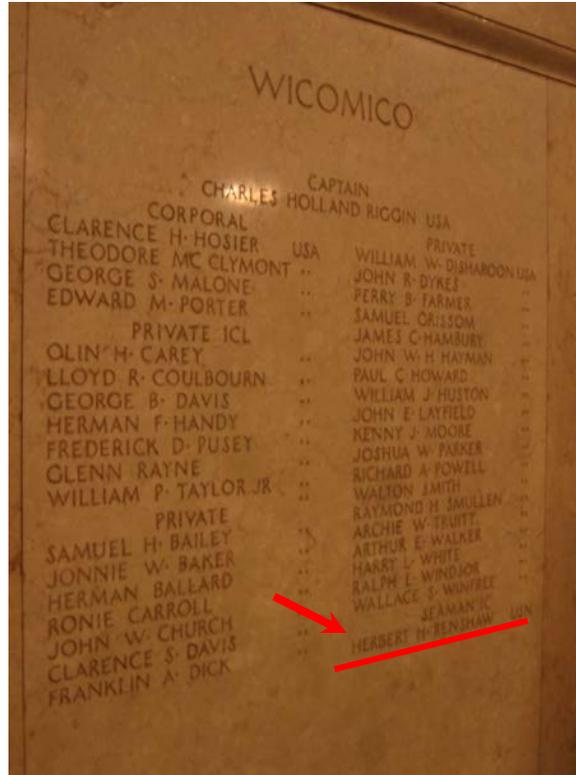
FORMER BALTIMOREAN WHO
ENLISTED FROM HERE.

Lost From A Submarine Chaser In
May, 1917, He Was The First Mary-
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Country In The Present War.



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RENshaw, HERBERT HAMMOND, seaman, United States Navy.
Enlisted: Baltimore, Md., February 19, 1914.
Died: U. S. S. Thornton, May 22, 1917.
Cause: Drowned.
Next of kin: Father, George E. Renshaw, 416 Camden Avenue, Salisbury,
Md.



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For most of us in the US, Memorial Day Weekend marks the unofficial beginning of summer, but the holiday itself is one of solemnity.

Shortly after the end of the American Civil War, a day in May was designated as Decoration Day: a day to honor and remember those who died in service to our country. After the first World War, the holiday has been known as Memorial Day.

Although nearly a century has passed since the end of World War I, there are still some people who died in battle who haven't been identified. Waterford resident, Robert Laplander, is hoping to change that.

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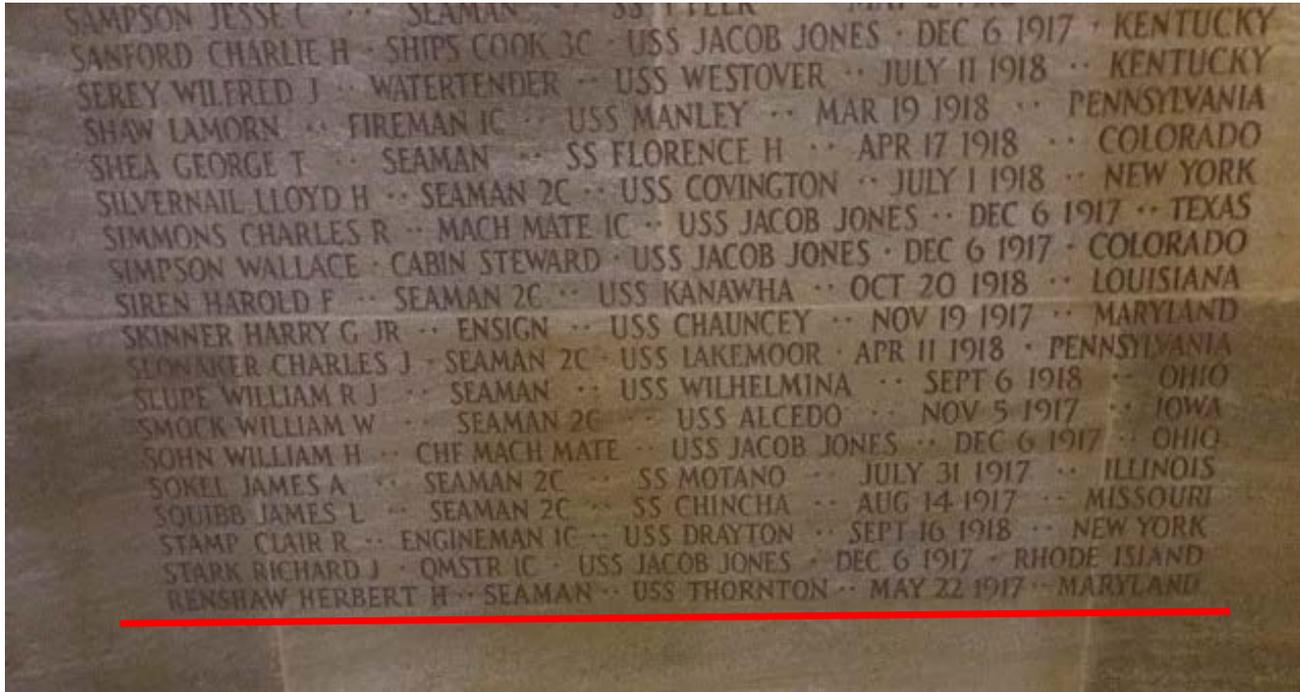
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May, 2018



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Weber August Fritz 3,982,617 *W
(Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number)

Residence: Sequin Guadalupe
(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County)

*Enlisted *R. A. *N. G. *E. R. C. *Inducted at Sequin Tex on Sept 4, 19 18
 Place of birth: Kingsbury Tex Age or date of birth: Mch 13 1897

Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers:
 1st 5 Dep Brig to Sept 24/18; 33 Inf to Death

Grades, with date of appointment:
 Pvt

Engagements:

Wounds or other injuries received in action: * None.

Served overseas from †None to †, from † to †

Died of ACCIDENTAL DROWNING on U. S. A. Trans. Kilpatrick Oct 17/18
(Cause and date of death)

Person notified of death: Mrs Annie Weber Mother
(Name) Kingsbury (Degree of relationship) Texas
(City, town, or post office) (State or country)

Remarks: Body Not Recovered
(No. and street or rural route)

Form No. 741-S, A. G. O. *Strike out words not applicable. † Dates of departure from and arrival in the U. S.
 Nov. 22, 1919. 2-7393



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So, what's next?

***Full accounting - both list
and field accounting.***



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So, why is
this *our* job?





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*It's been 100 years.
Doesn't the government do that already?*

GRS

1919 – 1934

JPAC/DPAA

Continuing Mission but only back to WW2

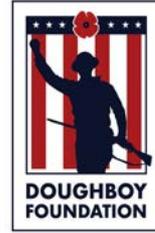
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- Continuing Mission
- Pick up the GRS torch
- As full an accounting as possible
 - Because *we can*.



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The Ways and Means



*What can we do 100 years on?
What technology gives us the edge?*

- Continued Search of Files
- Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)
- Deep Penetration Metal Detectors
 - Satellite Spatial Imaging
 - Cadaver Dogs

File 14885
4/14/22

Case of
Pvt. Walter Judson Cox- 306435- 83rd Co. 6th Mar. KIA 7/19/28
RE: GRAVE LOCATION.

see letter of 3/19/22 from Frank L. Tyler- River Falls, Wisc.
therefore
ACTION REQUESTED.

Request letter to Russel J. Gearbrough, Harriman,
Iowa, for name of village or villages near which Pvt. Walter Jud-
son Cox, and James Lowell Corey, both of 83rd Co. 6th Mar. were
buried by him and Frank L. Tyler, July, Also if he can remember
just where or how both these soldiers were killed, and if either
were mangled or had part of the ~~face~~ ^{head} shot away.

Russell J. Gearbrough
R. Kenneth Veil
Investigator.



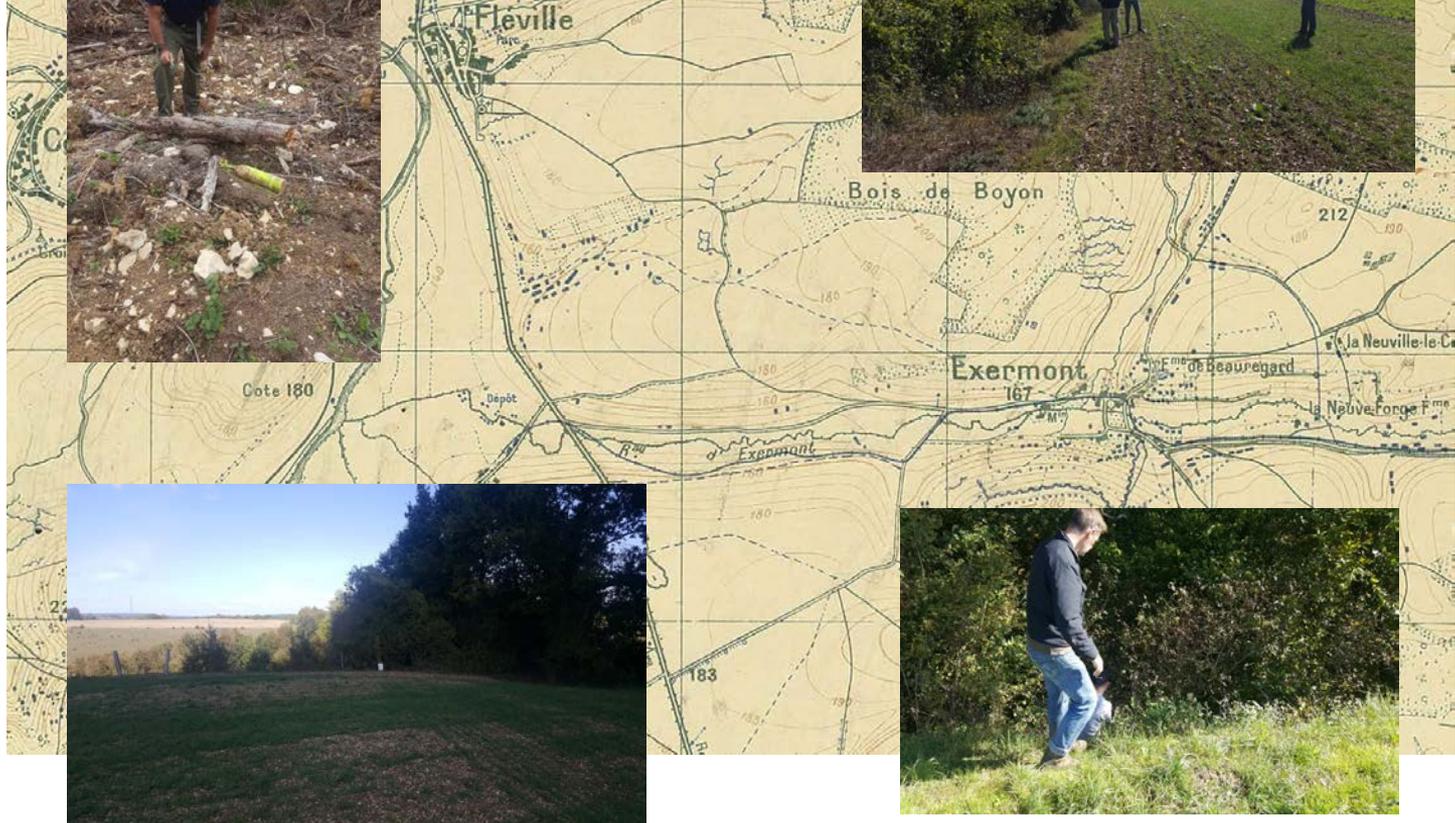
Research: Desk Based



Remains of Unknown U-999 placed together Dec.
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with letter from Paris Hqrs. dated Dec. 6, 1922, File
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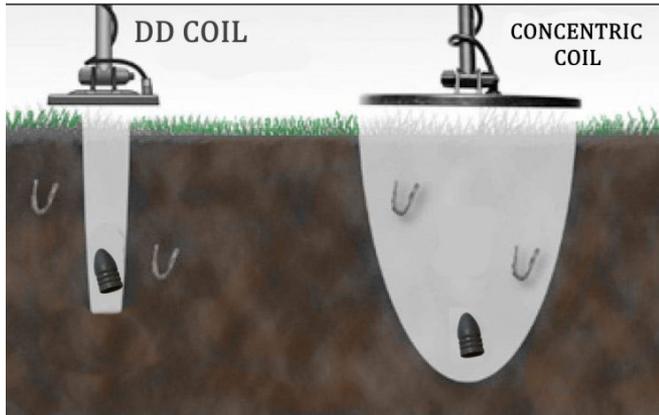
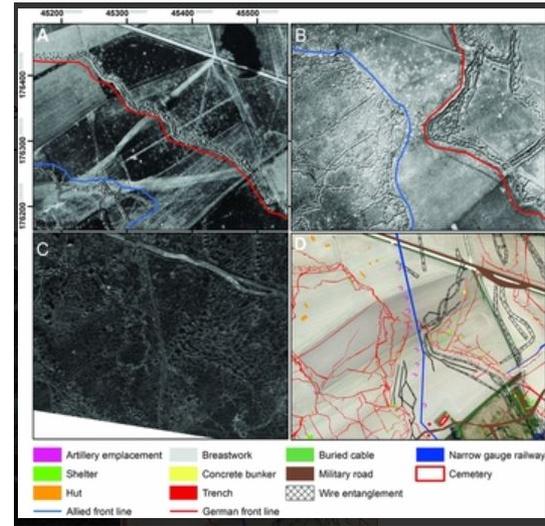


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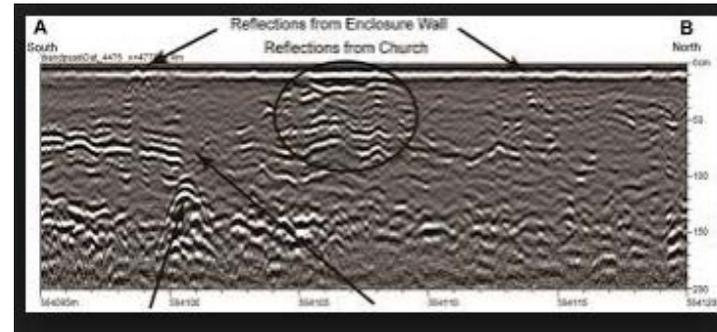
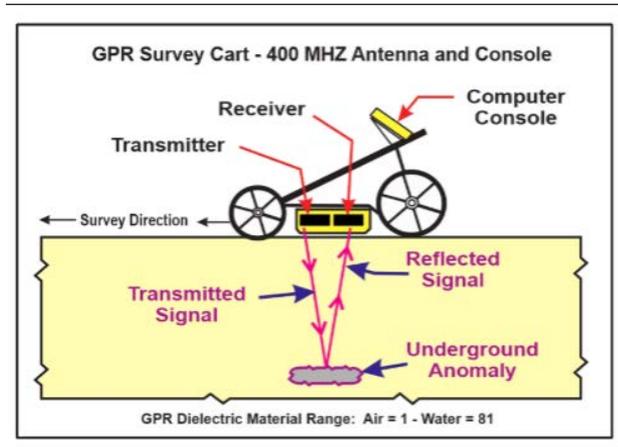




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MIA Investigative Report #22 02 FEB 2020

Subject

SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 M CO /316th INFANTRY
DWRJA while POW 07NOV1918

Presentation of case

During the course of investigations into the Missing in Action of the First World War, our attention was brought to the case of SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 who died of wounds received in action while a prisoner of war (DWRJA/POW) on 07NOV1918 and whose remains were later not recovered by US authorities.

Background of SGT CURRAN, John T. ASN1786167

SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 01AUG1891, the fifth of ten children born to James and Mary Curran. Mary Curran died in 1911; it is not believed James remarried. On draft registration day (08JUN1917) SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 listed his home address as Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and his occupation as carpenter. He is described as tall and slender with grey eyes and dark brown hair. He claimed no suspension from service.

SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 was inducted into the service on 02NOV1917 at Allentown, Pennsylvania and sent to Camp Meade in Maryland for training, where he was assigned to Company M (AAR) 316th INFANTRY REGIMENT, 28th DIVISION. He would remain with this unit until his death. He was promoted in rank to Private First Class on 21JAN1918; Corporal ten days later on 31JAN1918; and Sergeant on 10JUN1918. He departed for overseas service with his unit on 09JULY1918 aboard the steamship *Przew*, departing from Hoboken, New Jersey. Note that the shipping manifest still lists his rank as Corporal.

Overview of the loss and search for SGT CURRAN, John T. ASN1786167

In France, the 79th Division first received its advanced training in the 10th (Prattley) Training Area from late July into late August, 1918, where it was relieved from training duty and sent to the Arzoncourt Sector for practical combat training with the French from 13SEPT through 25SEPT1918. By that date the division was inducted in the Meuse-Argonne sector, assigned to the 3rd Corps for participation in the offensive planned there. On the morning of 26SEPT1918, the 79th went into battle with their prime objective being the reduction and capture of the peak Montfaucon in their corps battle area. While 1st Army command believed that Montfaucon could be taken the first day of the offensive, casualties were very heavy among the inexperienced 79th Division and it wasn't until the second day of the offensive that the peak was taken. The 79th remained on the line fighting until 30SEPT1918, when it was relieved by the veteran 3rd Division and sent to the ~~Meuse-Argonne~~ sector for rest and refit with fresh equipment and replacements for casualties. The division eventually moved near Verdun for continued rest and training of its new replacements until 30OCT1918 when it was again sent forward to relieve the 29th Division on the line. On the morning of 03NOV1918, elements of the division again entered combat, including the 316th Infantry Regiment.

By the night of 05NOV1918, the 3rd Battalion of the 316th Infantry was firm in an advanced position of the front line, but was badly in need of relief. On the morning of 06NOV1918 elements of the 3rd Battalion 315th Infantry and 3rd Battalion 318th Infantry moved up to relieve the 3rd/316th. Heavy artillery fire prevented these units from reaching the 3rd/316th's position. On the line of the 3rd/316th ahead, there was heavy fighting. Due to these conditions, the 3rd/316th would not see relief until the night of 07NOV1918.

Records show that SGT CURRAN, John Thomas ASN1786167 was in Base Hospital #31 from 22SEPT1918 through 16OCT1918, cause unknown but likely as a result of the so-called Spanish Flu pandemic then sweeping the world. He rejoined the division at Verdun and wrote his last letter home from there dated 25OCT1918. On 03NOV1918 his battalion/regiment (3rd/316th) again went into action. During

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[Monday's MIA this month](#) is PFC Essel M. Maxwell. Born in Washington D.C. on April 5th, 1891, Essel Monshuer Maxwell was a tall, thin 26 year old when he signed his draft card on May 25th, 1917 at Painesville, Ohio. He had attended the technical high school in Washington but one year before going to work as a marine fireman on the Great Lakes

before the war. An injury while on that job had led to a trepanning being done on the back of his head, where a silver half dollar was inserted (which would later figure into his story). He was also a convicted felon, serving time in the Lake County Prison at Painesville, Ohio when he signed his draft card (in advance of the national draft day of June 5th), though the nature of his crime remains currently unknown. Despite his felony, Maxwell was inducted in the army on August 15th, 1917 – indeed he may have asked to be allowed to go into the army – and sent to Camp Meade in Maryland that November, ostensibly when his legal situation could be resolved with the federal government. At Meade he was assigned duty with Company F, 313th Infantry Regiment, of the 79th Division. He was promoted to Private First Class on January 1st, 1918 and on March 29th, 1918 was transferred to Company A, 111th Infantry Regiment, 28th Division; a regiment with roots extending back to the American Revolution. With them Maxwell departed for overseas service on May 5th, 1918 aboard the S.S. Olympic.

On July 1st, 1918 PFC Maxwell and Company A were heavily



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So, who do we go after first?

Initial 'Hard Target' List

Private Franklin Ellenberger

Franklin Ellenberger

World War I



Rank	Private, U.S. Army
Unit	128th Infantry Regiment, 32nd Division
Entered Service From	Ohio
Date of Death	October 7, 1918
Status	Missing In Action
Memorialized	Tablets of the Missing Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery Romagne-sous- Montfaucon, France





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Private Joseph Bakat

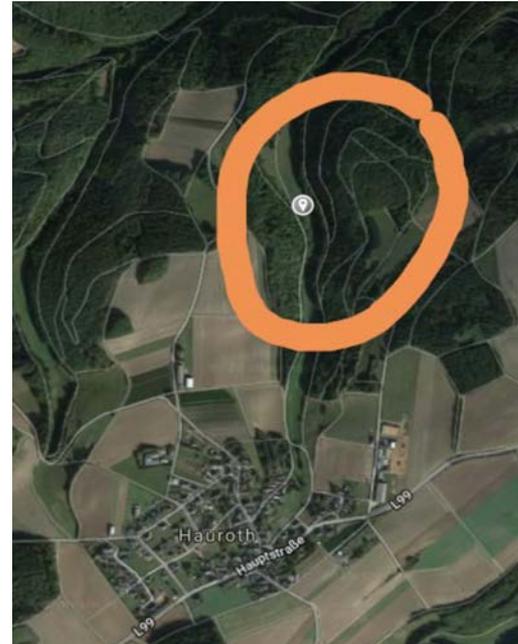
58th Infantry, Company I

560,034. White.
320 North Greene St.
Baltimore, Maryland.

Born on January 1st, 1891
in Montulisk, Russia.

Enlisted in Regular Army on July 27th,
1917. Private. Company I, 58th Infantry;
Patient at Hospital, September 8th, 1918;
Company I, 58th Infantry, January 16th,
1919. Aisne-Marne, Vesle Sector, Toulon
Sector. Overseas from May 7th, 1918, to
desertion.

Deserted March 19th, 1919
or did he?



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CPL James Uber

Co. E/112th Inf./28th Div.
MIA 08OCT1918



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Uber, James Lester 1,247,926 * White ~~5-Colored.~~

(Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number)

Residence: RFD 3 Kane McKEAN PENNSYLVANIA
(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County) (State)

* Enlisted * R. A. * N. G. * R. C. * Industrial at Kane Pa on July 14, 17

Place of birth: Kane Pa Age or date of birth: 27 11/12 years

Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: Co E 16 Inf Pa NG
(Co E 112 Inf) to death

Grades, with date of appointment: Pvt July 14/17; Pvt 1cl July 1/18;
Corp July 30/18

Engagements: Second battle of the Marae

Served overseas from May 7/18 to † death from † to †

Killed in action Oct 8, 1918

Other wounds or injuries received in action: None
(If none, so state)

Person notified of death: Daniel Uber Father
(Name) (Degree of relationship)

(No. and street or rural route) (City, town, or post office) (State or country)

Remarks:

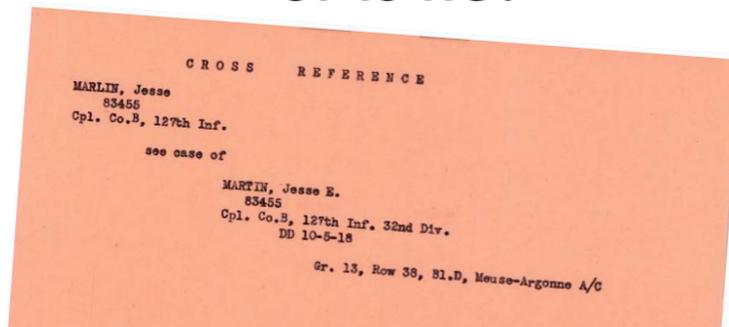
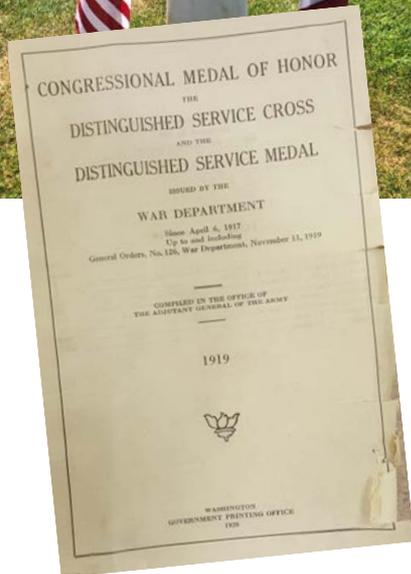
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APPLICANT No. 240786 APPROVED

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OCT 3 1918

CPL Jesse Martin... or is he?



File No. 37412	Last Name MARTIN	Army Serial No. 83455	First name and Initials Jesse E.	Cablegram No. 294				
Rank Cpl.	Organization MONTANA Co. B, 127th Inf. 32nd Div.	Cause of death DWARIA	Date of Death 10-5-18					
Date of Burial 10-5-18	Place of Burial—Unconfirmed		Cemetery Commune	No.				
Authority File No. D 3065	Place of Burial—Confirmed Grave No. 12, Plot A, Amer. B/A Cty., Montfaucon, Meuse		Cemetery Commune	No. 912				
Authority File No. D 10346	Disinterred and Reburied: Date 5-8-19		Cemetery Commune	No. 1232				
Emergency Address: L.C. Hall, (Friend) Gen'l Del. Billings, Mont.		Notified Emergency Address 1-28-19 1-19-20-107 Rtd. 2-9-20						
R. B. Sketch No. 5759	Photograph No. D-27243	PERMANENT ARMY CITY INTERFARM FOR REVOLVING SERVICE CARD						
Grave Marker	Name Peg	Cross	Head Board	Bottle	Ident. Tags	Buried with body	On grave marker	
	Yes					Yes	Yes	
REMARKS: Name prev. carried MARLIN, changed authority father							6	1087

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CPL Edward J. Malone 77th Division

GRAVE LOCATION FORM

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF
Malone 1706748 Edward J.
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Cpl. Co. I 307th Inf.
(Rank) (Organization)

DATE OF BURIAL Sept 9th 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL 950 Meters S W Revillon
(Give Cemetery, Town, and Department.) Map reference
must specify clearly what map is used.

222.5 - 206.35
950 Meters S W Revillon

NAME ~~SMITH~~ *Malone* (Name) JE-206-2
OW MALONE *1st Lt. 34 MW* COURT *N-292-5*
(Name Tag) (Cross)

Headboard: _____ Bolter: _____

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:
Name, surname and tags (number and date) should be given here:

Identification tag fastened to bayonet which was placed at head of grave. Grave also contains mess kit which holds proper identification

REPORTED BY:
Sgt James B Carroll
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)
Co I 307th Inf.

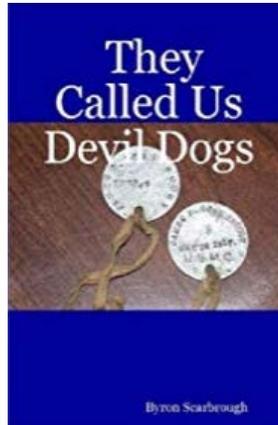
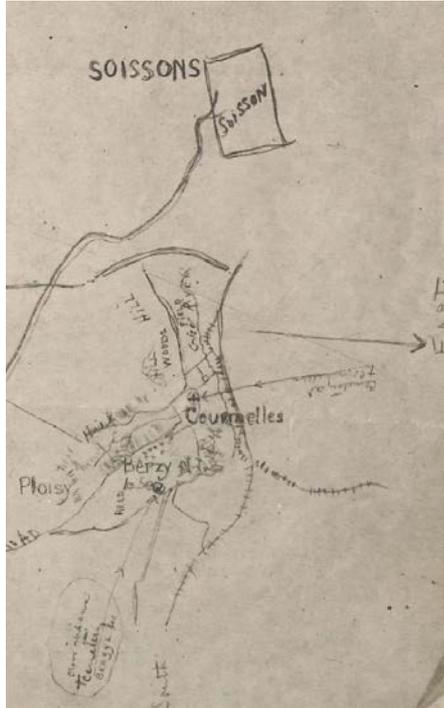
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PVT James Corey
PVT Walter Cox
USMC



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AO-MVO

NAME: **CGT, Walter Jusson** RANK: **Pvt.** SERIAL NO. **306485**
 COMPANY: **88ra(K)** REGIMENT: **Sixth** BORN: **April 15, 1889**
 AT. **Donaldsonville, Louisiana.** ENLISTED **July 19, 1917** AT. **Marine Island, Calif.**
 DIED **July 19, 1918** AT. **France.**
 CAUSE OF DEATH: **Killed in action.**
 REPORTED IN CASUALTY CABLEGRAM: **243**

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: **Brown eyes; Brown hair; Ruddy complexion;**
 height **66** inches; weight **189** pounds.

INDELIABLE OR PERSISTENT MARKS AND SCARS: **ANT: V.S. 1" x 1/4. left arm;**
S. 1 1/2" left thumb; S. 1" R. left leg; S. 3/4. S. L. left leg;
half nail big toe left foot.

DENTAL CHART: **#6-car - #15-19-20-22 missing - #23-24-am - #25-gold**
#27-mixed - #28-29-gold - #10-m-gold - #24-29-gold.

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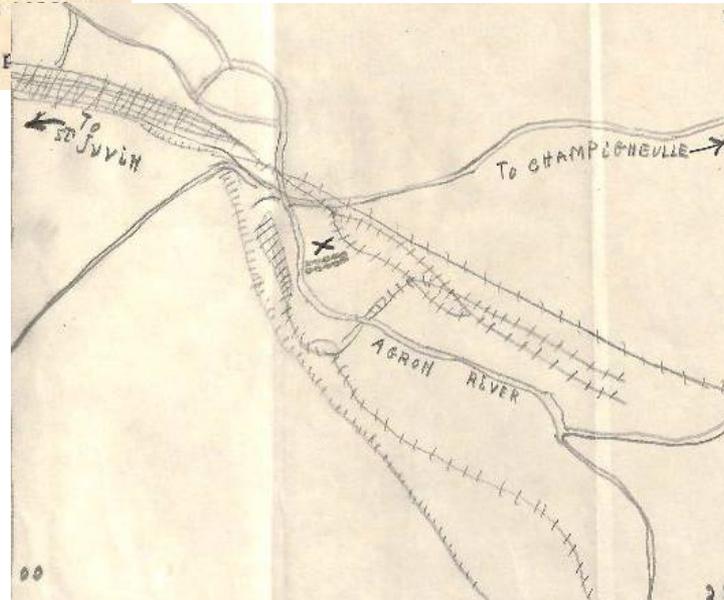


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Statement by Armand Ruby, 2nd Lt. Co G, 305th Infantry:
On Nov. 1st, 1918 company moved off to attack the enemy positions in front of Champigneulle, when the enemy opened up with a heavy machine gun fire and he was struck through the head with a machine gun bullet and he died instantly.
... Operation of this date point 296.3 - 287.5 map

LT Otho Place 77th Division





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PVT John Conway PVT Curtis Dye 313th MG BN



QM 293 A-C
Conway, John E.
Dye, Curtis A.

Subject: Cases of Cpl. John E. Conway and Pvt. 1cl. Curtis A
Dye.

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

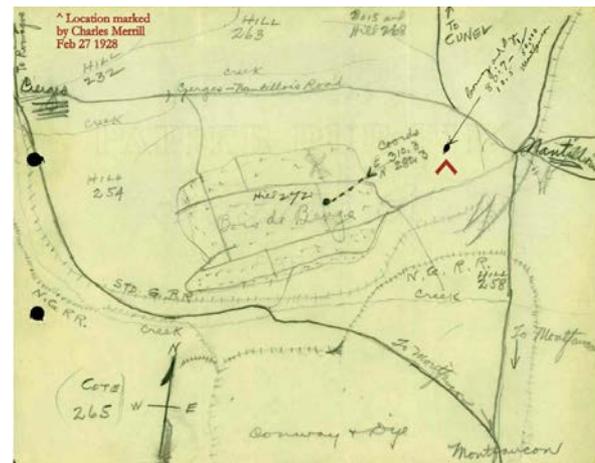
1. My records show that Conway and Dye were buried
in same grave at 80:7 and 10:5, Montfaucon 1 over 50,000.
Evidently my previous record submitted, of 80:3 -10:3
must have been incorrect. Have marked with large dot in
ink where I think they were buried.

2. I did not bury Joseph T. Cusic, Co. B, 313th M.G. Bn.
Possibly Chaplain Joseph Blais or Chaplain Lord buried this
man. Father Blais is now a Priest in New York State and I do
not know where Chaplain Lord is. He is out of the service. He
is a Methodist Minister and would be easy to locate.

3. My address is now Fort Sherman, C.Z.

Charles C. Merrill
Charles C. Merrill,
Chaplain, U.S.A.

*Chaplain Lord
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sub.*
O.D.M.C.M. & R.I.
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📅 Last Updated: 15 September 2016



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Town/Suburb/City : Waregem

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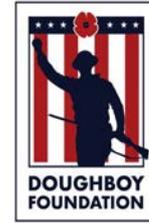
Dedication Date : 1937

Description : Within the Flanders Field American Cemetery peacefully lie 368 soldiers of the Great War. Included in these graves are 41 Graves to the Unknown. There are 43 names inscribed on the Walls of the Missing in Flanders Field American Cemetery.





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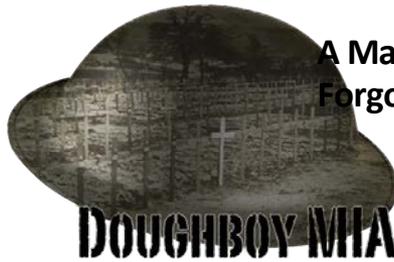


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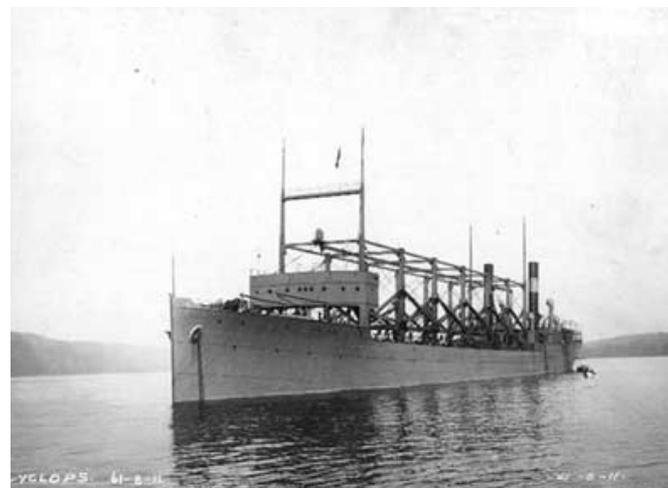
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Alfred L. Moreau Gottschalk, United States consul general at Rio de Janeiro,





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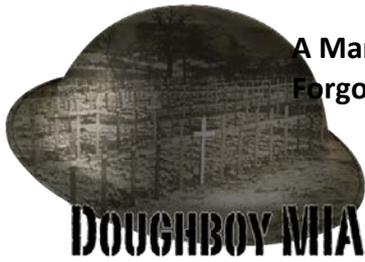


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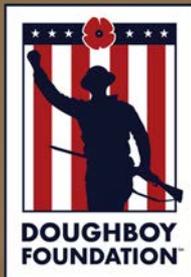
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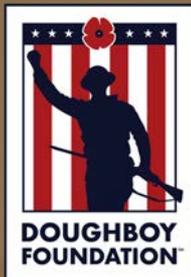


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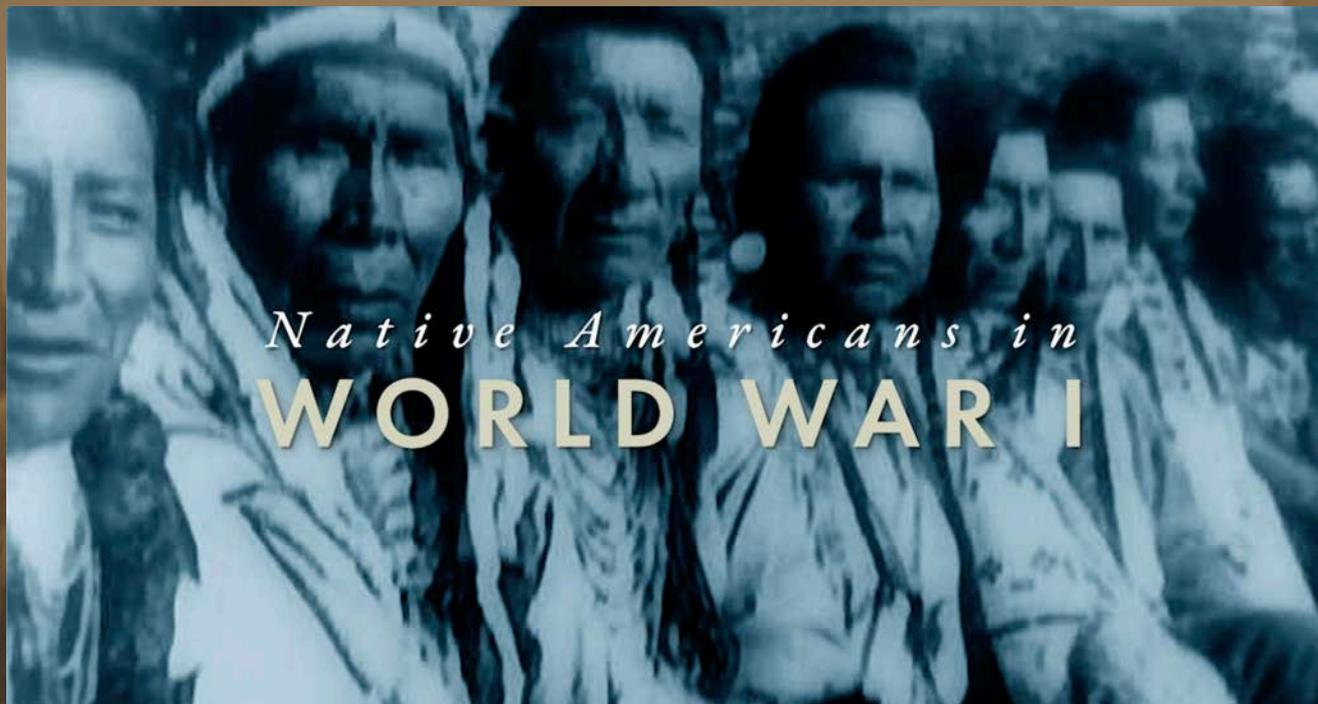
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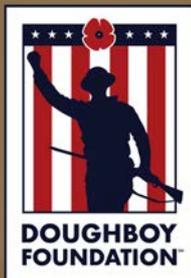


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