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MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

SPECTOR SIDNEY M

RANK

PUT

SERIAL NUMBER

42 057879

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

25 SEPT 44

AREA OF DEATH

HOLLAND

NAME OF AUDITOR

KROOP

DATE

19 APR 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

RAGSDALE

DATE

23 APR 51

REMARKS

CONTROLLED CASE

NAME		GRADE	SERIAL NO.
SPECTOR, Sidney M.		Pvt	42 057 879
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7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GROP 293.9

22 January 1951

SUBJECT: Supplement to Non-Recoverable
Board Proceedings

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

1. Reference is made to Non-Specific Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings pertaining to forty five (45 casualties, who were submitted your office as Non-Recoverable under Transmittal Letter # 5126, dated 14 September 1950.

2. It is requested that the name of Private First Class Virgil B. Carson, 37 357 817, be added to the above mentioned proceedings.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

s/ John A. Boutin
t/ JOHN A. BOUTIN
2nd Lt QMC
Operations Officer

A TRUE COPY:

Mary A. Edwards
MARY A. EDWARDS
1st Lt QMC

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Spector, Sidney M.
SN 42 057 879

30 November 1950

Mr. Marvin I. Hirsch
7013 McCallum Street
Philadelphia 19, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Hirsch:

Several years have elapsed since the cessation of hostilities of World War II, which cost the life of your cousin, the late Private Sidney M. Spector.

It is with deep regret that your Government finds it necessary to inform you that further search and investigation have failed to reveal the whereabouts of your cousin's remains. Since all efforts to recover and identify his remains have failed, it has been necessary to declare that his remains are not recoverable.

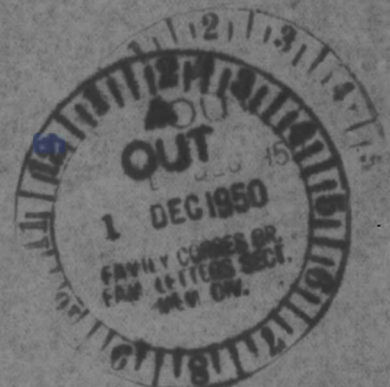
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Sincerely yours,

JAMES B. CLEARWATER
Colonel, OMC
Chief, Memorial Division

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7TH ARMORED DIVISION

<u>NAME-GRADE-ASN</u>	<u>ORGN UNIT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
1. BONDS, Howard T. PVT, 34 272 642	Co A, 17th Tank Bn	4 Oct 44	Vic of "KIJKUIT", Holland. Mission was to take enemy-held woods N & E of Overloon, Holland	N/R
2. DAVENPORT, William G. CPL, 35 456 698	Co A, 17th Tank Bn	4 Oct 44		N/R
3. TOMPKINS, Tom T. PFC, 38 356 901	Co A, 17th Tank Bn	4 Oct 44		N/R
4. GONSOWSKI, Aloysius PFC, 32 253 289	Co C, 48th Armd Inf Bn	5 Oct 44	Near Overloon, Holland	N/R
5. MATUS, Rudolph W. PVT, 38 433 558	Co C, 48th Armd Inf Bn	5 Oct 44	3 mi NW of Overloon, Holland	N/R
6. RENDA, George J. PFC, 33 161 965	Co C, 48th Armd Inf Bn	5 Oct 44	Vic of Overloon, Holland	N/R
7. WHITLEY, Robert H., Jr. T/5, 14 013 522	Co A, 33rd Armd Engr Bn	5 Oct 44	Overloon, Holland	SUBJECT CASE

82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION

8. MOTTERN, Robert L. PFC, 39 408 191	Co B, 307th Abn Engr Bn	21 Sep 44	Vic of Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
9. SPECTOR, Sidney M. PVT, 42 057 879	Co E, 325th Glider Inf	25 Sep 44	Vic of Mook, Holland	N/R
10. RAKOFF, Leo PVT, 42 039 333	Co F, 325th Glider Inf	27 Sep 44	Near Groesbeek, Holland	N/R

11.	SERSHA, John P. PVT, 37 580 467	Co F, 325th Glider Inf	27 Sep 44	Near Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
12.	MYERS, Joseph F. 1LT, 01 301 865	Co G, 325th Glider Inf	30 Sep 44	Vic of Mook, Holland.	N/R
13.	LUPERO, Carmine G. PVT, 32 295 254	Co G, 325th Glider Inf	1 Oct 44	Vic of Mook, Holland	Identified
14.	BREEDEN, Earl PVT, 34 882 376	Co B, 325th Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Vic of Mook, Holland	N/R
15.	UTRECHT, Willis A. 2LT, 0 449 622	Co B, 325th Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Mook, Holland	N/R
16.	BLACK, George K. CPL, 35 570 418	Co C, 325th Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Near Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
17.	HELMS, Gerald R. SSG, 36 306 478	Co E, 325th Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Near Katerbosch, Holland	N/R
18.	CARSON, Virgil B. PFC, 37 357 817	Co F, 325th Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Vic Katerbosch, Holland	N/R
19.	HARMON, Donald T. TSG, 35 136 475	Co E, 325th Glider Inf	3 Oct 44	Vic Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
20.	TUCHOLSKI, Walter R., Jr. 2LT, 01 325 951	Co E, 325th Glider Inf	14 Oct 44	Vic Beek, Holland	N/R
21.	SMITH, Roland G. L. CPL, 32 906 237	Co A, 325th Glider Inf	25 Oct 44	Groesbeek, Holland	Identified
22.	SHINHOLSTER, Johnnie W. PFC, 34 576 210	Co E, 325th Glider Inf	1 Nov 44	Near Vossendaal, Holland	N/R
23.	DEW, Robert G. SGT, 17 067 016	Co I, 504th Para Inf	27 Sep 44	Near Groesbeek, Holland	N/R

24.	ROSENKRANTZ, David SSG, 39 018 039	Co H, 504th Para Inf	28 Sep 44	Vic of Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
25.	KIGHT, Gerald W. PFC, 39 179 582	Hq Co, 504th Para Inf	28 Sep 44	Near Vossendaal, Holland	N/R
26.	SANDOVAL, William L. PVT, 36 448 880	Co F, 504th Para Inf	6 Oct 44	About 6 mi SE of Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
27.	CRESWICK, Stanley PFC, 32 928 720	Co C, 505th Para Inf	18 Sep 44	Vic Riethorst (near Groesbeek), Holland	N/R
28.	JOHNSON, Nathan, Jr. PVT, 35 654 663	Co B, 505th Para Inf	20 Sep 44	Mook, Holland	N/R
29.	DIONNE, Raymond J. PVT, 11 083 600	Co C, 505th Para Inf	21 Sep 44	Riethorst, Holland	N/R
30.	DUFF, Raymond A. PVT, 13 175 055	Hq Co, 505th Para Inf	23 Sep 44	Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
31.	BULHACK, Mitchel T/5, 32 216 851	Hq Co, 505th Para Inf	23 Sep 44	Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
32.	BOHRER, Jack D. PVT, 36 890 449	Co F, 505th Para Inf	2 Oct 44	Near Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
33.	HOLMES, William P. PFC, 13 157 372	Co E, 505th Para Inf	23 Oct 44	Near Leuth, Germany (Few miles within border from Venlo, Holland)	N/R
34.	BENEDICT, Francis L. SSG, 20 930 297	Hq Co, 508th Para Inf	17 Sep 44	Near Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
35.	APPLEBY, Gene J. PVT, 35 295 352	Co A, 508th Para Inf	17 Sep 44	Near Nijmegen, Holland	N/R

36.	SEGER, Eugene W. PVT, 33 668 188	Co B, 508th Para Inf	19 Sep 44	Vic of Nijmegen, Holland	N/R
37.	ELLERBUSCH, Herbert W. PVT, 37 552 307	Co C, 508th Para Inf	20 Sep 44	Near Wyler, Holland CC 778580	N/R
<u>101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION</u>					
38.	AIELLO, Michael SSG, 16 055 052	Co G, 401st Glider Inf	30 Sep 44	Vic of Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
39.	KENNER, Harold D. PFC, 33 465 581	Co G, 401st Glider Inf	30 Sep 44	Vic of Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
40.	WEBER, Norman L. 2LT, 01 314 983	Co G, 401st Glider Inf	30 Sep 44	Vic of Groesbeek, Holland	N/R
41.	KALDENBERG, Robert L. PFC, 37 664 207	Co E, 401st Glider Inf	1 Oct 44	Vic of Breedeweg, Holland	Identified
42.	GODDARD, William H. PVT, 36 695 782	Co G, 401st Glider Inf	2 Oct 44	Near Middelaar, Holland	Identified
43.	BARKER, Delford W. PVT, 38 556 426	Co E, 401st Glider Inf	3 Oct 44	Near Middelaar, Holland	N/R
44.	GAZIA, Tony S. PFC, 35 742 729	Hq Co, 501st Para Inf	6 Oct 44	Along Maas River, Holland	N/R
<u>104TH INFANTRY DIVISION</u>					
45.	ALANIZ, Guadalupe A. PFC, 38 359 653	Co A, 329th Med Bn	3 Nov 44	Near Etten, Holland	N/R
<u>316TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP</u>					
46.	DOVER, Roland V., Jr. 1LT, 0 481 608 (AF)	36th TC Sq	18 Sep 44	Near Cennep, Holland Approx 18 mi SE of Nijmegen	N/R

7TH ARMORED DIVISION

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>GRID REF</u>	<u>GEOGRAPHICAL COORD</u>
OPLOO	E-73	51°36'N 5°52'E
ST ANTHONIS	E-73	51°38'N 5°52'E
VIERLINGSBEEK	E-83	51°36'N 6°01'E
OVERLOON	E-73	51°34'N 5°57'E

82ND/101ST ABN DIV/316 TC GP (Supporting element)

GENNEP	E-74	51°42'N 5°58'E
MIDDELAAR	E-74	51°43'N 5°56'E
MOOK	E-75	51°44'N 5°53'E
RIETHORST	E-75	51°44'N 5°56'E
GROESBEEK	E-75	51°46'N 5°56'E
BREDEWEG	E-75	51°45'N 5°57'E
KATERBOSCH	E-75	Loc on Mook Plains near Groesbeek
VOSSENDAAL	E-75	Loc near Groesbeek
WYLER	E-75	
NIJMEGEN	E-76	51°50'N 5°52'E
BEEK	E-76	51°50'N 5°56'E

104TH INFANTRY DIVISION

ETTEN	D-83	51°34'N 4°38'E
LEUR	D-83	51°35'N 4°40'E
RIJSBERGEN	D-82	51°30'N 4°42'E

QMGMF 293
Spector, Sidney M.
SN 42 057 879

30 November 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spector
759 Coster Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Spector:

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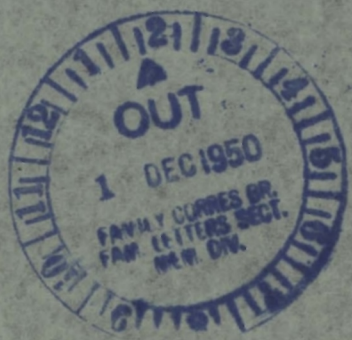
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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)

Spector, Sidney M.

GRADE

Pvt

SERIAL NUMBER

42 057 879

PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS.	ADDRESS (Street, City, State)		
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spector	759 Coster Street New York, New York		
RELATIONSHIP	parents		

PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS
	<p>110-A</p> <p>*****</p> <p>XXXX 110-B</p> <p>*****</p> <p>110-C</p> <p>*****</p> <p><u>2nd action</u></p> <p>Send same ltr to cousin: Mr. Marvin I. Hirsch 7013 McCallum Street Philadelphia 19, Pennsylvania</p>

ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE <i>DA</i> 29 Nov 50	TYPIST INITIALS	REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE
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NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH European, near Mook, Holland		CASE NUMBER 14436
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Spector, Sidney M.	RANK Pvt	SERIAL NUMBER 42 057 879
IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)		
<input type="checkbox"/> THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOWEVER, AFTER REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT EVIDENCE DOES NOT EXIST TO CONTRADICT A FINDING OF NON-RECOVERABILITY:		
		INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT		E.M.
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT		E.M.
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES		
REMARKS		
RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED
NAME OF CASE ANALYST E. Miller	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION Robert S. Long Josephine M. S.
		DATE 2 Nov 50

NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL		CASE NUMBER 14436 (1)
		AREA OR ZONE(S) European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Spector, Sidney M.	RANK Pvt	SERIAL NUMBER 42 057 879
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THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Individual Case

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	WBK	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	WBK
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	WBK	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWNNS RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWNNS	WBK	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWNNS NOW IDENTIFIED	WBK
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	None		WBK

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

Killed in action 25 September 1944 near Mook, Holland.

NAME OF CASE ANALYST A. Kennedy A. Kennedy/cwt	CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO <u>Repatriation Branch, Correspondence Sec.</u> FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.
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RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION W. A. Wolf W. A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION Robert G. Lay ROBERT G. LAY, Capt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH Thomas E. Cox THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC	DATE 5 Nov 50

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Proceeding of a Board of Officers appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar. 47) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

The Board convened pursuant to par 2, SO 108, headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 29 August 1950, at Liege, Belgium on . The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

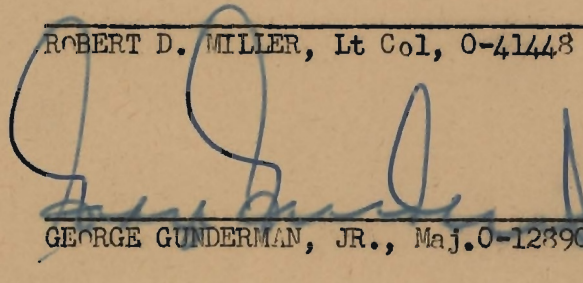
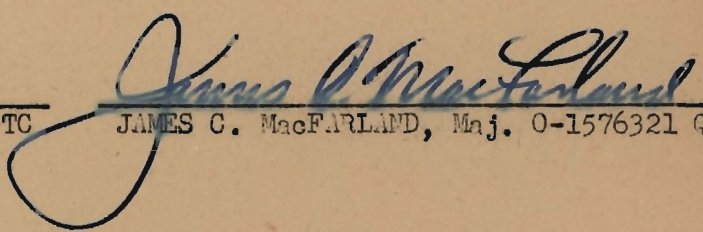
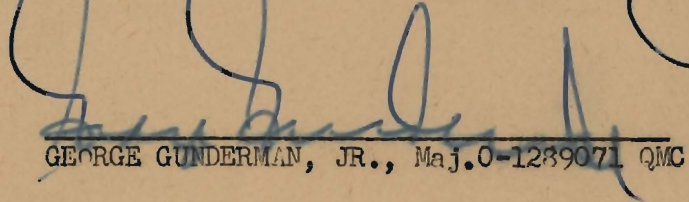
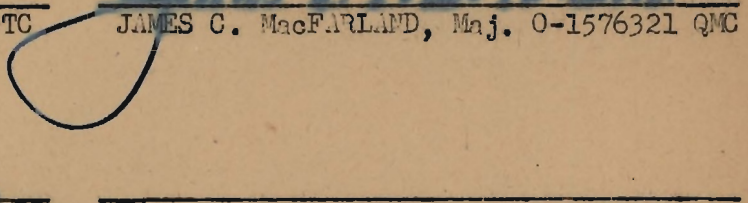
The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witness and other papers, contained in the files of 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, EA, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

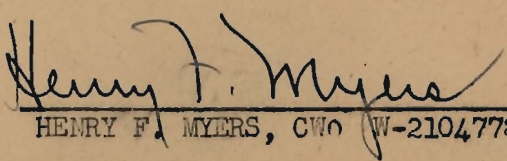
CASE No.	NAME	GRADE	ASN
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See attached roster.

FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final approval.

	ROBERT D. MILLER, Lt Col, O-41448 TC		JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Maj. O-1576321 QMC
	GEORGE GUNDERMAN, JR., Maj. O-1289071 QMC		CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, Capt. O-1040311 QMC


HENRY F. MYERS, CWO W-2104778 USA

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7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

SPECIAL ORDER)
:
NUMBER . 31)

28 March 1950

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3. PAC Ltr WD AGO-S 293.9, 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 820-110-5 DA, 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as following is apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased, Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy Cases:

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANY,	QMC.,	0 359 598,	President
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND,	QMC.,	0 1 576 321	
CAPT EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,	QMC.,	0 1 588 236	
1ST LT GAYLORD E. LUTZ,	QMC.,	0 1 595 665	
CWO LEODORE GOUDREAU,	USA.,	W 2 113 434	

BY ORDER OF COLONEL BALLARD:

s/t/WILLIAM J. WOOD
CAPT., FA,
ADJUTANT

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ WILLIAM J. WOOD
CAPT., FA
Adjutant

A TRUE COPY:

Robert G. Lay
ROBERT G. LAY
Capt QMC

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*Added to N/R Findings by o/s comd by ltr dtd 22 Jan 51.

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OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GROP 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable

TO: Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

1. It is recommended that the Board take action on the following cases:

NAMES: See Attached Roster

ORGANIZATION: See 371 Forms

DATE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

PLACE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

SYNOPSIS: The casualties listed on attached roster are reported by official records as Missing In Action or Killed In Action during airborne and armored operations in the Etten, Katerbosch, Mook, Groesbeck, Nijmegen, Kiekberg and Den Heuvel Woods, St. Anthonis, Vierlingsbeck, Overloon and associated areas in Holland, during the period 17 September 1944 to 3 November 1944.

Extensive area searches as well as individual investigations have to date failed to furnish information as to the ultimate disposition of their remains. Efforts to effect association with unidentified recoveries from the areas, now interred in United States Military Cemeteries, have also proven negative. The lack of specific information regarding the death or burial, limited search in the most instances to general localities, however, documents on file in this office and the Office of The Quartermaster General substantiates the fact that numerous investigations covering the entire area as outlined above, have been conducted in the course of search operations for all losses both recovered and unrecovered.

The terrain of the subject areas consists of woods, hills and plains, which have been thoroughly traversed since the cessation of hostilities by forest guards, policemen and people on hiking and camping tours, thus the possibility of undiscovered graves is remote.

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SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable

It can therefore only be concluded that the remains of the deceased in question were reduced by battle action to a state which precludes recovery or identification. The absence of specific information concerning their deaths, the failure of Field Investigations to provide evidence, and the lack of association with recovered unknowns would tend to substantiate these conclusions.

It is recommended that the remains of the individuals listed in these Board Proceedings, be considered Non-Recoverable under the provisions of paragraph 3b, Letter, Office of The Quartermaster General, file QMGMP 293, Subject: Processing Board Findings of Non-Recoverability Return of World War II Program, dated 25 March 1949.

Reference is made to: OQMG Forms 371; After Action Reports and Casualty Clearance Plan, concerning each decedent; Reports of Field Investigations previously forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General, pertaining to resolved casualties who were Killed In Action in the concerned areas of Holland: On file in the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

Reference is also made to: Report of Field Investigation, with statements, dated 30 August 1950: Attached.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records on file this headquarters.

3. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

C. W. Steinsiek
C. W. STEINSIEK
Capt, QMC *TCO*

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Holland Cases #'s 810, 1756, 2215, 4820,
5178, 5205, 5364, 8853, 8858, 8867,
9158, 9373, 9386, 9436, 9454, 9467,
10162, 10227, 10459, 10460, 10483,
10522, 10533, 10540, 11637, 11702,
5790, 10490, 5823, 9370, 8748, 9167,
5773, 5738, 9796, 8770, 9435, 1983

August 30, 1950

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY AND MATTERS INVESTIGATED:

As directed per Investigation Directive # 384, Headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, dated 28 July 1950, a field investigation was made for the possible recovery or information leading to, of the numerous casualties still unaccounted for in the Etten, Katerbosch, Mook, Groesbeek, Nijmegen, Kiekberg and Den Heuvel Woods, St Anthonis Vierlingsbeek, Overloon and associated areas in Holland.

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES:

All subject casualties were listed per OQMG Form 371 as missing or KIA during the period 17 September 1944 - 3 November 1944 after which time the American forces were relieved by British and Canadian troops. Casualties were from the Airborne and Armored Divisions, those of the Airborne were concentrated in the Nijmegen, Groesbeek vicinity while those of the Armored, in Overloon, St Anthonis area. Information available at OQMG and headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment consisted for the most part of OQMG Form 371, After Action Reports and Casualty Clearance Plan.

III. FINDINGS:

A community to community check of Overloon and Nijmegen localities was made. Burgermasters, forest guards, police men and the man in the street were interrogated for possible information leading to the recovery of American deceased. War time refuse dumps, remains of animals, and for the most part, nothing whatsoever was found in the numerous excavations and probings made, thus eliminating all doubtful places where a possibility of isolated graves existed. At the present time there are

Narrative of Investigation

30 August 1950

no military graves, isolated burials or otherwise of any nationality which have not been removed, nationality established and taken to appropriate military cemetery.

The Overloon and Nijmegen areas have been traversed and thoroughly searched for remains. Those found were immediately removed by the Grave Service respective of remains found. In the last five years tanks and other war material have been removed and disposed off. Woods, hills and plains have in these years been thoroughly covered by forest guards, policemen, people on hiking and camping tours and the inhabitants living there.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Remains previously not located would certainly at present date be unrecoverable due to natural decomposition of the deceased, wild animals, erosion of soil, growth of new trees and undergrowth. Repeated field investigations of these areas have failed to recover remains and only by sheer accidental findings could remains be uncovered in the future. The address of this organization has been posted in every convenient location for notification should such accidental findings come to light. The inhabitants of all areas where the American forces have fought were questioned by the town hall officials of the communities, police men, Dutch National Red Cross Tracing Bureau, Dutch Department of War, Dutch War Graves Committee in addition to conclusive field investigations for information concerning deceased American military. The remains previously recovered and removed were the results.

V. RECOMMENDATIONS:

Unknowns previously recovered from the Overloon, Nijmegen localities can not be associated with the unaccounted for casualties, ref; subject investigation directive. Field Investigation of the above named areas were negative. In view of the fact that five years has obliterated all field clues it is suggested that the unresolved decedents from these areas be declared unrecoverable.

Incls:
26 Statements

s/t/ Lloyd W. BLADOW, USDAO A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF UBBERGEN

Beek, 14 August 1950

S T A T E M E N T

The Burgermaster of the community of Ubbergen declares that the community consist of the following villages: Beek, Berg en Dal (part of it) Ubbergen, Ooij, Erlecom, Leuth and Kekerdon.

That the graves of the American, English and Canadian Military have been removed by the American, English and Canadian Grave Services.

That the bodies of Americans that were formerly buried near the Thorensse Molen were removed in May 1947 by the American Grave Service.

That the bodies of German military that were formerly buried in this community were removed by the Dutch Grave Service and taken to the cemetery "Ijsselstein" near Venray.

And further that during rebuilding and landscaping done in this community no other remains of military men were found.

The Burgermaster of Ubbergen,

Mr. P.M.H. SASSEN

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF GRAVE

S T A T E M E N T

The Burgermaster of the community of Grave declares that:

The community of Grave consist of the city of Grave and the villages of Velp and Escharen:

That in this community there were no American military killed.

That in the community of Grave are no graves of American soldiers on the cemeteries or in isolated graves.

At present in the Roman Catholic cemetery on William van Esterenweg 3 graves of English military are buried.

That all German deceased were removed to the Central German cemetery at Ijsselstein.

Grave 9 August 1950

for Burgermaster of Grave

/s/ Illegible

Assistant to the Secretary

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

WAR MUSEUM

"DE KLEFFEN"

NETHERLANDS NATIONAL WAR MUSEUM

Overloon, 8 August 1950

I the undersigned director of the War museum in Overloon declares the following: that he has been in this work since the end of the war and have spoken to thousands of people but have never heard of people mentioning isolated graves or remains found of soldiers that are still missing. Also the tanks before having been removed were given a thorough search without results.

Sincerely,

/s/ H. VAN GLABBEEK

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Middelaar, 14 August 1950

S T A T E M E N T

The undersigned Forest Guard of the area of St. Jansberg of the communities of Mook, Middelaar and Ottersum declares that about May 1950 a body was found in the woods that of German soldier who was removed by the Dutch Grave Service. No other remains have ever been found.

/s/ W. WILJNHOVEN

Zevendaal Bll40
Middelaar

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF BEERS

Beers, 9 August 1950

S T A T E M E N T

The Burgermaster of the community of Beers declares that there no longer in this community, graves of allied military men.

The English deceased were removed to an English Military Cemetery and the German Military to Ijsselstein.

The Burgermaster afore-mentioned

/s/ Illegible.

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF CUIJK AND ST. AGATHA

The Burgermaster of the community of Cuijk declares:

That in the community of Cuijk consisting of the villages of Cuijk, St. Agatha, Vianen and Katwijk, no American military men are buried or ever were buried. In the war days the American armies were never in this area and the one German soldier who was killed here was taken to Ijsselstein by Venray in the early part of 1950.

Cuijk, 9 August 1950

The Burgermaster afore-mentioned

/s/ Illegible

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF BOXMEER

The undersigned, Burgermaster of the community of Boxmeer declares the following:

That in this community there are no longer Allied military buried. They have been removed by the American, Canadian, and English Grave Services.

Six German military formerly buried in this community were removed to the Central German Cemetery at Ijsselstein.

All tanks from this community were removed by a firm from Nijmegen.

The community of Boxmeer consisting of the church villages of Boxmeer, Beugen and Sambeek was evacuated from 9 November 1944 to middle of March 1945.

Boxmeer, 9 August 1950

For the Burgermaster of Boxmeer

/s/ Illegible

Given to:
Hq 7887 Graves Registration Detachment
US Army, Avenue de la Croix Rouge
Liege, Belgium

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

S T A T E M E N T

The undersigned, G. THIMPEN, Forest Guard of Devil's Hill, living in Berg en Dal 102, declares that in his working area which he knows well no remains of American soldiers were found and there are no indications for possible discovery of remains.

Berg en Dal, 24 August 1950

/s/ G. THIMPEN

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Eladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Community of GRIETHAUSEN
Office of the Director

Kleve-Kellen, 9 August 1950

S T A T E M E N T

It is set forth herewith that inasmuch as is known, there are no remains of American soldiers to be found.

The community of Griethausen consist of the villages of Griethausen, Salmorth and the neighborhoods of Schenkenchanz, Warbeyen, Huisberden and Emmericher-Eyla.

/s/ Illegible

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Location: State Police
of 's Hertogenbosch
District Roermond
Group Gennep
Post Mook-Middelaar

Mook, 16 August 1950

Subject: Graves of USA Soldiers Killed In Action

The undersigned, VISSER Tjipke, Policeman 1st Class of the State Police, post commander of Mook declares the following:

Since 19 March 1945 he has been with the various military grave services. The American grave service have exhumed many graves and those found to be Americans were removed to their cemeteries.

He has also been with the English and Canadian grave services in exhuming their dead and removing them to their military cemeteries.

He was also with the Dutch grave service in removing German graves left over and the identification of same.

So much as is known there are no further graves of deceased military men in the community of Mook and Middelaar. Only by sheer accident could remains still be found. If remains are found he will report it to the American Grave Service.

This community has been cleared of all war debris and the necessary work in rebuilding the area has been done with no further findings of graves or remains of military men.

In August 1950 he was with an investigator of the American Grave Service when evacuations were made at a place called "Vierweg" in which evacuation was found remains of a horse. By the home of Miss Momma another digging was made in which a war time refuse dump was found. Further, the Pasmolen Hotel has been totally rebuildt and area re-landscaped without the finding of graves or remains of military men.

In the community of Mook and Middelaar are the following neighborhoods: Bisselt, Geuldert, Heikant, Jansberg, Katerbos, Korendal, Middelaar, Molenhook, Mokerheide, Papenberg, Plankray, Plasmolen, Rammetje, Riethorst, Startsedal, Zevendal, Broek Koningsbos and Eind. Inasmuch as so many military men are still

missing in this area it could be possible that remains are still to be found but then only by accident. He has gone from house to house of the inhabitants of this community to notify them that if ever they discover remains to notify him.

Policeman 1st Class of the State Police

Tj. Visser

/s/ Tj. VISSER

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Community OEFFELT

OEFFELT
Tel, Town Hall 7
House No. 5

DECLARATION

The undersigned, W. MAAS, assistant to the secretary of Oeffelt declares in the name of the Burgermater that there are no American soldiers buried here and that the Americans have never fought in this area.

The German soldiers who were buried here were exhumed and taken to the English Military Cemeteries.

W. MAAS

(Assistant to the Secretary)

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OTTERSUM

DECLARATION

Ottersum, 10 August 1950

The Burgermaster of the community of Ottersum declares that in the war days of 1944 American soldiers were in this community but as far as was known no American soldiers were killed in this community. There are English military men buried in this community, on the Roman Catholic Cemetery - six and in the village of Milsbeek a small English Military Cemetery. German soldiers who were buried in Ottersum have been disinterred and taken to Ijsselstein.

The English and German soldiers were known by their name and army number.

The community of Ottersum consist of three neighborhoods: Ottersum village, Ottersum-Milsbeek, and Ottersum-Ven.

For the Burgermaster afore-mentioned

A.H. BUS

/s/ A. H. Bus

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY HEUMEN

DECLARATION

The Burgermaster of the community of Heumen (consisting of the villages of Heumen and Malden-Molenhoek) declares that:

1. American graves have been removed to Margraten.
2. English graves have been removed to Nijmegen.
3. German graves have been removed to Ijsselstein by Venray.

and in this community no isolated burials are to be found.

Malden, 10 August 1950

For the Burgermaster of Heumen

C. VAN HOORN

/s/ C. Van Hoorn

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY GROESBEEK

Tel: 3

Groesbeek, 14 August 1950

I, the undersigned, Burgermaster of the community of Groesbeek declare that in this community outside of the Canadian and English Military Cemeteries, there are no longer graves of American, English, Canadian or German Military men.

This community consist of the neighborhoods: Vossendaal, Horst, Bredeweg, Kamp, Berg en Dal, H. Landstichting.

The Burgermaster of Groesbeek

Acting Burgermaster

H. EIKHOLT

/s/ H. Eikholt

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Coll:

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

SERVICE IDENTIFICATION AND BURYING

Ijsselstein, 8 August 1950

The undersigned, HENSING C. declares that in answer to the American Grave Service, so far as is known all German field graves in The Netherlands have been removed to the Central German Cemetery at Ijsselstein.

Further, on above named cemetery no allied soldiers whatsoever are buried.

Serg. Major

/s/ C. HENSING

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF GENNEP

The Burgermaster of Gennep declares herewith that the British and Germans who were killed here 1944-1945 were removed to the cemeteries of Groesbeek and Milsbeek.

Further, that on the 26 September 1944 one plane of the RAF crashed in this community. The pilot's name was Frank Bolten.

Gennep, 17 August 1950

The afore-mentioned Burgermaster

/s/ Dr. J. H. GILISSEN

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF ETTEN AND LEUR

Etten, 21 August 1950

The Burgermaster of Etten and Leur declares that inasmuch as is known no American soldiers are buried in this community.

By telephoning the Burgermaster of the community of Standdaarbuiten he stated there were no American soldiers buried in his community.

The Burgermaster of Etten and Leur

/s/ Illegible

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OVERASSELT

Subject: Graves of American Military:

Herewith I declare that

- a. On the 17 September 1944 the American paratroopers landed here.
- b. That deceased American soldiers were taken immediately away by the Americans.
- c. There were 3 graves (1 isolated burial and 2 in the churchyard) of English soldiers which were removed by English Grave Service to the English Military Cemetery in Nijmegen.
- d. Still buried here are 2 Germans known by name, army still number etc.
- e. The community of Overasselt consist of the following villages - Overasselt, Nederasselt and Balgoy and that no graves of American soldiers are to be found.

Overasselt, 10 August 1950

The community secretary

/s/ J. Peetersweem

J. PEETERSWEEM

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

FRASSELT, 17 August 1950

I herewith declare that according to my knowledge there are no more graves in the Reichswald around hill 62.3, 4 kms south of Groesbeek.

This area has been reforested and therefore the workers should have located possible graves.

There are still some mines in this area of the Reichswald.

/s/ BUCHHOLZ

Forest Guard

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY MILLINGEN

The Burgermaster of the community of Millingen declares that in this community there are no longer military graves.

The community of Millingen consist of the village of Millingen and the neighborhoods of Zeeland and Klaverland.

Millingen, 14 August 1950

The Burgermaster afore-mentioned

/s/ W. S. Hermsen

W. S. HERMSEN

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Community
Mook and Middelaar
(Tel: Heumen 47)

Mook, 11 August 1950

D E C L A R A T I O N

The Burgermaster of the Community of Mook and Middelaar declares that to the best of his knowledge there are no longer isolated burials in the above mentioned community.

All Americans and English graves have been removed to American and English cemeteries.

The German isolated graves were removed to the German cemetery at Ijsselstein.

The community of Mook and Middelaar include the following villages and neighborhoods: Biesselt, 't Eind, Heikant, Katerbosch, Korendal, Molenhoek, Mortel, Papenberg, Plakraaij, Plasmolen, Rammetje, Riethorst, Zevendal, de Heuvel (all neighborhoods) and the villages of Mook and Middelaar.

For the Burgermaster of Mook and Middelaar

J. WILMS

/s/ J. Wilms

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF HAPS

The Burgermaster of the community of HAPS declares herewith:

1. No American soldiers were buried in this community.
2. The English soldiers who were killed here were removed to the English Military Cemetery at Overloon (North Brabant)
3. That the Germans who were formerly buried here were taken away by the Germans.

Haps, 9 August 1950

The Burgermaster afore-mentioned

/s/ Illegible

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

VERGENA SOUTH, 17 August 1950

As far as I know there are no more soldier graves in the forest of Vergena - South.

Several graves which were known are opened and the bodies transferred.

Hill 62.3 is situated close to the forest and is already reforested, the hill is very well explored by me and my workers.

/s/ DALL

Section Forest Guard

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

Nijmegen, 23 August 1950

The undersigned Chief of General Information to the Secretary of the community of Nijmegen declares that inasmuch as is known no graves of American military are still buried in this community.

Among military men still buried in this community none are known to be of American nationality.

/s/ Illegible

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF OPLOO

St Anthonis, 8 August 1950

STATEMENT OVER MILITARY GRAVES

The Burgermaster of the community of Oploo declares: That all remains of German soldiers that were formerly buried in the community were disinterred and taken to the German Military Cemetery at Ijsselstein by Venray.

That American soldiers who were formerly buried here were removed to the American Military Cemetery.

That all graves of deceased British military buried in the cemetery in this community are identified.

That there are no graves of Unknowns and that had isolated graves or remains been found such information would be given to the police and this town hall.

That the community of Oploo consist of the village of Oploo, St Anthonis, Ledtacher, Stevensbeek and Westerbeek.

For the Burgermaster of Oploo.

/s/ W. VAN DEN BERG

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

COMMUNITY OF VIERLINGSBEEK

Vierlingsbeek, 8 August 1950

S T A T E M E N T

The undersigned, Burgermaster of the community Vierlingsbeek declares that in the community are 280 English Military buried in the British Military Cemetery at Overloon. That the remains of German Military have been disinterred and taken to General Military Cemetery at Ijsselstein, community of Venray, by the Dutch Grave Service of the Department of War.

That all above remains named above were identified as to their nationality.

That in this community no American military are buried.

Tanks that remained in this community were removed by a firm from Nijmegen in the summer of 1947. In these tanks no remains were found.

This community consist of the villages of Vierlingsbeek, Maashees, Hothees, Overloon, Groeningen and Vortum Mullem.

The complete community of Vierlingsbeek was evacuated from the 26 September 1944 to 15 March 1945.

The chance of still finding of deceased military is only by accident.

The inhabitants of this community were instructed if ever a remains is found to notify the town hall.

If ever remains of Americans are found we will notify the American Grave Service whose address we have.

The Burgermaster afore-mentioned

/s/ A. JANS

Certified True Translation

Lloyd W. Bladow, USDAC A-441378
Investigator

AIR MAIL

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GRS European

SUBJECT: Request for Information

Dept of the Army, GMSG, Washington 25, D. C., 28 June 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 767,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Submitted herewith are photo copies of the following:

1. Three (3) Forms 79, Status Review and Determination Report number 4280 and After Action Report of the 325th Glider Infantry Regiment for E/Sgt Donald F. Harmon, 35186475.
2. Seven (7) Forms 79 and Citation for Distinguished Service Cross for 1st Lt. Joseph F. Myers, O-1301865.
3. Report of Death for Pvt. John F. Sercha, 37580467.
4. Memorandum for Record for Pfc Johnnie W. Shinolster, 34670210.
5. Status Review and Determination Report numbers 4017 and 4017A, Report of Death, After Action Report of the 325th Glider Infantry Regiment and Statements from James W. Henry, Gayland P. Osenbaugh and Richard J. Dieterman for Private Sidney H. Spector, 42057879.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. Forms 79 (Harmon)
2. GRAD #4280 (Harmon)
3. After Action Rpt (Harmon)
4. Forms 79 (Myers)
5. Citation for Dis. Service Cross (Myers)
6. Rpt of Death (Sercha)
7. Memo for Record (Shinolster)
8. GRAD #4017 and 4017A (Spector)
9. Rpt of Death (Spector)
10. After Action Rpt (Spector)
11. Statement from Henry (Spector)
12. Statement from Osenbaugh (Spector)
13. Statement from Dieterman (Spector)

ROBERT G. LAY
Capt., QMG
Memorial Division

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GWS 293
GWS European *Ident*

13 June 1960

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO: Commanding Officer
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
APO 787, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your letter dated 15 April 1960, file GWS 293.9, subject as above.
2. Requested information for the following individuals will be forwarded your headquarters approximately 3 July 1960:

Herman, Donald F.	T/Sgt.	35136475
Hyers, Joseph F.	1/Lt.	O-1301865
Spector, Sidney H.	Pvt.	49057879

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

THOMAS E. COX
Capt., QM
Memorial Division

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NAME: Spector, Sidney M. ASN: 42,057,879 RANK: Plt
M

PHYSICAL AT TIME OF INDUCTION: DATE 2 Dec. 1943

RACE: White Fractures and/or breaks; none

RELIGION: Hebrew

BORN: 30 July 1915 Tattoos and/or birthmarks

PLACE: New York, N.Y. Res planus 1st Degree N.D.N.

WEIGHT: 150 lbs

HEIGHT: 5 ft 10 inches

EYES: hazel

HAIR: brown

COMPLEXION: ruddy Scars 79's none

SHOE SIZE: 9C

DENTAL as of 2 Dec. 1943

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Upper

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Lower

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Org: Company E, 325th Glider Infantry Regt

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25 September 1944, in the vicinity of Mook, Holland.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE

3 June 1946 lg

FULL NAME Spector, Sidney M.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 42 057 879	GRADE Pvt.
HOME ADDRESS New York City, New York.		ARM OR SERVICE Inf.	DATE OF BIRTH 30 July 1915
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Wounds received in action		DATE OF DEATH 25 Sept. 1944
STATION OF DECEASED European Area.		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 23 Dec. 1943.	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)

Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod, sister, 759 Coster Street, New York, New York.

BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)

Mrs. Blanche Spector, mother, same as above.**Mr. Samuel Spector, father, same as above.**

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ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

 BATTLE NON-BATTLE

Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge, entitled to additional pay for glider flights.

Finding of death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 1 November 1945. This "Report of Death", based on information received since that date is issued in accordance with Section 9, of said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

U. M. Ambrose

ADJUTANT GENERAL

WAR DEPARTMENT
 THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AG 201	NAME NEE Spector, Sidney M. 42 057 879	GRADE Pvt	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.	Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod 759 Cester Street New York 59, New York		Letter sent 20 May 1945 DATE TELEGRAM SENT // 1946 MAY 21

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW DESIGNATED THE ABOVE PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

RELATIONSHIP
BROTHER

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	FOR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
PVT.	SPECTOR, SIDNEY M.	42057879	INF			140007-U-1X
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY	DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
DIED OF WOUNDS		IN HOLLAND	DAY 25	MONTH SEP	YEAR 44	

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17 May 1946

Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod
759 Coster Street
New York 59, New York

Dear Mrs. Axelrod:

Further reference is made to your letter of 24 January 1946, and to my reply of 25 February. I have also received your letter of 8 May, requesting information as to the progress being made in the investigation being conducted into the status of your brother, the late Private Sidney M. Spector.

I wish to advise you that the investigation referred to in my previous letter was instituted on 25 February and has been actively conducted since that date. During this interval, statements have been secured from several former officers and enlisted men of Private Spector's organization, although in some cases delay was encountered due to the movement of the individuals concerned since their discharge from the Army.

The information received in this office indicates that your brother went into position with his platoon on the evening of September 24, 1944, in the vicinity of Mook, Holland. The following morning, 25 September, his Company received a very heavy enemy attack which partially over-ran their positions. On the afternoon of the 25th, Private Spector received a severe head wound when he was struck by shrapnel during an artillery barrage. First aid was immediately rendered. At this time the German forces attacked our positions and it was necessary for his Company to withdraw to secondary positions. As your brother was unconscious at this time, it was impossible to remove him in the withdrawal and his comrades were forced to leave him in a fox hole. Due to the nature of his wound, company members were of the opinion that he died while occupying the fox hole. PFC Rene B. Forcier states that Private Spector was dead when the doctor arrived at the foxhole to which he had been removed.

The evidence secured during this investigation is considered to establish conclusively the fact that your brother died of wounds received in action, on 25 September 1944, the date on which he was previously reported seriously wounded and then missing in action.

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 490, official reports will

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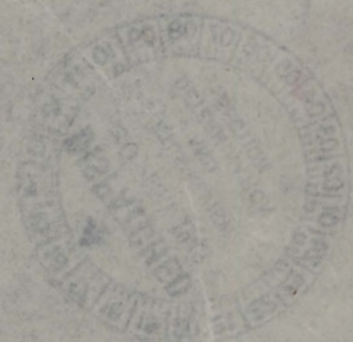
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now be issued by the War Department which will indicate that Private Sidney M. Spector's actual date of death was 25 September 1944. The issuance of this official report of death will not affect any payment or settlement of accounts which has been made on the basis of the Finding of Death.

May I again express to you my heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss which you have sustained.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General of the Army



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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AG 201	NAME XXX Spector, Sidney M. 42 057 879	GRADE Pvt	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.	Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod 759 Center Street New York 59, New York		Letter sent 20 May 1945 DATE TELEGRAM SENT // // // // // // // // // // // //

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW DESIGNATED THE ABOVE PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR

BROTHER

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	F OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER	
PVT.	SPECTOR, SIDNEY M.	42057879	INF			140007 -U-1X	
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
DIED OF WOUNDS		IN HOLLAND		25	SEP	44	

OFFICIAL:

ADJUTANT GENERAL

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME <i>Spector</i> SPERTOR, SIDNEY M.			SERIAL NUMBER 42057879	GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE KTO
PLACE OF CASUALTY -- ETO		DATE OF CASUALTY DAY MONTH YEAR 25 Sept 44		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY MTH	SHIPMENT NUMBER 047152-2-CC-2

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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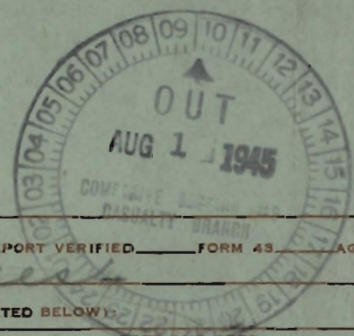
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Case No. 5653

May 20, 1946

Major Lloyd E. Hirschhorn
Adjutant General's Office
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 29, Concerning the fate of Private Sidney M. Spector 42057879 I will state these facts:

On Sept 25, 1944 in Holland we (Co. E. 325th Gl. Inf.) were holding a hill when a severe German counter attack was thrust upon us. Private Spector was on the left flank of the position firing down a trail at the enemy. He was hit by a rifle bullet in the head or the shoulder. I saw him go down in the trail face forward and lay still. Since the battle was raging fiercely we could not get aid to him immediately although a medic did try to crawl to him but failed. As the battle proceeded on we were forced to withdraw from our positions and failed to recover several bodies one of which I believe was Pvt Spector's. We never regained our former positions and five days later we were relieved by Co A 325th Gl. Inf.

Now whether Pvt. Spector was dead, wounded and captured or later found by A Co. I cannot state.

Other persons who may have information concerning this case are Lt. Riddel and T/Sgt Crawley of A Co.

I have stated these facts to the best of my knowledge and hope that I have helped to clear up the case considerably.

I remain

Sincerely yours,

s/ RICHARD J. BIETTERMAN
1st Lieutenant.

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May 4, 1946

SUBJECT: Request for Casualty Information No 5653

TO: Major Lloyd E. Hirschhorn

1. The last date that I have positive knowledge of Private Spector's whereabouts was on September 17, 1944 prior to leaving for Holland, at which time the company was assembled for a thorough check of all personnel to see that they were all present. At that time everyone was present in the company.

2. From that time on I cannot possibly say what may have happened to Pvt Spector.

3. At a much later date I remember that Captain Frederick R. Jones received correspondence trying to straighten this matter out. Company records showed that Pvt Spector had been removed to the battalion aid station and from there to a field hospital.

4. If you have not already contacted Capt Frederick R. Jones, whose address is 3611 Military Road, Washington, D. C., he may have some additional information.

s/David A. Wearley
1st Lt., Inf.
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AG 201 (1 Nov 45)
S. R. & D. No. 4017 & 4017-A

1 November 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status
Under the Missing Persons Act

I. - FACTS

1. The following named enlisted man of Co. "H", 325th Glider Infantry, has been carried on War Department records as missing in action, in glider pay status, in Holland, since 25 September 1944, as reported by MTO shipment No. 051:

<u>Name</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Spector, Sidney M.	42,057,879	Private

2. Private Spector was initially reported as a casualty as of 25 September 1944 in the status of seriously wounded in action by MTO shipment No. 212, and his status was subsequently changed to missing in action by the shipment mentioned in paragraph 1, above.

3. Examination of Private Spector's Casualty Branch file reveals a Casualty Branch Wounded Sub-section Information Sheet which shows that a message of inquiry was dispatched to the European Theater on or about 2 November 1944 requesting a report as to his physical progress, no such report having been received following the initial wounded report. The file also contains a number of cross references to messages received in reply to this inquiry and subsequent tracers, all of which are to the effect that an investigation was being made and that the findings would be forwarded upon completion.

4. Confidential message No. E 98945, dated 15 February 1945, from Paris to War Department, Casualty Branch message No. 047152, states that a complete canvass of both the European and Mediterranean theaters and an investigation by the subject soldier's organization failed to reveal any record of evacuation or hospitalization following the initial wounded report and that his status had been changed to missing in action as of 25 September 1944. The message also indicates that the change of status would be reported on a subsequent shipment of casualty cards.

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5. Upon the expiration of twelve months following the date when Private Spector was reported missing in action, the Status Review and Determination Section of the Casualty Branch was not notified that his case was subject to review under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act. Such notification was not received until on or about 23 October 1945.

6. An examination of the files of the subject soldier in Casualty Branch and Enlisted Branch, AGO, and the index in the Prisoner of War Information Bureau, PM GO, fails to reveal any further information relevant to this review.

II. - CONCLUSIONS

1. Private Sidney M. Spector, the soldier whose status is herein under consideration, was initially reported as a casualty as of 25 September 1944, in the status of seriously wounded in action in Holland. Following an investigation by his organization and a complete canvas of both the European and Mediterranean Theaters, which failed to reveal any record of evacuation or hospitalization, his status was changed to missing in action as of the same date.

2. Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act provides that the case of each person in the United States armed forces who has been reported in a missing or missing in action status shall be reviewed and a determination made upon the expiration of twelve months of continuous absence in such status that the missing status shall be continued or that a presumptive finding of death shall be issued, as the facts appear to justify. However, no determination of status was rendered upon the termination of the specified period in the subject soldier's case, since the Status Review and Determination Section of the Casualty Branch, with which the principal responsibility of making such determination rests, received no notification that his case was subject to review under the cited law until on or about 23 October 1945. Therefore, in order to adhere insofar as possible with the provisions of the cited law, it appears that a Missing Status Direction should be issued showing that Private Spector's missing status was continued as of 26 September 1945 and that all pertinent records and reports should be amended accordingly.

3. The aforementioned Section 5 further provides that a subsequent review of status will be made whenever warranted by information received or other circumstances; that when a finding of death is made it shall include the date upon which death shall be presumed to have occurred; and that, in cases in which the missing status shall have been continued, such date shall be a day to be determined by the head of the department.

4. In view of the latter cited provisions of the law, it appears that further action to be effective at some date subsequent to the proposed issuance of the Missing Status Direction as of 26 September 1945, is warranted.

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In this connection consideration must be given the fact that a period of more than thirteen months has elapsed since the inception of Private Spector's missing status. During this period no report has been received from any source which would indicate that he has been seen or heard from by anyone. This period of non-receipt of any evidence of survival is particularly emphasized as a basis for a presumption as to the subject soldier's probable fate since the war in Europe was terminated almost six months ago. Any possibility that Private Spector is alive appears to be further reduced by the initial report received in his case that he had been seriously wounded in action.

5. In view of the foregoing facts and circumstances, it is concluded that the person whose status is herein considered may not "reasonably be presumed to be living" within the meaning of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act.

III. - RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is recommended that Private Sidney M. Spector, 42,057,879, be continued in the status of missing in action as of 26 September 1945, under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act.

2. It is further recommended that a finding of death be made under the provisions of the aforementioned Section 5 in Private Spector's case, and that this finding show the presumed date of death to be 1 November 1945, the date of this review.

Investigator

Captain, AGD

CONCURRED IN:

APPROVED:

s/JOHN T. BURNS
Lieutenant Colonel, AGD
Officer in Charge
Status Review and
Determination Section

s/GEORGE F. HERBERT
Colonel, AGD
Chief, Casualty Branch

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17 May 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Casualty Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Report of Death

1. Private Sidney M. Spector, 42057879, Infantry, was reported seriously wounded in action as of 25 September 1944, in Holland, by ETO Shipment No. 212. His status was changed to missing in action as of 25 September 1944, in Holland, by ETO Shipment No. 051. Under the provisions of Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, a Finding of Death was made in the case of Private Spector, showing the presumed date of death as 1 November 1945.

2. Upon receipt of information in this office from the emergency addressee of subject soldier, to the effect that certain of his company members had knowledge of the fact that he was killed in action on or about 26 September 1944, an investigation was conducted and letters of interrogation were sent to several former officers and enlisted men of Private Spector's regiment. Pertinent extracts of their replies are as follows:

1st Lt Vincent W. Gigliotti, 01997780:

"On the evening of September 24, 1944, Company E, 325th Glider Infantry relieved the 505th Parachute Regiment from a position in the vicinity of Mook, Holland. Pvt. Spector went into position with his platoon, this being the last time I saw him.

"The following morning, September 25, 1944, at about 0700, Company E received a very heavy enemy attack which partially over-ran our positions, consisting of the 2nd Platoon and part of Company Headquarters sent out as reinforcements. After the attack was halted and the Company reorganized, I made a check of the dead and wounded. It was reported to me by the 2nd Platoon Sgt., Richard Bieterman, that Pvt. Sidney Spector had been seriously wounded and was being evacuated to the Bn. Aid Station by the Company medics. I did not see Pvt. Spector at all in the course of the whole event. Upon the return of the Company medics, I was informed by them that he had died on the way back to the aid station. I had already sent back my Morning Report stating that Pvt. Spector was seriously wounded. After being informed of his death, I called the Sgt. Major at the Bn. Command Post and told him of the happenings.

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"I was informed that I could not list him "Died of Wounds", because I had not actually seen him and I had no Medical Certificate of Death from the Bn. Surgeon. On my Morning Report of September 26, 1944, I listed as instructed; 'Pvt Spector, missing in action'.
* * * * *

Capt. Frederick R. Jones, 0452273:

"I last saw Private Spector on the night of September 26, near Mook, Holland. He was at that time seriously wounded and was carried towards the center of the company position.... Later I was told that Private Spector had died that same night, but I cannot state that I saw his body. * * * * *

Sgt James J. Leahy, 33082299:

"..... About four o'clock on the afternoon of Sept. 25 the Germans laid down an artillery and mortar barrage on our position. During this barrage a piece of shrapnel struck Pvt. Spector on the right temple..... I rendered what first aid I could to Pvt. Spector, but before I succeeded in stopping the flow of blood he had lost a great deal, as he had a fairly large hole in his head. Also he was unconscious and his breathing was growing more and more faint.....As Pvt. Spector was unconscious it was impossible to take him with us, so we were forced to leave him in the fox-hole. We remained in our secondary position for six more days in which time I know Pvt. Spector did not get back to our own lines.....Due to the nature of his wound we were all of the opinion that he died while occupying the fox-hole".

Cpl. James W. Henry, 16123752:

"..... I last saw Pvt. Spector on September 25, 1944, near Mook, Holland. I was a sergeant in his platoon and when I saw him he appeared dead. I didn't attempt to find the nature of his wounds and didn't notice where on his body he was wounded. The other members of the platoon told me that Pvt. Spector had been killed. * * * * *

PFC Rene B. Forcier, 31233942:

"* * * * * We was in Holland near Nimegen on Sept. 25 that when I last saw him He was hit by a shell so I

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went to him but he was not dead we took him in a dugout
and when the doctor came it was to late he was dead.*****

3. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions
of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted
as an official report of death and that a casualty report be initiated
stating that Private Sidney M. Spector, 42057879, Infantry, died on 25
September 1944, of wounds received in action, near Mook, Holland. The
casualty report and official report of death will include the following
statement:

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5
Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing the presumed
date of death as 1 November 1945. This "Report of Death"
based on information received since that date, is issued in
accordance with Section 9 of said act, and its effect on prior
payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

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for notification.

L.E.H.
LLOYD E. HIRSCHHORN
Major, AGD
Officer in Charge
Status Review and
Determination Section

APPROVED: Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

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GEORGE F. HERBERT
Colonel, AGD
Chief, Casualty Branch, AGO

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Co "E", 325th Glider Inf Regt.

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325TH GLIDER INFANTRY REGIMENT

For a day or two it appeared that the 325th Glider Inf might have missed most of the action, because of its belated appearance in the battle area. Operations were largely confined to aggressive patrolling and improvement of positions. On September 25, 1944 the 1st Battalion, defending Mook, improved its positions and shortened its front when C Company pushed forward nearly 1000 yards to give the battalion a front running due west from the 2nd Bn's tenuous position in the "finger of woods" west of Kiekberg to the Maas canal.

This operation not only shortened the regimental front but it also released two companies of the first battalion for battalion and regimental reserve and it was accomplished with only four casualties. At the same time the third battalion was able to straighten its line on the left flank to give us a solid front with the 504.

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2 May 1946

War Department
Adjutant General's Office
Washington 25, D. C.

Reference To: AGPC-S 201 Spector, Sidney M.
(27 Apr. 46) 42057879

Sirs:

I have received your letter in reference to the person mentioned above. I shall attempt to give the information as you outlined your request.

- a. I last saw Pvt Spector on September 25, 1944, Near Mook, Holland. I was a sergeant in his platoon and when I saw him he appeared dead. I didn't attempt to find the nature of his wounds and didn't notice where on his body he was wounded. The other members of the platoon told me that Pvt Spector had been killed.
- b. I have no information as to the disposition of his body and I didn't witness any proper statement of his death. By that I mean, a statement from a medical officer or other commissioned officer. However, there is a divisional burial ground near Nijmegen, Holland where many of the men who were killed in our company are buried. This is a divisional cemetery for the 82nd Airborne Division of which we were a part of.
- c. I identified him by personal acquaintance. I had known Pvt Spector in training.
- d. The only other person whom I can specifically name who may have some information is former T/Sgt Donald Calvin a member of the same company. His home is in Detroit, Michigan. He was discharged several months ago.

I sincerely hope this information will aid in your investigation and prove of some value to you. If you find any need for further information which I may be able to give you, please notify me and I shall do my utmost.

Respectfully,

s/James W. Henry, 16123752
Bascon, Wisconsin.

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Major Lloyd E. Hirschhorn
Officer in Charge
Status Review & Determination Section
Casualty Branch, A.G.O
Room 402, Munition Bldg
Washington 25, D. C.

Sir: Dear Sir,

Recently I received a letter from your office wanting to know if I knew anything concerning the status of Pvt Sidney M. Spector, 42057879 of Company "E", 325th Glider Infantry who was reported Missing In Action in Holland on 25 September 1944.

At that time I was serving in the capacity of Company Clerk for Company "E", 325th Glider Inf and my job was to take care of the Service Records of all men in our company as well as the casualties names which was sent to me from the front lines. The base echelon, of which I was a part, was in England and the information which I received was that Pvt Spector was seriously Wounded in Action.

I placed his name upon the Morning Report as Seriously Wounded in Action and at a later date I was asked to answer a letter concerning the Status of Pvt Spector. Now all the information which I had was that which came from the advanced headquarters of the front lines, and stated that Pvt Spector was Seriously Wounded in Action and I reported that he was in the Hospital in England. My authority for this last statement was pure logic, thinking that if a person had been Seriously Wounded he would most surely be hospitalized and also that I took the information which I had received from the advance headquarters as to be correct in all respects. That was the only possible way I would have known about it.

I was not very well acquainted with Pvt Spector except by name but knew him well enough to know he was in our Company.

I am sure that the Status of Pvt Spector was changed, at a later date, from Seriously Wounded to Missing in Action. From all indications it would seem that he was Missing from the very start and that his status was incorrectly reported from the start.

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There is one last thing I would like to say. As fast as things happen in Action on the front lines it could, and in this case did, be very easy to give an incorrect status of a person who was a casualty and I don't believe any of this information would be given if the one doing the giving thought it was not correct.

I hope this will be helpful information and will spread some light on the subject. I want you to feel free to write again if there is anything else you would like to know or more detail of what I have already said.

Very truly yours,

s/Gayland F. Osenbaugh.

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CASE No. 5653

C O P Y

20 May 1946

Major Lloyd E. Hirschhorn
Adjutant General's Office
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 29, concerning the fate of Private Sidney M. Spector 42057879 I will state these facts:

On Sept. 25, 1944 in Holland we (Co. E. 325th Gl. Inf.) were holding a hill when a severe German counter attack was thrust upon us. Pvt. Spector was on the left flank of the position firing down a trail at the enemy. He was hit by a rifle bullet in the head or the shoulder. I saw him go down in the trail face forward and lay still. Since the battle was raging fiercely we could not get aid to him immediately although a medic did try to crawl to him but failed. As the battle proceeded on we were forced to withdraw from our positions and failed to recover several bodies one of which I believe was Pvt. Spector's. We never regained our former positions and five days later we were relieved by Co. A 325th Gl. Inf.

Now whether Pvt. Spector was dead, wounded and captured or later found by A Co. I cannot state.

Other persons who may have information concerning this case are Lt. Riddel and T/Sgt. Crawley of A Co.

I have stated these facts to the best of my knowledge and hope that I have helped to clear up the case considerably.

I remain

Sincerely yours,

s/Richard J. Bieterman
1st. Lieutenant

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AIRMAIL

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 QMGMS 293
 GRS European
 SUBJECT: Request for Information

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Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., September 1949

TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Inclosed herewith are photostatic copies of all dental information available for the following:

Aiello, Michael	16055052
Barker, Delford W.	38556428
Barras, James J.	38264750
Bonds, Howard T.	34272842
Dew, Robert G.	17067016
Donalds, Robert L.	32471788
Dover, Roland V., Jr.	O-481608
Hatus, Rudolph W.	38433558
Mueller, William W.	37514904
Pease, Carl E.	11014727
Richardson, Juff B.	38581542
Sersha, John P.	37580467
Slade, Melvin H.	56752091
Spector, Sidney M.	42057879
Tompkins, Tom T.	38356901
Wiening, Paul G.	O-520508
Yonner, Thomas R.	O-2056513

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2. Dental information for the following individuals is as submitted on OQMG Forms 371. There are no Forms 79 available for these individuals:

Alfonso, Jafet	32002285
Amerson, Leonard C.	34263729
Clawson, Harry A.	19106358
Collier, Garland W.	39849456
Davenport, William G.	35456698
Haag, Edward J.	18023866

3. Reference is made to letter this Office dated 28 July 1949, file QMGMS 293 GRS European, subject: Additional Information for dental information on Biendo, Anthony P., 38610513 and Martin, James O., O-686649.

4. All dental information on Biggs, Cecil W., O-671490 was forwarded by letter this Office dated 2 February 1949, file QMGMS 293 Biggs, Cecil W., O-671490, subject: Identification of Unknown Deceased.

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5. Cloud, William S., 35357679, is not a casualty according to records of this Office. Report of Death for subject individual was cancelled 27 November 1943.

6. For dental information for Collins, Richard K., O-393514, see letter this Office dated 17 May 1949, file QMMS 293 GRS European, subject: Additional Information.

7. For dental information on Collette, William H., O-669424 see 1st Indorsement this Office dated 3 February 1949, file QMMS 293 Collette, William H., O-669424, subject: Request for Information.

8. All available dental information for Johnson, Nathan Jr., 35654663 and Rosenkrantz, David 39018039 was submitted your headquarters by 1st Indorsement dated 4 March 1949, file QMMS 293 GRS (European), subject: Identification of Unknown Deceased.

9. There are no Forms 79 available for Kelly, Raymond P., 36879533. DSS Form 221 dated 4 September 1943 shows teeth missing R-16, L-8, 16.

10. All available dental information for Lillard, Thomas J., O-1319902 was forwarded your headquarters by letter dated 15 June 1949, file QMMS 293 Lillard, Thomas J., O-1319902, subject: Investigation for Recovery of Remains.

11. Information requested on Melendez, Timoteo G., 38441216 will be forwarded your headquarters in reply to cable 4404 dated 29 June 1949.

12. All available dental information for Miller, Harry L., 6279215 was submitted your headquarters by 1st Indorsement this Office dated 30 March 1949, file QMMS 293 Miller, Harry L., 6279215.

13. All available dental information for Sweat, Ellis J., 34531017 was submitted your headquarters by 1st Indorsement this Office dated 24 February 1949, file QMMS 293 Sweat, Ellis J., 34531017.

14. For all available dental information for Weber, Norman L., O-1314983 reference is made to letter this Office dated 13 April 1949, file QMMS 293 GRS (European), subject: Additional Information.

15. Dental report for Buren, Clifford L., 39312844 and Shaw, Robert W., O-887922 is incomplete. If any additional dental is received in this Office it will be forwarded your headquarters.

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16. Records of Donalds, Robert L., 32471788 indicates an old fracture of nose.

17. Records for Pease, Carl E., 11014727 indicates fracture upper third right fibula, simple, complete.

18. Records of Dover, Roland V. Jr., O-481608 indicates fracture left arm - lower one-third.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

17 Incls:
1-17 Photo cys of
Dental Records

T. H. METZ
Lt Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Dental Clinic #1 Camp Myles Standish

(1) SURNAME: Spector, Sidney
 (2) CHRISTIAN NAME: 42057879
 (3) RANK: Pvt
 (4) COMPANY: GI. 333-A-N
 (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS: 14
 (6) AGE, YEARS: 29
 (7) RACE: W
 (8) NATIVITY: NY
 (9) SERVICE, YEARS: 6/12

(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
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Joseph P. Fleming
 MAJOR, Dental Corps, U. S. A.

Form 79—MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, U. S. A.
 (Revised Feb. 24, 1941)

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293 SPECTOR, SIDNEY M.

42057879

FILE
 SEP 14 1949
 Lt. M. Rogers
 Capt. GAC
 Dent. Clinic for Res.

*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

UPPER TEETH

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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LOWER TEETH

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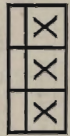
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 Periodontoclasia -----
 Dental foci suspected: Yes No
 Other conditions -----

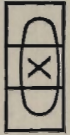
Date -----, 19-----

 Dental Corps, U. S. A.

*Restorable carious teeth by O
 Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
 Missing natural teeth by X



Teeth replaced by denture
 (horizontal line)



Teeth replaced by fixed bridge
 (oval to include abutments)

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293 SPECTOR

FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN URNR 55 **11** AUG ON SIDNEY M SPECTOR

42057879 DENTAL CHART AT INDCN 2 DEC 43 TEETH MISSING R 8 16 L 8

1 FORM 79 BEING SENT

SIDNEY M. 42057879



AIR DEPARTMENT
 MEMO ROUTING SLIP

1	NAME OR TITLE <i>SPECTOR, SIDNEY M. 42057879</i>	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
	ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION <i>CO. E 325TH GLIDER INF.</i>	DATE	CONCURRENCE
2	<i>O/A</i>		FILE
	<i>25 SEPT. 1944</i>		INFORMATION
3	<i>LOCATION ON ABOVE DATE</i>		NECESSARY ACTION
			NOTE AND RETURN
4			SEE ME
	<i>LT. SULLIVAN 1544</i>		SIGNATURE
REMARKS			
FROM NAME OR TITLE			DATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION			TELEPHONE

SPECTOR, SIDNEY M. ASN 42 057 879
Org. Co. "E" 325th Glider Inf. Regt.
Date of death: 25 Sept. 1944
Location on above date:--- Result of death;

The information available states that Pvt. Spector went into position with his Platoon on the evening of Sept. 24, 1944 in the vic. of "MOOK"(7352)coord., Holland.

On the afternoon of the 25th Sept 1944, Pvt Spector received a severe head wound when he was struck by shrapnel during an artillery barrage.

The Regt. had suffered it's first Casualties as some of the men from "E" Co. (2nd Bn.) were wounded in pushing out in a point of woods S.W. of the KIEKBERG FOREST (7552)coord., Holland.

He Died from the wound that he received from the bomb shrapnel, on the 25 Sept. 1944.

MAP LOCATION:

GSGS 4042

Map: N.W. EUROPE 1:250,000

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**IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION**

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>A. Pector Sidney M.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>42057899</i>		GRADE <i>Pvt.</i>
HEIGHT <i>70</i>	WEIGHT <i>150</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Hazel</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>9 C</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>1 Nov. 1945</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)

Co. E 325th Glider Inf.

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

Holland

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>1 Co. Inf. RTC. Camp. Blanding Sta.</i>	<i>11 Jan. 5, 1944 - May 10, 1944</i>
<i>2) Cst. AGF. Repl. Dep. #1 - Ft. Meade Md.</i>	<i>3) May 24, 1944 - June 27, 1944</i>

FROM: V.D. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH
NO RECORDS ON FILE

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

None

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS

None

DENTAL CHART

Dec. 2, 1943

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LOWER RIGHT								LOWER LEFT									

X - EXTRACTED

O - CARIOUS

/ - CARIOUS NON-RESTORABLE

(Basic Ltr Dpt of the Army OQMG, QMGMM 293 Spector, Sidney M.
SN 42 057 879, dtd 9 October 1947).

RRE 293.9 (IB)

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Hq American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58,
US Army, 18 November 1947.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. The remains of Private Sidney M. Spector, 42057879 may
be reburied as one of the following unknowns:

a. US Military Cemetery Margraten:

X-1201	X-1929	X-2798
X-1209	X-2795	X-2799
X-1243	X-2797	X-2800

b. US Military Cemetery Neuville-en-Condroz:

X-125
X-3314

2. Continued effort will be made to identify the above
unknowns and your office notified of results.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

WALTER B. MORROW
Major, Infantry
Actg Asst Adj Gen



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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
~~WAR DEPARTMENT~~
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



In Reply Refer To
QMGM 293
Spector, Sidney M.
SN 42 057 879

9 October 1947

SUBJECT: Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery
and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. There is attached hereto, five copies OQMG Form 371
(covering all available information in the Office of the Quartermaster
General and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by
this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individual.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
Spector, Sidney M.	Pvt.	42 057 879

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be
furnished this office in accordance with provisions of Letter, The
Adjutant General's Office, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, subject
Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead
Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Incl
Form 371 (5 cys)

James C. Mac Farland
JAMES C. MAC FARLAND
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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A I R M A I L

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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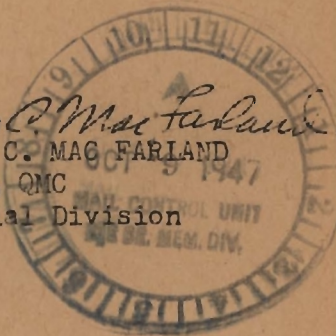
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James C. MacFarland
JAMES C. MAC FARLAND
Major, QMG
Memorial Division



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293 FILE		DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Spector, Sidney M			GRADE Pvt.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 42 057 879	
ORGANIZATION Co. "E", 325th Glider Inf. 82nd Arbn. Div.		RACE White	CREED Hebrew	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 25 Sept. 1944	CAUSE OF DEATH Wounds received in action		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA Holland		
DATE OF FOD					
HEIGHT 70"	WEIGHT 150	COLOR EYES Hazel	COLOR HAIR Brown	SHOE SIZE 9-C	
DENTAL CHART					
2 Dec. 1943					
UPPER RIGHT X 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1			UPPER LEFT X 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
LOWER RIGHT X 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9			LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16		
X=Extracted		O=Carious		1=Carious Non-Restorable	
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS None			TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK None		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Age - 29 Years.					
<p>The information available states that Pvt. Spector went into position with his Platoon on the evening of Sept. 24, 1944 in the vic. of "MOOK" (7352) coord., Holland. On the afternoon of the 25th Sept 1944, Pvt. Spector received a severe head wound when he was struck by shrapnel during an artillery barrage. The Regt. had suffered it's first casualties as some of the men from "E" Co. (2nd Bn.) were wounded in pushing out in a point of woods S.W. of the Kiekberg Forest (7552) coord., Holland. He died from the wound that he received from the bomb shrapnel, on 25 Sept. 1944.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>ARTILLERY</i></p>					
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QMGMF 293
Spector, Sidney M. *cp*
SN 42 057 879

19 August 1947

Mr. Marvin I. Hirsch
7013 McCallum Street
Philadelphia 19, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Hirsch:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your cousin, the late Private Sidney M. Spector, has come to my attention.

With deep regret I must inform you that, as yet, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your cousin has not been received in this office.

Units of the American Graves Registration service are continuing their intensive search of the area in which he died. An inquiry is being made to obtain their latest information pertaining to the possible recovery and reburial of the remains of your cousin. Please rest assured that information in response to this inquiry will be communicated to you immediately upon its receipt in this office.

May I extend my sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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RECORDS BRANCH
MEMORIAL DIVISION

MARVIN I. HIRSCH
7013 McCallum St.
Philadelphia #19, Pa.

SPQYG 293
Spector , Sidney M.
S.N. 42 057 879

July 5, 1947

THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention : Memorial Division

Gentlemen

I am writing for my cousin, Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod, 759 Coster Street, New York, N.Y. sister of Sidney M. Spector alleged to have been M.I.A. in Holland , in that there has been no information regarding his burial place relayed to his family .

In order to save his family further anguish concerning their son , my cousin , please be kind enough to advise the writer what information you now have concerning his death , and burial .

Please be kind enough to write any information re Sidney M. Spector to Marvin I. Hirsch , 7013 McCallum St. Philadelphia # 19, Pa. in this instance only .

Yours truly ,

Marvin I. Hirsch
Marvin I. Hirsch
1 st. Lt. Inf. Res.
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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr.
 Miss.
 Addressee: *Mrs.* MARVIN I. HIRSCH COUSIN
 Relationship
 State 7013 MC CALLUM ST.
 City, State PHILADELPHIA 19, PA 19 Aug '47
 Date letter
 Cemetery
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: _____
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

Decedent:

Spector
 Last
Sidney
 First
M.
 Initial
Pvt.
 Rank
42057879
 ASN

PARAGRAPHS (sequence) --- ADDITIONAL --- DATA --- MODIFICATIONS ---

165-A *1st LINE - INSERT - COUSIN -*

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166-C *BC*

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Analyst Typist Reviewer Modifications OKed

SPQYG 293
Spector, Sidney M.
S. N. 42 057 879

21 March 1946

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod
759 Coaster Street
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Axelrod:

This office promised that, when information regarding the burial of your brother was received, you would be notified. The Theater of Operations has recently informed this office that their investigation of the area in which your brother met his death is still in progress and that we should be able to inform you of the results in the near future.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

WM. B. CHRISTENSEN
1st Lieut., QMC
Assistant

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Scamp Note 4-26

759 Coster St.
New York, N.Y.
Jan. 24, 1946

Quartermaster General
Washington, D.C.

Dear sir:

My brother
293 Pvt. Sidney M. Specter
(#42057879)

was killed in action in
Holland Sept. 25 - or 26. A.
I would like to know
if he was buried. Action
took place near Muk,
Holland. Please let me
know as soon as possible.

Sincerely
Dorothy A. Schok

(Non Burial)
Holland 2A

HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA

WBM/CBS/sb

AGRRE 293.9 (IB)

APO 887
9 February 1946

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials.

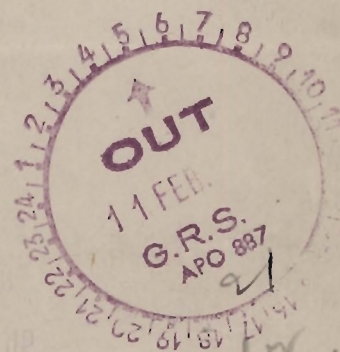
TO : The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

293 1. Reference is made to letter, your Office, SPQYG-293, Spector, Sidney M., S.N. 42057879, subject, "Report of Burial", dated 24 January 1946.

2. Records of this headquarters taken from Casualty Clearance Plan, indicate the subject decedent was killed in action, 25 September 1944, at Mock, Holland.

3. Case has been referred to the field for investigation. Sweeping operations are being conducted in Holland and are scheduled to be completed by 28 February 1946. Completed reports will be forwarded to your Office, upon receipt at this Headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

SPQYG 293

Spector, Sidney M.
S.N. 42 057 879

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24 January 1946

SUBJECT: Report of Burial

TO: **Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command
European Theater, Versailles, France
APO 887, c/o Postmaster New York, New York**

1. Request that a Report of Burial, if completed, or other currently available information be furnished concerning the following named decedent for whom no report is on hand in this office:

NAME: Sidney M. Spector	Missing in Action 25 Sept 44
RANK: Private	DATE OF DEATH:
SERIAL NO.: 42 057 879	Presumed death occurred 1 Nov. 45.
	PLACE OF DEATH:

2. The following information has been received in this office which may aid in the location and recovery of his remains:

Wounded in Holland.

3. If no Report of Burial is on hand, it is requested that this office be furnished the approximate time during which the particular area where his remains are believed to be located will be searched.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JAN 24 2 32 PM '46
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant
MEMO DIVISION
JAN 24 2 02 PM '46
GRAVES REGISTRATION SECTION

SPQYG 293
Spector, Sidney M.
SN 42 057 879

24 January 1946

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Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

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759 Coster Street
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Axelrod:

Your letter to The Adjutant General, concerning your brother, the late Private Sidney M. Spector, has been referred to this office.

It is with deep regret that you are advised that, up to the present time, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your brother has not been received in this office. An inquiry is being made to obtain information regarding his remains. Upon completion of this inquiry you will be advised as to the results.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your brother.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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GRAVES REGISTRATION SECTION
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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS JR/cb
1	The Quartermaster General		Room 1007, Tempo C, Washington, D. C.	DATE 12 Jan 46
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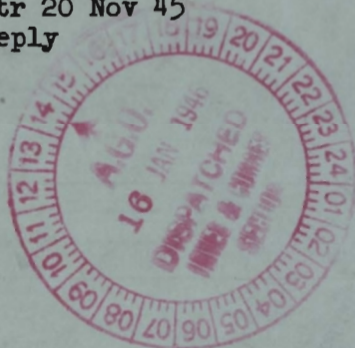
The attached correspondence is forwarded for appropriate attention.

²⁹³ Private Sidney M. Spector, 42057879, was previously reported missing in action over Holland, and after a lapse of twelve months his case was reviewed in accordance with Public Law 490, 77th Congress, as amended. A presumptive finding of death was made, the date being shown as 1 November 1945.

2 Inclosures

Cpy ltr 20 Nov 45

Cpy reply



FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
	Cas Br	Inves & Corres	4641 Munitions Building	12 Jan 46
				TELEPHONE 79030

AGPC-G 201 Spector, Sidney M.
(20 Nov 45) 42057879

12 January 1946

Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod
759 Coster Street
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Axelrod:

Further reference is made to your two letters of 14 November and 20 November 1945, concerning your brother, the late Private Sidney M. Spector.

Your desire for additional details is most understandable, and I regret that so little information is available. The initial report that your brother was wounded was submitted by the theater commander. All "wounded" messages are based on reports prepared by units. In the absence of a progress report following the message which stated Private Spector was wounded, an inquiry was dispatched to the European Theater of Operations, requesting a report of his physical condition. The reply from the Commanding General stated that an investigation was being made. Later, messages were received from this theater, indicating that investigations were being continued, in both the European and Mediterranean theaters. The final report was to the effect that no record of evacuation or hospitalization could be found, and his status was changed to "missing in action over Holland." In response to your inquiry, let me assure you that all of our hospitalized personnel are properly identified. In the event a soldier is suffering from amnesia and cannot be immediately identified, his fingerprints are checked with the files in Washington, D. C., and his identity is conclusively established.

As you were informed, after a lapse of twelve months, Private Spector's case was reviewed in accordance with Public Law 490, 77th Congress, as amended, and he was continued in a missing status as of 26 September 1945. This law provides that a subsequent review will be made whenever warranted by information received or other circumstances. Your brother's case was reviewed again, and in the absence of information to support a continued presumption of survival, an official finding of death was made, the presumed date of death being established as 1 November 1945. In this connection I wish to explain that a continuing

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investigation is being made by the overseas authorities in an effort to secure data regarding our missing personnel, including those for whom presumptive findings of death have been made. Our forces are utilizing special searching units, such as Graves Registration groups, in clearing up casualty matters. These units interrogate public officials and the native populace, examine cemetery records, and when necessary, investigations go beyond theater boundaries, into territory controlled by other nations. Please be assured, if further details pertaining to your brother are received, you will be promptly notified.

With reference to your statement that a member of Private Spector's organization had recently told you that your brother was killed in action, I wish to advise that the records in this office do not contain such information. If you will furnish the name and serial number of the soldier, this office will interrogate him in an endeavor to secure all pertinent information, and investigative action will be initiated if warranted.

The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the burial of our military personnel who die overseas, and your inquiry on this subject is being referred to that official for further reply to you.

It is sincerely regretted that you have not yet received a reply to letters which you addressed to Private Spector's commanding officer. Inquiries addressed to commanding officers overseas concerning military personnel are answered as promptly as possible, but replies are sometimes considerably delayed due to circumstances existing in overseas areas. I am furnishing below the name and present address of your brother's commanding officer in September 1944, together with the names and home addresses of a few other members of the organization:

First Lieutenant Harold C. Ham, 01309730
3325 Kenyon Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland

Staff Sergeant
Daniel L. Ferrone
32057174

Staff Sergeant
Harold L. Grauberger
20725583

Sergeant
Donald W. Calvin
16108620

Mrs. Emily Ferrone (wife)
715 North Eighth Street
Newark, New Jersey

Mrs. Bertha Grauberger (mother)
241 Williard
Kansas City, Kansas

Mrs. Lorraine F. Calvin (wife)
105 Geneva Avenue
Highland Park, Michigan

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Private First Class
James C. Spears
14099544

Private
Clifford C. Ripley
37631011

Mrs. Ollie B. Spears (mother)
Route 2
Carriere, Mississippi

Mrs. Ruth Ripley (wife)
930 Morrison
St. Louis, Missouri

Permit me to express again my deepest sympathy in the great loss
you have been called upon to bear.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General of the Army

COPY

759 Coster St
New York, N. Y.
Nov 20, 1945

Major Gen. F. Witsell
Acting Adjutant General of Army
War Dept
Washington, D. C.

Re: AGPC-S 201
Sidney M. Spector #42,057,879

Dear Sir:

I have just learned from one of the remaining boys of the company my brother was attached to, that my brother was killed and several boys saw him after he was killed - - - which does not mean my brother was missing & now presumed dead. One of the boys was close by him at the time. Now if I could get information like this, I am sure that the War Dept, with all its facilities at hand to obtain such information, could do better than I. Since all of our news in the case, has been very confusing, I feel sure you will agree with me, that I ask you to please make a completely new investigation. I want the truth in this matter. Was my brother, killed, wounded or what? Is there a grave? Just where in Holland did this occur?

All of this means a great deal to us and neither my mother or father or myself ever hope to have peace of mind unless all these circumstances are cleared up.

I urge you to anser this just as quickly as possible. Also, let me remind you here that we have been waiting over 14 months for information.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dorothy Axelrod
(sister to soldier)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE

3 June 1946 1g

FULL NAME Spector, Sidney M.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 42 057 879		GRADE Pvt.									
HOME ADDRESS New York City, New York.		ARM OR SERVICE Inf.		DATE OF BIRTH 30 July 1915									
PLACE OF DEATH European Area		CAUSE OF DEATH Wounds received in action		DATE OF DEATH 25 Sept. 1944									
STATION OF DECEASED European Area.		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 23 Dec. 1943.		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS									
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod, sister, 759 Coster Street, New York, New York.													
BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address) Mrs. Blanche Spector, mother, same as above. Mr. Samuel Spector, father, same as above.													
INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
												<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

 BATTLE NON-BATTLE

Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge, entitled to additional pay for glider flights.

Finding of death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 1 November 1945. This "Report of Death", based on information received since that date is issued in accordance with Section 9, of said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

U. M. Ambrom

ADJUTANT GENERAL

Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U.S.
7 October 1944

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Private Sidney M. Spector, Army Serial Number 42,057,879, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 25th day of September 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 1st day of November, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Heahent

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA	POW STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS						
Continued in the status of missing in action as of 26 September 1945.						
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
30 Jul 1915	New York City, New York	23 Dec 1943	YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
			Under	three	years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Dorothy Axelrod	Sister	759 Coster Street New York, New York

BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
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Mr. Samuel Spector	Father	759 Coster Street New York, New York

REMARKS

Distribution <u>56</u>
Soldier entitled to additional pay for glider flights. Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge.
Circumstances of Disappearance: Soldier disappeared after he had been seriously wounded in combat in Holland.
<p>FILE NOV 7 1945</p>

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WAR DEPARTMENT
 THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
IN LINE OF DUTY		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
				OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
				YES	NO
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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

U. M. Ambrose

ADJUTANT GENERAL

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WAR DEPARTMENT
 THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

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AG 201	NAME SPECTOR, Sidney M. 42 867 879	GRADE Pvt	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E.A.	Mrs. Dorothy Anselred 733 Center Street New York 50, New York		Letter sent 20 May 1945 916 ***** 21

INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW DESIGNATED THE ABOVE PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAM LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, AS SHOWN BELOW, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR **BROTHER**

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	FOR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
PVT.	SPECTOR, SIDNEY M.	42057879	INF			1,0007 -U-1X
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		CASUALTY CODE
DEED OF WOUNDS		IN HOLLAND		DAY	MONTH	YEAR
				25	SEP	44

REMARKS: AG 201 /17 MAY 46/ CORRECTED COPY

MEMO- STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECTION. APPROVED BY CHIEF, CAS. BR. FINDING OF DEATH HAS BEEN ISSUED PREVIOUSLY UNDER SECTION 5 PUBLIC LAW 490, 7 MARCH 1942, AS AMENDED, SHOWING THE PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH AS 1 NOV. 45. THIS "REPORT OF DEATH" BASED ON INFO. RECEIVED SINCE THAT DATE, IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECT. 9 OF SAID ACT, AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 9.

PL., NEAR MOOK. DO NOT SEND TELEGRAM.

ROUTE TO STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECTION FOR NOTIFICATION.
 Report of death issued 3 June 1946-1g *gmk*

ACTION BY COMPOSITE SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FORM 43	AG 201 REQ.
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED	OR CHARGED TO	DATE	
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED	NO. YES	(AS INDICATED BELOW):	
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			<i>Moody's</i>
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			LETTER
			CERTIF.
			F. REL.
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			S. R. & D.
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			REVIEWED BY <i>gmk</i>

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
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April 4, 1946

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Dear Mr. Spector:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Private Sidney M. Spector.

I am inclosing a check for \$10.00, representing funds which belonged to him. The remainder of the property is being forwarded to you in one carton.

If, by any chance, the property has not reached you at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify me and tracer will be instituted.

The action of this Bureau in transmitting personal effects does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my sympathy in the loss of your son.

Yours very truly,

1 Incl--
Check

D. S. JOHNSTON
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Adm. Division

AMOUNT OF CHECK <i>10.00</i>	NOTE DISCREPANCY IN NAME	INCLUDE VALUABLES SHIP VALUABLES	RECIPIENT FROM CASUALTY REPORT		
ACCOUNT NUMBER <i>177991</i>	SERIAL NUMBER RANK	VALUABLES SHIPPED BY (clerk)	INVENTORY FORM 20 LETTER		
<p>Mr. Samuel Spector 759 Coster Street New York, New York</p> <p>Pvt. Sidney M. Spector 42057879 617525 B</p>			NO. & TYPE OF CONTAINER ENVELOPE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CARTONS PACKAGE FOOT LOCKER		
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REMARKS					

ORDER FOR ACTION

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April 5

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Samuel Spector

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	CLOTHING		COATS		RINGS		
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	SHORT SNORTER		GLOVES, PR.		STATIONERY		
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CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO	INFORMATION
none	Blanche Spector 759 Foster St New York ny 10022
NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS	CROSS REFERENCE
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SIDNEY M. SPECTOR		42057879		
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ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G.I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

Set is missing from ring. Crystal and minute hand is gone from watch. Not in running condition.

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

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UNIDENTIFIED # 17

BAY

PALLET

BOX

TALLY

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TYPE PKG.

PKG.

I certify that the above items were not in the containers inventoried by me.

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

HEADQUARTERS 325th GLIDER INFANTRY
APO 469, U. S. ARMY

10 January 1945
Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

Spector Sidney M. Pvt. 42057870
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) (ASN)

TO : Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO 887
U.S. Army

The above named individual of Company "E"
(Unit)

325th Glider Inf. was reported _____
(Organization) (Status--Killed, MIA,

Hospitalized about 25 September 1944.
(Hospitalized, etc.) (Date)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible

Blanche Spector (Mother)
759 Foster St., New York, N.Y. -----q-

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

Misc. Papers ✓
1 Fountain Pen ✓
1 Toilet Set ✓
1 Set Collar Insignias ✓
1 Key Set ✓
1 Wrist Watch ✓
Misc. Pictures & Case ✓

1 Pr. Glasses ✓
1 Pencil ✓
2 Handkerchiefs ✓
1 Ring ✓
1 Nail Clipper ✓
1 BTO Ribbon ✓

Money in the amount of None has been turned in to

(Name of Finance Officer and symbol number) Form WD FD No. 38

enclosed.

Unknown

Names and addresses of any Banks in which accounts may be carried:

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of
the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot by

(Rail, Truck, Etc.) Truck on 10 January 1945
(Date)

WR Miller
W. R. MILLER
1st Lt., O-1314309
325th Glider Infantry.

Any additional pertinent information:

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
 Summary Court-Martial
 ARMY SERVICE FORCES
 KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
 601 Hardesty Avenue
 Kansas City 1, Missouri

WPH:LD:ew

Case No. 617525Date 1 April 1946

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

Sidney M. Spector, 42057879 late a
 (Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

Private, Infantry who died
 (Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 1 day of November, 1945, at European Area
 Washington

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City, Mo., pursuant to S.O. 228, Hq., KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedents camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate \$ none of which the sum of \$ none was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None"; otherwise attach itemized statement of sums owing and collected.) (Incl. none.)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none, which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt none, Incl none).

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below).

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 29 March 1946, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Samuel Spector for the effects of the above named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of A.W. 112,

Samuel Spector of
 (Name of person found entitled)

759 Coster Street, New York State of
 (Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)

New York, is the Father of the
 (Relationship or Capacity)

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

W. F. REHMAN, Major QMC
 (Name, Rank, Organization)
 SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL