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(Manila, Philippine Islands)

Mrs. Mary A. French Rural Route #3 Harrodsburg, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. French:

This is to inform you that the remains of your loved one have been permanently interred, as recorded above, side by side with conrades who also gave their lives for their country. Customary military funeral services were conducted over the grave at the time of burial.

After the Department of the Army has completed all final interments, the cemetery will be transferred, as authorized by the Congress, to the care and supervision of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The Commission also will have the responsibility for permanent construction and beautification of the cemetery, including erection of the permanent headstone. The headstone will be inscribed with the name exactly as recorded above, the rank or rating where appropriate, organization, State, and date of death. Any inquiries relative to the type of headstone or the spelling of the name to be inscribed thereon, should be addressed to the American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Your letter should include the full name, rank, serial number, grave

While interments are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. You may rest assured that this final interment was conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity and that the grave-site will be carefully and conscientiously maintained in perpetuity by the United States

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Sincerely yours,

W. H. MIDDIESWART Major General Acting The Quarters General.

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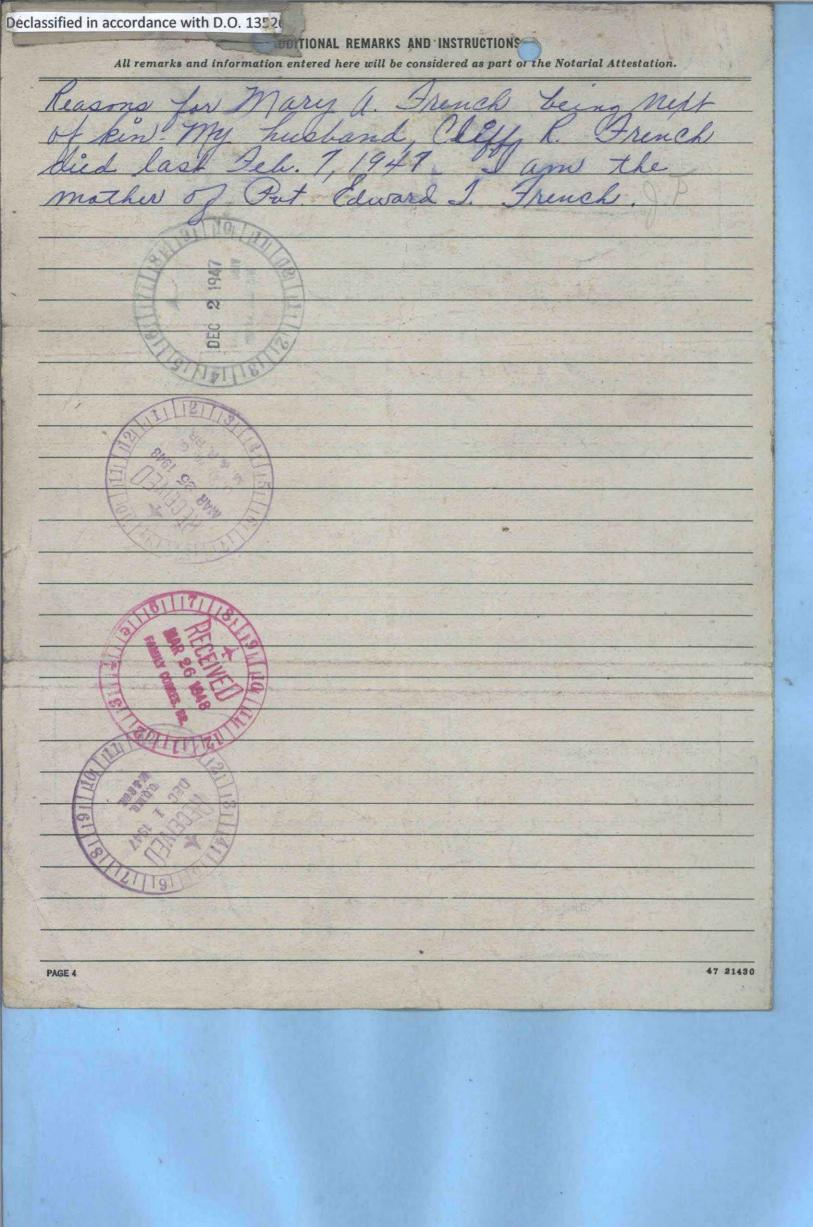
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Declassified in accordance with D.O. 1352 Pvt. Edward T. French, 20 523 bhl Flot 2, New 19, Grave 2371 United States Armed Forces Cemetery 9 March 1948 Manila #2, Philippine Islands Mrs. Mary A. French Route #3 Harrodsburg, Kentucky Dear Mrs. French: The inclosed Request for Disposition of Remains form, which you accomplished, is returned for completion or correction as checked below. Please make changes or additions on the form and return both the form and this letter in the self addressed envelope inclosed. No postage is required. Indicate your relationship to the deceased. (Part I, page 1, in blocks)
Indicate option desired. (Part I, page 1, items 1,2,3, or 4.)
Indicate Rational or Private Cemetery in which interment is desired.

(Part I, page 1, item 2 or 4)
Indicate country (Romeland) of deceased. (Part I, page 1, item 3.)
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Pvt Edward T. French, 20 523 441
Plot 2, Row 19, Grave 2371,
United States Armed Forces Cemetery
Manila #2, Philippine Islands

19 Movember 1947

Mr. Cliff R. French Route #3 Harrodsburg, Kentucky

Bear Mr. French:

The people of the United States, through the Congress have authorized the disinterment and final burial of the heroic dead of World War II. The Quartermaster General of the Army has been entrusted with this sacred responsibility to the honored dead. The records of the War Department indicate that you may be the nearest relative of the above-named deceased, who gave his life in the service of his country.

The enclosed pamphlets, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," and "American Cemeteries," explain the disposition, options and services made available to you by your Government. If you are the next of kin according to the line of kinship as set forth in the enclosed pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," you are invited to express your wishes as to the disposition of the remains of the deceased by completing Part I of the enclosed form "Request for Disposition of Remains." Should you desire to relinquish your rights to the next in line of kinship, please complete Part III of the enclosed form. If you are not the next of kin, please complete Part III of the enclosed form.

If you should elect Option 2, it is advised that no funeral arrangements or other personal arrangements be made until you are further notified by this office.

Will you please complete the enclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains" and mail in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, within 30 days after its receipt by you? Its prompt return will avoid unnecessary delays.

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Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN Major General The Quartermaster General Declassified in accordance with D.O. 1352

QMCMR 293 French, Edward T. SN 20 523 441

Address Reply To
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Attention: Memorial Division

15 April 1947

Mr. Cliff R. French Rural Route #3 Harrodsburg, Kentucky

Dear Mr. French:

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Please be assured that the rank of your son is properly entered on our files and that this was due to a typographical error. We apologize and regret any confusion which may have resulted.

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SUBJECT: Burial Records

Philippine-Ryukyus Command APO 707, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, Galifornia

1. Request the burial reports and grave markers for the following decedents, interred at the United States Armed Forces Cemetery, Manila #3. Philippine Islands, be changed to read as follows:

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| Fox, Charles L. Jr. | Pfo           | 32 233 218 | 1    | 5   | 149   | White |                                 |
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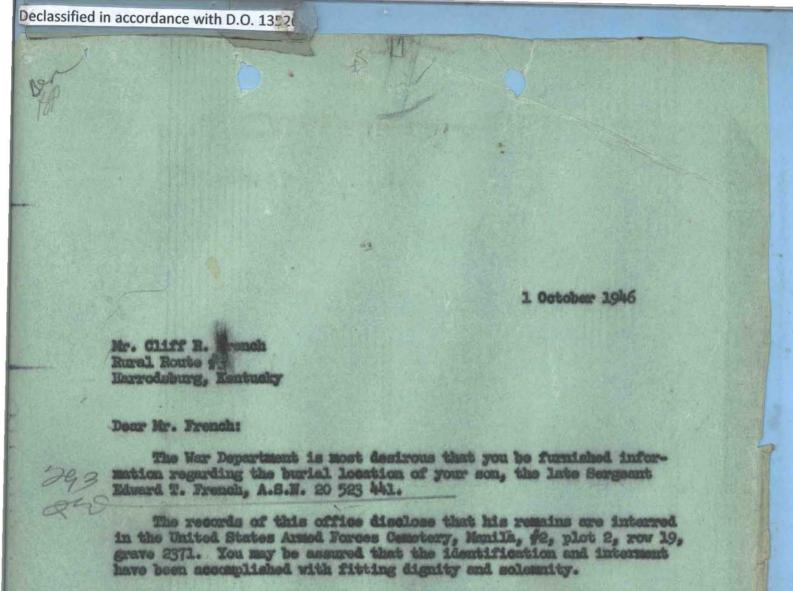
2. The records of this office have been reverified with the records of The Adjutant General, War Department, and have been found to be correct as indicated above.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

J. B. COLSON Colonel, QMC Memorial Division

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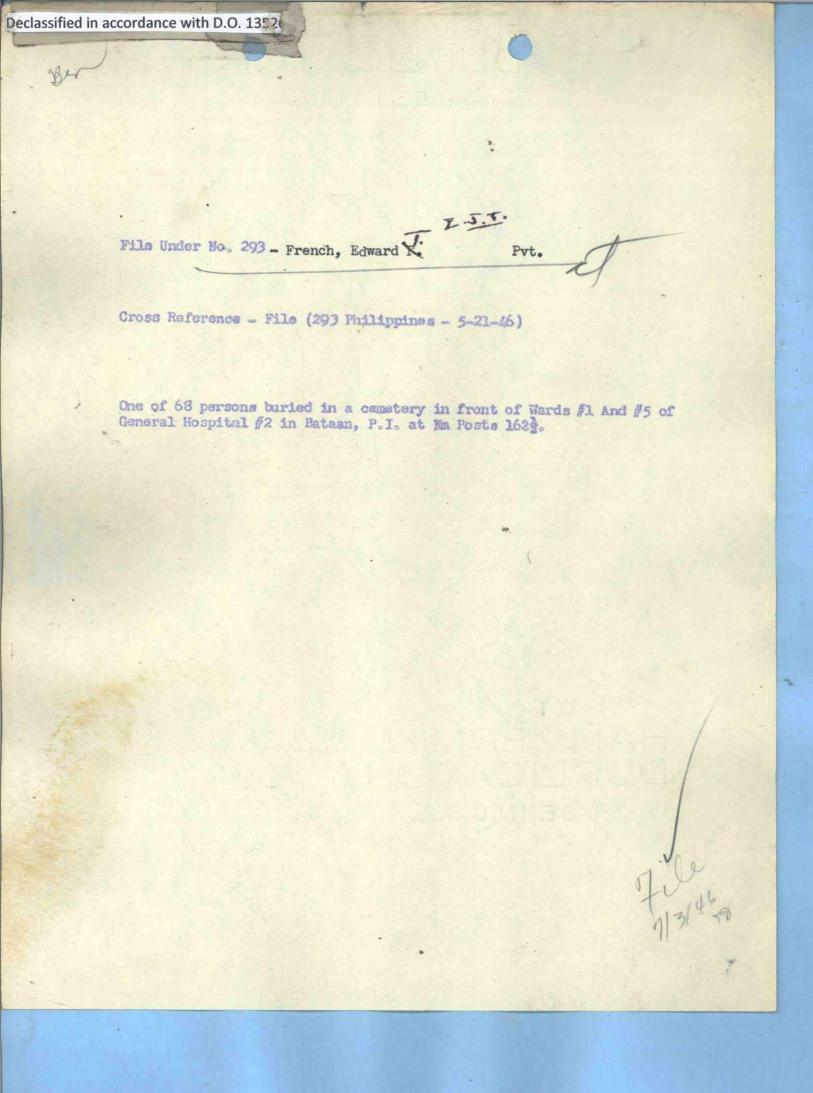
This cometery is located within the city limits of Manila, Philippine Islands, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

The War Department has now been authorized to comply, at Government expense, with the feasible wishes of the next of kin regarding final interment, here or abroad, of the remains of your loved one. At a later date, this office will, without any action on your part, provide the next of kin with full information and solicit his detailed desires.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

T. B. LARKIN Major General The Quartermaster General 18



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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR: ADDITIONAL DATA (CONFIDENTIAL) J. W. Reinhart THIS COPY FOR THE Q. M. G. (CONFIDENTIAL.) (OVFR) ADJUTANT GENERAL

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