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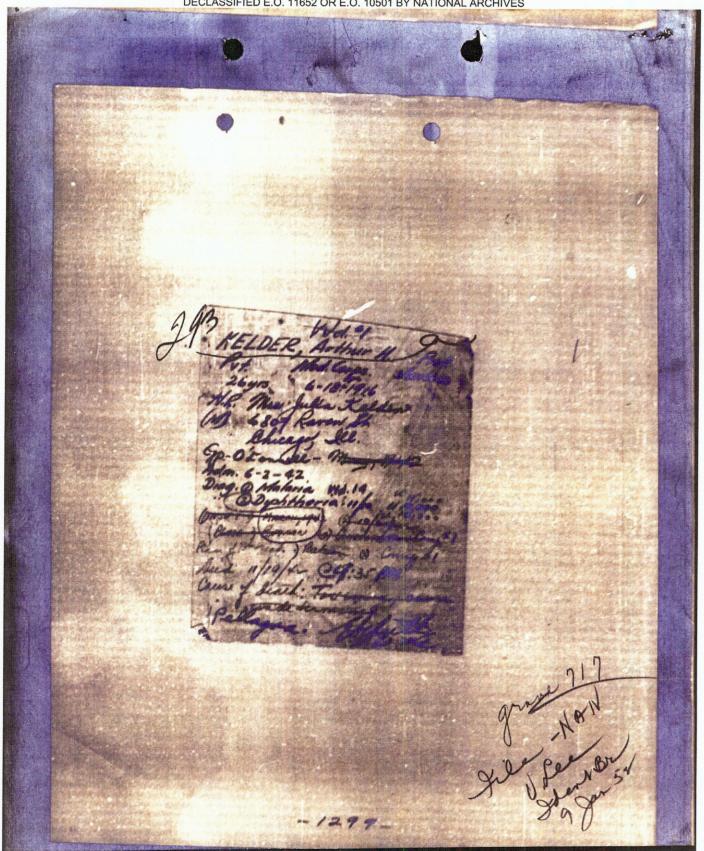
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OFFICE OF THE QUART STER GENERAL OF THE ARMY INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE NO. FROM TO DATE MESSAGE 1. Corr Sec Ident Br Case Name Rep Br Mem Div Mem Div 1. Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case. ZIEG 4428 29 July 1989. FROM: Identification Section, Identification Branch

TO: | Correspondence Section, Repatriation Branch

THRU: Final Determination Section, Identification Branch.

- 1. Remains exhumed from POW Camps I & II Cabanatuan Cemetery, Luzon, P.I. where the dedeased was reported buried at have been reinterred in the AGRS Mausoleum, Manila.
- 2. OOMG Form 371 forwarded to the Field 7 December 1948. No reply has been received.

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10 November 1949

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QMGMF 293 Kelder, Arthur H. SN 36 016 623

25 August 1948

Mr. Herman P. Kelder 6151 Newburg Avenue Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Kelder:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Private Arthur H. Kelder, has come to my attention.

Although remains recovered from the general area in which your son lost his life are being re-examined by our Graves Registration Command personnel for the purpose of positive identification, there is no evidence at this time that any of the remains are those of your son.

If other remains are recovered, and comparison with all known facts available from your son's Army records furnishes conclusive evidence of his identity, you will be advised.

Please be assured of my continued sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH Major, QMC Memorial Division







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SUBJECT: Case Name

Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

23 August 1948

- 1. Name of the deceased is listed on Death Roster, Army and Navy Personnel, Cabanatuan POW Camps, also POW Roster of Interments at Cabanatuan Prison Camps 1,2,3.
- 2. Reports of Reinterment are on file in this office for Unkn was disinterred from the same common grave in Cabanatuan that Prison Records indicate the remains of Kelder, Arthur H., Pvt, 36016623, were disinterred from. Remains were reinterred in USAP Cemetery, Manila #2, P.I., and are presently stored in AGRS Mausoleum, Manila, P.I.
 - 3. Case is under investigation in identification section. Regular return of file when your action is completed.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herman P. Kalder 6151 Newburg Avenue Chicago 31, Illinoin

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kelder:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Private Arthur H. Kelder, has come to my attention.

With deep regret I must inform you that no additional information has been received in this office pertaining to the recovery and reburial of the remains of your son, other than that previously given you in our letter of 25 August 1988.

I realize that any information regarding your loved one is of natural concern to you and I am sorry that I am unable to furnish you with any additional information at this time.

I wish to assure you, however, that when further information concerning your son's remains is received, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. CAMPBELL Lt. Colonal, QUO Menorial Division

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7 March 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kelder 6151 Newburg Avenue Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kelder:

The Department of the Army desires that you be informed of the final determination of the investigation in the case of your son, the late Private Arthur H. Kelder.

Full consideration has been given to all available information pertaining to your son since he died while a prisoner of the Japanese Government. According to information obtained from the Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Death Report, your son died on 19 November 1942, as a result of malaria, pellagra, and diphtheria at Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Camp, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Subsequent to the reported death of your son, units of the American Graves Registration Service disinterred all remains from the Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Cemetery and removed them to the American Graves Registration Service Mausoleum, Manila, Philippine Islands. In an effort to establish and/or verify identifications, these remains were subjected to exhaustive investigations, including processing by anthropologists and medical, dental and laboratory technicians in our Central Identification Laboratory at Manila. Our investigations have been completed and it is with regret that I must inform you that it has been impossible to identify any of the recovered remains as those of your son.

After a detailed study of the negative results of the investigations and the pertinent facts regarding the case, the Department of he rmy has been forced to conclude that the remains of your and are not recommended. I wish to assure you that, should any additional evidence come to but attention indicating that his remains are in our possession, you is the informed immediately.

Realizing the extent of your grief and anxiety is not easy to express condolence to you who gave your loved one under circumstances so difficult that there is no grave at which to pay however the knowledge of your son's honorable service to his country be a source of sustaining comfort to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. F. VOGL Captain, QMC Memorial Division

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NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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THE ATJACHED 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.)

The above decedent and seven (7) others.

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.

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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:

- 1. Additional information is contained in 293 file COLLINS, Frederick G., Jr., 6 578 818.
 - (a) IRS from Identification Section dated 7 Feb. 1950.
- 2. The case RUARK, John W., 278 681, USMC, listed on attached Board Findings, has been referred to Navy Liaison Section for processing.

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1. Attached extracted copies of two (2)
Cabanatuan POW Camp rosters indicate that the above
listed personnel died at Cabanatuan POW Camp, Province
of Nueva Scija, Philippine Islands on 19 November 1942.
This information is in agreement with the data shown on
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who were determined dead as of 9 July 1943 and
9 November 1943, respectively.

2. Investigation of these cases reveal the following information:

a. Subject personnel are indicated on "Cabanatuan POW Camp Death Report" to have been buried together with five (5) other casualties in Communal Grave No. 717, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery. This grave has been disinterred and resulted in the recovery of fourteen (14) remains; four (4) of which are "Knowns" and ten (10) as "Unknowns". The ten (10) unidentified remains have previously been recommended for individual and group identifications as the remains of Yokk, George &r., Civ. Employee, and the above listed personnel, respectively. These recommendations, however, were disapproved per UMM letter dated 10 November 1949.

CASE HISTORY FOR REMAINS CONSIDERED NON-RECOVERABLE CONT'D Cabanatuan POW Camp Casualties.

b. Due to the absence of OQMO Form 371 for George York Sr., Navy Civilian Employee, same is not being considered by this Board as nonrecoverable.

c. It has not been possible to definitely associate the above listed personnel with any other remains recovered from Cabanatuan POS Camp Cemetery.

3. Findings and recommendations are based on all information presently available.

4. It is recommended that the remains of the above listed casualties be considered non-recoverable and that all records pertaining to search for and recovery of their remains be closed.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL: 11 Jan. 1950

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Address Reply To THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL Attention: Memorial Division

15 January 1946

Mr. Herman P. Kelder 6151 Newbury Avenue Chicago 31, Illinois

Dear Mr. Kelder:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Private Arthur H. Kelder, has been received in this office.

It is with deep regret that you must be advised that up to the present time, information pertaining to the burial place of your son has not been received. In view of the fact that this information would have been compiled by the Japanese Government and transmitted through the International Red Cross, there is no assurance that it will be received unless it has already been furnished to the International Red Cross. However, you may be assured that the American Graves Registration Service is endeavoring to locate the graves of our deceased military personnel. This practice will continue until every effort to locate the graves has been exhausted.

At the present time this office cannot assure you that it will be possible to return the remains of your son, as it is not known if a report of burial will be received covering the interment of his remains. However, the war Department anticipates that, in the near future, authority will be granted to return at Government expense, the remains of those who died oversees to a final resting place as selected by the next of kinsmalpen receipted such authority, the War Department, through this office, will furnish full information to the proper next of kin and solicit their desires. It should be realized that this mission as a whole is world-wide in scope and of necessity time-consuming, but you may rest assured that this office fully appreciates your desires and well do everything in its power to fulfill them at the earliest possible date.

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PREMN Major, QMC Assistant J

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