

QM 293 A-C.

[Egan, Harry]

January 16, 1926



Mr. Harry Shellworth,  
c/o Boise Payette Lumber Co.,  
Boise, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Colonel W. C. Brown has brought to the attention of the Acting  
The Quartermaster General, the valuable assistance rendered by you in the  
erection of the monument to the late Private Harry Egan, Company C, 2d  
Infantry.

Your helpful interest in this matter is much appreciated, and  
I am instructed to convey to you the thanks of this office.

Very truly yours,

LWR

L. W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant

*File  
4-24/26  
[Signature]*

Mr Harry Shellworth  
of Boise Payette Lumber Co  
Boise Idaho

Rendered valuable  
assistance to the U.S.  
in helping the Contractor  
Mr J. B. Elliott in placing  
headstone on the boulder  
Monument & in mixing  
and handling Cement  
in construction of the  
monument

Please send Shellworth a  
letter of appreciation.

QM 93 A-0  
(Eagan, Harry)

November 10, 1925.

SUBJECT: Headstone at the grave of Pvt. Harry Eagan, Soldier Bar, Idaho.

TO: Quartermaster Supply Officer, Washington G.I. Depot.

1. There is enclosed herewith, a bill of J.B. Elliott, Clover, Idaho, for expenses in connection with the hauling and erecting a headstone at the grave of Private Harry Eagan, Soldier Bar, Idaho.

2. It is desired that voucher be prepared and transmitted to Mr. Elliott, and all action taken for the payment of this bill, when the Procurement Authority making the necessary allotment of funds available has been received by your office.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

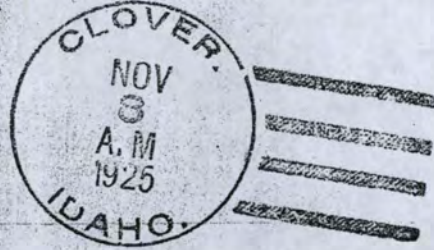
L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

3 Encl.  
Bill of J.B. Elliott.  
Let. of 3/20/25.  
Cy.Memo. of 3/13/25.



*Handwritten initials and signatures:*  
F.H.H.  
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ECG  
SWS

Q. M. 293 A-C  
Eagan, Harry.



Major, Q. M. C.,  
Dear Sir:

In reply to yours  
10, 21, 25; I wish to inform  
you that I have placed the  
Headstone on the mound of  
Boulders, directly over the  
grave.

Said location was  
easily obtained, from one  
David Lewis, who was  
present at the time Eagan  
was wounded, operated on,  
buried.

In a recent letter I  
have outlined the expence, etc.

Respectfully,  
J. B. Elliott,  
Clover.

B. Elliott, A46790  
Clover, Idaho



Mr. L. W. Redington,  
Major Q. M. C.  
Washington D. C.

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QM 293 A-G

(Eagan, Harry)

November 3, 1925.

**SUBJECT:** Monument to Private Harry Eagan.

**TO:** Colonel W.C. Brown, U.S.A. Retired, Army and Navy Club,  
17th and Eye Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.

1. Referring to previous correspondence relative to the placing of a monument over the grave of Private Harry Eagan at Soldier Bar, please be advised that a report has been received from Mr. J.B. Elliott, Clover, Idaho, in which he states that the monument has been erected in good shape.

For The Quartermaster General:

L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

✓ X-93 Brown, W.C.



COPY

Bill for expenditures and service.

Cement	\$18.10
Cement freight \$6.00	
Hauling rock	18.00
Packing supplies and equipment -	18.00
Freight by wagon McCall to F.S. Headquarters Big Creek - -	50.00
Packing headstone Hdqr. to Soldier Bar round trip -	50.00
Packing cement round trip	75.00
Packing sand 2 " "	26.00
Labor seven days	35.00
Had to pack water from Big Creek for most of work.	
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	\$281.10

Supplies furnished by myself.

J.B. Elliott.

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QM 293 A-0  
Eagan, Harry.

Clover, Idaho,  
Oct. 28, 1925.

Quartermaster General,  
Cemeterial Division,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my bill for expenditures and service.

Owing to the fact that I used only half of cement, I charged only for half paid out \$6.00 freight on same which I did not charge.

Have taken pictures of monument and will send some of them later. They will show the kind of country I have to work in.

In figuring up this bill I've tried to be fair and reasonable. I always try to be as patriotic as the next one.

I made the trip to McCall personally, as I wanted to be sure the stone was in good condition. Also that the cement was in the right condition. It being a very busy time of the year, I was almost forced to do the work by myself. With the kind and able assistance of Mr. Harry Shellworth (one of the head men of Boise Payette Lumber Co.) I was able to put the marble stone in place and cement it there. At any time I will be glad to refer you to Mr. Shellworth, Boise, Idaho, concerning this monument.

As far as the cement is concerned I may use it. But if for any reason that it may be wanted, I am taking good care of same. I shall make it a point to look the monument over in the spring. It certainly is a great landmark.

For any further information or assistance concerning the above, do not hesitate to call on me so I will be only too glad to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,  
J.B. Elliott,  
Clover.





Quartermaster Gen.

Dear Sir:

This is to notify you that the monument over the Soldier's Grave at Soldier Bar, Q.M. 293 A-C

Eagan, Harry is completed & in good shape. Will write later & make report of expenditures & Bill of Service. Everything went smoothly & completed in good shape. It all takes time in a country like this

Respectfully  
J. B. Elliott, Closer.

193-Eagan, Harry

Idaho



War Department,

Office Quartermaster Gen.,

Washington D.C.

Cemetary Division.

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QM 295 A-0

October 21, 1925.

Egan, Harry

Mr. J. B. Elliott,  
Clover, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the headstone for the grave of Private Harry Egan, which was shipped to you, The Quartermaster General desires you to be requested to advise this office whether you have placed the stone at the grave, if so, what expense was involved.

It is desired to complete our records in this case, which is the reason for addressing this communication to you on the subject at this time.

Very truly yours,

L. W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

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October 5, 1925.

To Major Redington:

This is a report of delivery to the consignee of a headstone for the grave of Sergt. Harry Eagan, buried at Soldier Bar, Idaho. Colonel W.C. Brown, U.S.A., retired, took up the question of supply of this stone, and you will note he took up the question of paying extra lettering cost with the 2nd Infantry; also interested the Staff in the matter as the decedent belonged to General Hines' old company.

J.B. Elliott, the consignee, promised to place the stone on a special mound of cement and boulders in accordance with specifications prepared by the Construction Service. The cost of Elliott's services are to be paid from our headstone appn. He has made no report on the subject to us.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Eagan, Harry

September 18, 1925.

SUBJECT: Headstone for Harry Eagan.

TO: The Commanding Officer, Boston Q.M.I. Depot, Boston, Mass.

1. Referring to previous correspondence relative to the headstone for Private Harry Eagan, to be shipped to Mr. J. B. Elliott, McCall, Valley County, Idaho, whose post office address is Clover, Idaho, a report is desired showing whether the stone has reached destination and delivery made to Mr. Elliott, and the date thereof.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

*D. K. Mitchell*  
D. K. MITCHELL,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

Cemeterial Branch 293.7                      1st Ind.                      TTE  
Elliott-1418230-5  
QID., Boston, September 19, 1925. To: Quartermaster Vancouver  
Barracks, Washington.

1. Attention is invited to our letter of July 1, 1925, from which, the following is quoted:

"Furnish this office with proof of delivery of shipment to consignee at ultimate destination and condition of headstone on arrival at that point."

with request that desired information be furnished at the earliest date.

For the Commanding Officer:

*Nels J. Thorud*  
Nels J. Thorud,  
Captain, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.



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~~Quartermaster's Office~~

*M. Call. Ida.* ✓

*Sept 4*, 19*25*

Quartermaster,

The property shipped upon your bills of lading enumerated below has been received.

	INITIALS OF LAST CARRIER	DATE RECEIVED	CONDITION
<i>1428311</i>	<i>U. P.</i>		✓
	<i>J. B. Elliott</i>	<i>9. 4. 25.</i>	<i>good.</i>
<i>C</i>	<i>F. L.</i>		

*J. B. Elliott.*

Quartermaster.

WAR DEPARTMENT

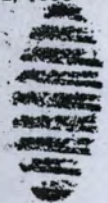
QUARTERMASTER CORPS

*J. B. Elliott, Quar. Adjt.*

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER  
VANCOUVER BARRACKS, WASH.

BOSTON QUARTERMASTER INTERMEDIATE DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
ARMY BASE, BOSTON, MASS

IN REPLY REFER TO

Cemeterial Branch 293.7  
Elliott-1418230-5

August 19, 1925.

Mr. J. B. Elliott,  
Clover,  
Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Supplementing our letter of July 1, 1925, the Eagan headstone was shipped from Portland, Oregon, August 4, 1925 and should arrive at destination within a few days.

Very truly yours,

Nels J. Thorud,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

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COPY to The Quartermaster General in reply to 1st Ind.  
QM 293 A-C Eagan, Harry of June 1, 1925.

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OM 293 A-G  
(Eagan, Harry)

July 11, 1925.

✓ x 293 Mr. J. B. Elliott,  
Clover,  
Valley County, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter relative to the placing of the headstone at the grave of Private Harry Eagan.

In reply, The Quartermaster General desires to thank you for your interest in this matter and your offer to place this monument. The stone will be shipped to you by the Quartermaster at Portland Oregon, whose post office address is Vancouver Barracks, Washington. The Quartermaster will advise you when the headstone is shipped and the approximate date it will reach McCall. It will not be necessary for you to go to McCall until the Quartermaster advises you when the headstone will be shipped.

As to the cement, it is requested that you order this and forward to this office your bill for the cost, when this office will make payment; or if you do not desire to handle it in this manner, the cost of the cement may be included in your charges for services in connection with the placing of the monument. This latter plan would be more acceptable to this office.

In connection with the placing of this headstone, your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of a letter from the Acting Forester of the Forest Service, relative to the assistance which that Service can give in this matter.

Very truly yours,

R. P. HANBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

Encl.  
Copy of let. of Mr. Kneipp.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
THE FORESTER  
AND REFER TO



WASHINGTON

July 7, 1925

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Major R. P. Harbold,  
Assistant Quartermaster General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter "QM 293 A-C" (Egan, Harry) of June 1 addressed to Mr. M. S. Wright, Assistant Engineer and to Mr. Sherman's letter of June 18 to you.

The Forest Supervisor of the Idaho Forest at McCall, Idaho, intimates that he will assist Mr. Elliott in the erection of the monument on Soldier Bar and will inspect the grave frequently after the monument has been completed. He states that it will probably not be possible for him to actually assist in the construction of the monument because of the urgency of other work, but that he will be glad to consult with Mr. Elliott and assist him as much as practicable in the supervision of the task.

Very truly yours,

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Acting Forester.

L. F. Kneipp

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R. P. Harbold  
7/19/25

293 Egan, Harry

In reply  
refer to

BOSTON QUARTERMASTER INTERMEDIATE DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
ARMY BASE, BOSTON, MASS.

Cemeterial Branch 293.7  
Elliott-1418230-5

July 1, 1925.

Mr. J. B. Elliott,  
Clover,  
Valley County, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to our letter of June 22, 1925, Egan headstone will leave the Port of Boston today and is due in Portland, Oregon, on or about August 1, 1925.

Very truly yours,

Fred L. Black,  
Captain, Q.M.C.



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Egan  
Harry

COPY Quartermaster, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, D.C., enclosing original B/I 1418230 covering shipment of above mentioned headstone. It is requested that headstone be examined carefully on arrival and if in good condition, remark and forward to Mr. J. B. Elliott, McCall, Valley Co., Idaho, Post Office, X Clover, Valley County, Idaho, reporting date of reshipment to consignee, carbon copy to this office. Also furnish this office with proof of delivery of shipment to consignee at ultimate destination and condition of headstone on arrival at that point. Procurement authority will be furnished your office in sufficient time for reshipment.

COPY to The Quartermaster General in reply to 1st Ind. QM 293 A-C Egan, Harry of June 1, 1925.

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QM 293-A-C

June 30, 1925

Egan, Harry

**SUBJECT:** Headstone for the grave of Harry Egan

**TO:** Quartermaster, Portland Oregon, Post Office, Vancouver Barracks  
Washington,

1. The Commanding Officer, Boston Quartermaster Intermediate Depot, advised this office under date of June 22, 1925, that a headstone for the grave of Private Harry Egan would be shipped to you on July 1, 1925 on the Steamship Charles McCormack of the Munson McCromack line and should arrive at Portland Pier in thirty days from July 1. This headstone is to be re-shipped by you to Mr. J. B. Elliott, and it is desired that upon arrival of the headstone at Portland, you advise Mr. Elliott at Clover, Valley County, Idaho, of the date you will make shipment to him and the probable date the stone should reach destination.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

R. P. Harbold,  
Major Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

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*293 Egan  
Harbold*

✓ x 293.7 Portland Oregon  
✓ x 293 Elliott, J.B.



Q. M. 203 A-C.  
Fagan, Harry.



Mr. R. P. Harbold,  
Major I. M. C.,  
Dear Sir,

Clover  
7/11/25

Your letter June 1st,  
at hand, & contents noted.

Yes, I will receive the headstone &  
transport it to Big Creek, and erect same.

For a few days I shall be very  
busy, & can't start to McCall at once.  
But when I do start I shall be right  
on the job till completed.

Please advise me at once as to  
whether the cement has been shipped to  
McCall or if I am to order cement  
for the erection of the stone.

We have mail service weekly from  
Warren, Ida. That is very slow, hence the  
delay in hearing from me. Clover is about  
120 miles from McCall. A little over 12 miles  
from here, Clover, to Soldier Bar.

For any information, do not hesitate to call  
on me,  
Yours Respectfully, J. B. Elliott, Clover

In reply  
refer to

BOSTON QUARTERMASTER INTERMEDIATE DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
ARMY BASE, BOSTON, MASS.

Cemeterial Branch 293.7  
Elliott-1418229,250-5

June 22, 1925.

Mr. J. B. Elliott,  
Clover,  
Valley County,  
Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Supplementing ours of June 15, 1925, you are informed that headstone for Harry Eagan was received at the Army Base, Boston, today, and will be shipped to the Quartermaster, Portland, Oregon, Postoffice, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, on or about July 1, 1925, on SS CHAS MCCORMACK, of the Munson McCormick Lines and should arrive at Portland, Oregon within thirty days from this date.

Very truly yours,

Fred L. Black,  
Captain, Q.M.C.



COPY to the Quartermaster General with refernece to file QM293 A-C Eagan, Harry of June 1, 1925.

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293 Eagan, Harry

In reply  
refer to

BOSTON QUARTERMASTER INTERMEDIATE DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
ARMY BASE, BOSTON, MASS.

Cemeterial Branch 295.7  
Elliott-5

June 18, 1925.

Vermont Marble Co.,  
Proctor,  
Vt.

Gentlemen:

There are enclosed, letter of transmittal from the Quar-  
termaster General dated June 15, 1925, file QM 295 A-C  
[Eagan, Harry] and Battle Creek, Camp Custer, Branch, Mich.,  
Money Order Serial #5862 in the sum of TWENTY THREE DOLLARS  
AND FIFTY EIGHT CENTS in settlement of charges for extra  
lettering on headstone inscribed Harry Eagan, etc.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of enclosures direct  
to The Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., and send us  
a copy of same.

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Very truly yours,

COPY to The Quartermaster General  
in reply to memorandum of June 16,  
1925, with reference to file referred  
to above.

Fred L. Black,  
Captain, Q.M.C.



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Eagan  
Harry

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
THE FORESTER  
AND REFER TO



WASHINGTON

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Special, D-4

June 18, 1925.

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Department of Agriculture

Major R. P. Harbold,  
Assistant Quartermaster General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter "QM 293 A-C" (Eagan, Harry) of June 1, addressed to Mr. M. S. Wright, Assistant Engineer.

Soldier Bar is located within the boundaries of the Idaho National Forest. Copies of your letter and the letter to Mr. J. B. Elliott, Clover, Valley County, Idaho, enclosed therewith, have been forwarded to the District Forester at Ogden, Utah, who has general supervision over the National Forests in that part of Idaho. As soon as information is received from him as to the extent and nature of the assistance which can be rendered in connection with the placing of the monument to Private Harry Eagan, or of the supervision practicable, you will be further advised.

Very truly yours,

*E. Sherman*  
Acting Forester.

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7/29/25*





To Major Harbold:

This is the headstone for shipment to Idaho in which Col. Brown is interested. We have not heard anything from the consignee in reply to our letter relative to receiving it.

If this stone is shipped by steamer to Boston, it will take three or four months to reach destination. It is believed the office will be embarrassed if shipment is made in this manner and delayed for months.

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Col. Brown stated that  
when only - the snow is not  
out of the into until August -  
So I think the ship ~~will~~  
will be received in sufficient time  
R.S.F.

In reply  
refer to

BOSTON QUARTERMASTER INTERMEDIATE DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
ARMY BASE, BOSTON, MASS.

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Cemeterial Branch 293.7  
Elliott-1418229-230-5

Subject: Shipment of Eagan headstone.

June 15, 1925.

To: The Quartermaster General.

1. Complying with instructions indicated in your first indorsement file QM 293 AOC Eagan, Harry, of June 1, 1925, you are informed that headstone was shipped from Proctor, Vermont, today, consigned in care of this office for re-forwarding by steamer to Pacific Coast.
2. Further information will be forwarded from time to time as to progress of shipment.



*W.C. Jones*

W.C. Jones,  
Lt. Col. QMC.,  
Commanding.

*File 7/29/25*

*293  
Eagan  
Harry*

QM 293 A-C.

(Egan, Harry)

June 13, 1925

Subject: Payment for extra lettering on headstone of Harry Egan.

To: 1st Lieut. J. J. Carney, Adjutant 2nd Infantry, Camp Custer, Mich.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 10, 1925, enclosing money order for \$23.58 to cover cost of extra lettering on headstone for Harry Egan, Private Co. C, 2nd Infantry, and copy of certain correspondence had with Colonel W. C. Brown, U.S.A., Retired, concerning this matter.

2. There is enclosed for your information, copy of letter to The Vermont Marble Company forwarding this money order.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

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X 293 Carney, J. J. 1st Lieut.  
X 293 Second Infantry  
1 Incl.

copy letter 6-13-25

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

Mailed  
6/16/25  
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2. Colonel Brown has given freely both of his time and of his labor in securing a proper recognition of this Indian Campaign of the Second Infantry and in causing a suitable monument to be erected in memory of Harry Eagan, formerly a private Company C, 2nd Infantry, who died on the field of battle. However, Colonel Brown, before concluding this most worthy undertaking, has given the Regiment an opportunity to participate therein to the extent of contributing the additional cost to the Government resulting from the cost of inscribing a proper record on the monument of Private Eagan.

3. a In order that the amount now due for the extra lettering on the headstone of Private Eagan, may be promptly paid, every member of this regiment, both enlisted and commissioned, is requested to contribute at once five cents for this worthy purpose.

b Contributions of officers will be delivered to the Adjutant.

c Contributions from enlisted men will be turned over to their respective company commanders who will deliver same to the Adjutant.

By order of Colonel Stacey:

J. J. Carney,  
1st Lieut. 2nd Infantry,  
Adjutant.

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All concerned.



Memorandum: For General Hines:

Plans have been completed for erection of headstone which will serve the double purpose of marking the grave of Private Harry Eagan, Company C, 2nd Infantry, and the site of the engagement of August 20th, 1879, on Big Creek, Idaho, where he was killed.

This monument when effected will probably be the most remote from civilization of any similar monument in the United States, for even now after shipment to McCall on Payette Lake, Idaho, it must be transported some seventy miles by wagon to Edwardsburg and nearly forty miles by pack mule to its destination at Soldier Bar.

This expense as well as the cost of erection of headstone in a five foot pile of boulders will be met by the Quartermaster Corps.

In order that the monument should serve to mark the site of the engagement as well as the man's grave, extra lettering was necessary-the extra cost being \$23.58, the payment of which I have personally guaranteed. It is thought that members of Company C, 2nd Infantry, will be willing to share this expense, and if they will contribute \$20.00 and send it to Major R. P. Harbold, Q. M. C., U. S. Army, Chief of Cemeterial Division, Q.M.G.O., I will take care of the remaining \$3.58.

W. C. Brown,  
Colonel, U.S.A. Retired.

"May 28th, 1925.

Major Harbold, Chief Cemeterial Div. Q.M.G.O., says this is A. K. The former 2nd Lt. Co. C, 2nd Inf., now Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, authorizes me to say that this is a good move and worthy of the cooperation of his old company.

W. C. Brown,"

There are three officers, one ex-soldier and one civilian still living who were present when Pvt Bagan was buried. The civilian is Mr. David Lewis who was a packer with the train of Co. C, 2d Inf., and who now lives about two miles above Soldier Bar and can point out the exact spot where the man was buried. In placing a headstone over the grave it was thought appropriate that the lettering should show not only the man's name, rank and etc., but that it should show also the site of the engagement and the troops taking part in it.

I proceeded on these lines and conferred with the Chief of Staff U. S. A., who was interested as having later joined that company as a 2nd Lieutenant.

The entire matter received his approval and I asked Maj. R. P. Harbold, Q. M. C.-In Charge Cemeterial Div. Q. M. G. O., to have the stone cut accordingly and that I would be personally responsible for such extra expense as might be incurred.

A blue print showing the stone and its lettering in full size, and the 5 foot mound of bowlders laid in cement, on reduced scale, together with carbon copies of correspondence pertaining thereto, are all enclosed herewith.-the entire matter having been submitted yesterday to General Hines and received his approval. (See carbon copy "Memo. of May 27, 1925 enclosed)

As organization commanders are enjoined by G. O. # 1, A. G. O. Jan. 4, 1905 to keep an up-to-date history of their organizations I am enclosing (hoping that it may be of interest) a map of the immediate theatre of Operations of 1879 and a brief outline sketch of this campaign which appears in this months issue of "Winners of the West".

I have considerable additional data relative to this campaign which I have secured from notes, diaries and old War Department Records, and during the coming summer, at the request of the Historical Society of Idaho, expect to prepare for publication a somewhat more detailed account of the operations of 1879.

It is assumed that you have a copy of Major C. B. Hardin's account of this campaign published in the July-Aug, 1910 issue of the Journal Military Service Institution and the Annual Report Comd'g Gen. Dept. of Columbia, Sept. 10, 1879.

As I have served with the 2d Infantry in the 1878 & 9 Campaigns and again at Camp Stotsenburg about 1907, I have on this account less hesitancy in presenting this matter for consideration.

The favor of a reply is requested.

W. C. Brown,  
Col. U. S. A. Retired."

HEADQUARTERS SECOND INFANTRY,  
Camp Custer, Michigan,  
June 10, 1925.

Memorandum:

1. The following communications are published for the information of all concerned:

" The Army and Navy Club,  
Washington, D.C.  
May 29, 1925.

Subject: Monument marking engagement of Co. C, 2d Inf., Aug. 20, 1879.

To: Commanding Officer, Co. C, 2d Inftry.  
( Thru Regtl Comdr.)

Having been one of the participants in the Sheepstealer Indian Campaign in Middle Idaho 1879, I have recently interested myself in having this recognized by the War Department as a regular Indian Campaign, and on Feb. 27th, 1925, a Memorandum, of which the following is an extract, was published from the A. G. O.

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A. R. 600-65 Changed as follows:-  
6. Service required.  
\* \* \*  
b. Indian Campaign Medal.  
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10. Against Sheepstealers, Piutes, and Bannocks, June to Oct. 1879.  
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By order of the Secretary of War:

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

The records show that on the right bank of Big Creek, Idaho, at a place now known as " Soldier Bar " an engagement took place on Aug. 20th, 1879 in which Private Harry Eagan, Co. C, 2d Infantry was mortally wounded, dying on the field a few hours after he was shot.

It is the policy of the War Department to place headstones over the graves of soldiers killed in action which have not been previously marked.

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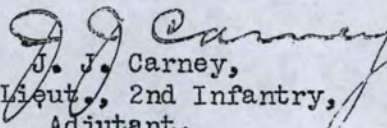
HEADQUARTERS SECOND INFANTRY  
Camp Custer, Michigan,  
June 10, 1925.

Subject: Payment for extra lettering on headstone of Harry Eagan,  
formerly a private, Company C, 2nd Infantry.

To: Major R. P. Harbold, Q.M.C., Chief of Cemeterial Division,  
Quartermaster General's Office, Washington, D. C.

1. The attached copy of certain correspondence had with Colonel W. C. Brown, U. S. A., retired, concerning the additional cost of special lettering on the headstone erected at Soldier Bar, Idaho, in memory of Harry Eagan, formerly a private, Company C, 2nd Infantry, who died on the field of battle in 1879 is self explanatory.

2. While Colonel Brown suggests that we pay but \$20.00 of the attached bill for special lettering, this regiment feels that it is not only its right but its duty to pay the entire bill. The officers and enlisted men of the regiment have therefore contributed \$23.58, the amount involved, as shown by attached bill, and I am forwarding the same herewith to you as requested by Colonel Brown. Acknowledgement of receipt is requested.

  
J. J. Carney,  
1st Lieut., 2nd Infantry,  
Adjutant.

JJC/jpj

3 Incls:

- Incl. - #1, U.S. Postal Money order, #5862;
- Incl. - #2, Bill of Vermont Marble Company;
- Incl. - #3, Memo. Hq 2nd Inf., June 10/25,  
re monument Co. C, 2nd Inf.



QM 293 A-0  
(Eagan, Harry)

June 1, 1925.

Mr. M.S. Wright,  
Assistant Engineer, Forest Service,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of letter to Mr. J.B. Elliott, Clover, Valley County, Idaho, relative to placing a headstone at the grave of Private Harry Eagan, Co. C, 2nd U.S. Infantry, who is buried at Soldier Bar, Idaho.

Colonel W.C. Brown, U.S. Army, Retired, advises this office that you are familiar with this subject and there is a probability that assistance could be given by agents of the Forest Service or its employees who traverse this section, not only in placing the monument or seeing that it is properly placed in the event that any difficulties might arise, but in their tours they could keep a watchful eye on the monument and report its condition, and thus assist the War Department in this patriotic work.

The Quartermaster General desires you to be requested to indicate the nature and extent of the assistance it will be possible to render.

Very truly yours,

H. F. HARBOID,  
Major, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

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Cy. Let. to Mr. Elliott.

*Handwritten signature: M. S. Wright*  
*Handwritten initials: C. M. G.*  
*Handwritten date: 6/1/25*

*Handwritten initials: H. F. Harboid*

✓ - 29-7 Department of Agriculture

of boulders or stones not larger than can be lifted and carried by one man, and held together by cement. A drawing of the stone which also shows the mound on which it is to be placed, is enclosed. There is also enclosed a copy of specifications to show how to mix the cement, as well as the size of the foundation. The stones can be gathered at the place where the burial is made.

Very truly yours,

R.P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

*H.P.H.*  
*W.C.*

2 Encls.  
encl.#1-Blueprint.  
encl.#2-Cy.of Specifications.

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CM 193 A-C  
(Egan, Harry)

June 1, 1925.

x 293  
Mr. J.S. Elliott,  
Glover,  
Valley County, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

At the suggestion of Colonel V.C. Brown, U.S. Army, Retired, a headstone has been prepared for the grave of Private Harry Egan, Co. C, 2nd U.S. Infantry, who was killed August 23, 1877 during an attack by Sheepstealer Indians on rear guards and pack trains of Companies "C", 2nd Infantry, and "D" and "E", 1st Cavalry. This soldier is buried at Soldier Bar, and it is understood that you know the location of the grave.

The Quartermaster General desires that you be communicated with, with a view to ascertaining whether you will receive the headstone if it is shipped to you, and make the necessary arrangements for its transportation to the place of burial and for its erection at the grave. It is understood that shipment would be made to McCall (near Big Fayette Lake), Valley County, Idaho; thence by wagon 70 miles to Edwardsburg by way of Warren; thence by pack mule 50 miles to Soldier Bar. If satisfactory, the stone will be shipped to McCall and notice of shipment sent to you at Glover, so that you may go to McCall or make arrangements for its removal to the grave.

The Government will pay the expense of hauling the stone by wagon and by pack mule and for its erection at the grave. It is preferred that you act for the Government and pay the man who hauls the stone by wagon or pack mule and sets it up.

The request to do this work is not made so much on account of any small profit or pay which may be gotten for the work, but it is understood that you would undertake the work through patriotic interest, and thus assist the Government in placing a monument at this soldier's grave.

In view of the assurances of Colonel Brown, that you will undertake the job, the stone has been ordered to be shipped to you at McCall, and notice will be sent to you at Glover. In the meantime you can make the arrangements for its hauling and setting up. This stone should be set up on a mound as shown on the enclosed blueprint, the mound to consist

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QM 293 A-C (Egan, Harry)

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War Department, WAGO, Washington, June 1, 1925 - To the Commanding Officer,  
Boston Q.M.I. Depot.

1. With instructions to ship this headstone to Mr. J.B. Elliott, McCall, Valley County, Idaho, Post Office, Clover, Valley County, Idaho.
2. Advise Mr. Elliott the date of shipment and approximate date of delivery. Also advise this office of action taken.
3. As you will understand Colonel W.C. Brown, U.S.A. Retired, and General Hines are interested in this matter and it is desired that care be taken to see that the headstone is properly crated and is traced to destination, and this office kept fully advised on the subject.
4. The bill of the Vermont Marble Company, for \$25.58 for extra lettering, has been given to Colonel Brown, who will pay for same.

By order of the Quartermaster General:

✓ x095 Vermont Marble Company.

R.P. HARBOLD,  
Major Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Enclosure withdrawn.

*Mailed by car. No.  
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J. W. [unclear]  
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Cemeterial Branch 293.7  
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May 8, 1925.

Subject: Special headstone.

To: The Quartermaster General.

1. Reference is made to your file QR 293 A-C, Egan, Harry of March 30, 1925.
2. Headstone has been prepared and is being held at quarry pending advice as to name of consignee and date of release.
3. Invoices in triplicate are enclosed covering cost of extra work on this headstone.
4. It is estimated that transportation costs from Proctor, Vt., to McCall, Idaho, will be \$5.89.
5. This office awaits your further advice in the matter.

inc 1 invoice



W.C. Jones,  
Lt. Col., Q.M.C.,  
Commanding Officer.

## VERMONT MARBLE COMPANY

Sold to FINANCE OFFICER  
U. S. ARMY  
BOSTON -9- MASS.

PROCTOR, VT.  
APR. 28, 1925.

Shipped from PROCTOR

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EXTRA LETTERING ON ONE SPECIAL HEAD-STONE

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ACCOUNT  
IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT PAYMENT  
THEREFORE HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED.

VERMONT MARBLE CO.

PER *W. Smith*

I certify that the work covered by this invoice has been duly performed.

*Samuel M. Seff*  
SAMUEL M. SEFF  
Headstone Inspector.

Note: If the men of Co "C" will contribute  
\$20.00 to meet this extra expense I will take  
care of the remaining \$35.58 - W.C. Brown Encl #

COPY

Headstone shipped at Government expense to McCall (near Big  
Pagette Lake) Valley Co., Idaho.

Thence by wagon 70 miles to Edwardsburg via Warren  
Thence by pack mule 50 miles to Soldier Bar.

Expense of transportation by wagon and pack and delivery of  
cement and erection of mound of boulders will have to be met by  
Q.M.C. or Co. "C", 2nd Inf.

QM 293 A-0

(Eagan, Harry)

March 30, 1925.

**SUBJECT:** Headstone for grave of Private Harry Eagan.

**TO:** The Commanding Officer, Boston Q. M. I. Depot, Boston, Mass.

1. This office proposes to furnish and ship special, a headstone of the World War design for the grave of Private Harry Eagan, to McCall (near Big Payette Lake) Valley County, Idaho; thence by wagon seventy miles to Edwardsburg via Warren; thence by pack mule fifty miles to Soldier Bar.

2. The inscription for the headstone will read as outlined in the enclosed blueprint.

3. Specifications for a conical base for the stone, prepared in this office are enclosed. Statement of the cost of this stone, if any, in excess of the present contract price for the regulation World War design headstone is desired. The extra cost will be borne from private funds.

4. Prepare the stone at once and hold for shipping instructions.

5. In submitting your report in this case, give an estimate of the cost of rail transportation.

6. In this connection, you are advised that application in this case has been submitted to Colonel W. C. Brown, U. S. A. Retired; Private Eagan was a member of General Hines' Company.

7. Prompt action is desired.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant.

3 incls.  
2 blue prints  
1 specification.



SPECIFICATION FOR THE SETTING OF A HEADSTONE TO  
MARK THE GRAVE OF PRIVATE HARRY EAGAN, BURIED IN AN  
ISOLATED PLACE IN IDAHO.

1. The headstone itself will be of white marble of the dimensions shown on accompanying drawing No. 6691-100. It is to be set in a conical base of cement and boulders, as shown on drawing. This base should be 8'-0" across at the ground level and it should be carried below the surface of the ground about 18 inches. (See sketch on Drawing.)

2. Dig a pit about 18 inches deep and 8 feet across and finish the bottom level. Fill this pit about one foot deep with boulders, or stone not larger than can be lifted and carried by one man. These should be set in place close together so that they will not move round. Then build up on this loose boulders fitted together as well as possible to a height about a foot less than the outside surface shown in the drawing for the completed monument and setting the stone plumb in the top. Then cover the outside with smaller stones cemented between and in place sloping off the cement joints so that the water will run off and not collect.

3. The outside joints and crevices of the conical base should be thoroughly filled with the mortar and should be finished about as shown on the drawing. The cement surface immediately around the marble headstone should be trowelled smooth and slope away from the stone so that the water will run off quickly.

4. Twelve bags of cement will be necessary to make the mortar and this should be mixed with sand, or fine gravel. The mortar should be mixed only as fast as it can be used, as it will set in a short time. It should be made by mixing one bucket of the cement with three buckets of sand, or fine gravel; these should be mixed thoroughly while dry and then enough water added to make a stiff mud.

WAR DEPARTMENT, O.Q.M.G.

FILE NO: QM-293-K-ED  
SUBJECT: Plan and Specifications for setting  
Headstone for Private Harry Egan.  
FROM: CONSTRUCTION SERVICE

DATE: March 21, 1925.

TO: Q.M. General Liaison Of. for War Plan.  
Ex. Officer Personnel Service  
Adm. Service Supply Service  
Adm. Div. Transportation Service  
Fiscal Div. Construction Service  
XXX Cemeterial Div. Remount Service  
Inspection Div.

FOR: Correction  
Note and file  
Note and return.  
Necessary attention  
Action and direct reply  
Information and guidance  
Investigation and report  
Remark and recommendation  
Note and pass to next check  
Prepare reply for signature of

1. Herewith are forwarded four (4) copies of a short and simple specification and four (4) blue prints giving the necessary information for carving and setting a headstone for Harry Egan, late 2nd Infantry, in accordance with memorandum of March 13, 1925.

2. The inscription desired can be cut on a standard stone without unduly crowding the surface and in view of the distance that the stone must be transported, it is thought better to adhere to this size rather than to make a larger one.

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5 Incls.  
Incl.#1-Mem.3/13/25 fr CemDiv.  
Incl.#2-B/P Plan  
Incl.#3-Proposal  
Incl.#4-Specifications in quad.  
Incl.#5-B/P Plan in quad.

Reverse side for action taken.

March 20, 1925.

Headstone for the grave of Private Harry Eagan.

The Quartermaster General.

1. The action outlined in your memorandum of March 13, 1925, on the above-entitled subject, to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, has been approved by the Deputy Chief of Staff on March 16, 1925, and will be executed forthwith.

2. The inclosures which accompanied your memorandum are herewith returned.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Robert L. Collins

Adjutant General.

3 incls.



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Eagan, Harry

WAR DEPARTMENT, O. Q. M. G.

FILE NO: OM 293 A-C

SUBJECT: (Eagan, Harry)

DATE: March 13, 1925

FROM: CEMETERIAL DIVISION

FOR: Correction  
 Note and file  
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 Action and direct reply  
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TO: Q.M. General Liaison Of. for War Plan.  
 Ex. Officer Personnel Service  
 Adm. Service Supply Service  
 Adm. Div. Transportation Service  
 Fiscal Div. X Construction Service  
 Cemeterial Div. Remount Service  
 Inspection Div.

An application has been submitted by Colonel Brown, U. S. A. Retired, for a headstone to mark the grave of Private Harry Eagan, buried in an isolated place in Idaho.

This soldier belonged to General Hines' old company, and the matter has been submitted by the General Staff, with a view to providing a headstone.

It is proposed to supply a stone of the World War design, similar to that described in the accompanying blueprint and specifications. However, it is desired that the stone be enlarged to permit the cutting of the following inscription:

HARRY EAGAN  
 PRIVATE CO. "C" 2ND INFANTRY  
 KILLED IN ACTION HERE DURING  
 AN ATTACK BY SHEEPEATER INDIANS  
 ON REAR GUARDS AND PACK TRAINS  
 OF COS. "C", 2D INF. AND "G"  
 AND "D" 1ST CAVALRY.  
 AUGUST 20, 1879.

It is also proposed to set it in a conical base of cement and boulders, about five feet high,

In order that necessary instructions may be given for the work, it is requested that you prepare:

- (a) A sketch showing a stone sufficiently large to accommodate the inscription quoted above.
- (b) Specifications for a cement foundation for the stone.

Upon receipt of this information, instructions will be given to the Commanding Officer, Boston Q. M. I. Depot, to prepare and ship the stone.

*Harbold*  
 HARBOLD.



Reverse side for action taken.

Col. W. C. BROWN,  
S. A. Retired.

desires to see Gen Hines  
re construction of small  
monument over grave of  
Pvt Henry Egan Co "C" 2<sup>nd</sup> Inf  
killed Aug 20, 1879 on  
Big Creek Middle Idaho  
in attack by Sheepstealer  
Indians.

This is Gen Hines old Company  
will require wagon train.

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PLEASE MAKE OUT AND RETURN IN DUPLICATE

*File  
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APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	U. S. Regiment, State Organization, or Vessel.	Division, if World War Veteran.
Harry Eagan	Private	C	2d U.S. Infantry	

State from which Decedent came if World War Veteran	DATE OF DEATH	NAME OF CEMETERY	Located in or near - <i>about 40 miles</i>	
			CITY	STATE
	Aug. 20, 1879		S. E of Warena	Idaho
			<i>Lat 45° - 7' North - Lon 114° - 49' West</i>	


TO BE SHIPPED TO..... (Name of consignee.)	PERMANENT ADDRESS.....
at.....	DATE.....
(Give town, county, and State.)	I hereby agree to accept the headstone at above destination, freight prepaid, and properly place same at decedent's grave.
	....., Consignee.

DO NOT WRITE HERE.	<p>Address <i>Army &amp; Navy Club          Washington, D.C.</i> Date <i>March 10 1925</i></p> <p>This application is for the UNMARKED grave of a <i>Private G. C. "2nd Regt."</i> It is understood the stone will be furnished and delivered at the railroad station or steamboat landing above indicated, at Government expense; freight prepaid, and agreed it will be promptly removed and set up at private expense.</p> <p>State whether soldier, sailor, marine, Army nurse, etc.</p> <p><i>Col. W. C. BROWN, West Iowa Col. USA Ret.</i> Applicant.  <i>U. S. A. Retired.</i></p>
Verified.....	
Ordered.....	
From.....	
Shipped.....	

Stones must not be requested for any grave at which a private stone, monument, or other permanent marker is already erected or is to be erected. 3-8654

FOREST SERVICE

From *Joe Elliott* Place *.....*  
To *Dustin* Place *Sherman*  
Filled by *.....*, Consignor  
Packer *.....*  
Received *Dustin Sherman* Consignee  
Date *6-13-26*

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	<i>360# cement left by Joe Elliott</i>	
	<i>Joe Sherman</i>	
		

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Way Bill No. ....

Eagan Harry

Clover, Idaho,

6.12.26.

Quartermaster Corps,

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please  
 find receipt for 300 lbs.  
 Cement left over from the  
 Monument. Am leaving same  
 at the forest Service Headquarters  
 at Big Creek, Idaho.

I was down & looked  
 the monument over a few  
 days ago. It seemed to be  
 the same as when I finished  
 last fall. I thought perhaps  
 it might require some retouching,

Respectfully Yours,  
 J. B. Elliott, Clover, Idaho.

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Quartermaster Corps,  
Cemetaryial Division,  
Washington,  
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QM 298-A-C

Eagan, Harry

March 12, 1926.

SUBJECT: Monument to Private Harry Eagan.

TO: Colonel W.C. Brown, U.S.A., Retired, Army and Navy Club,  
17th & Eye Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.

1. Referring to previous correspondence relative to the delay in settlement of the account of Mr. J.B. Elliott, for services rendered in connection with the monument to the late Private Harry Eagan, please be advised that the Commanding Officer, Boston Quartermaster Intermediate Depot, who has immediate supervision over the shipment of headstones, advises this office that the Finance Officer, Boston, Mass., mailed the check covering this account to Mr. Elliott at Glover, Idaho, under date of February 12, 1926. As the check has not been returned, it is presumed that Mr. Elliott has received it.

For The Quartermaster General:

L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

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Boston Q.M. I.D.

QM 293 A-C (Eagan, Harry) 2nd Ind.  
War Department, QMGO, Washington, March 2, 1926 - To the Commanding Officer,  
Boston, Q.M. Intermediate Depot.

1. Please advise the post office to which this check was mailed, and also whether receipt of same has been acknowledged.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

*J.W. Redington*

J.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

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158 Gen. 3rd Ind.  
C.O., Quartermaster Int. Depot, Army Base, Boston, Mass., Mar. 6, 1926.  
To The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, Washington, D.C.

1. The Finance Officer, U.S. Army, Boston, Mass., who paid this account, states that check was mailed to J.B. Elliott, Clover, Idaho. The Finance Officer has not received the cancelled check, the last cancelled checks received by him being dated Jan. 30, 1926.

*W.C. Jones*

W. C. JONES,  
Lt. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Commanding.

*293 Eagan Harry*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
(Eagan, Harry)

February 24, 1926.

*293 Eagan Harry  
158 Gen*

SUBJECT: Payment of account of J.B. Elliott for erection of headstone to Harry Eagan, Soldier Bar, Idaho.

TO: Commanding Officer, Boston Q.M.I. Depot.

1. Referring to sub-allotment under QM 3435 P 4265 A 1850-6 for \$281.10, for payment of account of J.B. Elliott, Clover, Idaho, for services in connection with the erection of a headstone to Harry Eagan, Soldier Bar, Idaho, it is desired that you advise this office what steps have been taken toward the settlement of this account.

2. In this connection, please be advised that this office is in receipt of information that Mr. Elliott is spending the winter at 2093 Lincoln Avenue, Pasadena, California.

3. It is desired that the payment of this bill be expedited.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

*L.W. Redington*

L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

158 Gen 1st Ind.  
C.O., Quartermaster Intermediate Depot, Army Base, Boston, Mass., Feb. 27, 1926.  
The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

1. The account in question was paid by the Finance Officer, U.S. Army, Boston, Mass. with check dated Feb. 12, 1926. Record of procurements covering this procurement authority has been completed and is inclosed.



1 Incl.

*W.C. Jones*  
W. C. JONES,  
Lt. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Commanding.