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September 2, 1919.

Special Delivery

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

We have an order for a bronze tablet from the family of Private Ralph R. Johncox who was killed September 29th, 1918 in France or Belgium.

He was a member of Company A, 108th Regiment, Infantry, U. S. A. and died from wounds received in action in the breaking of the Hindenburg line. His mother, Mrs. Johncox, is very anxious to have the exact place of death placed in the inscription on the tablet. We have made every effort to secure this data for Mrs. Johncox and Col. Edgar S. Jennings of the regiment states that the records were turned over to the War Department and suggests our writing this letter.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would kindly try and locate the exact place of death of Private Johncox and if you could secure same to-morrow (Wednesday) or Thursday, we will ask you to kindly telegraph us this information at our Buffalo Office, 858-860 Main Street.

The tablet will have to be finished on the 15th of September which is an anniversary and in order to do this, we will have to secure this data within the next day or two. It will not be necessary to telegraph us unless you can give us the name of the town or city in which Private Johncox died and also the country in which this particular city is located, either France or Belgium.

We sincerely hope you will look into this matter promptly and we will hear from you without delay. Thanking you for this courtesy, we remain

Yours truly,

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