

JUN 9 1918

*Clinton A. Siphart* *CM*

2ND LIEUT. (PROV.) U. S. M. C. R.

S. R. Book	REC'D	ADJ	26	1918
Disch.	Initial Correctly	Pass Along		
Died		Mks. Chkd.		
Des.		Cas. Sec.		
Retired		Ent. Reg.		
Accom. Id.		Mis. Postg.		
Proms.	B. D. G.	C. M.		
Rctg.		F. P. Sec.		
Q. M. Clo.		Str & Dis.		
Medals	W. F. S. 2	M. R. C.	A. C. E.	
		Trans.		

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War Certificate Prepared

(FOR USE IN ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR'S DEPT.)

U. S. MARINE CORPS.



# SERVICE-RECORD BOOK

OF

*Siphart*  
SURNAME  
*Mathias*  
CHRISTIAN NAME.

RANK.

PRIVATE

JUN 9 - 1918

DATE OF ENLISTMENT.

DATE OF DISCHARGE.

DATE OF DISCHARGE, EXTENDED ENLISTMENT.

REASON OF DISCHARGE.

CHARACTER GIVEN ON DISCHARGE.

FOR USE IN ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR'S DEPT.

N. M. C. 109-A&I.  
4-21-17-50m

SMREKAR, MATHIAS,

4606856

PRIVATE, Co."I", 5th Regt. Marines

SMREKAR, MRS. ELIZABETH

MOTHER

Box 281,

ELY, MINNESOTA.

Authority: Field Order NO. 16, Hq 2nd Div.,  
dated July 12, 1919.

Form No. 637, A. G. O.

\*Regular Army.  
\*National Guard.

\*National Army.  
\*Enlisted Reserve Corps.

# INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT RECORD

## CLOTHING ACCOUNT

ARTICLES.	SIZE.	ISSUED.	TURNED IN.
DATE LINE.....			
Bags, barrack...			
Belts, waist...			
Blankets.....			
Brassards.....			
Breeches, cotton.			
Breeches, woolen.	34		
Caps, service...	7		
Chevrons.....			
Coats, denim...			
Coats, cotton...			
Coats, woolen...	40		
Cords, hat.....			
Drawers, cotton.			
Drawers, woolen.	36		
Gauntlets, winter			
Gloves.....			
Hats, denim...			
Hats, service...			
Laces.....			
Laces, shoe....			
Leggins.....			
Neckties.....			
Ornaments, cap			
Ornaments, col-			
lar.....			
Overcoat, O. D.	3		
Overshoes, arctic			
Ponchos.....			
Shirts, flannel..	3		
Shoes, gymnasia-			
sium.....			
Shoes.....	7EE		
Slicker.....	3		
Stockings, cotton			
Stockings, woolen	5		
Suspenders.....			
Trousers, denim.			
Undershirts,			
cotton.....			
Undershirts,	36		
woolen.....			
Insignia.....			
Officer's Initials			

\*Strike out words not applicable.

Smrekar

(Surname.)

(Christian name.)

(Army serial number.)

†

(Company and regiment or arm or corps or department.)

†Write grade and organization with pencil and correct as changes occur.

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12. Character.—The final marking should indicate the character the marine is entitled to for his entire service. In making recommendations for character to be given

Company "I" 5th Regiment, U. S. Marine Corps.

Personally appeared before the undersigned Commanding Officer, one Pvt. Mathias Smrekar, 4606856

who being duly sworn deposes and says; that his bona fide home is

318 E. Sheridan Street, City, State, No.

Mathias Smrekar

Signature of Soldier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of JUL 1919.

Robert G. Marshall

Captain, Commanding Company

DATE LINE.....		4/1/23	7/1
Mess Equipment			
Meat can.....	/		
Cup.....	/		
Knife.....	/		
Fork.....	/		
Spoon.....	/		
Randoleer, Cavalry.....	/		
Bayonet and scabbard.....	/		
Blanket roll straps.....	/		
Bolo and scabbard.....	/		
Brush and thong.....	/		
Can, bacon.....	/		
Can, condiment.....	/		
Canteen and cover.....	/		
Canteen-haversack strap.....	/		
Canteen strap, Cavalry.....	/		
Cartridges, cal.....	100	100	
Cartridges, cal.....	/		
Cartridge belt.....	/		
Cartridge belt and suspender.....	/		
Front sight cover.....	/		
Gun sling.....	/		
Hand axe and carrier.....	/		
Hatchet and cover.....	/		
Haversack.....	/		
Magazines, extra.....	/		
Magazine pocket.....	/		
Oil and thong case.....	/		
Pack carrier.....	/		
Pick mattoz and carrier.....	/		
Pick, Cavalry, and cover.....	/		
Pistol No.....	/		
Pistol belt.....	/		
Pistol holster.....	/		
Pouch for first aid.....	/		
Pouch for small articles.....	/		
Ration bag.....	/		
Record case, N. C. O.....	/		
Revolver No.....	/		
Rifle No. 826968.....	/		
Rifle cover.....	/		
Rifle scabbard.....	/		
Rule, 2-foot, folding.....	/		
Saber and scabbard.....	/		
Saber knot.....	/		
Saber straps, pairs.....	/		
Shovel and carrier.....	/		
Steel tape, 5-foot.....	/		
Spurs, pairs.....	/		
Spur-straps, sets.....	/		
Stockcover.....	/		
Trench knife and scabbard.....	/		
Wire cutter and carrier.....	/		
Horse equipment, complete, horse.....	/		
Horse equipment, complete, mule.....	/		
Helmet.....	/		
Bucket.....	/		
G.M.....	/		
SOLDIER'S INITIALS.....	Mathias Smekar		
OFFICER'S INITIALS.....	W.H.		

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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR GENERAL PAY DATA.

1. Entries will be made at the station where the accounts of a reenlisted man are first taken up for pay and, so far as possible, the entries will be verified from discharges in the man's possession, or such other authentic official data as may be obtainable.

(a) Under the heading "Service Record" enter the *cause of discharge* from each prior enlistment. Only such absence will be shown in the column provided for that purpose as affects a man's right to continuous service pay. The "Regiment, Corps, etc.," will be briefly entered.

### MARKSMANSHIP.

2. **Original qualification.**—When men qualify, after the words "Qual. as," enter "E. R.," "S. S.," or "M. M.," as the case may be, the date of qualification, and, when published, the number of the Marksmanship Qualification Order announcing the qualification and year of its issuance.

(a) **Qualification in prior enlistment.**—After the words "Qual. as," enter "E. R.," "S. S.," or "M. M.," as the case may be, the number and year of the Marksmanship Qualification Order announcing the qualification and the date of qualification.

(b) **Failure to requalify.**—Should a soldier in the year following his original or any subsequent qualification fail to requalify or qualify in a grade different from that previously held, the date (not inclusive) the soldier completes the record practice qualification course and failed to requalify, or the date of the new classification attained, if any, will be entered in the appropriate space.

### PROMOTIONS AND REDUCTIONS.

3. Enter the kind of warrant given or revoked, as the case may be, *e. g.*, permanent, temporary, recruiting, etc., the rank to which promoted or reduced, and the actual date of promotion or reduction.

### TIME LOST, MARINE CORPS ORDER NO. 15, 1914.

4. **Absence without or over leave.**—Under the headings "From" and "To," enter the *date and hour* from which and to which the man was absent without or over leave in excess of one day, and in the column headed "Days A. W. O. L.," the number of days of absence. Absence from or to 12.00 o'clock should be entered as *noon* or *midnight*, as the case may be.

(a) **For causes specified in the Act of August 29, 1916.**—Enter the date (but not the hours) from which and to which absent, and, in the column provided, the number of days of such absence.

(b) **While in confinement.**—Enter the date (but not the hours) from which and to which the man is in confinement awaiting trial or disposition of the case if trial results in conviction, and while in confinement serving sentence, and, in the column provided, the number of days of such absence.

(c) When a book is finally closed on account of discharge, death, or retirement, the total time lost for absence without or over leave, for causes specified in the Act of August 29, 1916, and while in confinement, will be entered in the space provided in the lower right-hand corner of the page.

(d) See Marine Corps Orders No. 11, Series, 1915.

### ENLISTMENTS EXTENDED.

5. Enter the date of expiration of such extended enlistment. (See M. C. O. 29, Series 1915.)

### COURT-MARTIAL SENTENCES.

6. Court-martial slips (Forms N. M. C. 512, 512a, and 512b) pasted on page 18 should be consecutively lettered (*i. e.*, "A," "B," "C," etc.), in the order in which they are inserted, and corresponding reference made after the words "See page 18, lettered -----." Similar reference to court-martial checkages under Article 4893, N. I., 1913, should be made on page 19 of this book in the column headed: "See slip on opposite page lettered -----."

### FURLONGHS.

7. Enter the dates, inclusive, of all furloughs granted; also the number of days, and the date of return from furlough.

### ALLOTMENTS.

8. When an allotment is granted state in whose favor the allotment is registered, the monthly amount thereof, the number of months for which registered, the date of the first payment of the allotment (month and year), the name of the paymaster originally registering the allotment, and the ship or station of such paymaster. When an allotment is stopped or expires enter the last payment to be charged (month and year) and the cause of stoppage, *e. g.*, "R. G." (request of grantor); "Tr. to U. S." (transfer to the United States); "Exp." (expiration of period for which registered); "Sen. C. M." (sentence of court-martial); "Des. of allot." (desertion of allotor); "Death" (death of allotor), etc. (See Art. 4479, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1913.)

(a) In the event of the death or desertion of the grantor of an allotment while en route to or from foreign station, the commanding officer of the detachment will at once notify the Paymaster, U. S. Marine Corps, using cable, if necessary. In other cases the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 39, Navy Regulations, 1913, will govern.

### GOOD-CONDUCT MEDALS AND BARS.

9. Enter the number of the medal held, the date of award thereof, the number of bars, and the date of the award of the last bar.

*USM right hand and thigh  
slight def 4/18.*

*R. G.*

**CAPTAIN U. S. M. C.**

*Service chev.*

*8/18/18 to 2/18/19, 6 mo's*

*2/18/19 to*

*R. G.*

**CAPTAIN**

*St. Philidel  
Went thru gas 10/2/18*

**Articles of War**

**last read JUL - 9 1919**

*R. G.*  
**Captain, USMC.**

**Sizes of Clothing**

SIZE	ARTICLES	SIZE	ARTICLES
	Caps.		Leggins
	" cover.		Shirts, flannel
	Coats, field.		" under
	Coats undress.		Shoes
	Overcoat		Socks
	Drawers		Trouser's,
	Gloves Cotton.		" dress
	Gloves woolen		" field,
	Hats, field		" belt, woven
			Coat, pajamas
			Pants, pajamas

Issuing Officer.

Space in which to paste photograph.

ISSUED 1 NEW CLOTHING BAG. *cut*

JUN 9 1918

## SERVICE RECORD

149-2-5

OF 9881-9913

Name *Smrekar, Mathias*

Enlisted as **PRIVATE**

At *Marine Barracks, Paris Island, S. C.*

*JUN 9 1918*, 191, to serve ~~for~~ *during* ~~the~~ *the* War

Date of birth *May 6* 18*95*

Place of birth *Ely, Minnesota.*

Accepted for enlistment at *R. S. Duluth, Minn.*

Occupation prior to entering military or naval service *Meat Cutter*

Former residence *Ely, Minnesota.*

Citizenship *U. S.*

Identification tag issued **JUN 9 1918**, 191

Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency *Mother, Elizabeth Smrekar*

Knowledge of Foreign Languages, with Degree of Proficiency in Each.

LANGUAGE.	SPEAKING.	READING.	WRITING.

Foreign service: *AKR Beale*

(See Par. 67, M. O. Orders.)

*Major*, U. S. M. C.,  
Recruiting Officer.

*Mathias Smrekar*

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SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT IN FULL.

No. of rifle *98298*

\* Enter: "Minority," "War," or as appropriate.

ARS, ETC.

Medical Examiner.)






MARKS, SCARS, ETC.

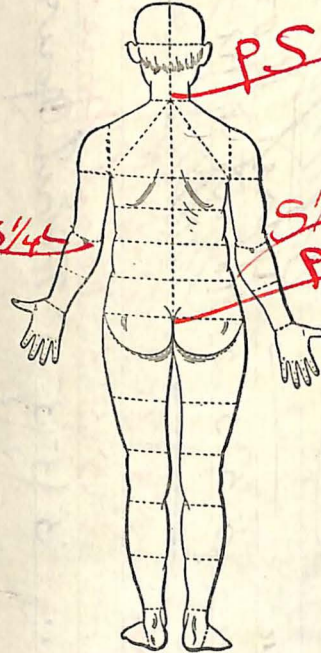
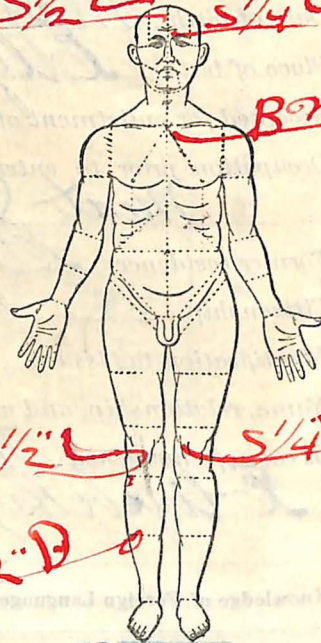
(Marked in red ink by Medical Examiner.)

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Triple typhoid lips  
vaccine complete  
MAR 20 1919 M.P.G.

Rolled imprint of thumb and each  
finger.

	6. THUMB.
	7. INDEX.
	8. MIDDLE.
	9. RING.
	10. LITTLE.








JUN 8 - 1918  
Examined, \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_  
Eyes, blue #8  
Hair, lt. br.  
Complexion, ruddy  
Height, 64 1/4 inches.  
Weight, 164 pounds.

LEFT HAND.—Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously.



RIGHT HAND.  
Rolled imprint of thumb and each  
finger.

	5. LITTLE.
	4. RING.
	3. MIDDLE.
	2. INDEX.
	1. THUMB.

Date and nature of any waiver.

W. H. Lawrence  
Surgeon.

RIGHT HAND.—Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously.



# PROFESSIONAL AND CONDUCT RECORD OF

*Imrekar Mathias*

The following shall be executed and signed semiannually and whenever the marine is transferred, retired, discharged, deserts, or dies, or the book is closed for discharge; also (without markings) when he joins, surrenders, or is apprehended. (0, Bad; 1, Indifferent; 2, Fair; 3, Good; 4, Very Good; 4.5 to 5, Excellent.) Semiannual markings and markings "For Discharge" shall be entered in red ink. (See Instructions Par. 4.)

	STATION OR VESSEL.	JOINED, SURR., APP., TRANSF., SEMI-AN., FOR DIS., FINAL M., DESERTED, DIED, RETIRED, DISCHARGED.	DATE.	RANK.	MILITARY EFFICIENCY.	OBEDIENCE.	SOBRIETY.	AVERAGE STANDING.	SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.	
1	Co. "G" M. C., PARIS ISLAND, S. C.	JOINED	JUNE 9 1918	PVT					<i>J. Holland</i>	1st LIEUT. U. S. M. C.
2		TRANSFERRED	JUL 31 1918	"	3	5	5	4.8	<i>Common</i>	2nd LIEUT. U. S. M. C.
3	Co. "D" 8th Separate Battalion M. B. - <i>Franklin - Va.</i>	Joined	AUG 1 1918	PVT					<i>E. M. Noutensco</i>	2nd LIEUT. U. S. M. C.
4	<i>Co. 3d Br. 5 Regt</i>	Trans.	SEP 11 1918	"					<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
5	"	Trans.	OCT 9 1918	"	5	5	5	5	<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
6	"	Joined	Jan 5/19	"					<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
7	"	Semi-An	JUN 30 1919	<i>Pvt</i>	5	5	5	5	<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
8		Discharge	AUG 13 1919	"	5	5	5	5	<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
9		F. M.	AUG 13 1919	"	5	5	5	5	<i>Robert Howell</i>	U. S. M. C.
10										U. S. M. C.
11										U. S. M. C.
12										U. S. M. C.
13										U. S. M. C.
14										U. S. M. C.
15										U. S. M. C.
16										U. S. M. C.
17										U. S. M. C.
18										U. S. M. C.
19										U. S. M. C.
20										U. S. M. C.
21										U. S. M. C.
22										U. S. M. C.
23										U. S. M. C.
24										U. S. M. C.
25										U. S. M. C.
26										U. S. M. C.

WHERE, AND DATES FROM AND TO WHICH SERVED; OFFENSES COMMITTED, GIVING HOUR AND DATE FROM AND TO WHICH ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE; COURTS-MARTIAL; PUNISHMENTS AWARDED; REWARDS OFFERED IF A DESERTER, ETC.

While serving with Co. G

M. B. Paris Island S. O.

NO OFFENSES

From JUNE 9 1918 To JUL 31 1918

While serving with "16th" Co.,

NO OFFENSES

3rd Bn 5th Regiment

Wounded in action

SEP 11 1918 to OCT 9 1918

10-4-18 8th Slight

Champagne Sector France

Robert Howell, Capt. M. C.

While serving with "16th" Co.,

3rd Bn - 5th Regiment

Semi-Air

Jan 3/19 to JUN 30 1919

No Offenses

While serving with "16th" Co.,

3rd Bn 5th Regiment

No Offenses.

JUL 1 1919 to AUG 19 1919

Commanding.....Company

[illegible]

TOULON-TROYON Sectors, Verdun, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

(AISNE Defensive, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

(CHATEAU-THIERRY Sector, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

(AISNE-MARNE Offensive, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

MARBACHE Sector, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

(ST. MIHEL, Offensive France  
From 9/12/18 to 7/16/18 Initials [initials]

(MEUSE-ARGONNE Offensive (Champagne) France  
From 20/1/18 to 10/4/18 Initials [initials]

(MEUSE-ARGONNE Offensive, France  
From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

1-5-19 to 7-5-18 and. with  
Co. 1, 5th Marines

## 4-516

DETAILED AS—

DATE DETAILED.

DATE RELIEVED.

MANNER OF PERFORMING DUTY—WHY RELIEVED.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S  
SIGNATURE.

Not covered under extra and special duty details.

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E. M. Northenscott

in the Saint Mihiel Sector, Sep-  
tember 12th to 16th, inclusive.

Robert Yourell

1st to 4th incl., participated in the offensive operations in the CAMPAGNE SECTOR and the battle of Mont Ridge.

M. C. R.

Disembarked at Brest, France 2 P.M.

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### SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

Not covered under extra and special duty details.

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# SMALL ARMS RECORD.

## Qualification Course—Army Small Arms Firing Manual.

Where Attached.	Range.	Day.	Month.	Year.	Score.	Estimat'g Distance.	Final Qualifications.	Signature and Rank of Verifying Officer.	No. and Date M. Q. Order.	Date Insignia Deliv'rd.
MARINE PARIS JR. 16 Co. 5th Regt. Rosebury	MARINE PARIS JR.	20	JUL	1918	142	90	SHARPSHOOTER	[Signature]		
		MAY 20		1918	148	90	1st class	[Signature]		JUL 29

Other Entries Required by Par. 3689, Naval Instructions.

## Record of Navy Qualification (see Pars. 49 and 57, Small Arms Firing Regulations, U. S. Navy, 1917).

Navy Qualification.	Score.	Date.	Where Attached.	Range.	Team credits which contribute to qualification of Expert Team Rifleman.
Marksman					
Sharpshooter					
Expert Rifleman					
Expert Rifleman					
Expert Rifleman					
Expert Rifleman					

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Gun Pointer or Gun Captain (enter classification, qualification and date thereof).  
Date of detail and date of revocation through transfer or otherwise.

Small Arms and Gunnery Prizes (enter character of Prize, date, and amount of award).

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# PAY ACCOUNT RECORD.

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ORGANIZATION OR POST.	BY WHOM PAID. (Name of Paymaster.)	RATE OF PAY.	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED.	BALANCE.		ORGANIZATION OR POST.	BY WHOM PAID. (Name of Paymaster.)	RATE OF PAY.	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED.	BALANCE.	
				OVERPAID.	UNPAID.					OVERPAID.	UNPAID.
1 Co. "G" M. B.,						30					
2 PARIS ISLAND, S. C. R. B. PUTNAM			JUN 30 1888 PAID IN FULL			31					
3 Co. "G" M. B.,			JUL 1 1888 PAID IN FULL			32					
4 PARIS ISLAND, S. C. R. B. PUTNAM						33					
Casual Roll #1 J. J. Maloney			Nov. 30, 1918		67 96	34					
5 Co. 2d Reg. 5th Inf. J. J. Maloney			Feb. 28, 1919		137 50	35					
6 " "			MAR 31 1919		42	36					
7 " "			Apr 30, 1919		97	37					
8 " "			MAY 31 1919		71	38					
9 " "			JUN 30 1919		28 91	39					
10 " "	J. C. Johnson		AUG 1 3 1919 PAID IN FULL			40					
11						41					
12						42					
13											

RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE BUREAU OF THE ARMY TO THE BUREAU OF THE NAVY

14						43					
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28						57					
29						58					

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*Outline any previous military experience you have had, giving grade, period of service, and organization:*

SCHOOLING.—8th in parochial school.

Grade reached (last reader used) in school.

*Years in high school.....Did you graduate?..*

Years in college .....

### Subjects of specialization.

*Years in technical school..... Did you graduate?...*

Name course pursued

*Do you speak French well? .....* *German? .....*

Any other languages? ..... Slavish.

Describe any talent you have in furnishing public entertainment.....

Married } Number of children.  
Unmarried }

*Number of children.*

Mathias Smolcar

*Signature of recruit.*

Date 6-8, 1918.

N. M. C. 806 A & I

*Initials of Officer.*

*Initiale of Officer.*

Discharged at Quantico Va.

on AUG 13 1919, 19 19, by reason of

Expiration of enlistment.

Character: Excellent.

Recommended for "Good Conduct Medal"

Robert Howell  
Captain, U. S. M. C.,  
March 16th.

In appropriate cases add "Awarded good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar) No. — upon discharge."

To be filled out only when the book is forwarded for preparation of discharge certificate.

*Closed and forwarded at* \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, by reason of

*Recommended for character.*.....

., U. S. M. C.,

If character "Excellent" is recommended, add "Is (or, Is not) recommended for good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar)."

To be filled out by the Major General Commandant or other officer ISSUING the discharge certificate.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS,

Washington, ....., 19

The above recommendation for good-conduct award is \_\_\_\_\_



## UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

I, Mathias Smrekar, born May 6th, 1895  
in Ely, in the State of Minnesota

desiring to enlist in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS for the \* Duration of War  
do declare that I have neither wife nor child; that I am at least eighteen years of age; that I know of nothing wrong with my health or body that the doctor did not find when he examined me; that I am of good habits and character; that no judge or jury has ever found me guilty of a crime; that I have never deserted from the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Revenue-Cutter Service, or been dishonorably discharged therefrom, or received a bad-conduct discharge therefrom; that I am by present occupation a Meat Cutter; and that I am a citizen of the United States.

I agree to accept from the United States such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing as are or may be established by law, and if discharged by sentence of general court-martial I agree to surrender my uniforms in exchange for civilian clothing.

Given at R.S. Duluth, Minnesota, this 31st day of May, 1918

†WITNESS:

Frank J. Buck  
Sergeant, U. S. M. C.

Mathias Smrekar  
(Signature of applicant, in full.)

## DATE AND NATURE OF ANY WAIVER.

Accepted, May 10th, 1918, at R.S., Duluth, Minnesota  
and transferred, June 4th, 1918, to R.D., Paris Island, S.C.

I, Mathias SMREKAR, DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have voluntarily enlisted as a PRIVATE in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, for \* duration of war, unless sooner discharged by proper authority. And I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles for the Government of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States. And I do further swear (or affirm) that all statements made by me, as now given in this record, are correct.

Mathias Smrekar  
(Signature of recruit, in full.)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me at MB Paris Island, S.C.  
this ninth day of June, A. D. 1918, and

I CERTIFY that I minutely inspected the above-named man previous to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment and belief, he fulfills all legal requirements; that, after fully informing him of the nature of the service he is to perform, I have enlisted him into the service of the United States under this contract of enlistment as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied marine, and in doing so have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service; also that the prior service as shown on the reverse side has been verified by me personally from the man's discharge certificates, and that I am satisfied that his status as to citizenship is † US

Major, U. S. M. C., Recruiting Officer.

Name and address of person to be notified in case of emergency, giving degree of relationship; if friend, so state:

Elizabeth Smrekar,  
(Name.)

Ely, Minnesota  
(Address, including name of street and number of house.)

Mother  
(Relationship.)

\* Insert "duration of war," "term of four years," etc., as appropriate.

† To be signed by the officer or noncommissioned officer accepting the applicant on probation.

‡ Native born, use initials U. S.; naturalized, N. U. S.; alien, intention declared, A. D. I.

# **PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.**

Name, Mathias Smrekar; born, May 6th, 1895  
 at Ely, Minnesota; former residence, Ely, Minnesota  
 trade or occupation prior to entering the military or naval service, Meat Cutter

I CERTIFY that I have this 31st day of May, 1918  
 at R.S. Duluth, Minnesota, carefully examined the above-named man agreeably  
 to the Regulations of the Navy; that he has stated to me that he has no disease, and in my opinion he is  
 free from all bodily defects and mental infirmities which would in any way disqualify him from performing  
 the duties of a marine, and that his personal description is as follows:

Blue eyes, Lt. Brown hair, Ruddy complexion; height 64 1/4 inches,  
 weight 164 pounds, mean circumference 35 3/4 inches, expansion 4 1/2 inches,  
 vision (Snellen) right 20/20, left 20/20, indelible or permanent marks upon his person:  
Hirsuteness Thorax--S.1 1/2 R.U. Arm--S.21/2 R.L. Forearm--S.1/2 Palm  
Surface R. Index Finger--S.2&S.3xl R.L. Tibia--S.1 L. Forehead--S.1 1/2  
L.U. Arm--S.1/2 Palm Surface L. Index Finger--S.1/2 Palm Surface L. Middle  
Finger--P.S.L. Patella--P.S.L. Supra-Scap--S.1/2 Dors. L. Hand.

Reexamined June 1st, 1918.  
 at R.S., St. Paul, Minnesota  
 By A. J. Schen

L. A. Barney M.D.  
 Examining Surgeon.

Reexamined P.A.S., U.S.N.R.F., 1918, at Marine Barracks, Paris Island, S.  
8 - 1918 Accepted

Cashup  
A. Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

## **DATES OF FORMER ENLISTMENTS AND DISCHARGES.**

ENLISTED.	DISCHARGED.	REGIMENT, CORPS, ETC.	CHARACTER.
<u>No prior service claimed</u>			

Space below is for use in Adjutant and Inspector's Department.

Date Rec'd JUN 26 1918  
 Counted A. E. S.  
 Strength Fixed E. J. A.  
 Counted for Rtg. E. J. A.  
 Citizenship J. H. A.  
 Carded J. H. A.  
 Compared J. H. A.  
 Occupation J. H. A.



# Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps

ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

Washington, July 10th, 1919.

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133025-250-1-3E9

From: Adjutant and Inspector.

To: Bureau of War Risk Insurance,  
via Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Subject: Report of death or disability. C-104290

1. The following information is furnished the Director of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance:

Name Wiles Arthur Stokes, Jr.; Rank Private Marine Corps  
Born Seaboard, Ga.; Date May 19th, 1899  
(Place)  
Married or single Single; Enlisted at St. Julian's Island, S.C.  
Date June 9th, 1918; Eyes Blue; Hair Brn  
Complexion Ruddy; Height 5' 1/2; Weight 150  
Marks of identification

Before enlistment, hysteria. Not in line of duty. Not result of own misconduct.  
Death or Disability occurred at St. Julian's Island, S.C.  
Date February 24, 1919; Station Mar. Det., U.S. Marine Corps, St. Julian's Island, Va.  
Date, and reason for discharge Open report of board of medicine, U.S. Marine Corps, St. Julian's Island, Va.  
Next of kin Wiles A. Stokes, Sr.; Relationship Father  
Address 101 East President Street, Seaboard, Ga.  
Naval Ammunition Depot, St. Julian's Creek, Ga.

C. A. KETCHUM  
Captain, Asst. Adjutant & Inspector.

From: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

To: Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

Diagnosis  
Origin in line of duty; Death or Disability the result of his own misconduct: Direct cause of death or disability

(Copy for File.)

File - S.R.W.

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*Amrekar, Mathias. (Port)*

DATE OF DISCHARGE.....*5/13/19*.....

Place " " *M. B. Quantico, Va*

Cause " " *E of E*

HOME ADDRESS--Street *315 E. Sheridan St.*

CITY.. *Ely.* .... STATE *Minnesota*

FILE - C. O. A.

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N. M. C. 68a.—A&amp;I

No. 46592



## Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps,

Washington, D. C., JANUARY 19 1921

PRIVATE MATHIAS SMREKAR

U. S. M. C.,

being distinguished for OBEDIENCE, SOBRIETY, INDUSTRY, COURAGE, CLEANLINESS,  
and PROFICIENCY, and having been duly recommended is, in accordance  
with U. S. Navy Regulations and by direction of the Major  
General Commandant, awarded a medal for good  
conduct during his FIRST enlistment from JUNE 9 1918  
to AUGUST 13 1919

H. LAY

Lieutenant Colonel, Asst. Adjutant  
and Inspector, U. S. Marine Corps.

4-5063

[SEAL]

APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTED COMPENSATION FOR SERVICE IN Marine

(Army, Navy, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps)

Applicant  
will make no  
entries in  
this column

This application must be sent to the War Department, Navy Department, or Marine Corps, as indicated in instructions, depending on whether your last service was in the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps. Use the envelope provided for this purpose, with the proper address printed on it.

## READ INSTRUCTIONS OVER CAREFULLY

Application  
number

To the Secretary of War or Secretary of the Navy.

The following statements are made by me in support of my claim for Adjusted Compensation under the provisions of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act:

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Item  
No.

1. Name of veteran:

Smrekar

Mathias

Service or  
Serial No.

4606856

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Present address of ~~veteran~~ dependent Box 281

(House number and street)

Ely,

St. Louis,

Minnesota

(City)

(County)

(State)

3. Date of birth of veteran May 6th. 1895 at Ely. Minnesota

(Month)

(Day)

(Year)

(City)

(State)

4. Original entry into World War service in the ~~Army, Navy, Coast Guard,~~ or Marine Corps

was as a

Pvt.

on

June 8th. 1918

(Rank or grade)

(Month)

(Day)

(Year)

at M.B. Paris Island, S.C.5. Date of separation Aug. 13th. 1919 at Quantico, Va.

(Month)

(Day)

(Year)

at

Quantico,Va.

Veteran

6. ~~I~~ did (~~did not~~) have oversea service.

7. Service in organizations, at stations or on vessels in the order named as follows:

16th. Co. 5th. Regt.

from

to

Aug. 13th. 1919U.S. Marines

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

from

to

8. Character given on discharge certificate Excellent

Item 9 will be filled in only by men whose service or part of whose service was in the Marine Corps

9. Embarked for oversea service on

(Name of vessel)

(Date)

at

(Name of port)

, and disembarked from

(Name of vessel)

(Date)

at

(Name of port)

, on return to United

States from oversea service.

13. Commissioned service:

GRADES

FROM—

To—

None

14. I was a commissioned or warrant officer performing home service not with troops and receiving commutation of quarters or of subsistence from None

to \_\_\_\_\_, and during this period I was on duty at the following stations:

STATION

FROM—

To—

None

Veteran

15. ☒ I was granted a farm or industrial furlough from None

to \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran

16. ☒ I was ~~(was not)~~ a conscientious objector who performed no military or naval duties whatever, and did (did not) refuse to wear the prescribed uniform of the branch of service in which I was serving.

Veteran

17. ☒ I was ~~(was not)~~ discharged for alienage.

18. Remarks:

I do not remember the different organization Mathias

Smrekar was in as his discharge does not show this.

I am simply showing what information I can gather from his discharge papers.

19. I certify that I am the Mother named in this application;  
(See instructions for this item)

that the statements made herein are made by me of my own free act and deed for the purpose of applying for Adjusted Compensation under the provisions of the World War Adjusted Compensation Act; and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Jan. 12th. 1925.

Signature

of applicant

Elinorbeth Smrekar

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

Item 20 will not be filled in when dependent makes application

20. We, the undersigned, certify that we know the person signing the application to be identical with the veteran whose service is set forth in the above application; that we have known

him (her) for \_\_\_\_\_ years and \_\_\_\_\_ years, respectively;

(To be filled in by first witness)

(To be filled in by second witness)

and that he (she) understands the statements made by him (her) and the penalty provided by law for making false statements.

Signature of witnesses: (1)

(First name)

(Middle name)

(Last name)

(Address)

(2)

(First name)

(Middle name)

(Last name)

(Address)

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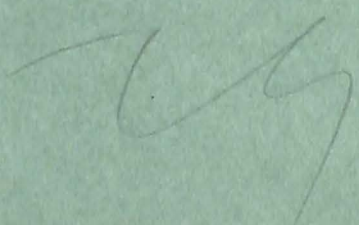
February 5, 1925.

My dear Mrs. Smrekar:

Referring to your application for adjusted compensation (No. 43047), based on the Marine Corps service of your son, the late Mathias Smrekar, it is requested that you furnish a properly authenticated death certificate of the veteran to be filed with the application. No further action can be taken on your application until such a certificate is received.

Very sincerely yours,

E. R. BEADLE,  
Lt. Col., Asst. Adjutant & Inspector,  
U. S. Marine Corps.

  
Mrs. Elizabeth Smrekar,  
Box 281,  
Ely, Minn.

ADJUSTED COMPENSATION RECORD SHEET

43047

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(Case No.)

(Application No.)

SMREKAR, Mathias

(Name of Veteran, surname first.)

Mrs. Elizebeth Smrekar

(Name of Dependent, if Veteran is dead.)

MOTHER

(Relationship.)

Box 281, Ely, Minn.

(Address of Veteran or Dependent.)

(Beneficiary.)

(Address of Beneficiary.)

Finger prints

E.H.L.

ELIGIBILITY:

Bonus history by

Computed by

Certificate typed by

Checked by

Machine checked by

Registered by

Notice by

Noted for S/R card by

*File Jackson*

*J.H.*  
*a.H. Glass*  
*a*  
*B*

*Minn*

IS ..... ELIGIBLE

HOME SERVICE:

From 9 JUNE 1918 to 16 AUG 1918 = 69 days)

From ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

From ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days) = 69 days.

Exceptions:

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days) = 9 days.

Less deduction of 60 days (taken from ..... ) = 9 days.

NET HOME SERVICE

..... days at \$1.00 = \$ 9

OVERSEAS AND SEA SERVICE:

From 17 AUG 1918 to 30 JUNE 1919 = 318 days)

From ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

From ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

From ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days) = 318 days.

Exceptions:

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

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( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days)

( ) ..... 191... to ..... 191... = ..... days) = ..... days.

Less such portion of 60 days not

deducted from home service (taken from ..... ) = 318 days.

NET OVERSEAS AND SEA SERVICE

..... days at \$1.25 = \$ 397.50

AMOUNT OF ADJUSTED SERVICE CREDIT

\$ 406.50

AMOUNT OF ADJUSTED SERVICE CREDIT TO BE CREDITED TO VETERANS' BUREAU

\$ 406.50

REMARKS

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SMREKAR, \_\_\_\_\_

ENLISTED FOR PERIOD OF WAR

Mathias

BORN: 6 May 1895

APPLIED: May 10, 1918

AT: RS, Duluth, Minn.

ENLISTED: June 9, 1918

AT: Paris Island, S.C.

Paris Island, June 4, 1918 Co. "G"

Overseas Depot QUANTICO, VA. JUL 31 1918

*Aug*  
 Sharpshooter M40 306 Series 1918 6-8-18

EMBARKED

ABOARD IN FRANCE

SERVING WITH ARMY FROM

Co. D, 1st Depot Div.

JOINED 16th Co. SEP 11, 1918

WOUNDED IN ACTION (slight) OCT 4, 1918 (pr roll)

REPL. BATT. OCT 9, 1918 Via Hosp.

16th Co. JOINED JAN 5 1919

On Geo. Wash. 7-25-19. At Camp Mills, L.I. 8-8-19

At Quantico, Va. 8 9 19

DISCHARGED CONV. OF GOVT.

Private

AUG 13 1919

16th Co 5th Regt.

QUANTICO, VA.

Character Excellent

G. O. MEDAL

46592

318 E. Sheridan St.  
Ely, Minn.