July 24, 1943.

Mr. Amon G. Carter,
Ft. Worth Star-Telegram,
Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dear Mr. Carter:

Colonel Hartfield has forwarded to me your letter of July 17th, and asked that I provide you with any information which would be of assistance to you in relation to your son's transfer to Oflag 64.

As Mr. Johnston informed you in his wire of July 13th, it is not possible in this country to confirm movements within Germany until such time as those movements are reported through official channels. In view of the fact that the Y.M.C.A. had informed you that your son had been moved to Oflag XXI B, and the War Department a few days later informed you that the German Government reported him moved to Oflag 64, we cannot help but wonder whether the Germans may have re-numbered Oflag XXI B so that it has become Oflag 64.

There is no information available as yet as to conditions of Oflag 64. However, on July 19th we cabled our representative in Geneva, asking that he confirm the reported transfer of American prisoners from Oflag IX A/Z to Oflag 64 and that he cable us a description of the camp. We will, of course, communicate with you as soon as the reply to this cable is received, as well as when the reply is received to the cable of July 13th when we asked our representative to confirm the movement of Americans from Oflag IX A/Z to Oflag XXI B. That cable asks specifically that the location of your son be checked.

We are very glad we could be of assistance in this matter.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

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Insular and Foreign Operations.