



# AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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

Dear Mr. Carter:

We are very glad to inform you that a cable just received from our representative in Geneva confirms the fact that your son has been reported as being at Oflag 64. This same cable states that Oflag XXI B has now been designated as Oflag 64.

This camp is located at Schubin, in what was P~~ro~~znan Province, Poland. It is actually Southwest of Bydgoszcz. At the time this camp was visited, on March 25, 1943, primarily British prisoners were held there, although there were 131 American Air Force officers. At that time, the Germans had planned to remove all the prisoners from the camp because of the ease with which escapes were made. It was stated that as many as 47 men had escaped at one time. Apparently, however, it has not been possible to eliminate this as a prison camp. The Delegate, at the time of his visit, was not satisfied with the camp because of the delay experienced by the prisoners in receiving mail. The Delegate planned to raise this complaint with the German High Command at once.

Presumably, we will at some future date receive a more detailed report concerning this camp than was thought necessary in view of the planned removal of the prisoners. American Red Cross standard food parcels have been in the past shipped into this camp. These shipments began in October, 1942, and continued through April, 1943, when 608 parcels were sent there. Presumably, none were forwarded in May, in view of the report of the Delegate that American prisoners were being moved. The report of the June parcel distribution has not as yet arrived in this country.

We are very glad that we could provide this information for you.

Very sincerely,

L. M. Mitchell, Director,  
Insular and Foreign Operations.

