

Steve Early

12/28/44

Re to Irene Bell
Franklin D Roosevelt

Dear Steve, I sent you
a long wire Dec

20th regarding conditions

in Prisoner of War
Camps in Germany.

And asked you if

you would be

kind enough to

show the wire to

the President and ask

him as a personal

favor to me to
send for Col James
D Drake and ask
him to report
the Prison conditions
~~and~~ and difficulties which
he encountered as
the Senior Prisoner
of War in flag
64 in Poland for
more than 15
months

Further stating this
 means not a reflection
 on the American Red Cross
 It ~~was~~ a problem
 which they have
 not been able
 to handle and
 with all due respect
 I don't feel they
 can handle
 it at least if
 they fail and so

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Procedure they
have in the Past.
Steved wander
just have the
President or you
would feel
of you had an
only son in a
German Prison
Camp - ant haw
24 Paul & G

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Coal ~~to keep~~ per
week to keep him
warm in 40
below zero weather
and the further
fact they did not
get there and got
last year the 13th
13th ^(the same thing as happened) and the fact
they only receive
one meal a day

from the Germans
while we are
feeding the Bureau
of War in this
County and the
fat of the land.
I have a strange
feeling that the
Story the Washington
Post recently
Carried from Moscow

did not reflect
The whole truth
In fact when
the Caesar sat
through with his
organ and story
you could hardly
recognize it. I stand
please tell me
just who is
responsible for
killing the real

18
years from the
next of kin
while it is hard
to believe any one
in authority high
or low, would
deliberately misrepresent
so grave an affair
Serious question
I have a feeling
It is being
done

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and thing I am sure
of ~~as sure of~~ so help
me God, if my
Son should
suffer with his
life on account
of the lack of
a firm stand
by the American
Government both
Red Cross

War and State
 departments. I shall
 hand the guilty
 ones responsible
 to me with
 their lives.

This may be rather
 frank language
 and I would
 naturally expect

to give up my
life as a consequence
which will
Cherrell do
as life without
my only son
would not have
much value
of the President
will Alhazie
Gene Herbert

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to Broadcast to the
German People and
Army that the American
Government will hold
every last one of
them responsible
^{personally} for and mistreatment
for the American
Ref War. They will
get Results, and
not unless they do so

Steve with you
please ask the
President to require
Coe Drake as
well as Larry Allen
A.P. Carupaudet
who was captured
in Oflag 64 for
I want to see
him the whole
truth

and nothing but
 The truth. ~~and~~
 Then take such
 drastic action
 as will bring
 speedy relief
 before these poor
 boys die of
 sickness and
 hunger - I am
 sure he will

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find out the
Germans have
forbid the Am
POW ~~to~~ receiving
any more Red Cross
packages without

which they can
not expect through
the winter, they
are short of warm
clothes and blankets

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Medical supplies
Food and Fuel.
They say we are
fighting for a
better world and
if so let's fight
for better health
for 30 or 40000
and POW in
Germany - British
Prisoners of War

have received better
 treatment better
 mail services
 and a more liberal
 allowance of food
 less pilfering
 and ~~of~~ safe
 from ~~the~~ Communards
 when will our
 War Dept give
 our boys what
 they crave and need

Instead of what
 same are in the
 War Dept thinks
 The men should
 have: our Cousins
 held up the garden
 Seed sent our
 boys far more
 than a year
 They have permitted
 same favored few

to receive larger
Pkg's and even
extra Packages
they will deny
this but it is a
fact - just the
same - when
the Public and
the rest of Kin
do find out

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What is happening
to our boys -

Integration will
be in full
force ~~soon~~

Please pardon
this long frank
note I have
no desire to
offer any one

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or to be personal
but I have spent
many sleepless
nights I wired the
Red Cross in
Answer to their
letter to me of Dec
12th and asked
them to please
Cable Geneva

and ascertaining
if these boys had
actually received
their heavy coat
blanket and Red
Cross Pkgs - so
for its been over
two weeks and
I have not
been received
an acknowledgment

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of my will.
Shew
Thank you

Yours

Anne Carter