



AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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Mr. Amon G. Carter, Publisher
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Dear Mr. Carter:

I received with very real pleasure the information that your son, through the Central Agency for Prisoners of War, maintained by the International Red Cross Committee at Geneva, had been reported by the Prisoner of War Information Bureau of the Provost Marshal General's Office as unwounded and located at Oflag IX A/Z, Germany.

You will be very glad to know that on April 17th we received from the International Red Cross Committee a request to inform you that your son was well and a prisoner at Oflag IX A/Z. He sent his love to you.

It will reassure you to know that we have instructed the International Red Cross Committee to forward sufficient standard food parcels from the stock maintained in Switzerland so that one a week may be distributed to each United States prisoner. In addition, Mr. James, our representative at Geneva, has been asked to see that requests from prisoners for clothing and comfort articles are immediately met. We are writing to Mr. James, asking him to get in touch with your son to determine whether he has any particular needs which should be met at this time.

You probably already have received instructions from the Provost Marshal General concerning the sending of mail through regular mail channels to your son and have the parcel labels which will enable you to send a parcel through the same channels. If you have not, such mail should be addressed as follows:

Prisoner of War

Postage Free

Lt. Amon G. Carter, Jr., U.S.A.
Oflag IX A/Z
Germany
via New York City, N. Y.

Should any emergency situation arise, your Fort Worth Chapter of the Red Cross will be glad to forward for you, through the International Red Cross Committee, a cable addressed to your son.

Mr. Amon G. Carter

April 21, 1943.

We have just received a report from the International RedCross Committee Delegate who visited Oflag IX A/Z on March 23rd. The camp is situated at Rotenberg, about 35 miles South of Kassel, and there are in it 141 American officers and 11 American doctors. The Delegate informs us that the Germans are issuing regular rations to the prisoners and that the stocks of clothing at the camp were quickly exhausted by the almost complete re-equipping of the Americans. Religious services are available and the camp has a good library and theater. Unfortunately, there is no sports ground.

Please be assured of my continuing interest in your son's welfare. Any further information that is received by our representative in Geneva will be immediately forwarded to you.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely,

Hammond Davis

Chairman.

