

Requests for Specific Aid: STROM, OSCAR H. (Cpl.)

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Dear Corporal Stern:

I have your letter of May 20, 1945, concerning your desire to communicate with your mother in Germany.

I am sorry that the War Refugee Board is unable to handle inquiries of this nature concerning specific individuals. In view of the very limited facilities available for communicating with certain areas in Europe, I suggest that you ask your local Red Cross chapter to help you to send a message through the International Red Cross and also that you request information from them as to the possibility of sending food parcels through their facilities.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Florence Hodel

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Acting Executive Director

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War Refugee Board
Executive Office of the President
Sloane Building
12th and G Streets
Washington, D. C.
Attn.: Mr. McCormack

Sir,

Sgt. Eric Goldauer gave me your address and I am approaching you hoping that you will aid me in getting in touch with my mother.

I immigrated into this country in October 1937 from Switzerland under the German quota. My mother remained out of necessity in Germany while my father joined me in 1939.

I have no direct word from my mother since 1941, heard however through my cousin in Switzerland that she was still in good health in January of this year at her regular residence in Mannheim.

She may in the meantime have moved to 24 Hauptstrasse in Heidelberg, where she owns real estate.

I would like to ask you if there is any possibility of contacting my mother directly or through a government agency by letter or cable and if there have been any provisions made of having relatives of American citizens, though not Americans themselves, living in enemy country, supported by food packages of the American Red Cross.

It goes without saying that any information and advice or action on your part would be highly appreciated by me. May I hope to hear from you soon?

Very respectfully yours

Oscar H. Stern

My mother's address: Mrs. Hedwig Stern-Meinhardt,
74 Richard Wagnerstrasse, Mannheim, Germany or at
24 Hauptstrasse, Heidelberg on the Neckar, Germany.

My father's address: Mr. Oskar Stern, 9918 - 66th Avenue, Forest Hills,
L.I., N.Y.

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