

Requests for Specific Aid: WEIL, PAUL M.

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Dear Mr. Weil:

The President has referred to me your letter of September 19, 1944.

The Board has developed, in collaboration with the Department of State, a special program calculated to assist certain categories of relatives in enemy controlled areas of American citizens and resident aliens. These categories include the spouses, unmarried minor children, and parents of American citizens and the wives and unmarried minor children of resident aliens. Since the program is based upon the statutes relating to the issuance of non-quota and preference-quota immigration visas, the categories covered thereby cannot be extended. If you are an American citizen, I suggest that you promptly fill out, execute, and file the enclosed form with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It is suggested that when you file the petition you advise the Immigration and Naturalization Service that you are doing so at the suggestion of the War Refugee Board.

In any event, please be assured that the Board is doing everything within its power to aid and rescue the victims of enemy persecution and that we hope that our efforts have been of some assistance to your parents.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Pehle

J. W. Pehle,
Executive Director.

Mr. Paul H. Weil,
Box 30,
Pittsfield, Illinois.

Enclosure.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

The enclosed communication
from

Paul M. Weil
Pittsfield, Illinois

is respectfully referred for
such action as may seem appropri-
ate to the

War Refugee Board
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

and the writer not so informed.

Richard W. Morin
Acting Chief, Division of
Public Liaison

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ORR - Mr. Vance

If you approve
handling such
communications
in this way, will
you transmit
+ be attached to
the Board? It need
not go through S/PR
with the slip - just seal +
send. PL - V. M. Kison

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PAUL M. WEIL
BOX 30
PITTSFIELD, ILLINOIS

Sept. 19, 1944.

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
President of the U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President.

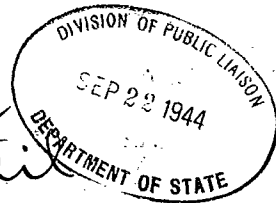
I'm very anxious to send this letter to you to-day. 6 years ago I came to this country as a refugee. In the summer of 1942, I had a letter from the Red Cross. It contained a message from my parents that they were taken on April 22, 1942 from Schmeinfurt (Germany) to Travehik near Lublin (Poland). That was the last news I had from

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my parents. Their name was Alfred and Marie Weil
on my mind you are the champion of humanity
Mr. President. That is the reason, I appeal to you
if you could help me to find out through some
agency, if my parents are still alive. I'm
worried about my parent day and night. Thanking
you very much for your trouble.

Yours very truly,

Paul M. Weil



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