

I arrived in Frankfurt-am-Main towards the end of March 1944 and was incarcerated in a Military Prison for the night. Next morning I was escorted to the 'Strafgefängnis' at Preungesheim and remained there until March 1945, you had to work to a quota otherwise no work no food, I lost a considerable amount of weight during that period.

Late March, 1945, we were forced marched to a railway siding, our escorts were wardens and dogs, we were pushed into wagons which were sealed, throughout our journey of four days we had to remain standing, no food, no drink no light and no sanitation.

After four days we reached a town named Würzburg at the railway siding, we disembarked and led to the prison. Being dark, it was very difficult to negotiate the railway tracks we were told that anyone who fell on the track would be shot. Quite a few shots were heard.

We walked to the prison and were forced to kneel down until dawn. We were taken into prison cells naked, our clothes were left outside to be fumigated, some sort of strong gas was let into our cell, we were almost stifled, we were eventually given a watery soup, but no water to drink.

Next day we were escorted to open railway tracks which were open to cold winds and rain, it took us to our next stop which was a very large prison in the town of Straubing, after about four days of travel.

After disembarking a small piece of bread which had been clipped in a solution of water and jam, also a large bath shaped container filled with drinking water, by the time it came my time to drink the water was putrid, we were then placed five prisoners to a cell.

After about ten to twelve days, we left early one morning in pouring rain and after hours of walking we reached a town named Landshut, about seven in the evening, that night we slept in a field with pouring rain.

Next morning early we left for Moosberg, slept in a garage for the night. Still very wet we left for Friesing, three days with no food or drink we were told that we would be well fed at a place named Dachau.

Little did we know that it was a concentration camp. Fortunately American troops were advancing so quickly, that we escaped to be rescued by American troops. I contracted tuberculosis and had me being removed.