

CENTRAL TRACING BUREAU
USARRA
APO. 757. U.S. Army.

Reference : 584 (CS. Date: 6 May 1947.

Subject : Report on Enquiry concerning Missing Persons.

To : British Red Cross Society,
#9, Belgrave Square,
LONDON, S.W. 1., *through B.R.C., B.A.O.R.*

1. Reference is made to your enquiry of
concerning: ROSSI Marcel

2. The following information has now been obtained from:
Records held by this Bureau.

Name: ROSSI Marcel

Nationality: British ? Date of Birth: 14 December 1931

Place of Birth:

Last known Address:

Date when known to be there:

Camp: FLOSSENBURG. Prison No.: 85614

Arrived: 15/2/45 Transferred to: On:

Liberated on:

Date of Death:

Cause:

Place of Burial:

Grave Number:

Remarks: The above named was formerly a P.O.W.

J. M. FLOUR
R. FLOUR
Acting Director, Central Tracing Bureau.

FROM: CASE OFFICE ,

55 Search Bureau ,
B.A.O.R.

TO: CENTRAL TRACING BUREAU

UNRRA Central H.Q.
A R O L S.E.N. nr. Kassel
APO 757 U.S. Army

S.M./S.

13.3.46.

Subject: Re. R O S S I , Marcel Fortune - British Internee.
Our reference : PWP / 55700 / Case No: B/ 545

1. With reference to the a/n we have received a letter from 50 British Interests Office B.A.O.R. , informing us that the Foreign Office is requesting information as to the result of the enquiry .
2. If any results have been obtained would you kindly inform us , or forward same directly to 50 British Interests Office.

Thank you

S.M.
Miss S. Mount (S.O.III)
for Search Bureau

sent to C.T.B.
nothing held here

F I L I N G

MEMO

FROM: SS Search Bureau
Case Office
S.A.O.R.

TO: British Interests Branch
Political Division
Main H.Q. - C.C.G. (BE)
L a d b e s c h e , SAOR

Goettingen, 11 Apr 1946.

13H/AD

Subject: Enquiry for Marcel Portune ROSSI

Case No. B/545

Ref: Your memo X111/451 of 4.4.46

This case referred to in your memo mentioned above has been sent to Central Tracing Bureau INARA, Central HQ for Germany, AROLSEN nr. Kassel, as the search for ROSSI was outside the British zone.

Would you please communicate with them directly.

KH
Mrs. Howson (Capt. Red Cross)
O i/c Case Office, Search Bureau

Full

MEMO

FROM: 55 Search Bureau
Case Office
B.A.O.R.

TO: C.A.B. BRITA
Central Hq for Germany
A r o l s e n nr. Kassol
Goettingen, 11 Apr 1945.

SH/AD

Subject: Enquiry for Marcel Fortune ROSSI
Case No. B/545

Enclosed find copy of letter from British Interests branch, Political Division, Lubbecke concerning a/m case. This case has been transferred to your office for action. Kindly inform the British Interests branch of any results you may have had.

1 encl.

Mrs. Rowson (Capt. Red Cross)
O i/c Case Office, Search Bureau

MEMORANDUM

14 MAR 1947

From Miss Powell-Edwards
Channel Islands Section
Room Foreign Relations Department
29, Belgrave Square, S.W. 1.

To Mrs. Schlesinger,
No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
(Foreign Relations)
Göttingen, B.A.O.R.

AEFE/KE

B/545

27th February 1947

re: Marcel Fortune ROSSI. Nationality British.
Religion: Roman Catholic. Born at Sutton Bridge, Lincs, England. 14.12.21.
Profession: Motor Mechanic. Home address: Villa San Rosa, Elizabeth
Street, St. Saviours, Jersey, Channel Islands.

I should be very grateful indeed if you could obtain any information for us concerning the above man - a missing Channel Islander.

As Mr. Rossi is believed to have been sent to Dachau, enquiries concerning him have been sent to the Central Tracing Bureau but, so far, no information whatever has been received. The following extract from our memorandum of January 25th, 1946, to the Central Tracing Bureau, gives the information at present available concerning this case:

"The following information is given in a letter written to this Department by John Rossi of the above address, father of the missing man: P.T.O.

"Having refused to sign papers to work for the Germans, my son and I were sent to Germany, interned in Kreuzberg 1/3/43, then sent to Oppeln where we were imprisoned, then being sent to Blechhammer punishment camp remaining there till January 1945 when we had orders to evacuate, we were marched to Gross Rosen later to Herresbruck Concentration Camp. Up till that time my son and I were together. From Herresbruck we had another evacuation, my son being ill was evacuated, I believe to Dachau, April 7th, 1945, the sick having gone ahead. From that time I have no news of him and I with the remaining batch of prisoners were released by the Americans April 23rd, 1945." In another letter Mr. Rossi told us that a certain Mr. Paul Gondall of Brimeau, Pas de Calais, France, went on the evacuation train from Herresbruck with his son. We have contacted this man's family through our Paris office, but they regret to state that he has not yet returned home and they are equally anxious concerning his fate.

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A. E. Powell-Edwards
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RED CROSS ENQUIRY

ROTES KREUZ ANFRAGE

B/545



Stamp of issuing Red Cross

No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations,
B.A.O.R.

ENQUIRER

ANFRAGER

Name/Zuname ROSSI via British Red Cross, London
First Names/Vornamen John
Date of Birth/Geburtsdatum _____ Place of Birth/Geburtsort _____
Nationality/Nationalität British (Channel Islands)
Address/Adresse Villa San Rosa, Elizabeth Street, St. Saviour, Jersey, Channel Islands.
Original Home Address (in the case of a Displaced Person).
Heimatadresse im Falle von Auswanderung.

Relationship of Enquirer to Addressee/Verwandschaftsgrad

The enquirer desires news of the Addressee.

Der Anfrager wünscht Nachrichten vom Empfänger.

Date/Datum _____

ADDRESSEE

EMPFAENGER

Name/Zuname ROSSI
First Names/Vornamen Marcel Fortune
Date of Birth/Geburtsdatum 14.12.21 Place of Birth/Geburtsort Sutton Bridge, Lincs.
Nationality/Nationalität British
Single Married Widow (or) Divorced
Ledig Verheiratet Witwe (er) Geschieden
Profession/Beruf Motor mechanic (Delete all irrelevant matter).
Last known address/Letzte Adresse Heeresbruck Concentration Camp. Believed sent to
Dachau 7.4.45. (Uebersuesichtes durch zu streichen).

The Addressee's reply to be written overleaf (not more than 25 words).

Antwort umseitig (Höchstzahl 25 Worte).

FSS 2190A 5-45 10/60

Sent to C.I.B. for mass tracing.

No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations,
B.A.O.R.

Central Tracing Bureau, UNRRA,
Central H.Q. for Germany,
APO 757 U.S. Army
Arolsen near Kassel.

/MA

18th March, 1947.

re: Marcel ROSSI - Case B/545

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No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations,
B.A.C.R.

Encl.

RED CROSS ENQUIRY
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No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations,
B.A.O.R.

Encl.

C.T.B.

Please check against records, and
then pass to Mass Tracing.

Mr. Adams. (Lt.)

18.3.47.

CHANGING RECORD

Date 30-4-44Name: Rossi Marcel

Mr.

Nationality: British Date of birth: 14-12-21 at Widley
(Date when

Last known address:

(known to
be thoseCamp: Flossenburg Prison No. 85614 Arrived 18-2-45

Transferred to _____ on _____ identified on _____

Date of death _____ Cause of death _____

Place of burial _____

Grave number _____

Remarks:

(P.O.W. discharged)Initials: YH

13 MAY 1947

LETRA
CENTRAL TRACING BUREAU,

Date..... 2 May 1947

SUBJECT: Enquiry concerning Missing Persons.
TO : Tracing No. 1, Search Section, British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations, BAOR.

1. Reference is made to your enquiry attached

concerning: ROSSI, Marcel. B/545

2. This enquiry has been checked against all available information in the Bureau, but without result. The name has therefore been passed to our Mass Tracing Branch for general publicity over various radio stations in Europe, and in a large variety of different language newspapers.

for checking
R. FLECHER,
A/Director,
Central Tracing Bureau.

TRACING DIVISION

FILES

SECTION.

CANCELLED NUMBER. 101 988

NAME. ROSSI, MARCEL, FORTUNE

SEE NUMBER. 29560

NAME. Identical

UNIT ORDERING CANCELLATION

Causes Index

CANCELLING CLERK

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DATE. 2-5-46

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COPY

Miss Powell-Edwards

Foreign Relations Department

Mrs. Schlesinger,
No. 1 Search Section,
British Red Cross,
(Foreign Relations)
Gottingen, B.A.O.R.

AEFE/XE

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RED CROSS and ST. JOHN WAR ORGANISATION



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TELEPHONE : ABBEY 4781

Miss Powell Edwards
Channel Islands Section
From Foreign Relations Dept.
29, Belgrave Square, SW.1

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Schlesinger,
No. 1. Search Section
British Red Cross
(Foreign Relations)
Gottingen, B.A.O.R.

AEFE/C.I.

22nd. May, 1947

re Marcel Fortune ROSSI

Referring to my memo. to you of 27th Feb. 1947 concerning the above-named, a copy of which I enclose for your convenience, I should be very grateful if you could let us know if you have been able to obtain any information.

27 MAY 1947

A. E. Powell Edwards
A.E. Powell Edwards.

Enc Copy of memo. dated 27/2/47 from F.R. Dept. re Rossi.

Write to London Office. Say we have received
some information from C.T.B. but are not quite
sure whether this applies to the person for
whom they are searching. Pass for broadcasting.

No. I Search Section, British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations, B.A.O.R.

HLC/GD

10th June 1947

To:

Foreign Relations Department,
British Red Cross Society,
29 Belgrave Square,
London S.W.1

Re: ROSSI MARCEL, Fortune, Case No. B/545
your ref. AMPS/O.I.

In tracing the a/n person we have received some information from the Central Tracing Bureau concerning a British Subject, ROSSI MARCEL, Fortune date of birth 14/12/21 who has been in Flossenbury Camp on the 15/2/45 under the prison number 85614. The a/n person was said to be a former POW.

We are not sure whether this applies to the person for whom you are searching. —

Rossi Marcel, Fortune, date of birth 14/12/21
place of birth Sutton Bridge, Lincs,
nationality British, profession: Motor Mechanic.

~~Please let us know any information you can find in your files.~~ We have passed the missing persons particulars on for broadcasting, & will keep you informed.

No. I Search Section,
British Red Cross,
Foreign Relations,
B.A.O.R.

14 JUN 1947

FOR THE FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT,
SAYING THE OFFICE IS OPEN AT 10 AM.
IN RELATION TO THE
LONDON, 1945

Copies to all zones

Channel Islands Section, Foreign Relations Department

29, Belgrave Square, London, S.W. 1. on behalf of:-

J. Rossi, Belgrave House, Great Union Road, St. Heliers, Jersey,
Channel Islands.
Father.

Very anxious for any information concerning his fate. (J. Rossi and his son
Marcel Fortune Rossi were deported by the Germans from Jersey and interned in
Kreuzberg 1/3/43, then sent to Oppeln where they were imprisoned, then sent
to Blechhammer punishment camp remaining there till January, 1945, then
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Herresbruck Concentration Camp,
from where J. Rossi released by
M.F. Rossi, being ill had been evacuated April 7th, 1945 - probably to Dachau.
26. 5. 47

American Forces 23/4/45, but

Marcel Fortune
14. 12. 1914.

Sutton Bridge, Lincoln-
shire, England.

Motor Mechanic.

Camp?

Herresbruck Concentration, evacuated from there
7/4/45 - believed to Dachau. With him was a Frenchman named Paul Gondall of

*Right all
this is correct, France*

RED CROSS ENQUIRY/MESSAGE

ROTES KREUZ ANFRAGE/NACHRICHT



Stamp of issuing Red Cross

FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT,
BRITISH RED CROSS & ORDER OF ST. JOHN,
29, BELGRAVE SQUARE
LONDON, S.W.1

ENQUIRER

ANFRAGER

Copies to all zones

Name/Zuname Channel Islands Section, Foreign Relations Department. inf 46.
First Names/Vornamen 66.
Date of Birth/Geburtsdatum 706.
Nationality/Nationalität 766.
Address/Adresse 29, Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1. on behalf of:- 116.
Original Home Address (in the case of a Displaced Person).
Heimatadresse im Falle von Auswanderung
J. Rossi, Belgrave House, Great Union Road, St. Heliers, Jersey,
Channel Islands.
Relationship of Enquirer to Addressee/Verwandschaftsgrad Father.

The enquirer desires news of the Addressee and asks that the following message should be transmitted to him.
Der Anfrager wünscht Nachrichten vom Empfänger und ersucht die folgende Botschaft zu übermitteln.

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Date/Datum 26.5.47

ADDRESSEE

EMPFAENGER

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Name/Zuname ROSSI

First Names/Vornamen Marcel Fortune

Date of Birth/Geburtsdatum 14.12.1914.

Nationality/Nationalität

Single
LedigMarried
VerheiratetWidow (or) Divorced
Witwe (er) Geschieden

Profession/Beruf Motor Mechanic.

Last known address/Letzte Adresse Herresbruck Concentration Camp, evacuated from there
7/4/45 - believed to Dachau. With him was a Frenchman named

Paul Gondall of

The Addressee's reply to be written overleaf (not more than 25 words).
Antwort umseitig (Hochstrahl 25 Worte).

FR/54284

S & O Ltd-16914 D90, FRANCE

M. T. +

12 JUL 1947

Rossi, Marcel, Portane
British

Reviewed Dec 47
It would seem that
all action possible has
been taken. File

Reviewed Dec. 47.
No further action.

MEMO TO BRITISH
C.I.D. ROWLEY
Quinn's Branch 14.11.46
13.3.46

19 JUL 1946

Letter to CTB.
18.3.47

Pending
By CTB

19 MAR 1947

Case No. B/545

L. to London 10.6.47
12 JUL 1947

200/451.

B/545
CTB

British Interests Branch,
Political Division,
Main H.Q.,
Control Commission for Germany
(British Element),
Lubbecke,
B.A.O.R.



19th December, 1945.

To: Search Bureau,
PW & DP Division,
Main H.Q.,
C.C. for Germany, (BE),
HUNDE - B.A.O.R.

Subject: ROSSI, Marcel Fortuné - British
Internee

1. I enclose herewith copies of a letter and enquiry-sheet which have been forwarded to me by the Foreign Office.
2. If you have already dealt with this case I should be glad to learn to whom the Foreign Office should apply in London to learn the results. Otherwise I should be grateful if a search may now be made for Mr. Rossi and if I may be kept informed of its progress.

Officer in Charge,
BRITISH INTERESTS BRANCH.

2241

COPY.

K.15273/02/43.

J. Rossi,
Villa San Rosa,
Elizabeth Street,
St. Saviours,
Jersey,
G.I.

4.2.45.

Dear Sirs,

Having refused to sign oaths to work for the Germans my son and I were sent to German interned in Kreuzburg 1.3.43. then sent to Opplin (?) Oppehn where we were imprisoned then being sent to Blechhammer punishment camp remaining there till January 1945 when we had orders to evacuate we were marched to Gross Rosen later to Herresbruck Concentration camps up till that time my son and I were together. From Herresbruck we had another evacuation my son being ill was evacuated I believe to Dachau April 7.4.45. the sick having gone ahead, from that time I have had no news of my son and I with the remaining batch of prisoners were released by the Americans April 23.4.45. so as there is now four months and having made several enquiries without result I beg your help to assist me to locate my son. My son's full name,

Marcel Fortune ROSSI

Born Sutton Bridge Lincolnshire
14th December 1921.

If further details and photograph are needed I should be pleased to forward same. Waiting your reply.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

(Sgd). J. ROSSI.

C O P Y

XIII/451.

Surname of Missing Person: ROSSI

First Name: Marcel Fortune.

Date & Place
of Birth: - 14.12.21. Sutton Bridge, Lincs,
Lincolnshire.

Nationality: BRITISH. Religion: N.C.

Father's Name: John ROSSI

Mother's Name
(before Marriage): Lilian Maud BAKER.

Profession: Motor Mechanic

Last known Address: ~~HEMERBURY~~ Concentration Camp.

Sent to Dachau (Believed) 7.4.45.

Rossi, Marcel, Fortune
British

Case No. B/~~545~~