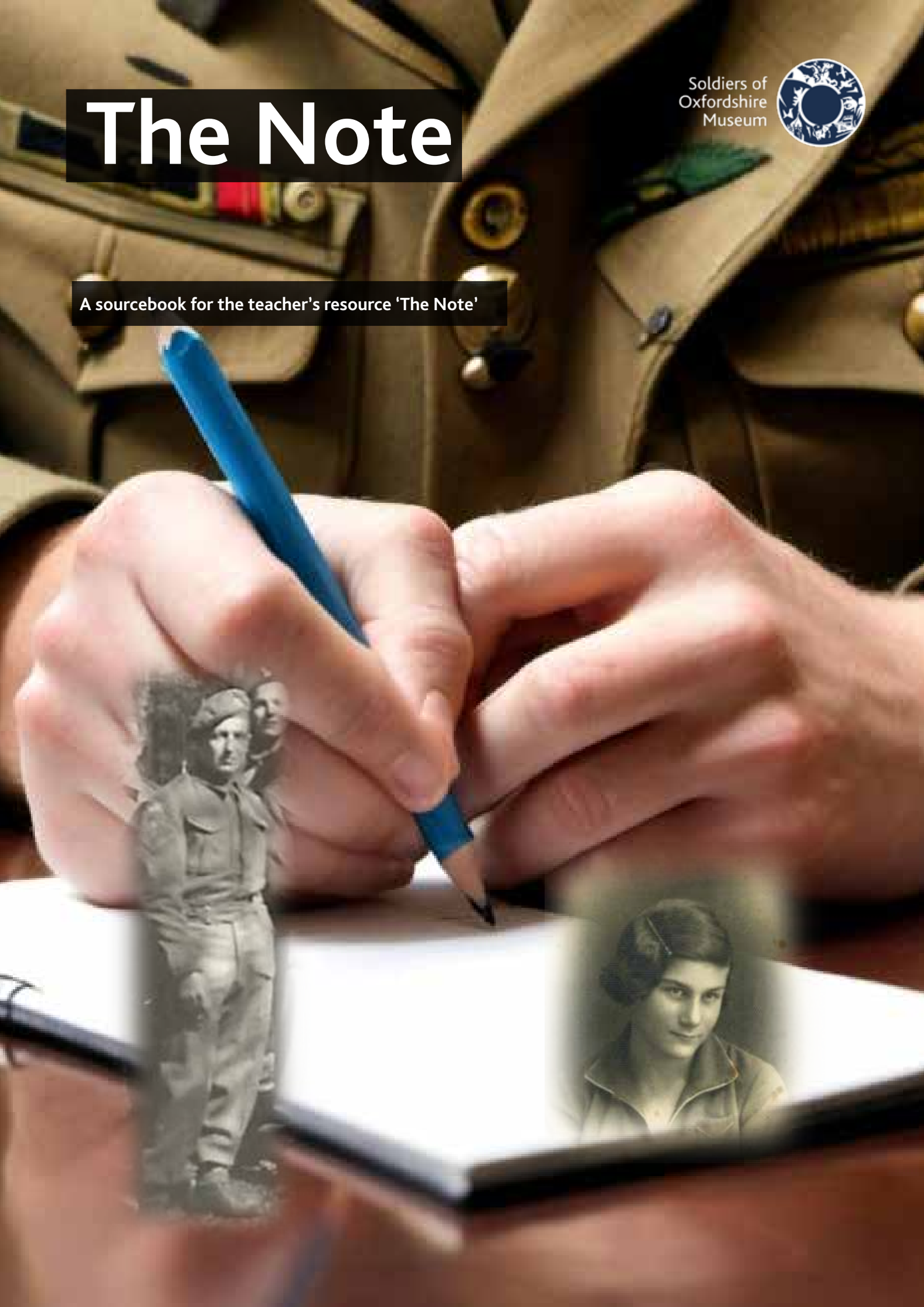


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The Note

A sourcebook for the teacher's resource 'The Note'



About this sourcebook.

This sourcebook is a downloadable resource designed for use with the Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum's teaching resource 'The Note' which tells a story of kindness and resilience at the liberation of Bergen-Belsen Concentration Camp. This is based on an exhibition featured at the Museum, which is on permanent display.

This book, alongside accompanying teachers notes and Powerpoint Presentation, are available for download on the Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum website.

This sourcebook provides large, high quality images for use as source material with students studying this resource. In particular, it provides the opportunity for teachers to create double-sided facsimiles of the Note itself, to aid close inspection of this source.

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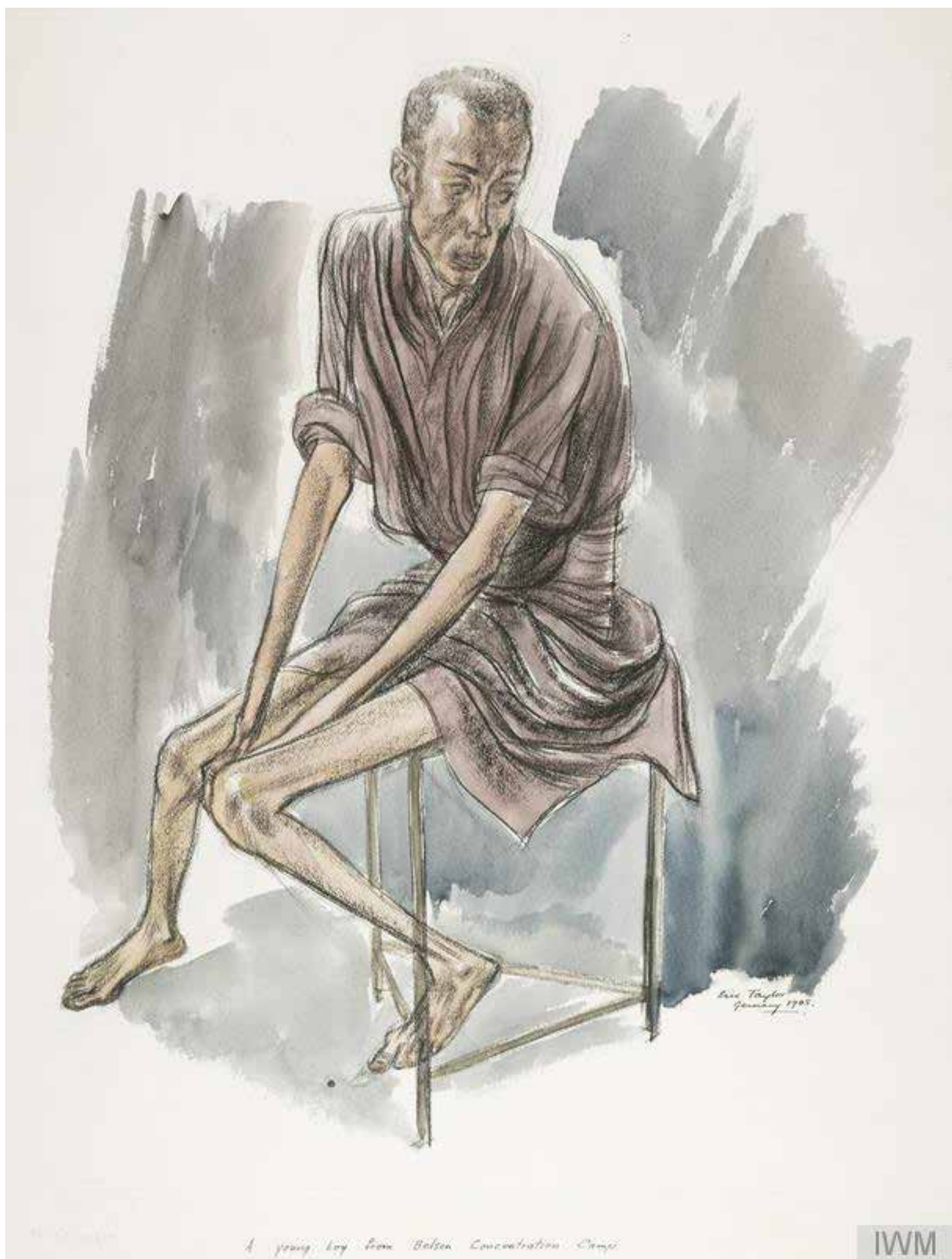
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A young boy from Belsen Concentration Camp

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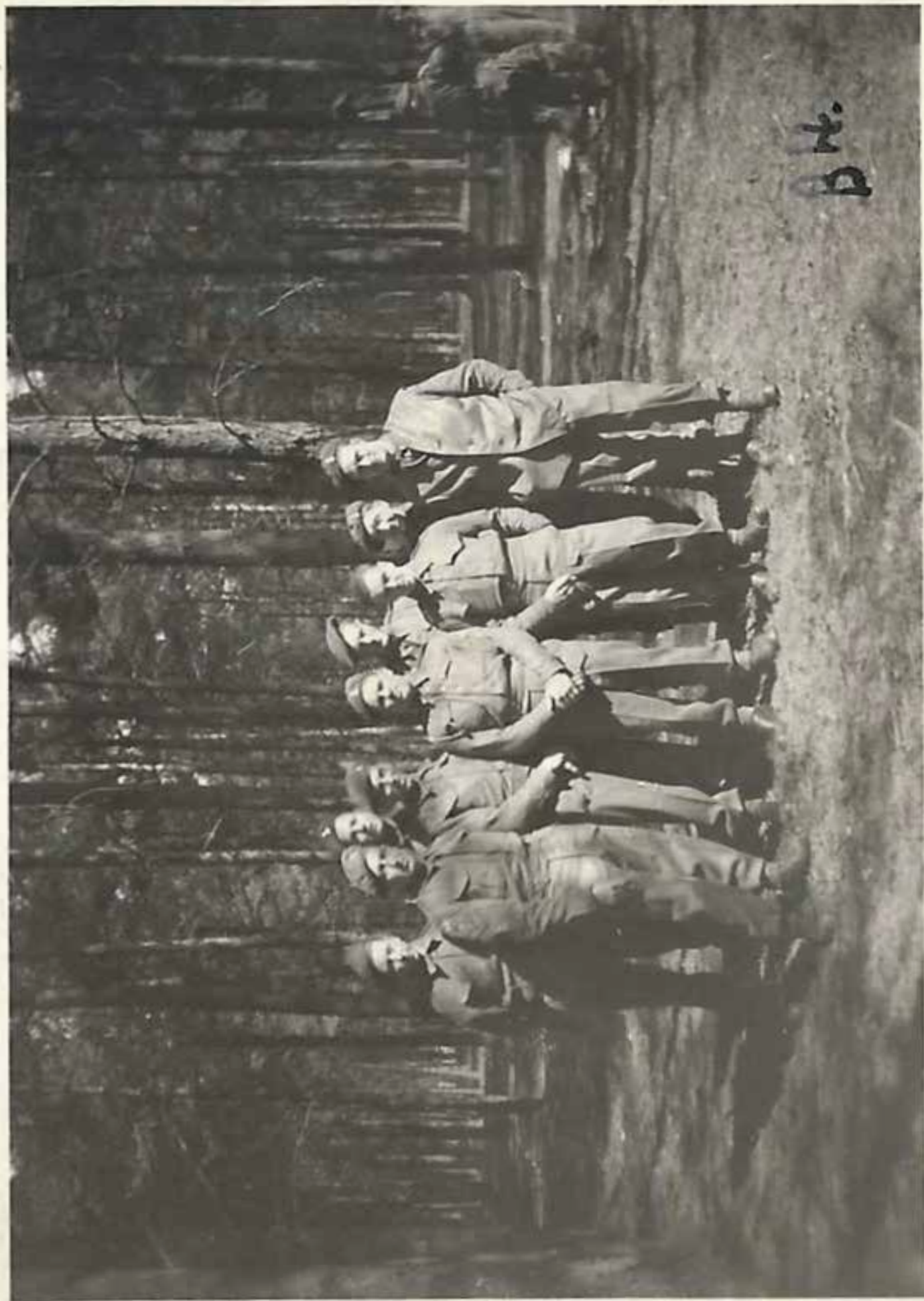
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B.L.A.

Dear Sir,

On April 18th you wrote to my uncle,
William Salmon of Houston, Texas, to tell
him that my sister Naomi Kaplan, had
been liberated and is well.

This letter was forwarded to me by my
uncle, now a Colonel in the U.S. Army,
and I received it today.

I want to tell you how deeply grate-
ful we are to you for sending us the
news of my sister and how much we
appreciate your kindness in writing.

I am taking the liberty of imposing
upon you again and if at all possible
I would be very thankful to you if you
could deliver the following message
to my sister:

my husband, Capt. Sylvan Brandon
M.C. 0-533 949 U.S. Army, 3rd Aux. Surg.
Gp, A.P.O. 230 c/o Postmaster New York
is now stationed in Central Germany ^{N.Y.}

and will try to reach her as soon
as he gets my message.

Our father is well and safe in
Russia. I do not have any news
from the rest of the family.

I am infinitely happy to know
that she is alive and well and
I will not rest until we are reunited.

I wrote you one letter direct and
I am sending this one to our friends
in London to forward it to you
with the hope that one letter, at
least, will reach you.

Again, with all my thanks
and my best wishes,

Sincerely yours

Mrs Sylvan (Elizabeth) Brandon
1212 Francis
Houston 4, Texas



My dear Mr. Tyler!

5-23.1946

My letter will certainly surprise you, it is not a letter from Mrs Brandon but from Minnie Kaplan - the person that you met a year ago in Belsen concentration camp, and about whom you wrote the first time to my sister. It is really impossible to express my gratitude for it. I met very many British soldiers and I asked everybody to write about me to my family, but nobody did it - only you.

I have been in the States about two months and I am very, very happy. I left Germany in November 1945. I found my brother who has been living near Munich. I met one of my old friends in the Polish Army and he helped me to get out from Germany. I spent 4 very nice months in Paris and arrived to New York on the 15th of March. I am very happy, begin a new life with my family, a new beautiful life with lots of love and devotion. I try to forget my sad past, I am thinking about the fine present and the beautiful future.

I want to thank you again for being so thoughtful of me. With my very best wishes
Sincerely Minnie Kaplan









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