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Dear Mr Thompson:

Thank you for your very interesting letter and photocopy of your account. It's a piece of information I should like to have had when I wrote the book. At all events I shall put it into a footnote in the new edition of Hammelburg whenever that appears.

I am interested to hear that you are going back to your camp in Poland. Does it still exist in its original form? Any chance of my getting a photo of your group at the camp? I might be able to get it into the English edition of the book, which should appear next year.

By the way if you do get the chance to return to Germany, why don't you look up old General von Goeckel, the last camp commandant of Hammelburg. He's still alive in Bad Kissingen (about thirty miles from Hammelburg). He seems to like receiving visits from his former inmates.

Well, thanks again for the information, Hope you'll keep reading the Whiting epics. I've got a paperback Patton (balladine) on the market in the USA at the moment and I've got a hardback due out in Sept. 'Massacre at Malmedy (Stein and Day N.Y.).

Sincerely,

Charles Whiting