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Dear Paul,

You wanted Topher's address. He has changed jobs recently and is still hunting for a place in his new town. A letter addressed to the following will find him.

Christopher B. Bose, 11620 Woodley Avenue. Granada Hills. California. U.S.A.

As regards your request for newspaper articles of the German hunger strike in 1941. I doubt if any articles of that nature appeared in any paper. There was strict censorship by the British in those days and news of this kind would have been barred. But even if a stray paragraph did appear in some isolated paper it would be impossible to trace it now. No library would have back files of any papers and it would be difficult to trace anything as far back as this in the head offices of any big paper. It would be necessary to go in person to Bombay, Calcutta or Delhi or Madras and search through their files. I doubt if they have any classified index. There are no librarians in Nagpur who could cope with this and it would be outside the scope of a librarian even in Delhi or Bombay.

We ran into the problem about 4 or 5 years ago. A biographer of Irene's father, Dr. Mott wanted a cutting of a couple of interviews that Dr. Mott had with Gandhi in Wardha. We ran into a blank wall everywhere for 3 or 4 months. Then someone told us that Gandhi's secretary was in Delhi and that he might have some cuttings. But, as no one knew his address we had to go to Delhi in person to try and trace him. We ran him down after 6 or 7 days. He was writing a biography of Gandhi. He remembered the interviews because he had been there and was the one directed to take down the interview for one of Gandhi's papers. He traced the account he had written after a long search and let us take a copy. But this was just luck and it meant 10 days in Delhi and tracking down clue after clue after clue.

As regards your request for town maps. That is also impossible for us. The only maps one can buy now are tourist road maps put out by the information department of Government. There are a few utterly worthless town maps of places like Hyderabad and Bangalore printed privately. But they are not to scale and are inaccurate, and, anyway, won't give you the information you want. You can't buy the Survey of India maps any more. Government is too afraid of the maps falling into the hands of Pakistan. In any case, you can get far better maps in Germany printed in Germany. A few years ago there was an International Tourist Conference in Srinagar. One of the Indian members asked government for certain maps. The reply was that no such maps could be supplied. He had just come from Germany and had the German maps of India in his possession. So he pinned them up on the notice board to show the absurdity of the government attitude. Pakistan had only to write to Germany to get far better maps, and more accurate than anything the Indian government put out. But, anyway, there it is.

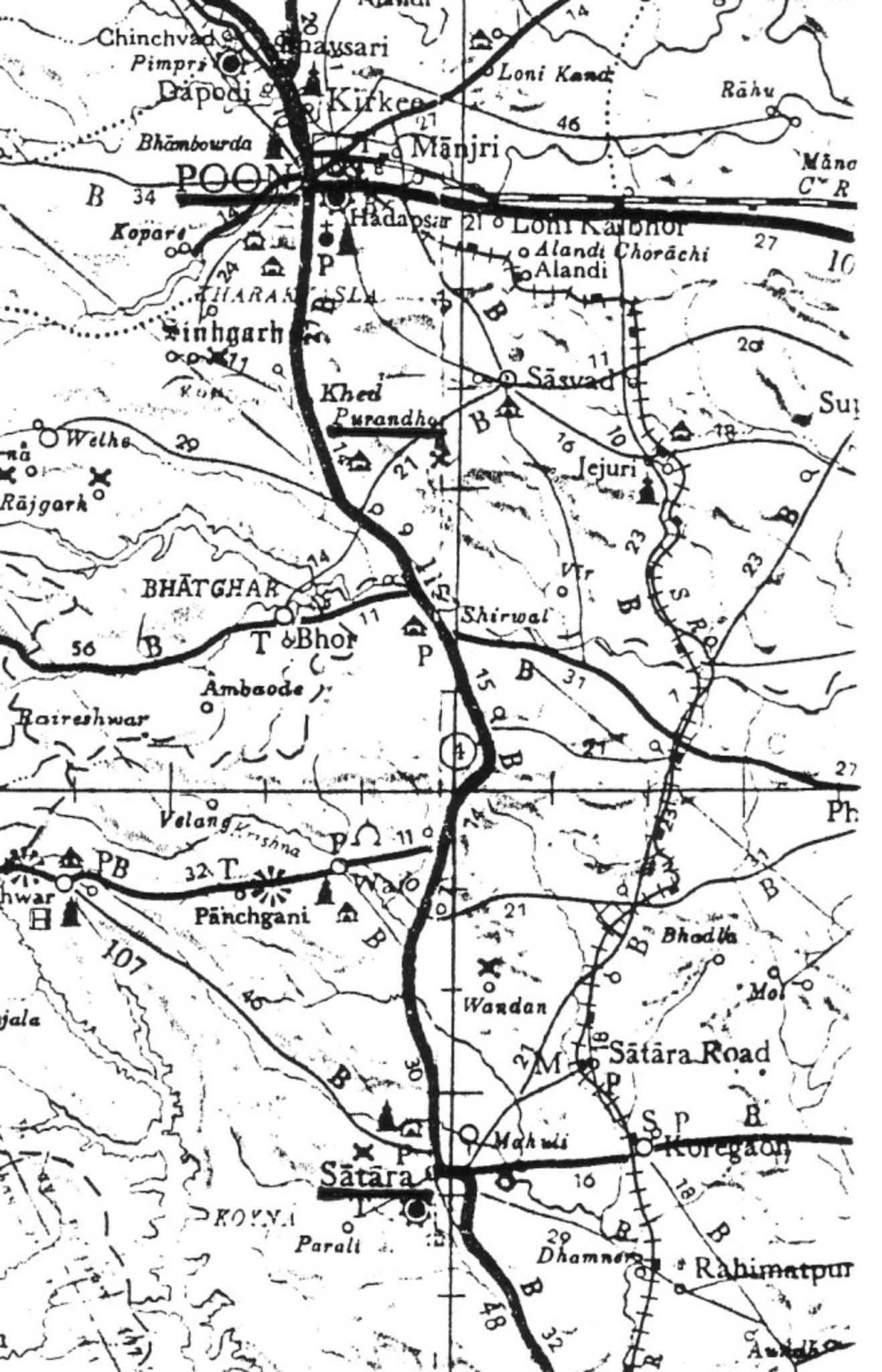
Of course, there are detailed Tehsili maps of every inch of India. But they are not available to the public, and, in any case, you would have to go to the locality concerned in person to beg, borrow or steal what you wanted. So I am sorry I can't help you.

I have been looking through a very old collection of touring maps that I have. The only town maps of the places you mention are in the Bombay Presidency Motor Guide put out by the then government of Bombay in 1923. I will trace those of Ahmednagar and Satara on the back of this. There are no maps of any of the other places. I don't think these two will help either. They are on a scale of 1 mile to the inch. There are no town maps of any of your other places in my collection.

We will be going to Bangalore for the hot weather in another fortnight, Leila has a dairy farm there and we go every hot weather.

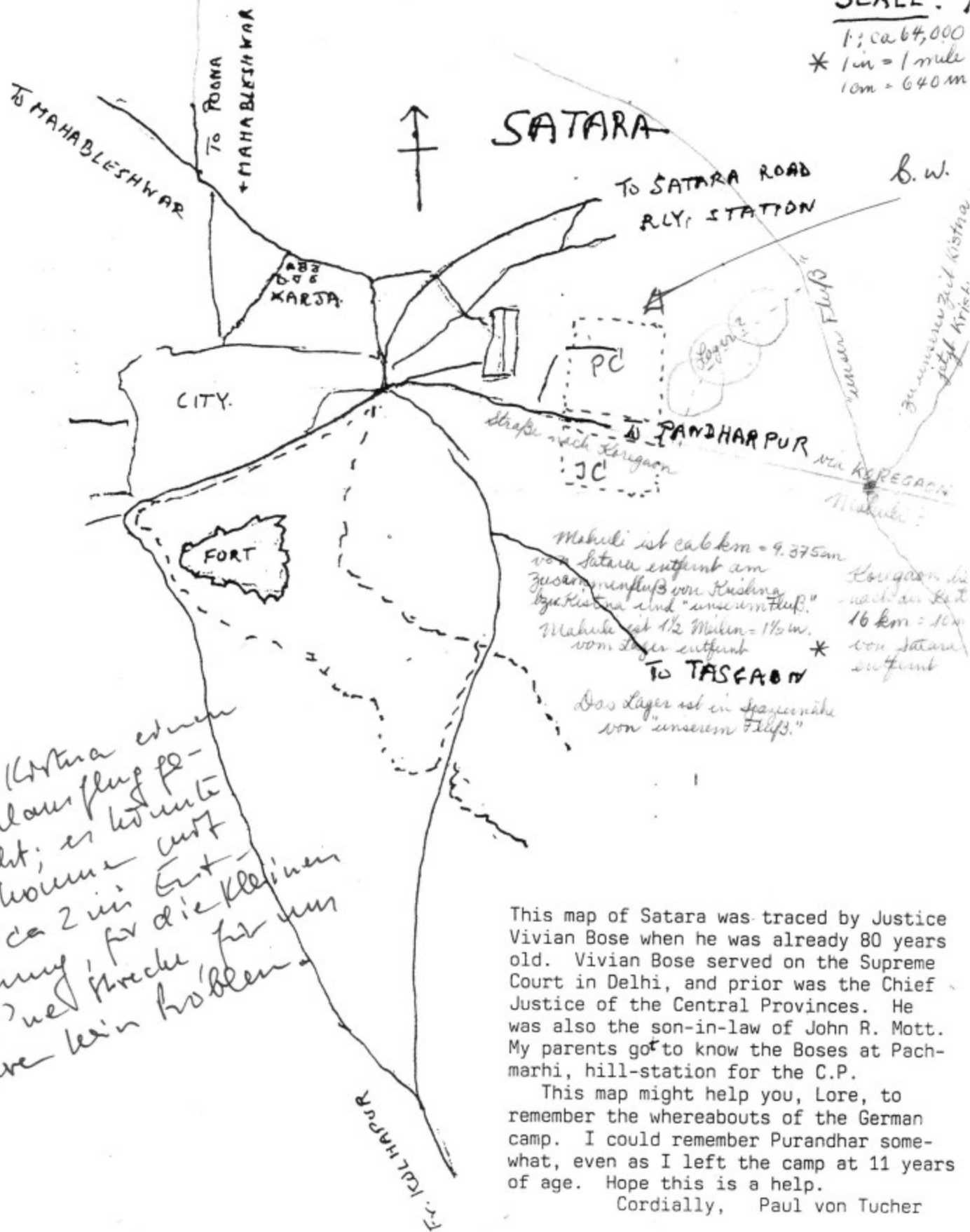
Irene joins me in love to you and your family.

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SCALE.

1; ca 64,000  
\* 1 in = 1 mile  
1 cm = 640 m



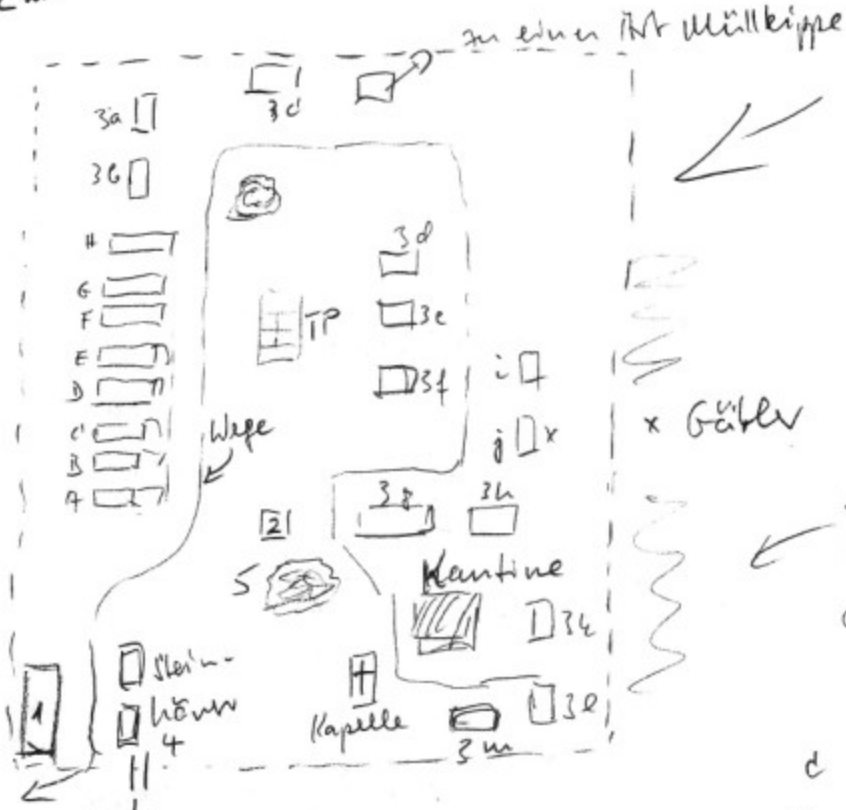
Zu Satara einen  
 Schlußausflug ge-  
 macht; es könnte  
 kein Problem sein  
 denn ca 2 in Ent-  
 fernung, für die kleinen  
 doch 'nein' Strecke für um  
 Größe kein Problem.

This map of Satara was traced by Justice Vivian Bose when he was already 80 years old. Vivian Bose served on the Supreme Court in Delhi, and prior was the Chief Justice of the Central Provinces. He was also the son-in-law of John R. Mott. My parents got to know the Boses at Pachmarhi, hill-station for the C.P.

This map might help you, Lore, to remember the whereabouts of the German camp. I could remember Purandhar somewhat, even as I left the camp at 11 years of age. Hope this is a help.

Cordially, Paul von Tucher

PC Parole Centre (wo wir waren)  
 JC Instrument Camp (wo die „Nazis“ - echte und  
 demürierte - waren und die Schule)  
 zur Stadt  
 ca 1 1/2 - 2 mi



Areal ca. 1 mi<sup>2</sup>  
 ehemalige Wille +  
 Hügel, versch. Bausachen,  
 als militär. Übung-  
 gelände mit Schieß-  
 anlagen!

zur Stadt  
 + fort  
 zum JC  
 Straße nach Krappon

- 1 Kommandantur
- A-H Baracken (ich glaube, es waren 8)
- TP Tennisplätze
- 2 Wo der Himalaya + Polarforscher Feldner wohnte
- 3a-W Steinhömn (offizive Führ?)
- 4 eine kleine Krankenstation?
- 5 das ist der Banian-tree auf Frei Hellers Bild

- d Meyer, später 3 f
- 3g Jungjohan
- E Tanschen
- 4 Helms
- D Loch + Beering
- E Klinik?!

meines Erinnens ist der Krishna ein Nebenfluß des  
 Krishna!