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"The March" refers to a series of forced marches during the final stages of the Second World War in Europe. From a total of 257,000 western Allied prisoners of war held in German military prison camps, over 80,000 POWs were forced to march westward across Poland, Czechoslovakia, and Germany in extreme winter conditions, over about four months ...Early in 1945, the German offensive known as the Battle of the Bulge had been exhausted, as was the disastrous attack by the Luftwaffe on New Year's Day involving elements of eleven combat wings of the Luftwaffe's day fighter force. Those known to have been held in or employed at . Stalag XXA (312) Torun Podgorz (Thorn), Poland. during the Second World War 1939-1945. A. ALLEN , P/O Daniel Frederick (J16423) – Distinguished Flying Cross – No.408 Squadron – Award effective 24 March 1943 as per London Gazette dated 6 April 1943 and AFRO 809/43 dated 7 May 1943.