

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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Honorable W. Stuart Symington
Secretary of the Air Force
Department of the Air Force
Washington, D. C.

Dear Stuart:

I am delighted to have your message about the award which Amon Carter is to receive on January 13 at 10:30. I wish I could be present, but it looks like I probably will not be able to be there. In other words, Chairman Cannon, of the Appropriations Committee, has insisted that I proceed full tilt ahead with hearings on my bill for Army, Navy, and Air Force appropriations. We have a very important schedule before the Committee on Friday between Ten and Twelve. We then go to the Pentagon for luncheon and a conference with the Secretary of Defense, Mr. Louis Johnson.

I am sending a copy of this note to Amon. He has been a wonderful friend through the years, and I wanted him to know of my happiness over the award which he is receiving and over my disappointment that I probably cannot be with him. If it were not for the fact that I have to proceed with the Committee, I would be present, and if anything develops whereby I can be with you on Friday morning, you may depend upon it.

Thanks a lot.

Cordially,

George Mahon

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