

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

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EVENING

SUNDAY

AMON G. CARTER
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

My dear General:

I hope you and your family had a good Christmas in Augusta, although I am sure the amount of work you had to carry through left very little time for enjoyment with your family.

Mr. Richardson left for California Sunday - getting away from the cedar pollen which is always disastrous to his bronchi - but before leaving we made out a list of "victuals" which we thought you might be able to use when you return to Washington. I explained to Sid that it would be about nine-hundred pounds and probably more than you could get in your ice-box. His answer was that maybe you could put it in the "Blue Room." Seriously, we realize it is a burden to load you up with a shipment of this kind, but we hope Colonel Schulz can work out a plan to take care of it. Incidentally, we are sending the Colonel a separate supply for his family.

Andy (H. H.) Anderson, Managing Director of the Hotel Texas, has been instructed to prepare the shipment and I am enclosing an inventory of the various items which also includes a case of twelve year old tonic to match the case of thirty year old sent down from New York by American. You will notice under each item of the inventory it is suggested the portion cuts; however, you may have your butcher handle this matter to suit your pistol. We hope you will have an opportunity to see the package - especially the "baby" shrimp sent along from Saint Jo Island (?), and the box of "baby" walnuts from Shady Oak Farm(?).

By the way, I had Electra Waggoner make a bust of Sid and shortly you will receive one of the smaller size, which I hope you will accept with my best wishes. I think she did a marvelous job and I told Sid that I had to pay extra to have Electra flatter him. The life size bronze bust was mounted on a green marble base. The marble base was engraved and washed with

gold "Sid W. Richardson from Amon G. Carter and friends, Christmas 1953." Then to have a little fun with Sid, Mrs. Deakins, my secretary, had our artist paint some paper the exact replica of the green marble base and letter it in gold, the same size as the original, "Sid W. Richardson from one old B----- to Another, Christmas 1953". This was placed over the marble and delivered during his absence from his office. Sid came out to the house the next day for dinner and he didn't know that the inscription was phoney and the real inscription was under the paper substitute.

I've also had several of the smaller size made and will send one to Bob Anderson, George Allen, Clint Murchison and several of Sid's other friends. It will be two or three weeks before the smaller models are finished and yours will come along about that time.

Now, unless you disapprove, we are having another bust of you made from the original - other than we are changing it to include your military cap and other slight changes which we think will improve the likeness. This bust will be used in connection with the Eisenhower Memorial at Denison, Texas. This is confidential. No one knows anything about it except you, Sid and Electra Waggoner, who will do the job.

Enclosed, on a separate sheet, are three stories which I recently heard. They can be told anywhere on any occasion and I thought you might enjoy them.

Minnie joins me in best wishes to you and Mamie for the fullest measure of health and happiness throughout the New Year.

Sincerely,

AGC:kd

P.S: Since dictating the above Mrs. Deakins has talked with Colonel Schulz who suggested that the shipment be held pending storage space. We will await shipping until we hear from him, although it is hoped the arrangements can be made within ten days or two weeks.

A.G.C.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN INVENTORY BREAK-DOWN OF THE SHIPMENT TO
PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>24 Prime Ribs</u>	20 lbs. each	480 lbs.
(They are equivalent to two large roasts of 10 lbs. each average <u>OR</u> four medium size roasts of 5 lbs. each. Out of each full loin of 24 prime ribs there are about 20 nice cuts of prime rib of beef steaks.)		
<u>12 Sirloin Strips</u>	12 lbs. each	144 lbs.
(12 Fourteen ounce sirloin steaks are cut out of each strip.)		
<u>12 Lamb racks (Double)</u>	7 lbs. each	84 lbs.
(Out of one rack 14 single chops or 7 double chops can be cut.)		
<u>12 Tenderloin strips</u>	6 lbs. each	72 lbs.
(There are approximately 11 Eight ounce filet mignons to each strip).		
<u>40 Pounds Special Tennessee Smoked Bacon</u>		40 lbs.
(Bacon in slab; will slice 28 thick strips per lb.)		
* <u>20 Pounds Sausage (Six patties per pound)</u>		20 lbs.
* (<u>IMPORTANT:</u> It is suggested that the sausage be used within the next month. While it is of the finest and is especially seasoned, sausage tends to lose its flavor after a month even in a frozen condition).		
<u>10 Pounds Jumbo Shrimp from St. Jo Island</u>		10 lbs.
(Shrimp has been cooked and frozen.)		
<u>5 Lbs. Jumbo Walnuts from Shady Oak Farm</u>		5 lbs.
<u>1 Box Texas Ruby Red Grapefruit (average 54 to the box)</u>		85 lbs.
<u>75 of another item mentioned in Mr. Anderson's Letter</u>		(?)
	TOTAL WEIGHT:	940 lbs.