

May 10, 1943.

Hon. Norman H. Davis, President,  
American Red Cross,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Norman:

Your letter received in New York, in reply to my telephone conversation, giving me the exact location of Rotenberg, Germany, where Amon Junior is now a prisoner of war and I appreciate this information very much.

I note that you indicate that it will be impossible to send telegraphic communications except under extreme emergencies, which is quite all right. As stated to you, I have no desire to ask any special treatment in Amon Junior's case other than that which you could do for others."

We have just noticed in the newspapers that we are to be permitted to send cigars to the prisoners of war and inasmuch as Amon Junior smokes cigars instead of cigarettes this will be quite a lift for him. I am sure he misses his watch more than anything else and wonder if there is any way that we could get a watch over to him or to provide the funds for the Red Cross in Switzerland to purchase a watch to give him. If so, I would appreciate it tremendously.

Just as a matter of information, I am sending you, herewith, a photostatic copy of Amon Junior's letter and post card. He certainly indicates a tremendous list of things he would like to have. Of course, the Red Cross is supplying a part of these items in the way of food and the others we will send as fast as the regulations will permit - a package every sixty days.

Niles Trammell, President of the National Broadcasting Company, radioed his representatives in Geneva and asked them to try and get permission to visit, as the Red Cross representative, the camp and take a special message to Amon Junior for me. However, the chances are this will not be permitted.

I am also sending a photostatic copy of a letter from Captain Pirnie who was in charge of Amon Junior's Battery. It was tough luck that he was behind the German lines nine days and then was knocked out by the Arabs and turned over to the Germans.

It is too bad the entire citizenship of America cannot appreciate what a great job the Red Cross is doing. However, the response to the last drive was gratifying in Fort Worth. Our quota was \$276,000 and \$436,692 was raised. The quota in 1942 was \$150,000 and \$197,981 was raised. This may not be as high as some of the increased percentages throughout the country, still we are rather proud of it and congratulate the Red Cross on its very efficient and capable management under your direction.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

*J. J. Carney*

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