

HEADQUARTERS 1ST ARMORED DIVISION  
APO 251, c/o Postmaster  
U. S. Army

1 March 1943

Mr. Amon Carter  
Fort Worth, Texas


Dear Mr. Carter:

Your son has been reported missing in action for some few days. He was a forward observer on top of one of the hills in a recent operation, which was surrounded by the enemy and eventually fell. I have delayed writing to you hoping that he would turn up as some of the men have done. Maraist and I believe that the chances are that he is now a prisoner in German hands.

I regret exceedingly having to write this letter. I know that you will find a great deal of satisfaction in knowing that he was doing his duty exceedingly well. I trust that my belief that he is a prisoner is correct.

I sincerely hope that this war will be an Allied victory before so very long, so that families can again be together.

Sincerely,

  
ORLANDO WARD,  
Major General, U.S. Army,  
Commanding.

