Dear Amon:

Last night's radio broadcast and this morning's papers bring the news that Amon, Jr., is missing in action. Knowing your anxiety, I want to write this letter to you to tell you your anxiety is being shared by countless friends who know both you and Amon, Jr.

As perhaps you know, I am the National President of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and my chapter is the one at the University of Texas that Amon, Jr., belonged to. I watched him with particular interest when he came to the University and became a member of our Fraternity. It was very interesting and refreshing to me to see that in spite of the fact that he came down to the University with the reputation and background of a father like you, this boy modestly and on his own power made good in the University. He did not follow the course and attitude of many fellows who have come to the University as the son of an influential father. He sought no favors or short cuts but made his own way. His Fraternity Brothers in the chapter and his many friends all over the campus, as well as in the faculty, were impressed by this boy's character and ability.

It is my firm belief and hope that with the initiative that Amon, Jr., has, given any sort of a break in the campaign in which his outfit was engaged, he has taken care of himself. I cannot help feeling that he will in time either infiltrate back to our lines or that he is a German prisoner. A good many prisoners were taken in the zone of action in which he was engaged.

At any rate I know that he gave a fine account of himself and showed the qualities of a thoroughbred. When we get all the news, it will be an accounting of conduct coming not only in the highest traditions of our army, but indicative of inherent qualities of worth and devotion to duty and fearless leadership that will reflect his inheritance and make you proud of him.

Of course, I am biased as to Amon, Jr. He was one of my favorite youngsters in the University. At the Kappa Sigma Conclave at French Lick in Indiana in August, 1941, he came from Fort Knox to
see me and visit with the Texas boys, even though he had only six hours to be with us. Mrs. Jester and my daughter Barbara were greatly impressed with his charm and gentility.

I want you to know that I share your pride in this superb son and that I am likewise sharing your anxiety about him.

With all good wishes, I am

Yours most sincerely,

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