WAR DEPARTMENT COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES WASHINGTON

March 24, 1943

Mr. Amon G. Carter Mayflower Hotel Washington, D. C.

Dear Amon:

I have just recently returned from an extended absence from Washington and learned that Amon, Jr. has been reported missing in action and hasten to extend to you my profound sympathy in these dark hours.

I realize there is little I can say to alleviate your grief, for the loss of an only son cannot be minimized. We all know that this is a war of uncertainties and if I were you, I would not give up hope that your youngster will turn up alive and well. However, in the event this is not the case, you can take great pride in the knowledge that your son made the supreme sacrifice that others might live on in peace and security when we have won the Victory that must surely be ours.

Trusting that you will receive good news about your son in the near future, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

General, U.S. Army