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Fort Worth, Texas
 October 9, 1943.

Chief Censor,
 The Office of Censorship,
 Care Government Post Office Box 20,
 New York, N. Y.

Your parcel received returning three packages of Mixture No. 79 smoking tobacco addressed to Lt. Amon G. Carter, Jr., American Prisoner of War #1595, Interned at Oflag 64, Germany PERIOD I think it is an infernal outrage when I cannot send three small insignificant little packages of tobacco, weighing less than six ounces, to my son, and if the author of this asinine rule could be substituted for the boys who are behind the bars in Germany, pleading for tobacco and incidentals they are deprived of, I wonder how he would like it PERIOD I realize it is essential to have rules and regulations but you are straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel in an outrageous rule of this kind PERIOD In the first place delivery of packages as well as mail to prisoners of war is so inadequate and slow that my son, Amon Jr., up to September Sixth, has only received one package out of six shipped since April and three letters out of about one-hundred PERIOD If the makers of these bureaucratic rules and regulations had some conception of the difficulties the prisoners of war are encountering they would no doubt at least be human enough to permit a boy the privilege of having three little packages of smoking tobacco weighing less than six ounces included in his regular eleven pound package which the next-of-kin can only send every sixty days PERIOD And while we are on this subject Army rules permit anyone to send five pound Christmas packages to soldiers overseas, while not even next-of-kin or friends are allowed the same privilege for prisoners of war PERIOD The Germans do not object to how many packages the prisoners of war receive, so why this rank outrageous discrimination

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against the prisoners of war? Still this is not surprising as this rule is no more inconsistent than some of the haywire regulations promulgated by many of the board rulings in Washington PERIOD These boys only receive two meals a day. My son has lost forty pounds and is begging for tobacco and cigars and eatables in every letter PARENTHESIS This same condition no doubt prevails with all of the others of about 200 in this particular camp PARENTHESIS The old saying "every dog has his day" may come true and when the soldiers overseas come home and have a chance to take a crack at some of the asininity that has been dished out in their absence by some of the Bureaucratic boards in Washington they are going to raise hell and a substantial portion of the public are in a fine humor to join them PERIOD I wonder if the Board of Economic Warfare members, or at least the authors of these stringent red tape cockeyed rules had any of their own boys in prison camps? It is difficult enough to get any kind of package through let alone having them pilfered by red tape snoopers depriving a prisoner of war of less than six ounces of smoking tobacco PERIOD If they had a conscience it should make them ashamed of themselves. No wonder the President abolished the old Board of Economic Warfare even though he could not abolish some of the fantastic speeches emanating from therein. If he would go a step further and abolish about three-fourth of all the various boards in Washington, including about ninety percent of the Press Agents and ninety-nine percent of the Professors, it would be a blessing in disguise and should help solve the manpower problem.

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