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Miss K. Deakins  
Secretary to Mr. Amon G. Carter  
Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Miss Deakins:

Have just received your letter of May 5th which crossed my May 7th letter to you with which was enclosed the check sent us some little time ago, which we did not deposit, awaiting the result of the correspondence between us in connection with the type cigar we would sent to Lt. Carter.

As my letter stated, the New York newspapers carried announcements of Lt. Carter's release and of the meeting with his father, all of which made me very happy as can very well appreciate the strain and anxiety which Mr. Amon Carter has had to endure during the long period in which his son was incarcerated in a German prison camp and can appreciate what a wonderful event it must have been when father and son met.

Note the thought expressed in your letter that it would be very nice to have some cigars awaiting Lt. Carter upon his return home and feel this is an excellent idea, and am going to have 100 ROBT. BURNS cigars sent to the Lieutenant in your care and you should receive them within about a week's time.

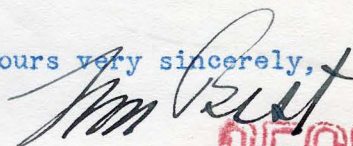
Am going to ask you to arrange to have Lt. Carter accept these cigars with my compliments and with a message of hearty welcome upon his return and would like this done for two reasons.

The first is to signalize in this small way my pleasure on his release from enemy hands and his happy return to Texas after his long absence, and the second reason is my desire to avoid the billing of cigars from the factory to individuals because of our Company's marketing policy which requires that all of its transactions be confined to its regularly established line of customers.

We, of course, handled prisoner-of-war orders entirely outside of our policy and through arrangements made with the Provost Marshal's Office at Washington and we were glad to be of such service, but if you will accept the cigars being sent without charge, it would please me very much and feel sure you will help me by so doing.

With kindest wishes, I remain

Yours very sincerely,



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