

Sept. 17-
Handley

Mr. Amon D. Caster
Ft. Worth, Tex

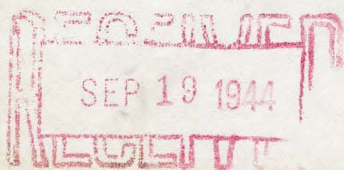
Dear Mr. Caster -

I am enclosing the letter of Aug. I received from my husband, Capt. Joe K. Emerson. His middle name is Kennedy and in his letter he was referring to himself when he mentioned it. Uncle Joe is Stabin or the Russians. Doyle is his nephew who is in Patton's army in France. In another letter he said that some men out of Doyle's outfit were there with him.

In a letter to his mother written
July 24 he said, "We have lower
and upper bunks We have
cubicles in our barrack and Barovic,
Pawlaski, Medhu, Davis, Hood, Cannon,
Lantson, Yardley and I all stay in
one cubicle Yardley is in charge
of the barracks Davis is an
artist and a real good one,
and the rest have their vocations
except me" — My husband is a
farmer and probably doesn't consider
it a vacation

I am very glad for you
to read Joe's letter — keep it as
long as you wish, but do return
it as I am keeping them all

Sincerely,
Mrs. Joe K. Emerson
Franklin, Tenn.



COPY

Sept. 17

Handley

Mr. Amon G. Carter

Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Carter-

I am enclosing the letter of Aug 7 I received from my husband, Capt. Joe K. Emerson. His middle name is Kennedy and in his letter he was referring to himself when he mentioned it. Uncle Joe is Stalin or the Russians. Doyle is his nephew who is in Patton's army in France. In another letter he said that some men out of Doyle's outfit were there with him.

In a letter to his mother written July 24 he said, "We have lower and upper bunks. We have cubicles in our barrack and Barovic, Pawloski, Medlin, Davis, Wood, Cannon, Lantron, Yardley and I all stay in one cubicle. Yardley is in charge of the barracks. Davis is an artist and a real good one, and the rest have their vacations except me." - My husband is a farmer and probably doesn't consider it a vacation.

I am very glad for you to read Joe's letter - keep it as long as you wish, but do return it as I am keeping them all.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Mrs. Joe K. Emerson
Handley, Tex

Copy of a letter from Captain J. K. Emerson in Oflag 64 addressed to Mrs. Pat Emerson, Box 532, Handley, Texas dated August 7, 1944.

Dearest Pat, Well, I'll be another year older Wednesday and believe me, I know it. My mail is coming in slowly but at least I get some each week although sometimes it is only one. I got a letter from Kennedy and he is going to move from where he is now. He says there is too much noise - so he thinks he will try the mountains. You know how he is, tho. He may stay there till his lease runs out. Henry got a letter from his mother and she had talked with Uncle Joe - said he was looking good and still able to get around but they were worried about him. I understand Doyle & Dave Sawyer are working hard and doing a good job. We had a big ball game yesterday and I won 3 chocolate bars on it. They stand around just to razz me when I make an error or fan out - course I never lose my temper. Haven't read anything in a week or more as my eye is getting worse. Well, take it easy & don't worry about me.

Love You, Joe.