

May 22, 1945.

Mrs. T. W. McCain,
Box 190, Route 2,
Slaton, Texas.

Dear Mrs. McCain:

In Mr. Carter's absence from the city, permit the writer to acknowledge your letter of May 18 concerning the slowness with which the names of the prisoners of war in Germany have been released.

Please be assured that your attitude in this matter is fully appreciated by those of us in this organization; however, it is presumed that after an announcement was made by the War Department in April and the end of the war, it was necessary to change the policy regarding the liberated men due to the chaotic condition in Germany and the congested transportation facilities. They have abandoned all routine in order to speed up the release of these boys and get them to ports of embarkation, therefore listing and recording of names was suspended as a result of which the newspapers are unable to continue the service of announcing the names. In many instances the boys are walking in, phoning or wiring upon reaching this country even before the families are officially notified and I hope this applies in your case.

Yours very truly,

Secy. to A. C. Carter.