

Dear Mr. Carter,

April 3, 1943

Received your letter of Feb. 5 the other day & enjoyed it very much. Also particularly enjoyed the copy of a letter which you sent to Orlando (incidentally, he received the original) and appreciate someone at home taking up for us. We were not green - it was just too much for us - but we stuck as per orders until practically nothing was left.

The censors will probably cut hell out of this letter, but I feel that we are entitled to write as we feel - especially when the newspapers use our names & locations in their stories.

Just had to hit my fox hole again - it's hard to write a coherent letter with something always happening.

The boy I told Amos, Jr. about was Brooks Martin, of Pittsburg, Tex. He has

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been sent to England.

Tex H. was sitting next to me when I read your letter, & he, too, enjoyed it. He is a little fed up with the publicity. Read the D.S.C. a few days ago.

Of course, we all wonder what they are going to do with us when we finish cleaning up the jury. I've been in the land fighting here for 3 mos. at a stretch now - some have been as long as 5. We're too uncivilized now to turn loose in a civilized country. However, our numbers dwindle day by day, so there may not be too many to worry about when the fighting is over in Tunisia. And we're not always so hardboiled - Tex almost passed out while we were dressing a wound of a friend of ours that had been talking to us a few minutes before. He's dressed many, many wounds & had never done that before.

It would make us feel good if

They would mention our division by name.
Just say that "The 1st Arm'd Div. drove
from Kasserine Valley to Maknassy" - or
that "elements of the 1st Armored are
fighting at Fondouk and east of el
Duetlan." The Jerry knows where we
are - all of us wear the division
insignia now. It would add greatly
to morale - we're tired of being incognito.

The news you want most to hear.
I have nothing I can add. I really
think he is OK unless you have
rec'd other ^{definite} information. He was with
Johnny Waters, who is now in Italy.
Have you contacted Summerall?

This letter is not so hot - but the
situation is not too conducive to letter
writing, so please excuse it.

Hope you've had a chance to
visit my family by now. Keep your chin
up - we'll get 'em the bastards back
yard soon & get lots of our people
back.

Sincerely,
Sidney's Wife