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Lampasas, Texas December 1, 1944 JOE G. MCLEAN R. L. NORTHINGTON GLENN B. GAMEL CLYDE HETHERLY R. S. NICHOLS

Dear Mrs. Deakins:

I have received a letter from Lt. Leo Fisher, a repatriate, who is in a hospital in Augusta, Georgia. He has sent me four pictures. One of them is the same one that Mrs. Ranck received from her husband and another one is the group of Texans at Oflag 64 that you sent me. I am enclosing the other two pictures. Amon Jr. is in one of them but I am sending you the other one also as Mr. Carter may know some of the boys in the picture. Chester is the first on the left in the back row in the picture that Amon is in and he is the middle one in the back row in the other picture. I would like to have the pictures back as they are the only ones that I have. Following is a copy of the letter Lt. Fisher wrote:

"Dear Mrs. Warren:

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Chester asked me to send these photos to you as soon as I arrived in the States but my baggage was lost and only arrived yesterday --- so please forgive the almost two month delay.

I last saw Chester on July 26th and he was in good health and happy as you would expect him to be. His moralegis good and all he asks is plenty of mail and photos. He and I were friends in Africa before I was wounded. I was very happy to meet him again when I got out of the hospital and was sent to Oflag 64.

I now have about 400 letters and cards to write so please forgive the brevity of this one.

Be brave and know that my prayers are added to yours for his quick return to his home and you.

> Always a friend Leo Fisher"

I received a letter from Chester dated September 4, 1944, about a month ago and haven't heard since; I hope you all have heard from Amon Jr. recently.

Mrs. Deakins, since Chester did not write and tell who the boys are, I don't know any of them but Amon and Chester. However, with the exception of one or two, I think the boys all look pretty well. The last time Chester mentioned his weight, he said he weighed about 160 which is more than he weighed when he went into service. Too, I can tell from the pictures that he has gained some weight. Maybe it won't be much longer now until all the boys will be home again.

Sincerely

Margaret Hassen