

Feb. 15, 1949

Mr. Walter C. Wolff, Chairman  
~~Mer~~ Merci Car Committee  
Grand Voiture of Texas  
Forty and Eight  
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

Confirming earlier verbal requests of our representatives, and complying with your request for a written request, we hereby make application for the French "Gratitude Car" ~~from the Merci Train~~ sent to Texas from the Merci Train to be awarded by your committee to the Amon G. Carter Foundation in consideration for ~~the~~ the foundation's contribution to the Friendship Train in 1947.

The French boxcar is a first consideration in the matter of apportionment of the gifts from the French people as we view it, and the foundation is most anxious to receive custody of the car and to see that it is properly preserved and enshrined.

Such other gifts among the contents of the car that might properly be apportioned to the City of Fort Worth, the Lions Clubs here or others who were helpful in providing food for the Friendship Train we shall be pleased to leave strictly to ~~the~~ judgment of your committee and the advisory group and ~~the~~ state officials working with it.

~~Very respectfully,~~

Respectfully, ~~Yours~~

S. E. C. F.

AMON G. CARTER FOUNDATION