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Dear Mr. Carter,

I wrote to you about 10 days ago, but did not mail the letter as I thought by waiting a few days I could give more definite information. This is a difficult subject to write to you about, but I feel that you want me to keep you informed about Amon. He has been reported as missing in action, and my opinion is that he has been captured. Censorship will not permit my mention of definite locations or time, but I can give you some idea of the situation. Amon's organization was in a location that was surrounded by Germans. Two days later some of the men slipped out and returned, while many were captured. For several days men who were there have straggled in, and knowing his unit was in that location I periodically inquired. No one heard of Amon being injured at all, and although I have nothing definite to base it on, my belief is that he is a prisoner. Perhaps his commanding officer, Lt. Col. Summerall, whom you remember, can give you more definite and detailed information of the incident. He returned to the United States right after the battle, and you can locate him through the Armored Force Headquarters at Fort Knox, Ky.

Some of our officers missing from the initial landing operations in North Africa have just been reported through the International Red Cross to be in a prison camp in Italy. Considerable time was required to secure this information and perhaps you would be able to expedite such an investigation if you think it necessary.

Any further information I can obtain will be passed on to you immediately. My delay in writing you was in the hope that he would straggle in with some of the others, and also await the reports of a party that went down in that vicinity. I am exceedingly sorry, and hope that I can be of some assistance in locating Amon. If there is anything at all that I can do, I am at your service.

Your friend,

(Signed) Pinky Talbot.

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