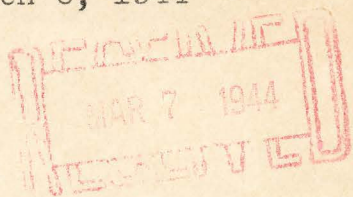


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Mr. Amon G. Carter  
Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Fort Worth, Texas



Dear Mr. Carter:

I received three letters and a post card from my husband this last week. The latest letter is dated January 1. The others were written in December.

In the Jan. 1 letter he asked me again to send some food parcels without labels. He says he has seen some, but I don't see how they sent them. Did you ever find out any way? He said he had received my May, July, and September parcels, 112 letters in all, and 20 pictures. He had also received some books and tobacco parcels.

He said that Amon Jr. had the bunk next to his and Benton Beasley had the one above him.

On Dec. 26 he wrote that he had received a Christmas box with fruit cake in it. That must have been a Red Cross Christmas package as I haven't tried to send fruit cake. He asked me to send some more text books so he could study.

His father also received four cards from him, and in one of those Edward said that he weighed 176 pounds, so he had gained from 165. When he left here he weighed about 180, so 176 is pretty good. He also said to ask the Carters about Feb. 14. I don't know just what he meant by that. It might have been when he was captured last year. I read the copy of Amon Jr.'s letter which was in the paper about his capture. He wrote that card in December, so it doesn't seem like it would be about this Feb. In one letter two lines had been blacked out. I couldn't tell what had been there. That is the first time anything had been marked out. He had been talking about his packages and what was in them, and the next sentence had been erased, marked through, and then black ink all over it.

I appreciated your writing me about your card of Jan. 1, especially as you received yours several weeks before I got mine. I guess they have more mail to handle now than they did have.

Yours sincerely,

*Mrs. Edward Batte*