



HEADQUARTERS ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C. CDS

13 December 1944

Mr. George H. Sharpe,  
1508 Avenue C.,  
Lubbock, Texas.

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

The Provost Marshal General directs me to communicate with you regarding your son, Staff Sergeant Omer E. Sharpe.

Verification of the records in this office indicates that your son is interned as a prisoner of war by the German Government at Stalag Luft #4, Germany. His prisoner of war number is #1856.

Local chapters of the American Red Cross, in cases of serious emergency, are prepared to accept cables for transmission to United States prisoners of war who have been officially reported interned by the enemy powers.

Long delays in the delivery of prisoner of war mail coming to this country are not unusual. Such mail moving within and from enemy territory is subject to all the difficulties of war time interruptions and transportation delays. Prisoner of war mail is censored in at least two countries. It is for these reasons that the delivery of such mail cannot be assured.

This Government is fully aware of the distress of the next of kin of prisoners of war concerning the irregularity of prisoners of war mail. You may be assured that every effort is being made to expedite the movement of this mail.

Rest assured that if and when further information is received concerning him, you will be notified promptly.

Sincerely yours,

Howard F. Bresee,  
Colonel, C.M.P.,  
Assistant Director,  
Prisoner of War Division.