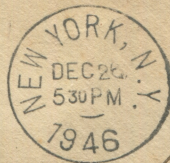


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Dear Mom:

This is Christmas eve. It sure isn't anything like any of the Christmases I have ever known. It doesn't seem like Xmas at all. Just another day of army life. There will be some of us that will have to stand guard tomorrow. Besides the guard they will have prison chase and according to what I hear there is a boat load of prisoners coming in and some of us will have to make a trip guarding them with machine guns. Nice thing to be doing on Christmas.

It's pretty cold up here now. There is no snow. According to the weatherman there is no sign of snow in the future. I'm not sorry. Personally I could do without it the rest of my life I think.

I bought a couple of St. Louis papers the other day. They were from Friday and Sat. It was good to see a good paper again. The things they have here and call newspapers are a black mark against all publishers. I noticed that not much new

is going on around there. I guess it is the same as up here. Nothing ever happens here either.

I guess today Donna is all excited. No doubt all that you can get out of her is Santa Claus. I guess this was about her best Christmas. Next year she will have new ideas about the old guy. I wish I could make it home to see the tree but there is no chance at all. We have too much work to do for us to go home, yet the captain is still on his fifteen day furlough. That is what gets me. He could stay right on the post untill seven oclock tonight and still have time before midnight to set up a tree. I don't beleive he has any kids either. He lives about ten miles out of New York...

There is nothing else to say now so I'll close this letter now.

I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and have a happy New Year

With all my love

Brother