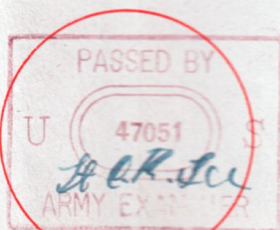


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TO: Mrs. Willis Tappan
Orestes, Indiana
Box 96

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

FROM

Cpl. Donald Tappan 35 893186
Co. K. 346 Inf. APO 448
To Patuxent, New York, NY

(Sender's complete address above)

Dear Family and all,

January 4, 1945

Not that this isn't meant for you at home but I, as usual would like for it to let as many here from me as possible. This is the first chance I've had to write for about a week now so don't be worried about letters being missing if you hear once in a while. I was blessed with the first mail yesterday evening that I have received since Christmas day. It sure was good to hear from you. Your letters were dated Dec. 20. I also got the first Tribune to reach me since the few in England. It was of Oct. 31 but even at that I enjoyed it. I guess this letter will have to contain my New Year's greetings and good wishes. With God's help 1945 will see us together again; may it be His will.

I believe it only fair now to tell you that I have been in combat for a few weeks now. I have always told you not to worry and it is even more so now. If you can put as much faith in God as I do you will have no trouble meeting the situation. I am not ashamed of the fact that all of my trust is in Him. Psalm 27:1. You may be pleased to know that I am finding a lot of real use for the work I spent in learning radio. Keep praying. Love, Donald

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Co K 346 1st APO 448
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