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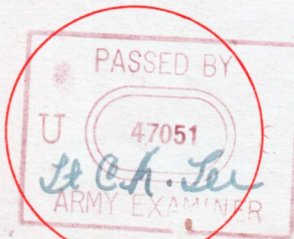
From

Pfc. Donald J. Tappan 3589286
(Sender's name)

Co K. 346th EAPB 448
(Sender's address)

70 Pm New York, NY

Dec. 28, 1944
(Date)



(CENSOR'S STAMP)

To
MRS. Willis Tappan
Orestes, Indiana
Box 96

Hello Folks,

Our mail situation seems to be messed up as usual so if these letters I write take a good while to get there you'll have to understand. Since these V-mails are furnished for us, it saves us the worry of carrying stationery so I hope you don't mind getting them. I'm well and happy as can be expected. I think I'll try to give you a little information about packages. If you have sent the wristlets and helmet by first class mail it should be here before long and I'm glad of that. I'd like the pocket knife I asked for to be sent in a similar manner and also a good stout watch strap. You'll have to keep in mind that the packages that are sent regular mail take so long to get here that anything important should not be sent that way. Too many things can happen in four or five months. Since we don't even have our duffle bags now, we must carry in our pockets anything we get. So we must either put what we get to immediate personal use or eat it up. Anything to eat that would add a little variety to these plain overseas rations would be greatly appreciated. I have a few suggestions to give you before long. God be with you all.

Love,
Donald

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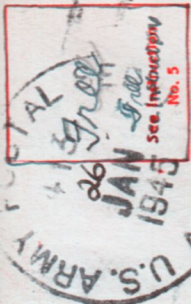
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- (2) PRINT the name and address in the two panels provided. Addresses to members of the Armed Forces should include rank or rating of the addressee, unit to which attached, and APO or Naval address.
- (3) Fold, seal, and deposit in any post office letter drop or street letter box.
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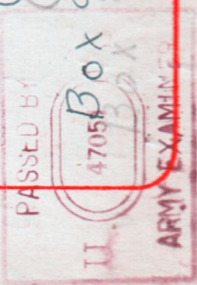


REGULAR MAIL
FROM V-MAIL STATION

Handwritten address in the V-Mail form:

Mrs. Tappan
Mrs. Wills
Orestes
Indiana

Box 96



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To P.O. New York 100