

2 Jan - 1945

Dear Folks:

I haven't written for 3 days so here goes my first letter of 1945. Hope you all had a Happy New Year, we had Turkey for dinner, there wasn't much but what there was, was good.

It's a little colder here than it was at my old station. We have a stove in our tent so we keep pretty warm most of the time. I'm getting closer to Eugene if he's where I think he is.

I've visited Tolmenc since I arrived, it really is pretty nice since it ~~hasn't~~ hasn't been bombed much.

I met a fellow from Russell today; his name is Al Heinge, I didn't know him and he didn't know who I was until we had talked for a while. He's related to the late George Steink, probably to Martha rather than George. He said that he had relatives in Danouce so if you know them you might tell them that we saw each other. He said that

I looked just like Dad and that he used to work for Vic Schneider when he had a station across the street from Dad's.

No mail from home yet, I hope it catches up with me soon so I'll know what's going on at home. You should be getting my mail pretty regularly now, you probably got your first letter the 3rd or 4th of January didn't you.

You can send me something to eat whenever you're ready. Send candy, gum, cookies, cheese, grape jelly, popcorn, nuts, peanut clusters, milk, soap-nub, wool socks, wool scarf, fudge cookies, ice cream, linen and onions, chicken, banana cake, milk, fruit cocktail, swiss steak, crackers, more candy, life savers, peanuts, pencils, radio, living room suite, record player and Frank Sinatra. I guess you might as well send the whole house if you can get it in a 5 yard plot. I would like some food though, honestly.

I guess she rattled on enough

for one day it's about 8:30 and
time for bed.

Write and let me know how
the family is also any news from
Kenny, Phil, Bud or Pie.

Has my footlocker gotten home
yet, don't forget to check on it if
it doesn't get there in six weeks. And
get some wool socks in it that I could
sure use now.

Goodnight

Love

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P.S. Keep your fingers crossed!!