



UNITED STATES ARMY



Saturday 1-1-44

Florence, dearest:

This being the first day of a new year, a year in which I hope there will be a reunion in our little ward, I want to repeat again and again how much I love you. The worst feature in this business of serving one's country is the separation from my loved ones. I know too how difficult it is for you to be brave and patient until this is over, but the end of the war is inevitable, and then, happiness once again.

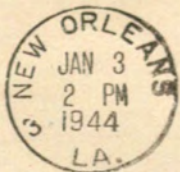
I have received no mail from you for two days now, but I suppose it is being delayed along the line. I did receive however some old mail, among which was your letter of Dec. 9th, but this was not the letter that contained the \$10.00 I am still on the lookout for that letter. Also did not receive the package you sent to Camp Birmingham, but that too will finally catch up with me. Received a letter from Max Pincus dated 12-31-43 in which he tells me that you are well, and that Jimmy is O.K., so I guess I have nothing to worry about on that score.

I am still working in the office and that has its many good points. No K.P., as a matter of fact I have had no K.P. since I arrived in New Orleans; then too, I am off all other details, no drilling, or hiking, although I am not

learning much about the army routine, it seems that it does not make much difference in this branch of the service. However, it is expected that pretty soon we'll be leaving here for another camp, and technical training. This training will last another 13 weeks, and during the way things look and sound down here, I think the big push is on in Europe. Every body and every thing is on the move, and I am hopeful that before I finish tech training this shindig will be over in Europe.

Hope you and Jimmy are in excellent health and spirits, and that all is well with you. Hope you had some company over New Year's eve, and that you took at least one drink. Please give Jimmy a big hug and a kiss for me, as ever

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