

Africa
Dec 12, 1942

Dear Folks

We have been assured that this letter will arrive at its destination by Christmas. Each man may write one sheet and one letter. So here are my best wishes for the merriest of all Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Being that we are only allowed one letter forward this one on to go so she may read it too.

It is hard to realize it is so near Christmas, there is no snow, and the weather quite warm, in comparison to what it is at home.

Have you received my other letters? The latest letter I have from you was postmarked Oct. 12. How about a letter now and then.

It is very difficult to write a letter now. A fellow has a hard time finding something to write about for fear that it will be cut out. If things keep going in our favor it may not be long until this whole thing will be over, and we will all return home.

How are things at home? Write me a big long letter telling me all about what it's just.

I feel great. I have put on a little weight. Life in the open air seems to agree with me. I don't mind it at all.

The ~~novelty~~ novelty of being in Africa

has worn off, and we are back in the same old routine.

When you write you might send me a few football scores, and if possible a few clippings from home. We just finished a softball game against "B" Co. — played in the field amongst weeds and trees — we were victors by score of 21-17. More of a football score isn't it? But it is fun, we pass the time away and it takes your mind off reality.

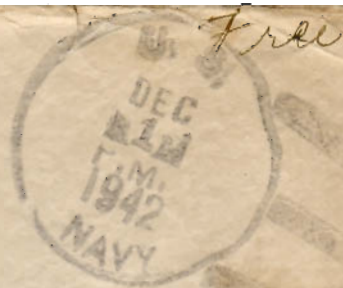
Junior here is hoping Santa Claus is real good to you this year. I won't be able to help him out this year. Perhaps next year we will have better luck.

When you write to Carrie & Alice tell them I wished them a Merry Christmas. I'll write to them later. Because we are not permitted lights after dark, we don't have an awful lot of spare time. Go, I'm writing to you tomorrow Sunday.

This will be all for the present. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from

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