



UNITED STATES ARMY

Saturday 9:30 PM Nov 25, 1944

Dear Mom and Pop,

I went to town today. I received one letter from you today. I hope you don't have too many guests in the house.

I went to Jacksonville this afternoon. I had to shopping to do so I went alone. John was on KP.

I first went to get your Christmas present. Anyway, I ordered it. No - I won't tell you what it is, but I know you'll like it very, very much. It'll be my first present that I bought with my own real money that I earned.

After that I went around to get some personal items for me. I got this and that. I also bought a cheap cigarette lighter to put into the 50 caliber shell. I'm trying to make a cigarette lighter out of it.



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He was stopping the make of horns  
but wouldn't come down low enough  
on the price so I didn't buy it.  
It's OK, I can wait till I get home.

After I did all my shopping, I  
ate dinner (very exclusive). I was  
the only private in the place. There was  
a lot of captains and majors. But  
the food and service was very nice, the  
manager even came over and asked me  
if everything was all right. I wanted  
a big combination salad for a starter so  
I told the waiters just how I wanted it  
prepared. Boy, it sure was good. I had  
shrimp creole for the main course.

Well, I came home after that.  
I don't have more to write so till  
tomorrow  
Ted



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I'll tell you something funny that happened to me. I was looking for a trumpet so I went to the lower business district to see what I can find. I went in to a lot of pawn shops (LEVY, GOLDSTEIN, ETC) and all the owners are standing in front of their shops. When I came around, they'd ask, "What can I do for you sergeant." It really was funny. Well, anyway I couldn't find a horn but I finally found one. It was a cheap make and when I asked for the price, he said \$75 so I just laughed and told him I didn't know too much about things but that I don't fool easily on horns. He made a lot of excuses about

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