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Dear Brother & Sister, (PAGE 1 of 2 PAGES) ENGLAND.

Haven't heard from you yet to know whether you got my first V-Mail letter from England, but I am quite sure that you have known for some time that I am here. It takes so long to get an answer to a letter that I guess I will have to write several times before I finally get an answer to my first letter. Eventually I will get some letters regularly and everything will seem almost normal again.

It has been a cold, cloudy day here today with a pretty heavy snow storm this morning. It was a very nice day to spend resting up inside. So, I slept almost until noon chow time, ate a good chicken dinner, took a shower, hauled in coal to keep the fire going, and have been writing letters all afternoon.

Last night I went to the show with one of the fellows and saw "Fish & Fantasy." It was strange but good. I don't know the name of the other picture as we got in the show after it had started, but it featured Freddy Martin's orchestra and Rochester. It was fair entertainment, and Rochester was very good as always.

The theatres over here (they call them cinemas) are quite nice.

V-MAIL (See page 2) Cliff

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Dear Bro. & Sister, (PAGE 2 of 2 PAGES) ENGLAND.

The design of the theatres and the appearance is very similar to that of our newest theatres at home. All of the pictures I have seen, except one English picture, were old U.S. films. That is, they played 1st run in the U.S. at least 4 to 6 months ago and maybe a year ago.

Here the highest priced seats are in the balcony, medium priced seats are on main floor, and the cheapest seats are down front on the main floor. We always sit in seats that would compare with our general admission seats at home, and pay 1 shilling and 9 pence (2s. 9d. or 1/4). This would be about 36 cents in U.S. money. Then if we care for a bite to eat after the show we usually buy a bag of "chips" to eat on the way back to camp. "Chips" are sold in little "Fish & Chips" stands. We would call the fish - fish patties and would call the chips - french fries. Most of the time they are out of fish but one can buy a small bag of chips for a "thrupence" or threepence (about a nickel), and this bag would contain about the same quantity of chips as an order of french fries at home. Well, so much for this time. Write soon. Lots of love.

V...-MAIL

Your brother, Cliff