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Sept. 15, 1944

(Date)

Dear Brother:

"Belgium"

Received your two V-Mail letters of Aug. 16 + 25<sup>th</sup> and was very happy to hear from you. The mail is coming to us okay now - at one time - we didn't get any for several weeks - but there was more important things to get here than the mail - can't fight "Hermann" with letters - even if it helps the morale.

Cas keeps me well supplied with papers, chippings, magazines and letters - also got several boxes of cigars - plus a box of fudge which was real good and some salt water taffies which I gave to the kids over here - they really go for the taffies.

Covered plenty of territory since I wrote to you last - and my must say - enjoyed the trip very much - people lined up all along the streets and out in full force to cheer and welcome us - giving us whiskey, cognac, beer, Champagne, wine - cider - apples, tomatoes, eggs, plums - cookies and a bunch of other stuff - really were happy to see us. Getting along okay with my French - only wishing I had your 6 yrs. of French - but I'm having a swell time - surprised myself - talking much better than I thought I could - but I studied hard - even if though it was only two years.

Had a dance in a cafe here one night - ten girls - 5 G.I.'s and a bunch of civilians - I was the only one that could speak French - had it made - had me two blondes and real pretty - had a swell time. Will write again - and give you more details.

V-MAIL

Until then - Loving brother  
"Don"