

No.



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839 HIGH AVENUE  
REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA

PT CLIFTON L. GALLUP  
SENDER'S NAME  
38th MACHINE RECORDS UNIT  
SENDER'S ADDRESS (M)  
CAMP A, APO 871, Ft. Belvoir  
New York City, New York  
DATE  
1 February 1944

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ENGLAND.

Dear Sister & Brother,

Hello kids. Hope you are well and happy. I am fine and am eating well so am enjoying life. I always did enjoy good food and we are certainly getting some here. We are getting the best prepared Army chow that I have eaten. So long as this keeps up I will gain weight I am sure.

We are living in tents at present with four or five men in a tent. We have access to a day room, a PX, and showers with hot water. So, we have good living conditions even though we sleep in tents.

At night we have to keep a fire in the tent stove, and when we go to bed we use all of our blankets as it has been quite cold at night.

We had a nice interesting ocean voyage even though we were quite crowded on board ship. It was all so new and interesting that we didn't mind it much once the seasickness wore off. I was really sick one day and quite sick another day but after that everything was fine.

What I have seen of England so far fascinates me and makes me want to see more and learn more about the country and the people. I'll write more later. Please write and give me all the news. Don't wait for an answer from me before writing again, either, but write as often as you can & I will answer your letters as fast as I get them.  
Write soon.  
love, Clifton

V...-MAIL