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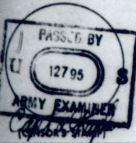
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FROM

Mrs. A. C. De Vault, Jr  
1033 - West - Glendale -  
Glendale - 2 -  
Calif.

Cpl. F. De Vault, Jr  
Med Det. 109th Inf  
A.P.O. 28, P.O. Box 116  
Znt. M.A. 4 - 45 -



SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

(Sender's complete address above)

Dear Art + Joe. Germany  
Well Im in a nice warm comfortable  
room. Was a lovely home here. Nice  
lounge for us G.I's - Radio - Magazine  
Card table - seems a far cry from  
4 foot Fox hole with 4 inches of cold  
water in the Hurtgen Forest. Im  
Clean - New clothes - shoes - warm,  
well fed & home sick for the States.  
Haha - Our officers are very good to  
us. There is so much difference between  
Medical Officers & Line Company officers.  
Medical Officers are primarily Doctors &  
Secondarily Soldiers: There is a lot of difference.  
We are having a small quiet party tonight -  
Sgt. Isenhour has issued 1 bottle of  
Champagne for every 4 G.I's - To be drunk  
as a toast to our crossing of the Rhine  
River - That was an experience - Just  
heard a news flash. All German Armies in  
Italy have surrendered. That's good!  
Bye now - Love Franz.

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

REPLY BY V...-MAIL

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT FORM NO. 1

[[Nick Dante 8/17/16]]

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Mrs. H.C. DeVault  
1033-West-Glenoaks-  
Glendale -2-  
Calif.

Cpl. DeVault. 39240112  
Med. Det. 109<sup>th</sup> Int.  
A.P.O. 28 c/o P.M. NYC N.Y.  
2nd MAY - 45 --

Germany

Dear Aunt Isa.

Well Im in a new warm comfortable  
room - Weve a lovely home here. Nice  
lounge for us GIs- radio - magazine -  
card table - [[sure is?]] a far cry from  
4 foot fox hole with 4 inches of cold  
water in the Hurtgen Forest. Im  
clean - new clothes- shaved - warm,  
well fed + hom sick for the States.  
Ha Ha - Our officers are very good to  
us. Theres so much difference between  
Medical Officers + Line Company officers.  
Medical officers are primarily Doctors +  
secondary soldiers - Theres a lot of difference.  
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Gen. Eisenhower has issued 1 Bottle of  
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BYE Now - Love Franz!