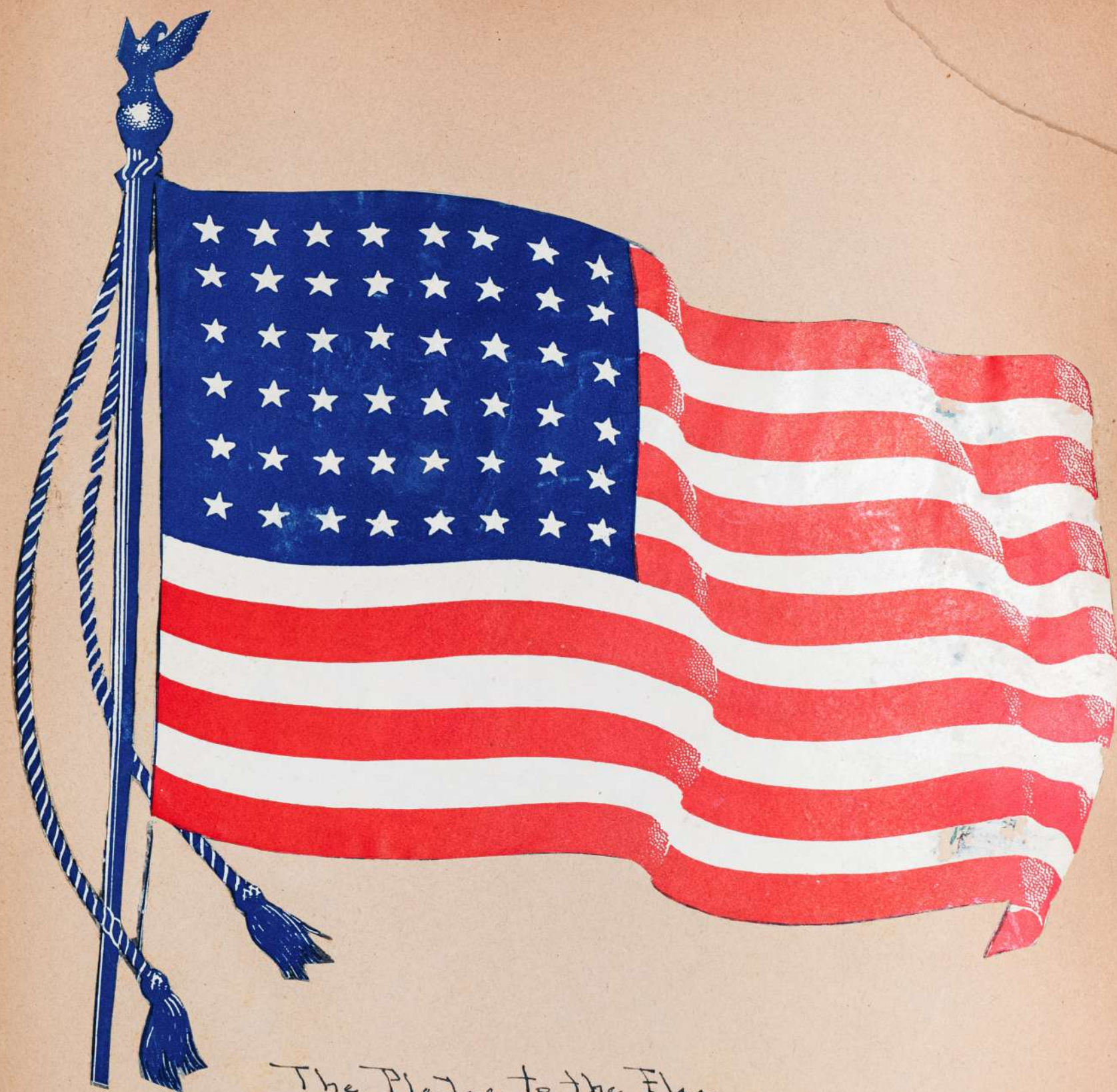


Scrap Book



The Pledge to the Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the
United States of America and to the
Republic for which it stands - one
nation, indivisible, with liberty and
justice for all.

CHARLES H. COOLIDGE

Born August 4, 1921

Signal Mountain Tenn.

Was inducted into the service at
Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. June 15, 1942

Arrived at Fort McClellan, Ala. July 9, 1942

COMPANY D, 10TH INF BN, BIRTC		July 9, 1942
(Center or organization)		(Date)
FORT MCLELLAN, ALA.		
(Post, camp, or station)		
This is to advise you that the person named below arrived this station		July 9, 1942
		(Date)
Mail should be addressed to him exactly as follows:		
PVT.	CHARLES H. COOLIDGE	
(Grade)	(Name)	(Army Serial No.)
COMPANY D, 10TH INF BN, 3RD REGT, B.I.R.T.C., FORT MCLELLAN, ALA.		
(Organization)	(Name of P. O. or A. P. O. No.)	
This card will be made out and mailed by—		
1. Reception center for each enlisted man retained at reception center more than 4 days.		
2. Replacement training center for each enlisted man within 24 hours of his arrival and assignment to organization thereat.		
3. Organization other than at a replacement training center for each enlisted man within 24 hours of his arrival thereat.		
W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 203 October 1, 1941		
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My family visited me nearly every Sunday while
at Fort McClellan—Frances accompanied them
nearly every week. Enjoyed their visits very much.

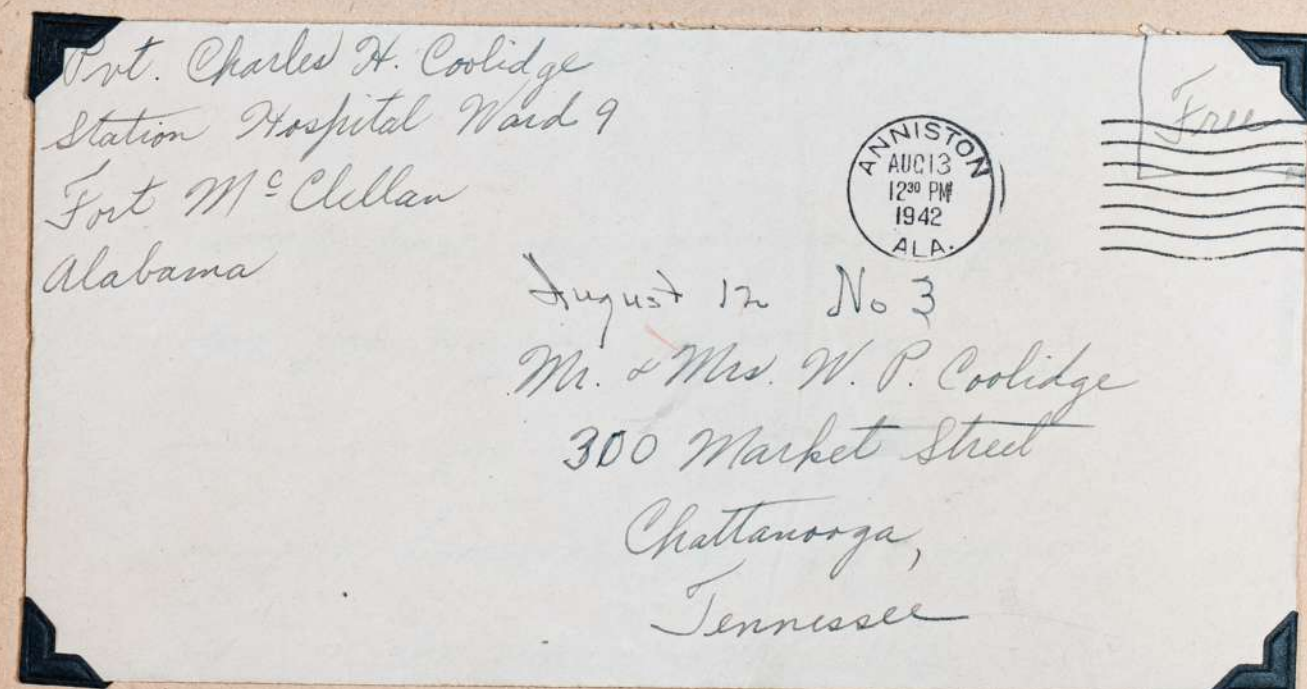
During my basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala.
was injured in the thigh by a bayonet wound
and was in the hospital until August 22.



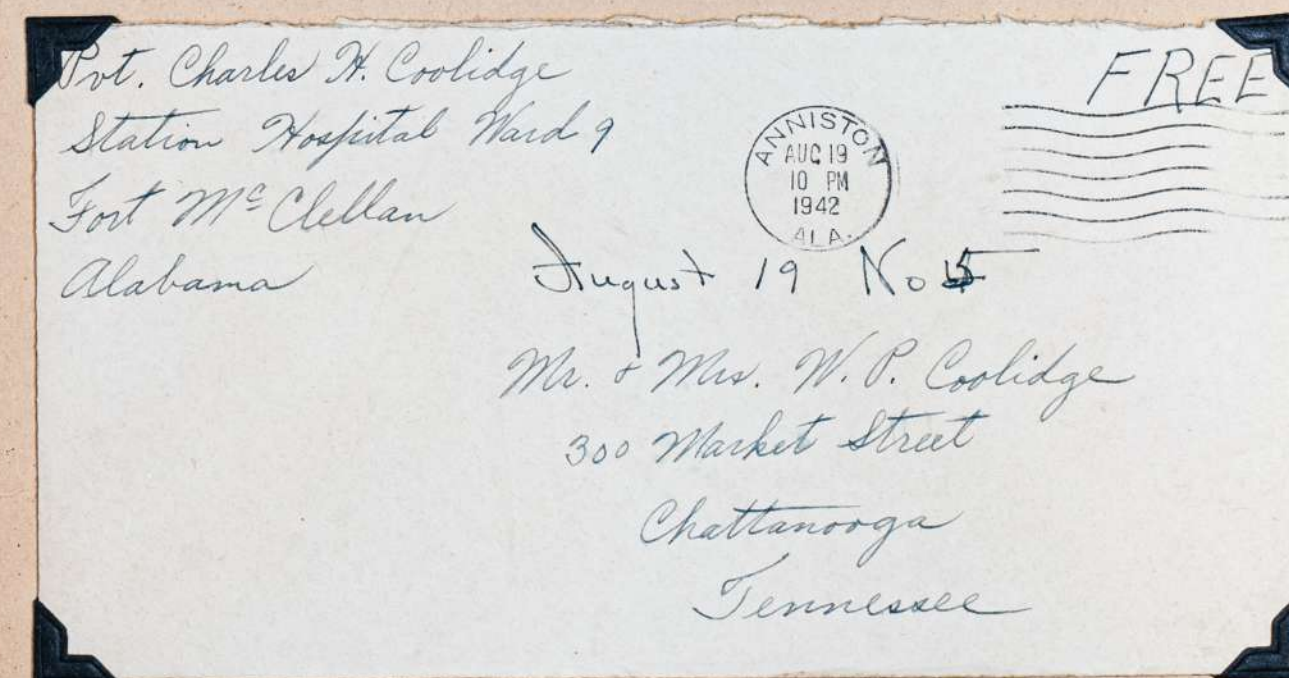
The first week of my serious illness mother came
down and spent a few days with me.

On my birthday August 4 while still in the hospital
the family and Francis came down and brought
some gifts and a decorated birthday cake baked
by mother.

Letters written when in the hospital



Letters written when in the hospital



Back in training - Well again



Pictures taken one
Sunday afternoon
after being dismissed
from the hospital



Still in basic training

Prvt. Charles H. Coolidge
Co. D 10th Training Battalion
1st Platoon B. I. A. T. C
Fort M^c Clellan
Alabama



August 26-

Mr. + Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Prvt. Charles H. Coolidge
Co. D 10th Battalion
1st Regiment 1st Platoon
Fort M^c Clellan, Alabama
U. S. Army



Sept 2-

Mr. + Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Hard at work. Feeling fine

Priv. Charles H. Coolidge
Co. D. 10th Battalion
3rd Regiment 1st Platoon
Fort M^cClellan
Alabama



Free

Sept 6 -

Mr. & Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tenn

Priv. Charles H. Coolidge
Co. D. 10th Battalion 3rd Regiment
1st Platoon Fort M^cClellan
Alabama
U. S. Army

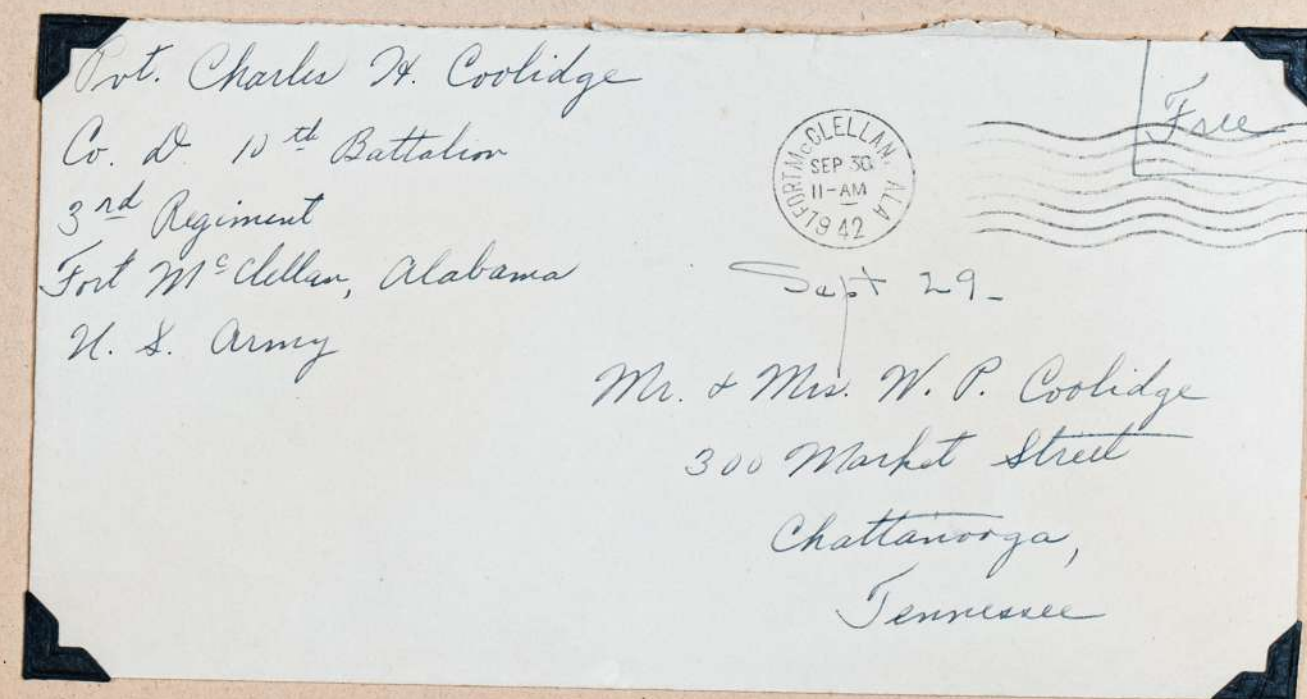


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Sept 15

Mr & Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga,
Tennessee

Expecting to be sent to another Camp.





Pictures taken
just before
departing for
Camp Butler
North Carolina



Family and Frances visited me the last night
I was at Fort McClellan, Alabama



Getting adjusted to surroundings at Camp Butner

Pvt. Charles H. Coolidge
Hq. Co. 1st Battalion 310th Inf.
Camp Butner, N. C.
U. S. Army



FREE

Nov 13

Mr. & Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Pvt. Charles H. Coolidge
Hq. Co. 1st Battalion 310th Inf.
Camp Butner, N. C.
U. S. Army



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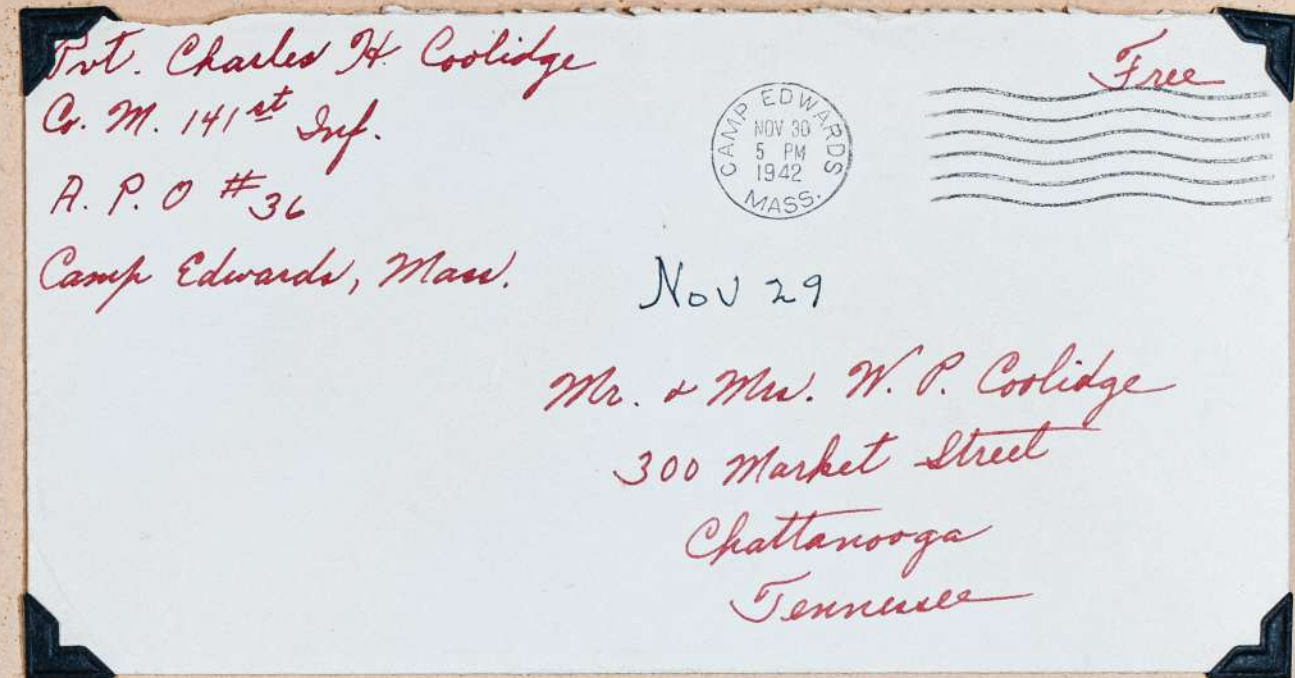
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Nov 15

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga,
Tennessee

Telephoned from Camp Butner, N.C. Nov. 16
was leaving for Camp Edwards, Mass.

Now stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass.



Telephoned Nov. 30 was coming home on furlough.
Arrived home Dec. 1 and left the morning
of Dec 13.

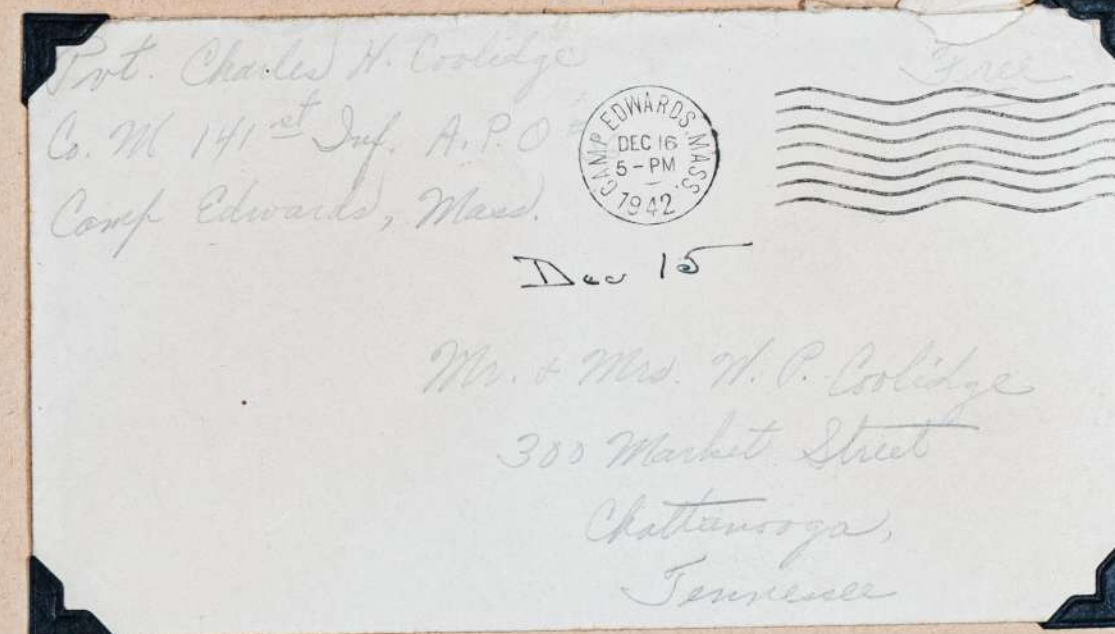
We entertained with a Christmas dinner before he
left having as our guests Ned, Evelyn^{and} Frances.

Gave Charles his Christmas gifts at that time.

He thoroughly enjoyed his time at home.

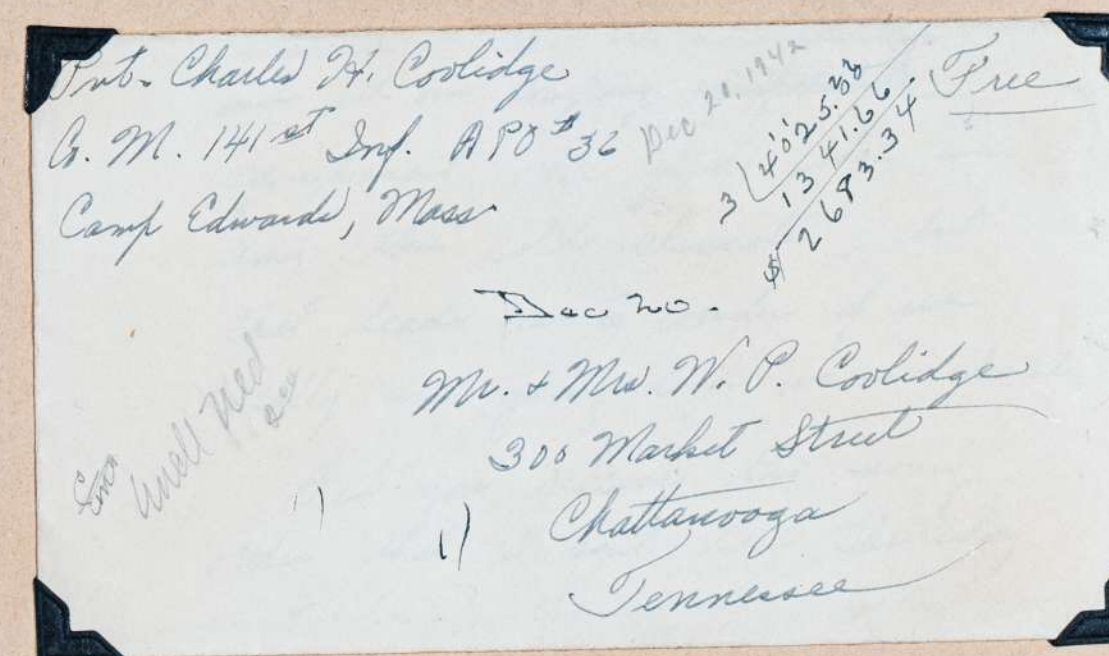
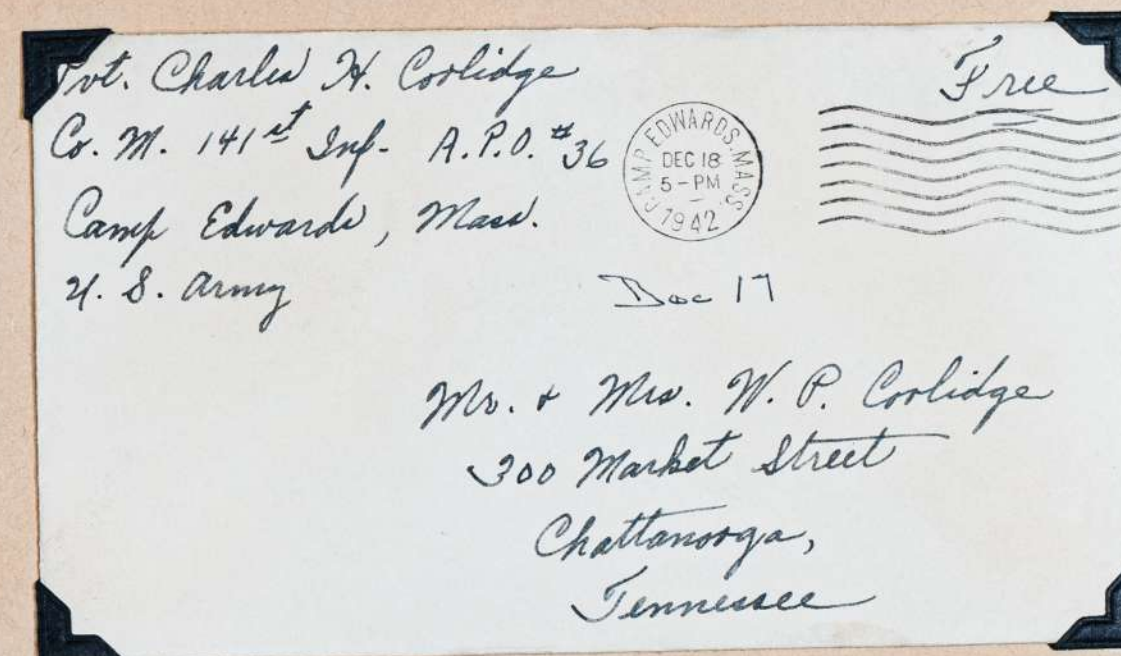
The family were delighted to see him again.

Arrived back at Camp Edwards safely Dec 14.



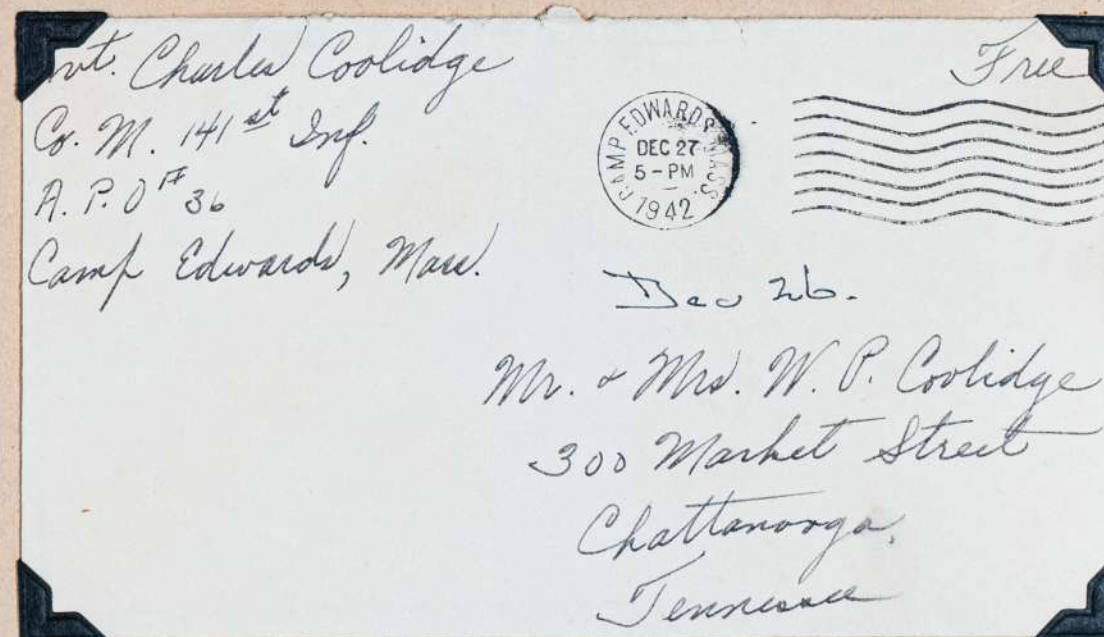
Not much training on account of heavy
snows and cold weather. 4° below zero.

Experiencing genuine New England weather at Camp.

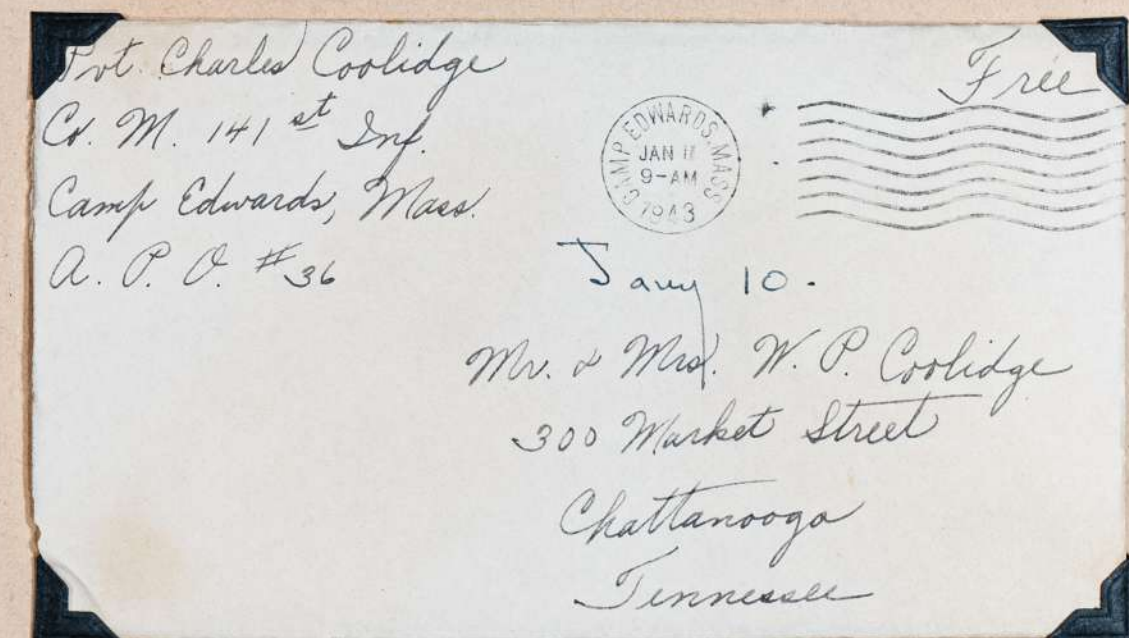


Eagerly awaiting Christmas Day with
remembrances from love ones and friends.

The yuletide season brought messages of love ^{and} cheer



Holidays are over and back to hard work again



Weather continues cold and still training for overseas duty

Post. Charles Coolidge
Co. M. 141st Inf.
A. P. O. #36
Camp Edwards, Mass.

Free

Jany 20

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Post. Charles Coolidge
Co. M. 141st Inf.
A. P. O. #36
Camp Edwards, Mass.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

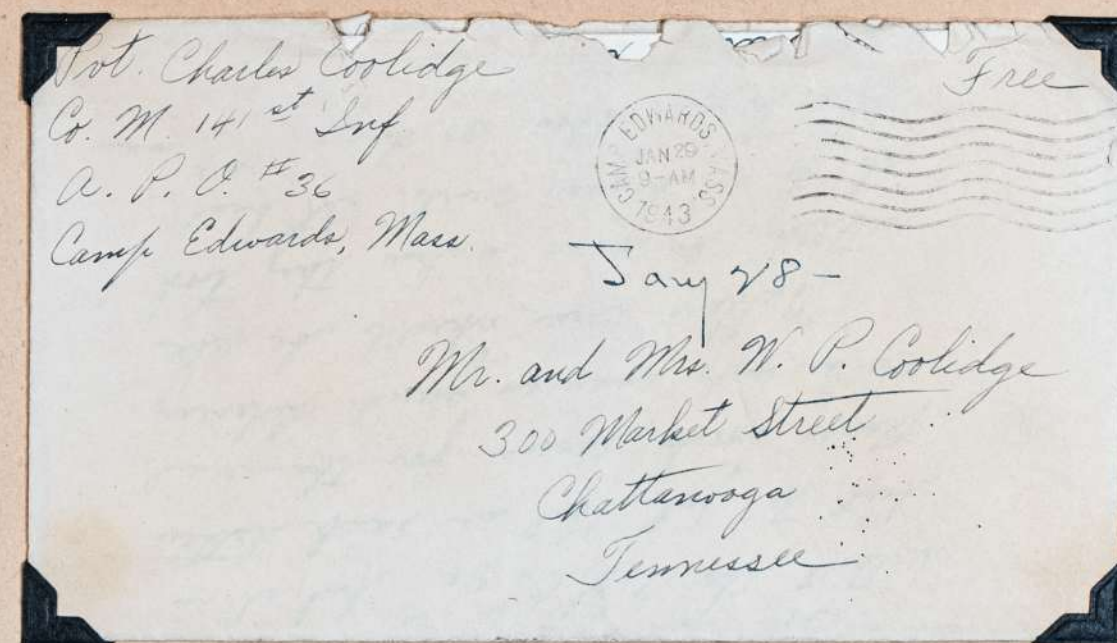
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Camp Edwards, Mass.

Free

Jany 26-

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Enjoy receiving letters and packages from home



Same old story over and over - Training for Service

Post. Charles Coolidge
Co. M. 141st Inf.
A. P. O. #36
Camp Edwards, Mass.

CAMP EDWARDS MASS
FEB 8
5-PM
1943

Free

Feb 8 -
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Charles Coolidge
Co. M. 141st Inf.
Camp Edwards, Mass.
A. P. O. #36

CAMP EDWARDS MASS
FEB 15
5-PM
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Feb 14 -
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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A. P. O. #36

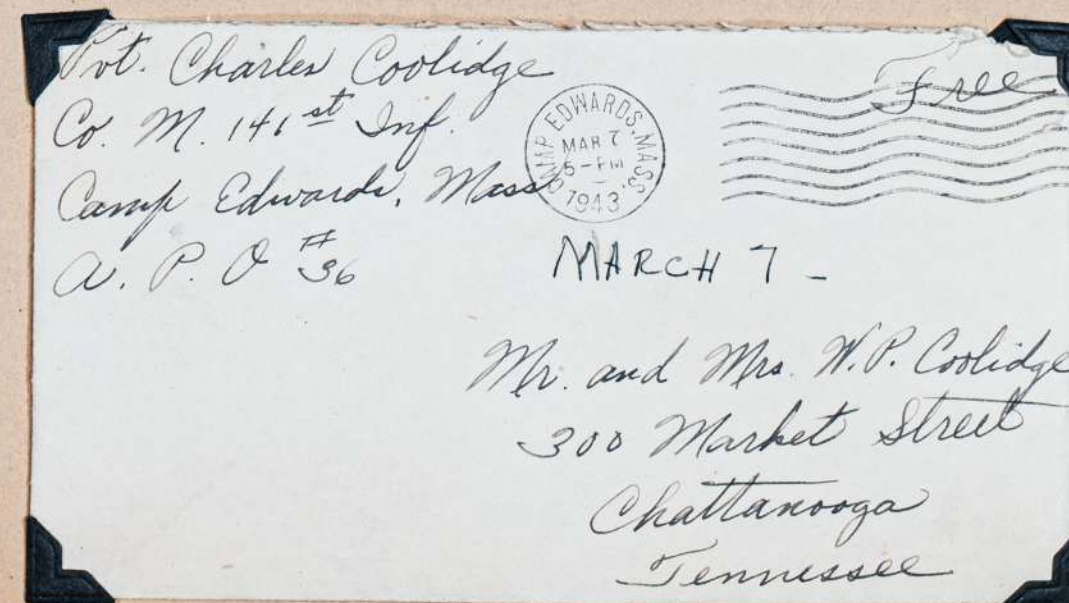
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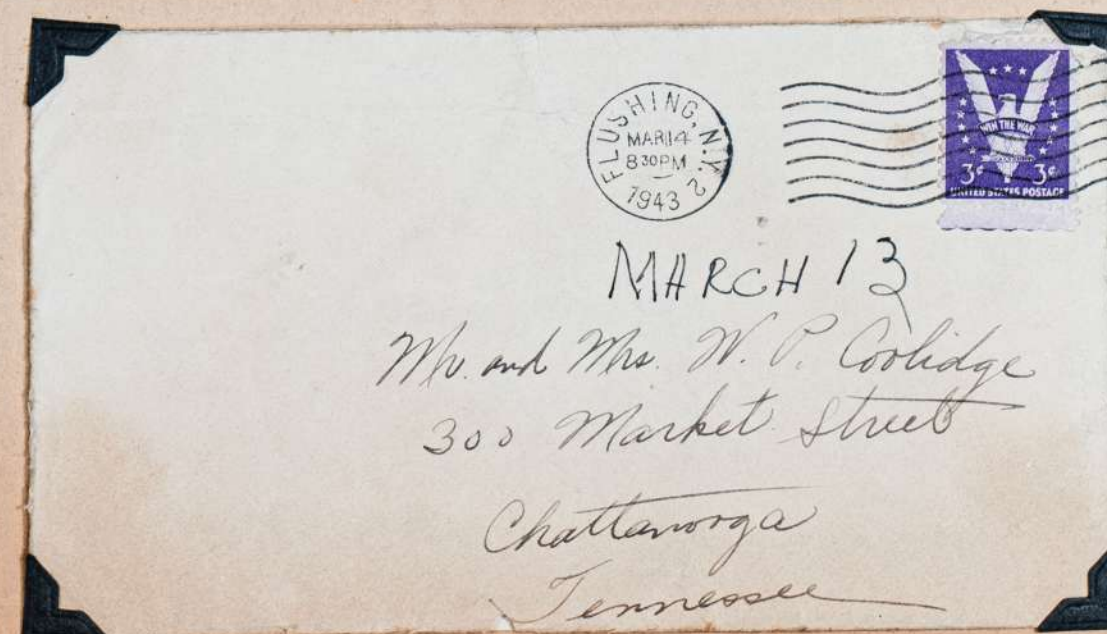
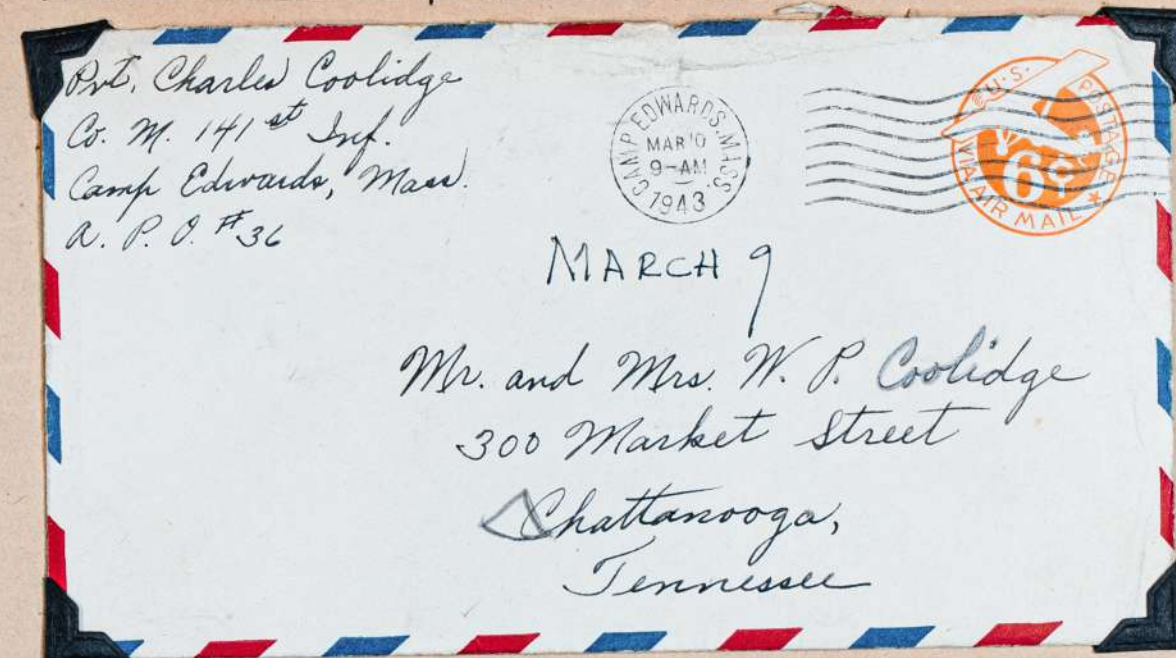
Feb 16 -
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Mrs. Woodworth

Looks like training is heading up for over-seas duty



Getting ready to go overseas. Returning chevrons



Telephoned March 23, 1943 was leaving for foreign duty

In The Service Of Our Country
- MARCH 22, 1943 -
Charles H. Coolidge
In Honor of this name a Star has been
placed upon the Service Flag of the
Second Presbyterian Church.
Committee: Mrs. Dana Mighton
Mrs. Maud Thomas
Mrs. F. W. Meacham
Mrs. W. H. Norvell

Card from U.S. Government reports safe arrival overseas

Please address me as shown below until otherwise advised:

TYPE or PRINT	Pvt	Charles	H.	Coolidge	34286521
	(Grade)	(First name)	(Initial)	(Last name)	(Army serial number)
				Co "M"	
				(Company, battery, etc.)	
				141st Infantry	
				(Regiment or other organization)	
				3842	
				APO No.	
				c/o POSTMASTER	
				N W YORK NY	
				The above complete address should be placed on all mail sent to me.	
				My cable address is	
				NORMAL SIGNATURE	<i>Charles H. Coolidge</i>
				The APO number, city, State, and cable address will be inserted by the post postal officer; the remainder of the card will be completed by individual concerned or designated person.	

W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 206 (January 23, 1943) 16-32929-1 GPO

First letter written Easter Sunday somewhere in North Africa

Post. Charles H. Coolidge 34286521
A.O. #36
c/o Postmaster New York, New York

Free
See Instruction No. 5

V... MAIL

Easter Sunday 1943 - in N. Africa

PASSED BY
U 10713 S
ARMY EXAMINER

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Archibald & Thomas
2nd Lt. Inf

Letters help keep up spirits now P.F.C.

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NEW YORK
MAY 20
2-PM

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Mail May 9 - 5/9/43

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
CHATTANOOGA
Tennessee
U.S.A.

SECRET
RECEIVED
C. H. Coolidge
May 9 1943

Dearest Mother and Dad:

WAR & NAVY
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NEW YORK
MAY 20
11:30 PM

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May 10 - 5/10/43

To Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee
U.S.A.

RECEIVED
P.F.C. Coolidge
May 10 1943

F.C. Charles Coolidge 34286521
Co. M. 141st Inf. A.P.O.#36
c/o Postmaster - New York, N.Y.

May 16

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee
U. S. A.

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J 10719 S
ARMY EXAMINER

Air Mail 6 MAIL
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Postmark: New York, May 16, 1947

Inde. 71 May 17-1947

P.F.C. Charles H. Coolidge 34286521
Co. M. 141st Inf. A.P.O. #36
40 Postmaster New York, N. Y.

war Dept back
A.P.O. 36

Lawrence
May 26.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge 5/26/49
360 Market Street
Chattanooga,
Tennessee
N. S. A.

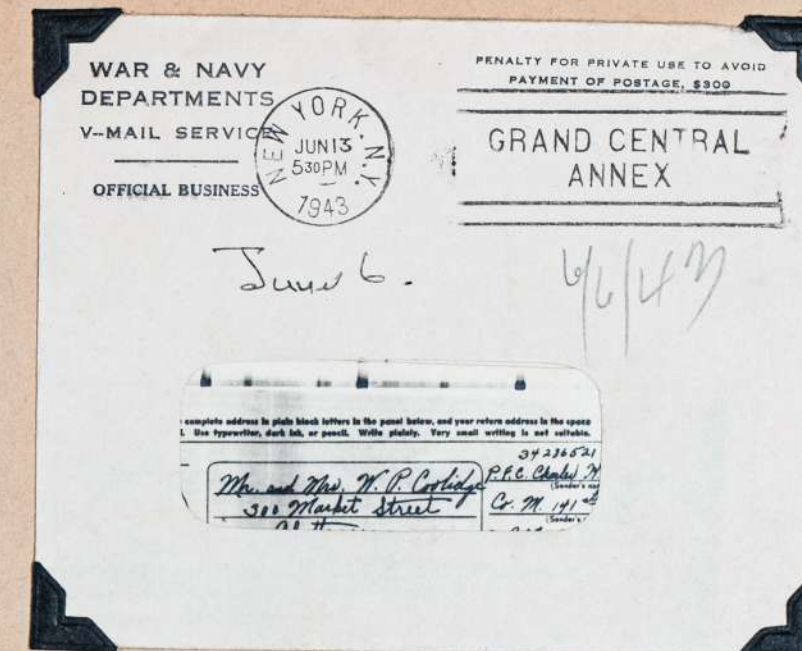
U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE
36 MAY 28 1943
A.P.O.

U.S. ARMY
POSTAL SERVICE

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ARMY EXAMINER

W. P. Coolidge, N. Y.

Now allowed to mention some places visited in Africa



Year ago today was my last day as a civilian June 14, 1943

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June 14

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee
U. S. A.

PFC. Charles
C. M. 141st
% Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

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V-MAIL SERVICE JUN 26 11-PM
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June 17

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee
U. S. A.

PFC. Charles
C. M. 141st
% Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

PFC. Charles Coolidge 3428621
C. M. 141st Inf. A. P. O. #3
% Postmaster New York, N. Y.

Free

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No. 5

ARMY POSTAL SERVICE
36
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23
1943
U. S. A.

V...- MAIL

Watch

June 20

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee
U. S. A.

PASSED BY
U 107-9 S

Quoted from
Fred L. ...

Report Sicily invaded yesterday June 10 1943

P.O. Charles Coolidge 34286521
Ct. M 141 1st Ind. P.O. # 3
% Postmaster New York, N.Y.

U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE
36 JUL 3 1943
P.O.

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See Instructions

V...- MAIL
June 30.

Mr and Mrs W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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U 10719 S
ARMY EXAMINER
Archibald E. Hume
2nd Lt. Inf

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July 7.

Mr and Mrs W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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July 11-

Mr W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Will be unable to write for some time, but will as soon as possible

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7-PM
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July 24. 7/24/47

Post the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below.
Printed. Not typewritten, and not in pencil. Write plainly.

PAID BY
107/3
Y. EXAMINER
RECEIVED

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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1-PM
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Aug. 27, 1947

Post the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below.
Printed. Not typewritten, and not in pencil. Write plainly.

PAID BY
107/3
Y. EXAMINER
RECEIVED

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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9-AM
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August 10. 8/10/47

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Y. EXAMINER
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Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Mr. Charles C.
Co. M. 1947
% Postmaster
August 1

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Aug 21. Aug 21, 1947

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Y. EXAMINER
RECEIVED

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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5:30 PM
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August 15 Aug 15, 1947

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Y. EXAMINER
RECEIVED

Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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Aug. 3/47

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Mrs. W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

In combat - safe and well - Thanks for your prayers

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Sept. 14/47

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
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Oct 11 -

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Oct. 11/47
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OCT 14
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Sept. 28/47

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
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BUY
WAR SAVINGS
BONDS AND STAMPS

Oct. 15/47
Rec'd. Nov. 1/47

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Oct. 15/47
Rec'd. Nov. 1/47

Mr. W. P. Colledge - cookies - jam
V. wafers, jelly - anything

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Oct. 10/47
Rec'd. Oct 29

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
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Oct. 20/47
Nov. 9

Mr. W. P. Colledge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
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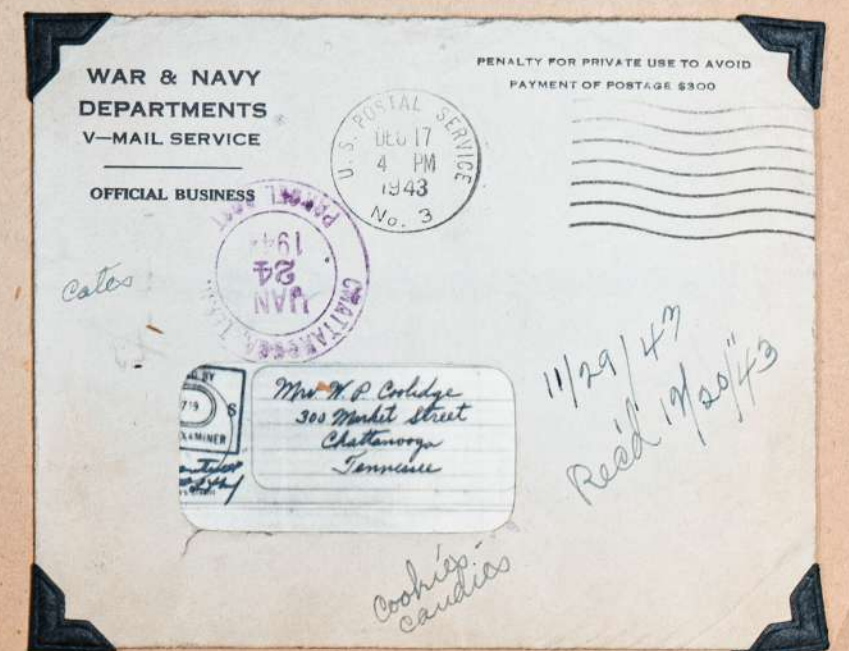
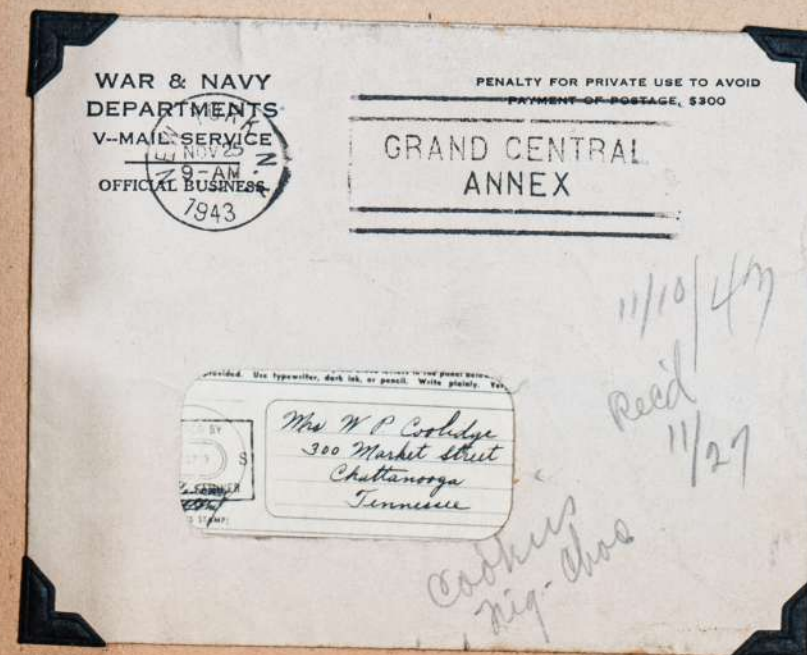
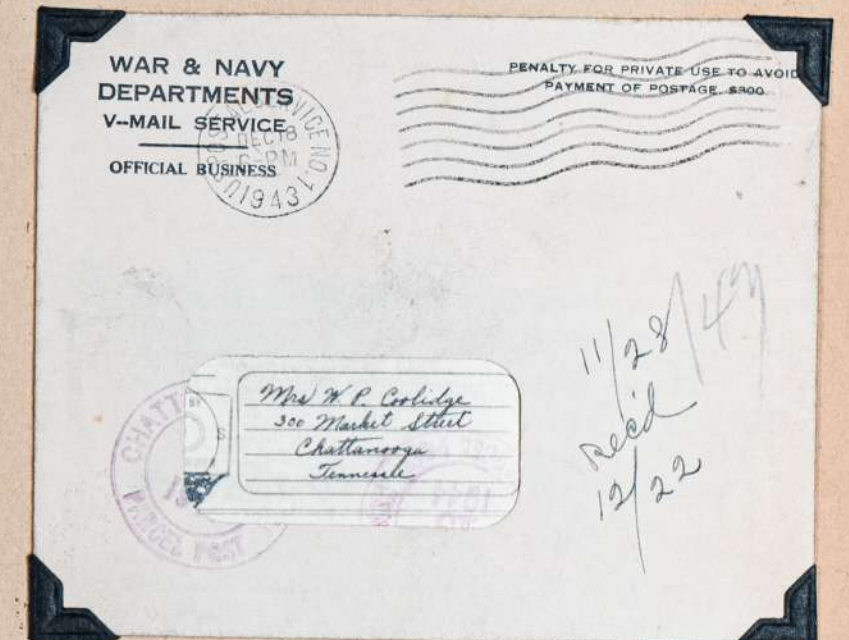
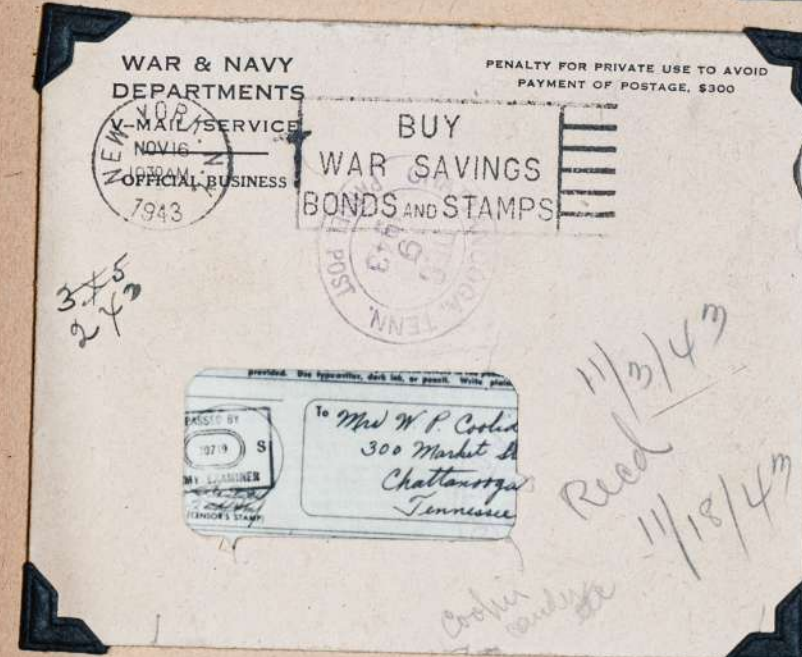
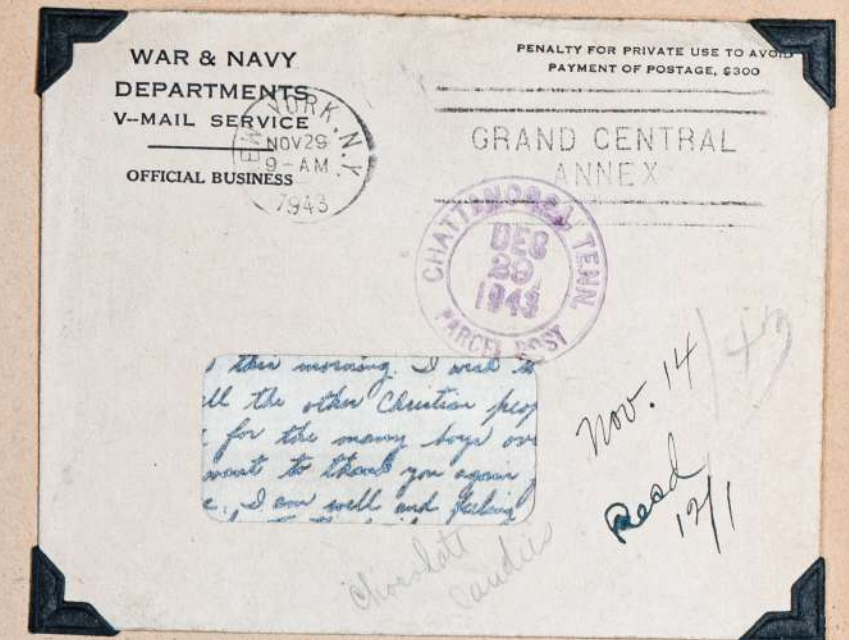
Gods guiding hand has given me new hope and courage

CLASS OF SERVICE		WESTERN UNION		SYMBOLS	
This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable symbol above or preceding the address.		A. N. WILLIAMS PRESIDENT		NEWCOMB CARLTON CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD	
The filing time shows QB95		J. C. WILLEVER FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT		1701	
on telegrams and day letters is STANDARD TIME at point of origin. Time of receipt is STANDARD TIME at point of destination				DL=Day Letter NL=Night Letter LC=Deferred Cable NLT=Cable Night Letter Ship Radiogram	
CDU201 CABLE 41 71 31=AMOBID VIA WU CABLES				043 OCT 19 AM 11 30	
EFM MRS W P COOLIDGE=					
300 MARKET ST CHATTANOOGA TENN=					
BEST WISHES AND GOOD HEALTH-ALL WELL AND SAFE-ALL MY LOVE					
CHARLES COOLIDGE..					
THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE					

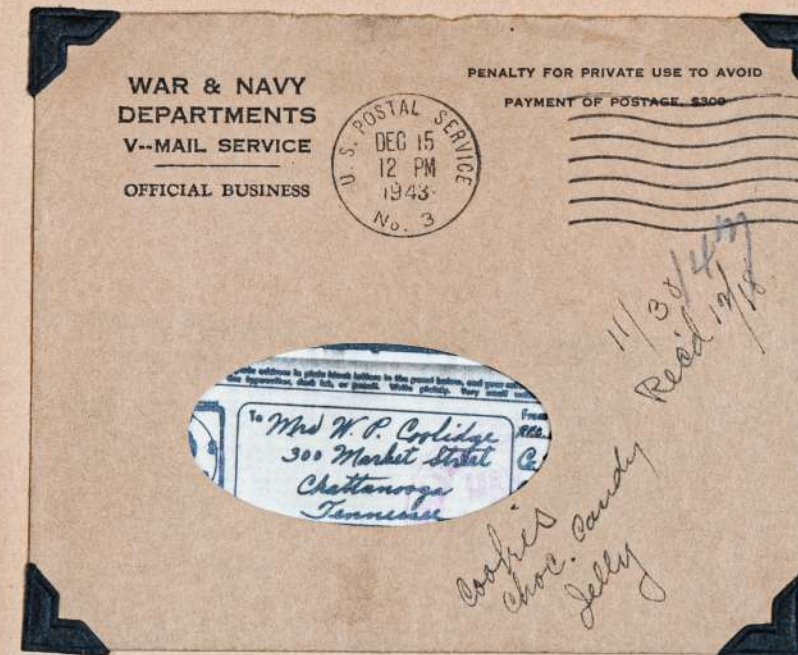
First Allied troops to land in Italy. Took part in the Salerno Beach campaign and helped form that beachhead.

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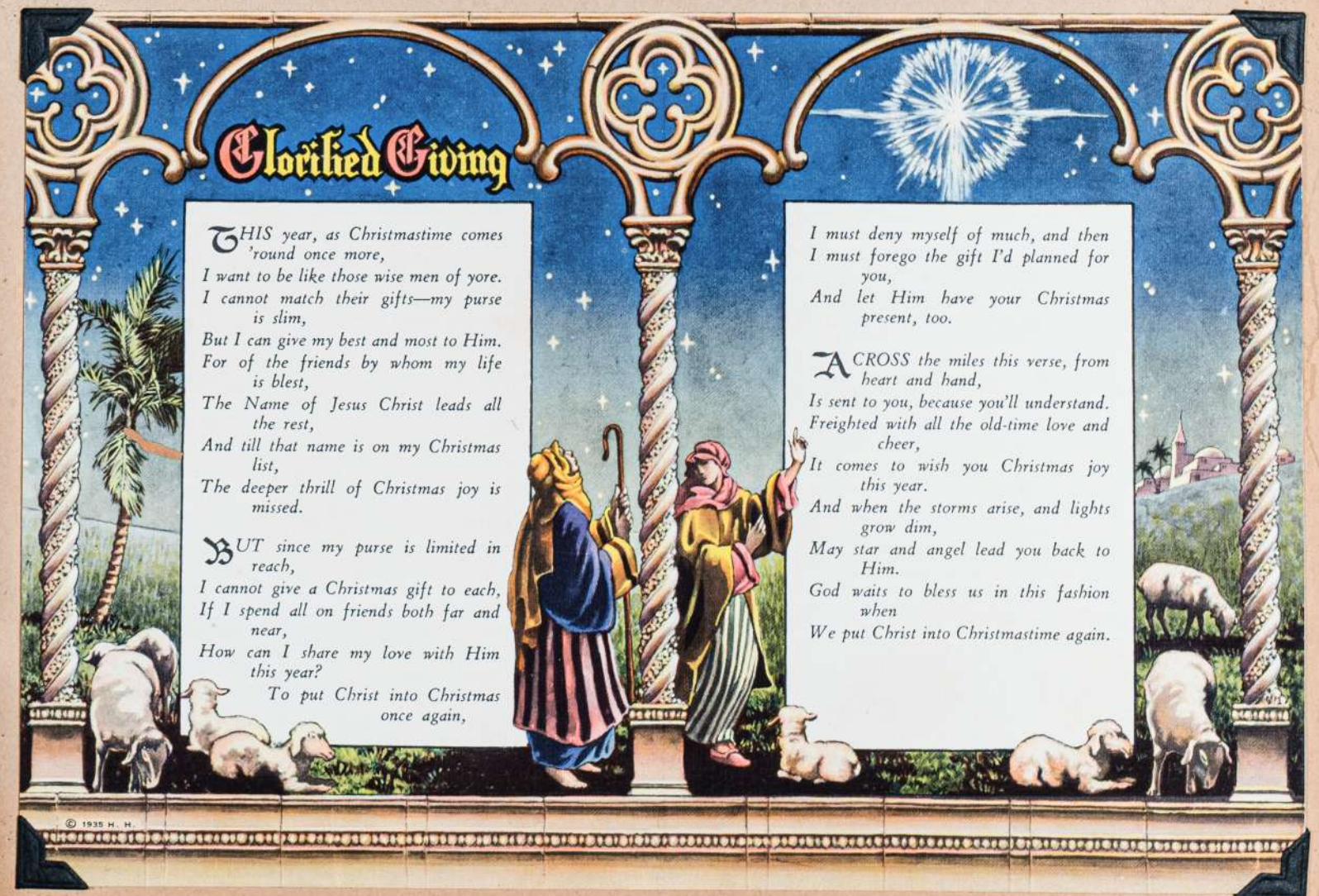
Spent Thanksgiving in a fox hole with mud and water for Company



Christmas packages are coming in regularly - Thanks for gifts



Christmas spent in a fox hole with five and one ration for food



Thank God tonight am alive and have come out of combat
without a scratch - Continue to pray for all of us.

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1/4/44
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1/19

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To Mrs W P Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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To Mrs W P Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

Candice
Coolidge

Have been fighting constantly for the past sixty days

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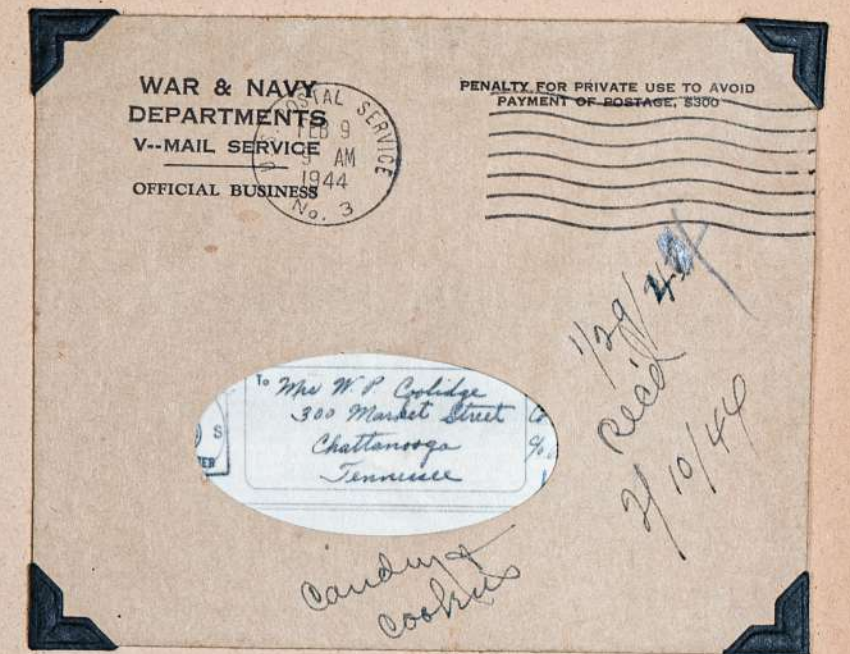
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ALL WELL AND SAFE. BEST WISHES AND GOOD HEALTH. ALL MY LOVE=

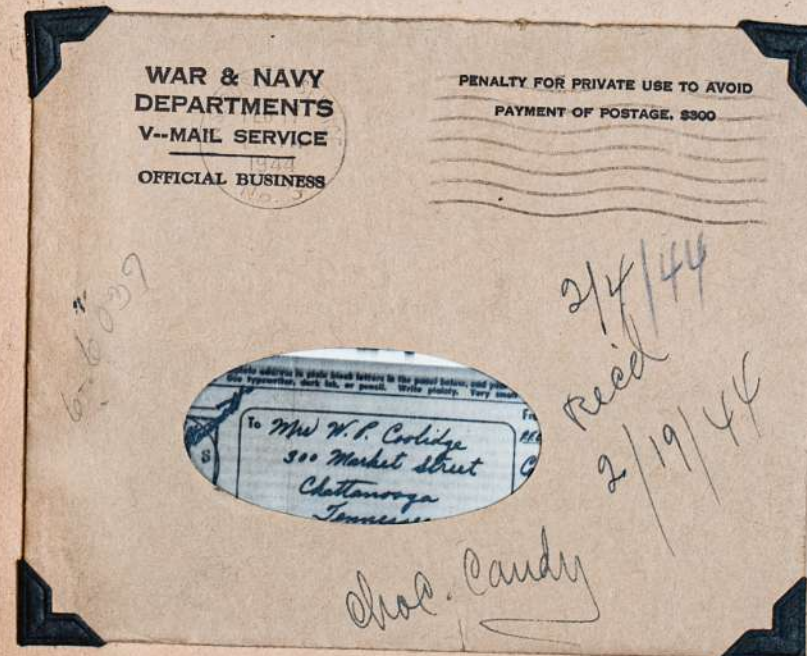
CHARLES COOLIDGE..

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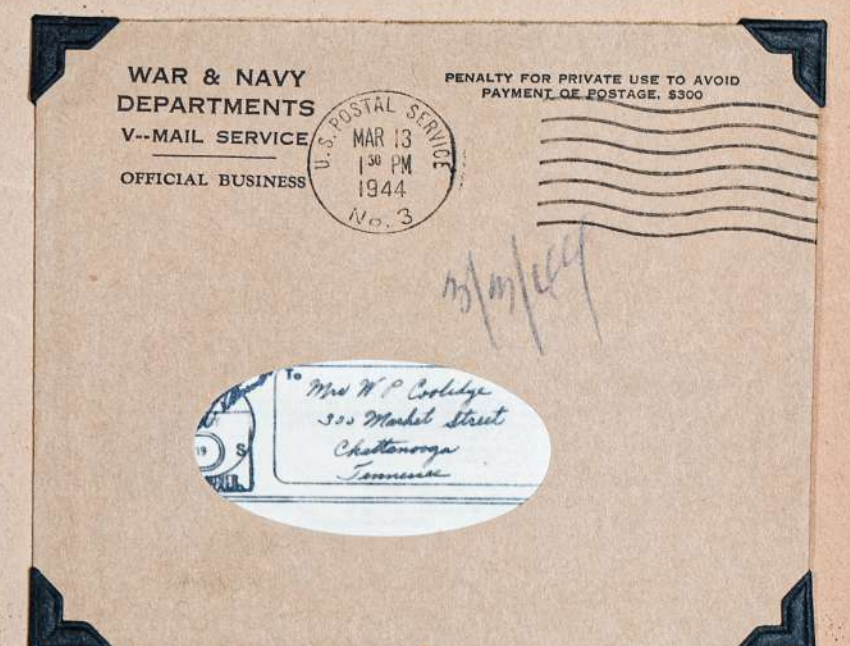
Now at a rest camp for a period of five days



Back into action. Don't worry. God takes care of his own
It gives me great confidence to know my people are praying for me



Poverty and Distraction reign all over Italy



Receiving your packages of Cookies and Gandy

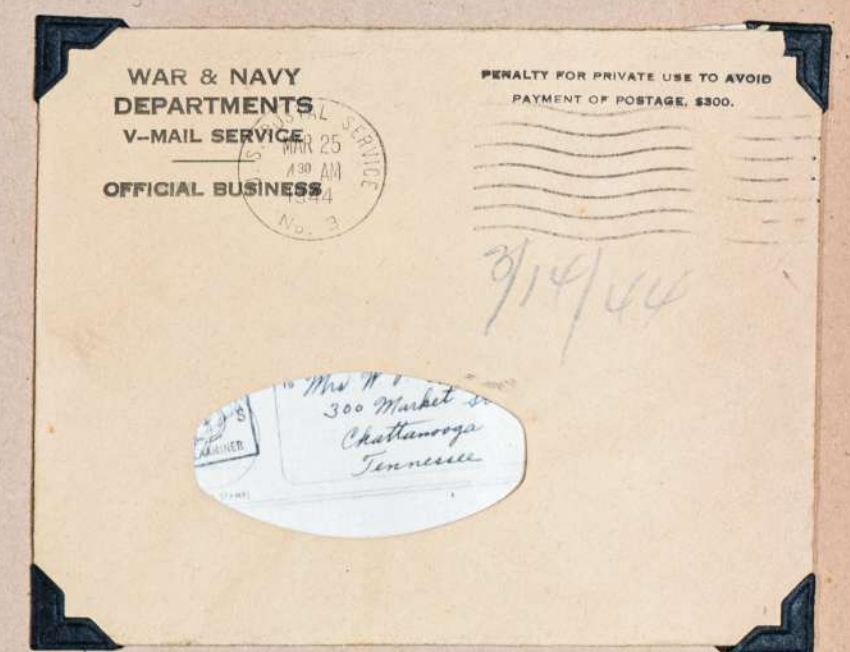
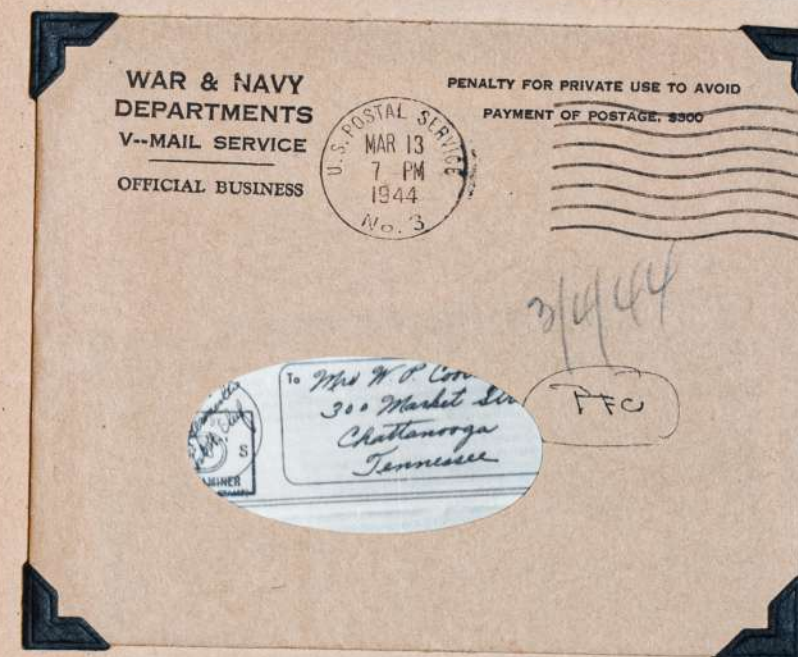
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First Drink of fresh milk since coming overseas

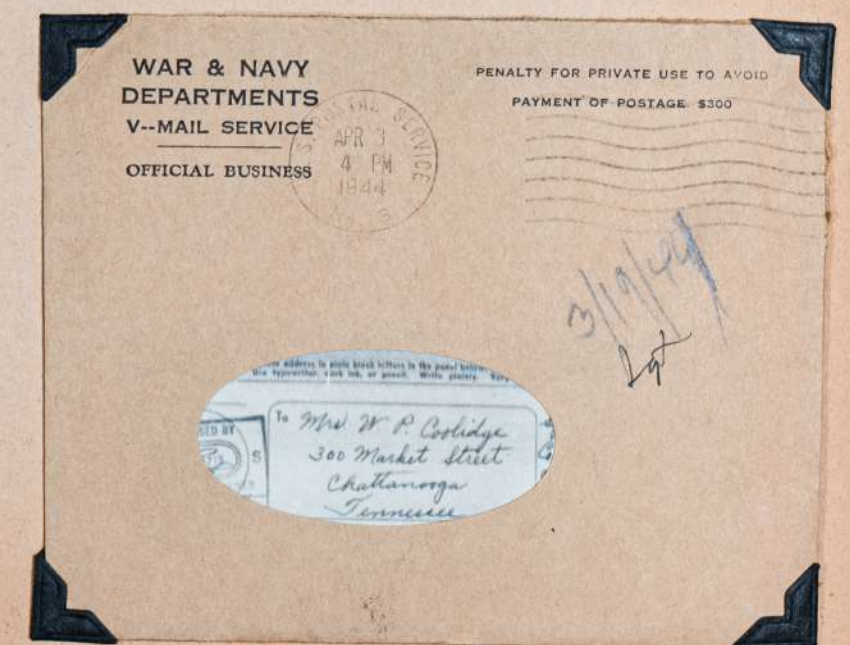
Promoted to Sergeant. Hope to make good

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1944.

Pfc. Charles H. Coolidge, son of Mrs. Grace M. Coolidge, 504 South Carolina Avenue, Signal Mountain, has been promoted to sergeant. He is a squad leader with the 36th "Texas" Division of the Fifth Army in Italy.



Still in a training area and getting along fine!



Birth Day greetings from Charles to Dad

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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS. BEST WISHES AND GOOD HEALTH. ALL WELL AND SAFE

CHARLES COLLIDGE.

300.

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President Roosevelt gave the third battalion of which I am a member a citation for our heroic fight at Salerno

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4/9/44

Mrs W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

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Birh Jay greetings from Charles to mother

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EFM MRS W P COOLIDGE=

300 MARKET ST CHATTANOOGA TENN=

LOVING BIRTHDAY GREETINGS. ALL WELL AND SAFE. ALL MY LOVE.

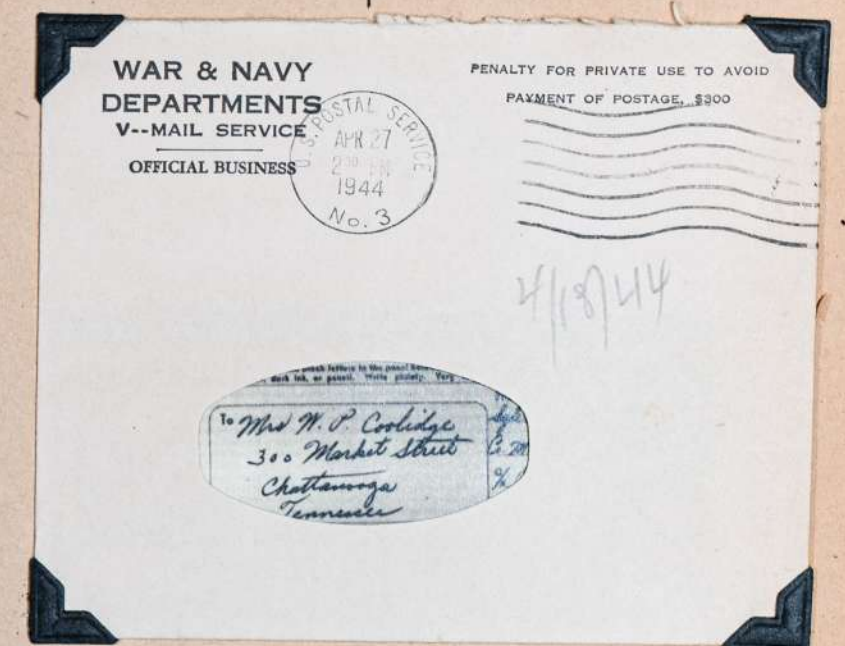
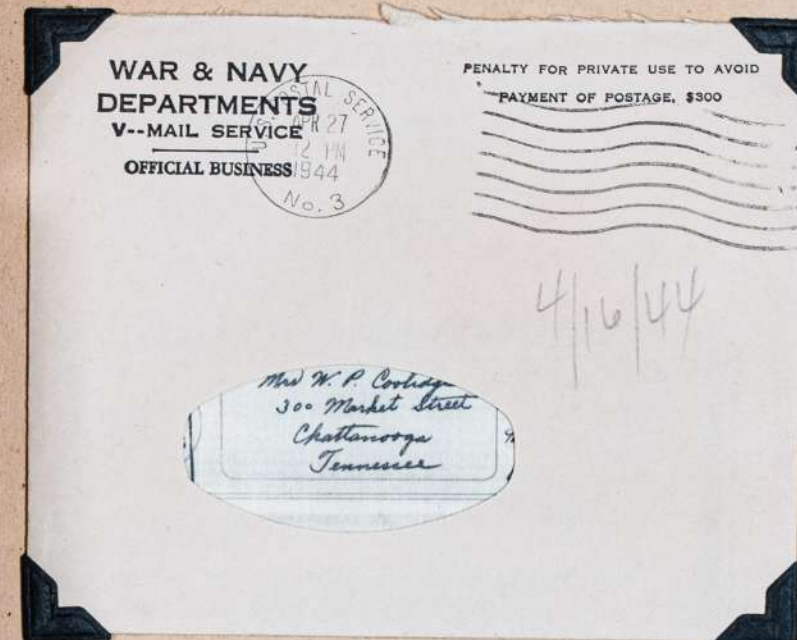
CHARLES H COOLIDGE..

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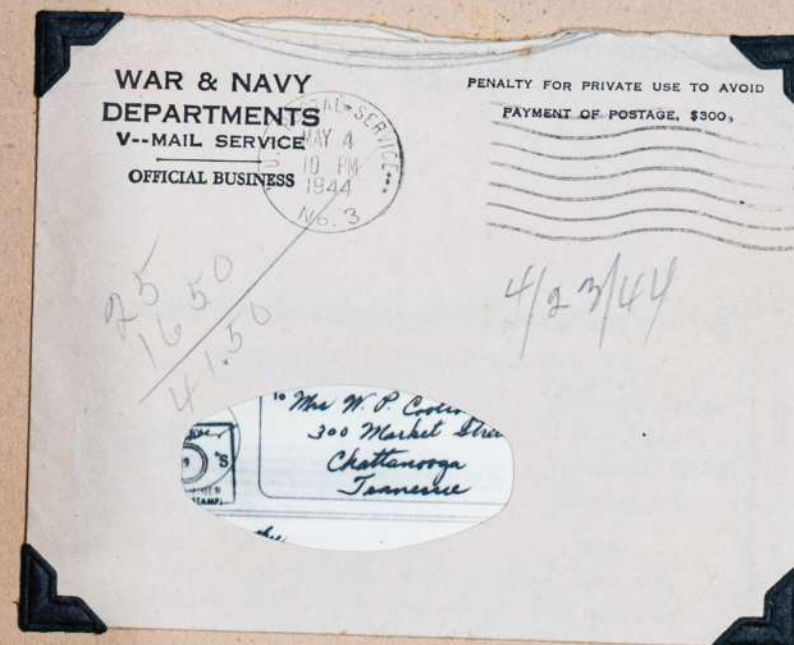
Mother Day greetings from your son Charles

TO MOTHER	
From the land of sunny Italy. I send this greeting to. The one and only mother. A pal so good an true. ***** Although this day is glorified. Throughout our native land. My thoughts are constantly with you. While i am serving uncle sam. GOD BLESS YOU. Your son Charles	

Received a lovely letter from Aunt Pearl
She seems always to send me a letter when my morale is low



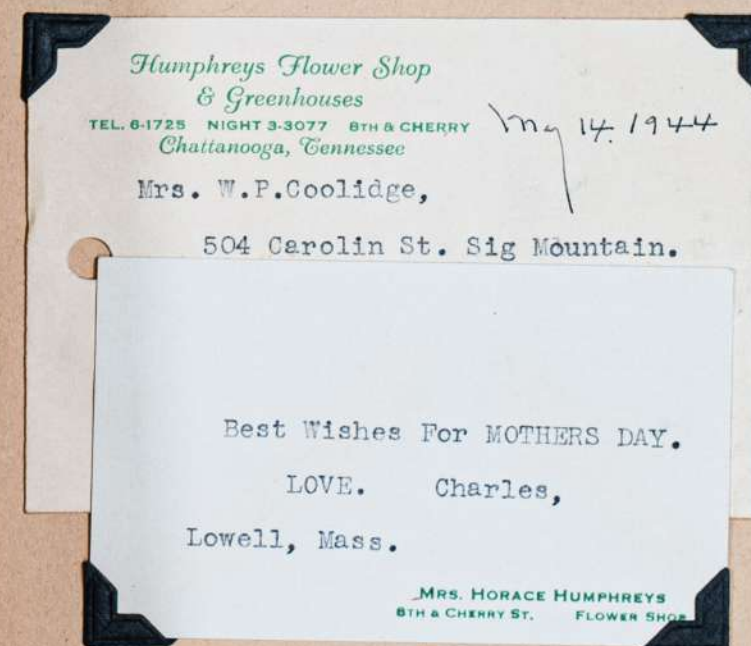
On account of warm weather discontinue sending packages



Back in combat - Continue to pray for us



Ordered to start on another Drive



Pictures taken on my visit to Naples Italy



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Citation received while in Italy

HEADQUARTERS 36TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO #36, U.S. Army

16 June 1944

MEN OF THE 36TH INFANTRY (TEXAS) DIVISION

It is with great pride that I congratulate you on your magnificent achievements in battle to date.

Nine months ago you landed on the hostile beaches of PAESTUM, the van-guard of your country's Army, to crash the gates of Hitler's European Fortress. In that, your first action of the war, fighting courageously against well-trained enemy forces of long combat experience, you established the first American beachhead on the European Continent, the first to be established anywhere by Americans against German opposition.

For this achievement alone, you have a right to feel justly proud.

Later on, while subject to hardships that have never been exceeded by any troops anywhere, you drove the enemy from his well-organized, stoutly defended positions in the hill masses of CAMINO and SUMMUCRO; from MT. MAGGIORE, MT. LUNGO, MT. ROTUNDO and SAN PIETRO. You punished him severely. His losses in men and material were great. Throughout this period of bitter winter weather, under the most adverse conditions of climate and terrain, you maintained a cheerfulness and enthusiasm far superior to that of your enemy.

Then came your gallant effort on the RAPIDO. Let us bow our heads in reverence to the fallen comrades who crossed that bitterly contested stream and put up a great, if losing, fight - as great from the standpoint of sheer gallantry and determination as any recorded in the annals of our Armed Forces.

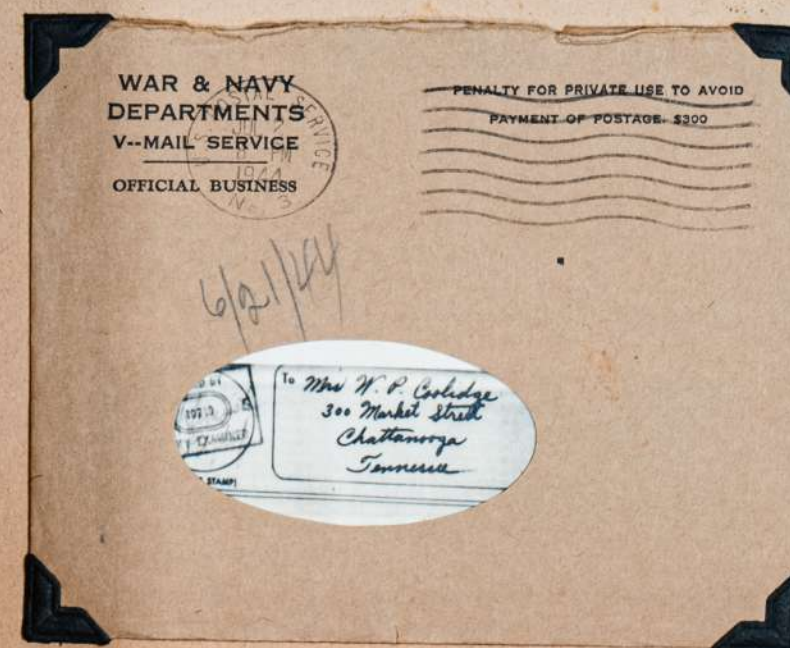
At CASSINO and CASTELLONE RIDGE you were severely tested. You suffered losses, but you captured vital high ground from the strongly entrenched enemy, and held it throughout a month of hard fighting.

After a well-deserved rest you were ordered to attack again - at a critical time and at a critical place near VELLETRI, to break the stronghold of the enemy defenses east of ROME. History will record forever your outstanding success. In a week of brilliant maneuvers and relentless assaults on one position after another, VELLETRI, ROCCA DI PAPA, MARINO and beyond, you killed and captured well over three thousand of the enemy; routed him from his strong, well-organized positions and drove him across the TIBER in disorder.

Your brilliant performance on that famous battlefield was a major contribution in the capture of the first European capital to be recovered from Nazi occupation. For your magnificent accomplishment here, General Marshall sent a personal message of congratulation to you and to me. The German Army is still reeling from your blows. The relentless pressure of your attacks will substantially shorten the duration of the war. Your victorious march through the streets of the cities of your enemy cannot be long delayed.

FRED L. WALKER
Major General, U.S. Army
Commanding

Father Day greetings from your son Charles



Sending a cablegram - Out of combat again.

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C COOLIDGE..							
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Visited Rome and saw all the important places of that Eternal City.

Sgt. Charles Coolidge 34286521
Co. M. 141st Inf. A.P.O. #36
c/o Postmaster N.Y., N.Y.

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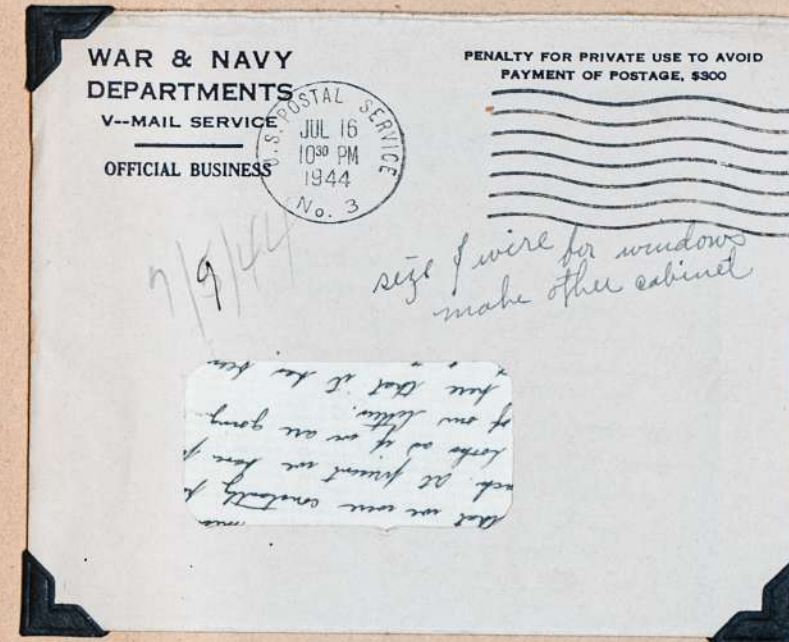
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July 7 - 1944

Mrs W. P. Coolidge
300 Market Street
Chattanooga
Tennessee

U.S. ARMY AIR MAIL

We fought very little in the famous city of Rome.
Many interesting places to visit



Picture
taken
in Rome
1944



Citation of Award of Silver Star

HEADQUARTERS 36TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO #36, U. S. Army

AG 200.6

3 August 1944

SUBJECT: Award of Silver Star.

TO : Sergeant CHARLES H. COOLIDGE, 34286521,
Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment,
APO #36, U. S. Army.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, you are awarded
a Silver Star for gallantry in action.

C I T A T I O N

CHARLES H. COOLIDGE, 34286521, Sergeant, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Coolidge's machine gun section had participated in a forced night march to cut off the enemy garrison in a beleaguered strongpoint. Shortly after daylight the battalion made contact with the enemy and deployed for a fight. Operating in support of a rifle company, the machine gun section received severe sniping and point blank fire from self-propelled guns. When the enemy counterattacked in strength, Sergeant Coolidge and the other members of the machine gun section greeted them with devastating fire and inflicted many casualties. Approximately a company of enemy threatened the left flank. Quickly moving their guns to an exposed position only twenty-five yards from the nearest enemy, Sergeant Coolidge and his companions used a free traverse to place such effective fire on the onrushing foe that those not killed or wounded were panicked into scattered disorganization and made easy to capture. Thus the threat was dispelled largely because of the quick-witted courage of Sergeant Coolidge and his comrades. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the Service from Signal Mountain, Tennessee.

John E. Dahlquist
JOHN E. DAHLQUIST
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding

Training hard - Getting ready to make new landing





